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Bulletin for September 8, 2024

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



Christ Healing - Mosaic from Chora Church, Istanbul

Readings from the Lord's Day

They brought to Jesus a deaf-mute to be healed... Jesus took him aside, and looking up to heaven, said with a deep sigh, “**Ephphatha**,” which means, “be opened...” The man immediately began to hear and to speak correctly (from the Gospel of Mark 7:31-37). Pope Benedict XVI observed in his September 2012 Angelus address, that **this word sums up Christ's whole message and work...** ‘thanks to Jesus’ intervention, the deaf-mute “was opened;” previously he had been closed, isolated, it had been very difficult for him to communicate. For him healing meant an

“opening” to others and to the world, an opening which, starting with the organs of hearing and speech, involved his whole self and his life: he could at last communicate and thus relate in a new way.

However, we all know that a person's closure and isolation do not only depend on the sense organs. There is an inner closure that affects the person's inmost self, which the Bible calls the “heart”. It is this that Jesus came to “open”, to liberate, so as to enable us to live to the full our relationship with God and with others. This is why I said that this small word, “ephphatha – be opened”, sums up in itself Christ's entire mission. He was made man so that man, rendered inwardly deaf and mute by sin, might be able to hear God's voice, the voice of Love that speaks to his heart, and thus in his turn learn to speak the language of love, to communicate with God and with others. For this reason the word and the action of the “ephphatha” have been integrated into the Rite of Baptism as one of the signs that explain its meaning: the priest, touching the mouth and ears of the newly baptized person says: “ephphatha”, praying that he or she may soon hear the word of God and profess the faith. Through Baptism, the human person begins, so to speak, to breathe the Holy Spirit whom Jesus invoked from the Father with that deep sigh in order to heal the deaf-mute.’

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Monday, Wednesday to Friday, 8am-4pm

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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 messe en français

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

Weekly Mass and Prayer Intentions

Saint Michael's Basilica

Saturday September 7	4pm	Connie MacLean, Celine Moran, James Mailman, Stella Matthews, Doug Gilliland, James Connell, Minnie Simpson, Dawn Corcoran, Colleen Sullivan, Joan Losier, Michael McCluskey, Eldon & Ella Comeau, Bob & Laura Blais & deceased family members, Emile & Therese Aucoin-Wedge & deceased family members, and for a special intention
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost ; 23 rd Sunday OT		
Sunday September 8	10:30am	Ineke Montgomery, Lillian Fleiger, Herman & Diane Murphy &dfm
	5:30pm	<i>Pro Populo</i> - for the People
Monday September 9	9am	For peace in Ukraine, and for a special intention
Tuesday September 10	9am	Mary E. Keoughan
Wednesday September 11	9am	George Murdock, and Patricia Lahey
Thursday September 12	9am	Emerson Schofield, and for holy souls in purgatory
	4pm	<i>Jeudi Messe français</i>
Friday September 13 <i>Memorial Saint John Chrysostom</i>	9am	Tim MacDonald, Darlene M. O'Donnell, and Joe Williams
Saturday September 14	4pm	Bobbie Cross, Mary King, Patricia Jenkins, Laurie Keoughan, George Moran, Betty Ann Laurin, James Connell, Epifania Harina, James Russell, Peter, Stella, & Roger Daigle, Walter & Mary Kitchen, Harold, Aileen, & Steve Hebert, Danny Kenny & deceased family members
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost ; 24 th Sunday OT		
Sunday September 15	10:30am	Marilyn Goguen, Sally Donovan, Deb Young & deceased family members, and for holy souls in purgatory
	5:30pm	<i>Pro Populo</i> - for the People

Saint Michael's By-the-Sea

Saturday September 7	4pm	Xavier Richard
Saturday September 14	4pm	Gene Walsh, and Maurice & Helen Richard

Saint Margaret's Church

Saturday September 7	6pm	Nellie Power Dunn, Billy Dunn, Martin McLean & d.f.m., Edward Quinn & d.f.m.
Saturday September 14	6pm	Xavier Richard

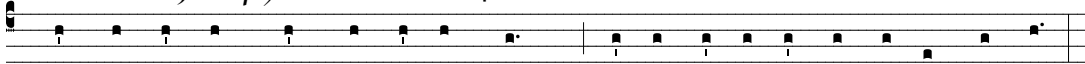
Please pray for: The Holy Father's September prayer intention, that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

Readings: Isaiah 35:4-7; James 2:1-5; Gospel of Mark 7:31-37

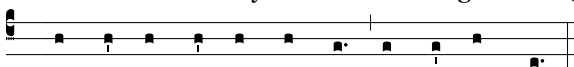
Psalm: 146 R:1 *Praise the Lord, O my soul!*

Entrance Antiphon: from Psalm 118. *You are just, O Lord, and Your judgment is right; treat Your servant in accord with Your merciful love.*

Communion Antiphon: from Psalm 42



Like the deer that yearns for running streams, * so my soul is yearning for you, my God ;



my soul is thirsting for God, the liv- ing God.

Parish News

Weekly Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Fridays at 9am at Sts. Peter & Paul (Bartibog), **First Fridays** following the 9am Mass at Saint Michael's Basilica, First Saturdays at 9am at St. Mary's Church, and Last Sundays at 4pm at St. Samuel's Church. **Divine Mercy, Rosary, and Benediction** at St. Samuel's, Last Sundays of each month at 4pm followed by Mass at 5:30pm.

Seeking a Full-Time Parish Secretary to be the first point of contact, in Christian Charity and hospitality, for those seeking parish assistance. See: bit.ly/SMAParishSecretary

Parish Bible Study weekly 1pm **Thursdays** in the parish centre. These 1-hour sessions in the parish centre will discuss aspects of prayer as found in the Judeo-Christian Tradition, as well as the depth and breadth of prayer in the Catholic Tradition.

Parish Prayer Group weekly 1pm **Tuesdays** in the parish centre. These hour-long sessions will meditate upon prayer-focused Scripture passages, followed by discussion of the passages. Along with Scripture, the group will form and offer prayer intentions, vocally, and in silent meditation. This will be highly participatory and engaging, so come join us in prayer!

Youth Faith Formation - Registration and Information for a new year in education and Sacramental Preparation for our parish youth will be available at our **parish centre 2pm Sunday September 8**.

For any questions, you may contact our coordinator Renée Comeau at 506-778-5153.

Confirmation Preparation - for Miramichi regional youth seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation, we will have a **gathering, a light meal, a discussion**, and a time of **Eucharistic Adoration at Camp Sheldrake, Friday September 20 5:30pm-8pm**. Bring the whole family, and learn, and pray, with the whole group.

Saint Patrick's Church Fall Supper Sunday September 8, 2-6pm, dine-in or take-out, **Turkey Supper with all the trimmings**, roll, and dessert!

Adults: \$18 and Children: \$9 (50¢ extra for take-out). Hope to see you there!

'Cradle of Chatham' Historical Walking Tour 6:15pm September 9, beginning at St. Andrew's School 77 Chatham Street.

Saint Michael's Parish Fall Supper Sunday September 15, 2-6pm, Turkey with all the trimmings, tickets at the door or in advance from the Parish Office, Adults \$18, Children \$9, \$1 extra for take-out. **Volunteers needed** - signup sheets are in the church, or call the office.

Donations toward turkey and food costs would be appreciated.

Pies for Percy's Place fundraiser - seeking volunteers September 28 in the parish centre, to make apple pies. Contact DebbyMacGregor@yahoo.ca tel: 506-622-7780

Pot of Gold 50/50 anyone renewing or registering between September 15 and October 15 and pays for a year of play (\$104) will be entered into a draw to play free for a year. Register or renew at the yellow boxes at the church entryways or in the parish office.

September 1 collection for Saint Michael the Archangel Parish		St. Michael's By-the-Sea	St. Margaret's	
Regular	\$6081	\$570	\$359	
Renovation	\$1737	\$40	\$35	
Capital Campaign	\$140			
Donations for Fall Supper food	\$260			
St. Vincent de Paul ministry	\$182			
Cemeteries	Basilica \$195	St. Andrew's \$90	\$40	\$20



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Community breakfast - first Sunday of each month, all welcome!
Next breakfast Sunday October 6 8am-Noon.
Fundraising Bingo - Sundays at 7pm, doors open at 5pm
Senior Dances - Saturdays at 8pm, doors open at 6:30pm
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


Fall Meeting September 12 6:30pm in the parish centre - **all members**, and **new members**, are invited to **gather** and **celebrate** on this **103rd anniversary of our council!** Please bring an item for the fundraising basket. Money and gift cards are a great option. We look forward to seeing our sisters in the league, and if you need a drive to the meeting, please call 506-623-8130 to arrange transportation.

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.



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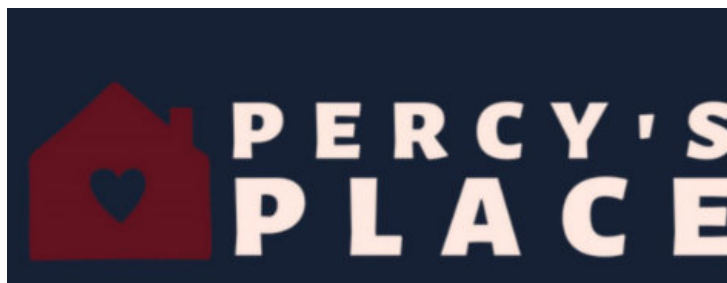
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