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Bulletin for February 9 2025

Saint Michael the Archangel Basilica 12 Howard Street, Miramichi
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Saint Margaret's Church 9371 NB-11, Saint Margarets



Our Lady of Lourdes and Bernadette Soubirous, Virgilio Tojetti

*Week of Our Lady of Lourdes,
World Day of the Sick (February 11), and
National Catholic Health Care Week*

Our Blessed Virgin Mary, identifying herself as The Immaculate Conception, appeared to 14-year old Bernadette in a grotto near the Gave river in France, over 18 times between February 11 and July 16, 1858. Ever since the apparitions, Lourdes is known as the place that welcomes all who are physically or

spiritually ill and who, through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, the Immaculate Conception, seek to rediscover peace, health and serenity.

The commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes was dedicated as the World Day of the Sick by Pope Saint John Paul II, to encourage prayers and reflections for those who are ill and for all those who care for them.

Pope Francis' message for this year's World Day of the Sick, in this Jubilee Year of Hope, is that *Hope does not disappoint, but strengthens us in times of trial.*

God remains close to those who are suffering in three particular ways: through *encounter, gift and sharing.* 'We need to learn how to appreciate the beauty and significance of these grace-filled encounters. We need to learn how to cherish the gentle smile of a nurse, the gratitude and trust of a patient, the caring face of a doctor or volunteer, or the anxious and expectant look of a spouse, a child, a grandchild or a dear friend. All these are rays of light to be treasured; even amid the dark night of adversity, they give us strength, while at the same time teaching us the deeper meaning of life, in love and closeness' (cf. Luke 10:25-37; see Pope Francis' full letter at: bit.ly/SMA-WDS2025)

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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 February 8	4pm	Ronnie Comeau, Phyllis Comeau, Noreen O'Hearn, Anne Comeau, Dennis Comeau, Stella Matthews, Adelyn Robichaud, Ivan Hallihan, Jean Harrison, James LeBelle, Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Sadie LeFève (Savoy), Joseph Walsh & Margaret Walsh Hay, Martina & Ida Keoughan, Mary, Roland & Gene Walsh, Lawrence, Elizabeth & Andrew Comeau, Roy & Eileen Bowes, Julia Richard & d.f.m., for a special intention, and for thanksgiving
<i>Fifth Sunday</i>		
Sunday February 9	10:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i> - for the People
	5:30pm	Michael Rutter, and Tom & Jean Olsen & d.f.m.
Monday February 10 <i>Memorial - Saint Scholastica</i>	9am	Cyril Mullin, and for a special intention
Tuesday February 11 <i>Our Lady of Lourdes - World Day of the Sick</i>	9am	Bertha Comeau, Patrick O'Donnell, and Michael Wood & d.f.m.
Wednesday February 12	9am	Doug Gilliland, and Judy McGrath & d.f.m.
Thursday February 13	9am	Raymond Flynn, and Christopher Dobbins
	4pm	<i>la Messe française</i>
Friday February 14 <i>Memorial - Saints Cyril and Methodius</i>	9am	Colin Fleiger, Stan & Annie Daley, and Wilmot & Lilly Vasseur
Saturday February 15	4pm	Betty Dawson, Gaspar Fernando, Rita LeBlanc, Guy Lamkey, Mary E. Keaghan, Donnie Keoughan, Adelyn Robichaud, Ivan Hallihan, Raymond, Patricia & David Lahey, Mary Agnes & Patrick Lahey, John & Mary Ellen Jackson, Michael & Charlene Rutter, William & Ida King, Fred & Noreen Moar, Julie Richard & d.f.m., Gerald Glynn & d.f.m., Shirley Buckley & d.f.m., and for a special intention
<i>Sixth Sunday</i>		
Sunday February 16	10:30am	Marlyn Gregan, Muriel Morris, Melissa Nava, Debbie Young & d.f.m., and for a special intention
	5:30pm	<i>Pro Populo</i> - for the People

Saint Michael's By-the-Sea

Saturday February 8	4pm	Byron Eastwood
Saturday February 15	4pm	Vaughn & Dolly MacDonald

Saint Margaret's Church

Saturday February 8	6pm	Clarence & Mary Cook
Saturday February 15	6pm	Fred Holland

Please Pray For: this World Day of the Sick, in this Jubilee Year of Hope, Hope does not disappoint (Romans 5:5), but strengthens us in times of trial, through encounter, gift, and sharing.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

And, please pray for Ronald Barry, and Louise Dickens.

Readings: Isaiah 6:1-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Gospel of Luke 5:1-11

Psalm: 138 *℟:* 1 *Before the angels I sing Your praise, O Lord.*

Entrance Antiphon: from Psalm 94. O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for He is the Lord our God.

Communion Antiphon: from Psalm 106. Let them thank the Lord for His mercy, His wonders for the children of men, for He satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry He fills with good things.

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.

Special Rosary, Mass, and Anointing of the sick beginning at **4pm Tuesday February 11**, Our Lady of Lourdes, at **Saint Patrick's Church**, followed by a tea and coffee reception.

Franciscan LEAD is for **high school aged youth** who are passionate about their Catholic faith, active in their youth groups, and ready to step up to the next level of leadership through evangelization and discipleship training. LEAD is held prior to the Steubenville Atlantic conference in Halifax, July 11-13, 2025. To apply before April 1 or for more info contact Patricia Lee 506-627-6465 catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org bit.ly/SMA-FL

Cursillo - Ultreya every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm in the parish centre.

Bring in your palm branches from last year in advance of Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2025. You can set them at the tables at our church entrances, or in the vestry chapel of Saint Michael's Basilica, so that we may burn them into the ashes we use to enter into our Lenten observance - "Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return." "Repent, and believe in the Gospel."

Dying with Christ, Living with Hope - 3-video series presentation

1pm February 20 & 27 & March 6 demystifying the death and dying process, and providing a hopeful approach to end of life questions. See more information at bit.ly/DWCLWHWinter

Enkindle Retreat February 21-23 at the **Villa Madonna Retreat House** - be a faithful witness to hope! See posters, and get more information at tinyurl.com/EnkindleRetreatSJ

Syro Malabar Catholic Mass 10am Saturday February 22 at St. Michael's Basilica - Father Daris from the Holy Family Church in Halifax will be offering a Malayalam Mass in the tradition of Saint Thomas Christians in India. Come experience this Eastern Catholic Rite.

Hope in Christ Jubilee 2025 Men's Retreat March 14-16 at the **Villa Madonna Retreat House**. See posters, and get more information to register at bit.ly/DSJ-HIC

Weekly Parish Bible Study begins anew 1pm Thursday **March 27** in the parish centre. This will be a follow-up study on the Jubilee Year of Hope, with a deeper look into the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy, linking the two as bookends of need and response. In this, the focus will be on what is possible along the Miramichi River by the Catholic communities.

Nursing Home without Walls - navigate the services you need to help you stay in your home longer. Call 506-773-4214 or see more online at bit.ly/SNHWOW

February 1-2 collection for Saint Michael the Archangel Parish		St. Michael's By-the-Sea	St. Margaret's
Regular	\$5,007	\$309	\$387
The Dr. Gerard and Judy Losier Family Foundation Inc.	\$5,000		
Renovation	\$1,451	\$30	\$35
Capital Campaign	\$177		
St. Vincent de Paul ministry	\$30		
Cemeteries	Basilica \$180	St. Andrew's \$200	\$25



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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

The CWL executive invites you to the **next meeting 6:30pm February 13, 2025.**
To celebrate Saint Valentine, please wear pink or red to the meeting.
If you need transportation please call 506-623-8130.
If you are interested in knowing more about the CWL, please contact Patricia at the same phone number.

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 are seeking winter coats and boots for men, women, and children.
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