

# Saint Michael

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Bulletin for April 27, 2025

**Saint Michael the Archangel Basilica** 12 Howard Street, Miramichi  
**Saint Michael's by-the-Sea** 7321 NB-117, Miramichi Bay  
**Saint Margaret's Church** 9371 NB-11, Saint Margarets



Painting of the Divine Mercy, by Lydia Paterson, of Holy Redeemer Parish in the Diocese of Saint John

### *Divine Mercy Sunday*

Pope Saint John Paul II dedicated the Second Sunday of Easter as *Divine Mercy Sunday* in the year 2000, upon the canonization of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska. The Divine Mercy Sunday Gospel reading narrates Jesus' Resurrection appearance to the fearful disciples locked in the upper room (John 20:19-31), and then

again eight days later, the second Sunday of Easter. The Gospel relates Jesus' sending the disciples in His peace, empowered by the Holy Spirit. Jesus entrusted to them the gift of forgiving sins, a gift flowing from His wounds, His pierced side, His Sacred Heart, in a wave of mercy poured out over all humanity (John Paul II, Divine Mercy Sunday Homily, 2001). Sister Faustina was granted a vision of two rays of light coming from Jesus' Sacred Heart, one representing the blood of Christ's Paschal sacrifice and the mystery of the Eucharist, and the second representing the water of Baptism with the gift of the Holy Spirit (John 3: 5; 4: 14). "*Jesus, I trust in you*" is the accompanying prayer of devotion to Christ our merciful Redeemer.

**Pope Francis'** episcopal motto was "Having mercy, He called him."

From his final Easter Sunday 2025 address, Pope Francis explained that in Christ's passion and death, the infinite Mercy of God has defeated all the evil in this world, which is why we can joyfully cry out, "Christ, my hope, has risen!" See Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC's letter on the passing of Pope Francis, and our parish prayer service listed in the weekly Masses and news. *Requiem aeternam dona ei, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat ei. Requiescat in pace. Amen.*

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**Lord's Day Mass Times:** St. Michael's Basilica: Saturday 4pm, Sunday 10:30am & 5:30pm  
St Michael's By-the-Sea: Saturday 4pm  
St Margaret's Church: Saturday 6pm

**Daily Mass Times:** St. Michael's Basilica:  
9am Monday - Friday ; 4pm jeudi la Messe française

**Eucharistic Adoration:** 9:30am First Fridays  
**Confessions:** St. Michael's Basilica: 3pm Saturdays

# Weekly Mass and Prayer Intentions

## Saint Michael's Basilica

Saturday April 26	4pm	Edward Keoughan, Dorothy Vautour, Louise Rigley, Ronald Barry, Alan Braid, Janet Awong, Kristen M. Conway, Fr. Leon Creamer, Lorne Reid, Joseph Sweeney, Mary K. Conway, Herbie Hay, Colleen Csunyoscka, Fred, Thea & Harold Kelly, Colleen & Patricia Waley, Martin & Ida Keoughan, Emile & Theresa Aucoin, Cil & George Fraser & d.f.m., Glyn Maude & Ann Absalom & d.f.m., Gerald Glynn & d.f.m., Selime & Bridget Richard & d.f.m., and deceased members of the CWL
<i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i>		
Sunday April 27	10:30am	Marilyn Goguen, William (Billy) Kennedy, Debbie Young & d.f.m., and for a special intention
	5:30pm	Eldon & Judy McGrath
Monday April 28	9am	David Dickson, and Ronald Barry
Tuesday April 29 <i>Memorial - Saint Catherine of Siena</i>	9am	Shirley Buckley, and for a special intention
Wednesday April 30 <i>Memorial - St. Marie de l'Incarnation</i>	9am	Fr. Leon Creamer, and George Hickey & d.f.m.
Pope Francis Memorial Mass	7pm	<i>Memorial Mass for the Intention of Pope Francis</i>
Thursday May 1 <i>Memorial - Saint Joseph the Worker</i>	9am	Diane Dickson, and for peace in the world
	4pm	<i>la Messe française</i>
Friday May 2 <i>Memorial - Saint Athanasius</i>	9am	Patsy Kennedy, and Joseph Sweeney
Saturday May 3	4pm	Marilyn Elliott, Patsy Kingston, Karsten Keoughan, Mary E. Keoughan, Stella Matthews, Gerard Doucette, Cody Knowles, Thérèse Boucher, Charlene Rutter, Ronald Barry, Lorne Reid, Evelyn Corbett, Fr. Leon Creamer, Vincent Grattan, the Nash family, and Tom & Jean Olsen & d.f.m.
<i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>		
Sunday May 4	10:30am	Peter & Doris Boyle, Robert Lawrence Hickey, William (Billy) Kennedy, and for a special intention
	5:30pm	<i>Pro Populo - for the People</i>

## Saint Michael's By-the-Sea

Saturday April 26	9am	Austin Johnston, Roland, Mary & Gene Walsh, and Judy McGrath & deceased family members
Saturday May 3	4pm	Joan Stalker, and Linda Hay

## Saint Margaret's Church

Saturday April 26	11am	Fred Holland, Kenneth Cook, and Myrna Morrison
Saturday May 3	6pm	Father Leon Creamer

*Please Pray For:* For Pope Francis, who by his death now shares in the promise of the Lord's Resurrection; and for the Holy Spirit's guidance and consolation in this time of mourning for the whole Church. Let us pray for Easter lily memorials Donna Smith, Hillarian & Frances Cook and deceased family members. And, let us pray for Jacquelyn Arsenault, Gary Taylor, and Allen LeGresley.

*Readings:* Acts 5:12-16; Revelation 1:9-19; Gospel of John 20:19-31

*Psalm:* 118 R:1 *Give thanks to the Lord for He is good; His steadfast love endures forever.*

*Entrance Antiphon:* from 4 Esdras



Receive the joy of your glo- ry, \* al-le-lu-ia, giv- ing thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom.

*Communion Antiphon:* from John 20: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving, but believing, alleluia.

# Parish News

## Memorial Masses for the Intention of Pope Francis

7pm **Tuesday April 29** at the **Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception** in Saint John  
 7pm **Wednesday April 30** at the **Saint Michael's Basilica**. See more at [stmab.ca/Francis](http://stmab.ca/Francis)

**Weekly Prayer group 1pm Tuesdays** in the parish centre. Prayer is 'drawing close to God,' not simply in words, but allowing the Holy Spirit to speak to us and then offer what is heard to the Father, in the Name of Jesus. We will be listening to the canticles found in St. Paul and the Apostle John, that can help us offer our hearts in the Name of Jesus.

**Weekly Parish Bible Study 1pm Thursdays** in the parish centre. The Eucharist is the Source and Summit of the Christian Faith. In this study, we will from the Sacraments Old Testament roots to the words and actions of Jesus on the Passover.

**Attention Youth - St. Michael's CWL will sponsor** three interested youth, to attend the **Steubenville Atlantic** Conference at Dalhousie University, **Halifax, July 11-13**. This incredible conference helps to evangelize, equip, and empower youth ages 14-18 to radical, joyful discipleship. Experience keynote speakers, praise and worship, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, and more. **Apply by June 10** for this sponsorship of \$300 out of the \$350 registration fee: [catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org](mailto:catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org) 506-627-6465

**St. Michael's Basilica CWL \$300 Bursary** for Catholic students entering a post-secondary education program. Application Forms are available on the James M. Hill Memorial High School. Send your completed application forms to the Saint Michael's Parish office by May 15.

**Resources for Catholic Voters** - The Canadian Catholic bishops remind us of our Christian duty to vote with a formed conscience, for dignity of life, and for the protection of the family as the fundamental cell of society, including freedom of religion, see: [bit.ly/CCCB-CatholicVote](http://bit.ly/CCCB-CatholicVote)

**Dying with Christ, Living with Hope** - CMDA's Deacon Larry Worthen will present this video documentary and answer questions on **What's Wrong with MAiD, Sunday May 4**, 12:30pm in the Saint Michael's Parish Centre, and 7pm at the Bishop James M. Hill High School Theatre. See [bit.ly/WWWMMiramichi](http://bit.ly/WWWMMiramichi)

This **Jubilee Year of Hope** encourages us to be pilgrims of hope, with these opportunities: **June 7** Miramichi region pilgrimage to the Cathedral, **bus transportation available**, call 506-843-2210. Also, keep in mind these Jubilee Year opportunities: **July 13** pilgrimage to the diocesan shrine in Howard; **August 10** pilgrimage to Skiff Lake; **September 28-October 1** Saint Michael's Basilica will host a pilgrimage and mission by Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC. See more at [stmab.ca/jubilee](http://stmab.ca/jubilee)

**Welcome to our NBCC Practicum Intern**, Cassandra Pettigrew, who will be gaining hands-on experience with parish administrative duties, from April 28 - May 30. Please welcome her to our parish family, in support of her growth and learning!

April 18-20 collection for Saint Michael the Archangel Parish		St. Michael's By-the-Sea	St. Margaret's
Regular	\$9,519	\$1,048	\$600
The Dr. Gerard and Judy Losier Family Foundation Inc.	\$5,000		
Capital Campaign (raised so far: \$877,455)	\$139		\$10
St. Vincent de Paul ministry	\$1,150	\$175	\$5
For the Holy Land	\$2,756	\$20	\$5
Cemeteries	Basilica \$100 St. Andrew's \$310		\$100



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Senior Dances - Saturdays at 8pm, doors open at 6:30pm  
Fundraising Bingo - Sundays at 7pm, doors open at 5pm  
Community breakfast first Sunday of every month, 8am-Noon  
All are welcome to our accessible hall at 67 King Street!  
Call 506-773-7225 for information or to join in service, in fraternity and charity!



## Catholic Women's League of Canada

Saint Michael's Council

CWL May Meeting: The CWL Executive invites all members to the next meeting on Thursday, May 8th at 6:30 pm. We will be celebrating our annual baby shower! Members are asked to bring baby items ( no formula) for donation to the Miramichi Regional Hospital. We are also collecting items now for our Christmas Basket Fundraiser. We look forward to seeing our Sisters in the League! If you need a drive to the meeting, please call 506-623-8130. New members are always welcome! Membership dues of \$32.00 are being collected for 2025.

## Saint Vincent De Paul

Saint Michael's Basilica

*Clothing for those in need, from community donations*

The Saint Vincent de Paul clothing ministry is open to those in need, **Saturdays** from **9am-Noon**, in the Saint Michael's Basilica Parish Centre. We appreciate donations of clothing for men, women, and children. We're now accepting clothing for spring and summer wear. Thanks for your continued generosity!



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