

## First Sunday Of Lent

March 13, 2011

*"Jesus fasted forty days, and was put to the test."*

– Matthew 4:1-11

When there is a funeral at "either" Holy Trinity or St. Joachim's, our regular 12 noon Mass will be cancelled and the Mass intention rescheduled for another day.

MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK			MASS INTENTION
Tuesday	March 15	12 noon	Catherine (Katie) Regina Sullivan
Thursday	March 17	12 noon	Rose Mary Landry
<u>Saturday</u>	March 19	6:00 pm	Helen Cutler
<u>Sunday</u>	March 20	9:30 am	For All Parishioners & Their Intentions

## Last Week's Offertory Collection

<u># of Parishioners Using Parish Envelopes:</u>	107
<u># of Envelopes Returned Last Weekend:</u>	48
<u>Average Envelope Donation Last weekend:</u>	\$22.54
Regular Envelopes	\$1,082.00
Loose Donation	\$90.26
Building Fund	\$50.00
Needy	\$21.00
<u>Last Weekend's Total</u>	\$1,243.26

SUNDAY COLLECTION THIS WEEK LAST YEAR: \$1,815

**Father Peter Thanks Everyone For their Generosity**

## LIGHTHOUSE CDs

Would you like to learn more about your Catholic faith but don't have time to read a lot of books? If so, we have an exciting program starting here at our parish. In the back of church you will see a display offering inspiring and educational Catholic CDs. These CDs include explanations of our Catholic Faith, accounts of God's incredible mercy in the personal lives of Catholics, and practical information for living your faith.

These CDs are especially effective for those who would like to learn more about Christ and their faith, but have little time to study. Listen as your drive, or even as you exercise. Being a faithful Catholic is not easy in today's world, but these interesting and informative CDs, by some of the most inspiring Catholic speakers of our time, will show you why it's the best thing going. The \$5 recommended donations are gratefully appreciated and needed to make new titles available in the future.

The response from parishioners last weekend was tremendous. We distributed more CDs than anticipated. As you can see from the list at the entrance of the church, there are many more titles available than those in the display stand. If there are any titles on the list that you feel you may be interested in, please let us know so that we can include them in our next order.

## PAD – PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT

As mentioned last weekend, we are exploring the possibility of introducing pre-authorized debit donations as an alternative to Sunday envelopes. In order to offer this service to parishioners we first have to gauge the level of interest. This system has proven to be very popular in other parishes where it has been introduced. If you feel you would be interested, or would like more information, please contact the office (653-6838 or office@holytrinitysj.com).

## EASTER SCHEDULE

Cindy is about to prepare the ministry schedule for Easter, but she requires your assistance. There is a checklist at the entrance of the church for all those involved in ministries. Would you please take a moment to check off which Masses you plan on attending so that she can ensure the schedule accommodates everyone's Easter plans.

## WAY OF THE CROSS

There will be a community celebration of the Way of the Cross every Thursday during Lent at Holy Trinity after the 12 noon Mass. We hope you can join us.

## **MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

The schedule for April - June is now available at the entrance of the church.

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

The children in our Grade 2 Catechism program will celebrate the sacrament of First Reconciliation (Confession) on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 11am. Please keep them in your prayers.

## **CWL RETREAT**

The St. Mark's CWL would like to extend an invitation to members of Holy Trinity CWL to attend a Mini Lenten Retreat at St. Mark's Church, 171 Pettingill Road, Quispamsis on Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. The retreat will focus on our new theme "Centered on Faith and Justice" with Linda Pye, a retired teacher and local artist, who will guide us in discovering more about our own personal Lenten journey. Please RSVP to Ellen Robart (ellenrobart@hotmail.com) by March 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **DEVELOPMENT & PEACE**

On March 21<sup>st</sup>, Claudette Habesch, Secretary General of Caritas Jerusalem, a Development and Peace partner, will kick off her Maritime tour. She will be speaking on the theme: "Christian Presence in the Holy Land. Challenges and Hopes". The focus of the talk will be on Israel and Palestine, though she will also address the current political upheaval in the region. Mrs. Habesch will be speaking at St. Thomas University (Holy Cross House) on Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm. All are welcome to this free presentation. You can contact David Lewis (652-5662 or main3@nbnet.nb.ca) for additional information if desired.

## **POT OF GOLD BINGO**

St. Pius X presents their annual Pot of Gold Bingo on Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. Early Bird games begin at 6pm, Regular games at 7pm. \$1000 jackpot. Tickets are \$20, and are available at the door.

## **CARD GAMES**

Held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month at St. Pius X Parish Hall. Doors open at 7pm and games begin at 7:30pm. A light lunch is served and a 50/50 draw is held. Just \$3/person.

## **Holy Trinity Parish**

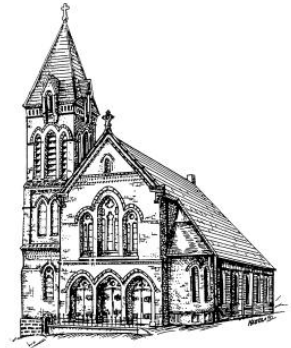
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## **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of each month at 3:00 pm for family members of Holy Trinity Parish and those who are living within the geographical boundaries of our parish. To make arrangements for a baptism please call the office at 653-6838.

## **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE / RECONCILIATION**

Confessions are celebrated in the church every Saturday from 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm, or at other times if you would like to make an appointment by speaking with Father Peter.

## **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

To reserve our church for a wedding, couples must first make an appointment with our pastor to discuss their plans and complete the pre-nuptial investigation forms. At least a six month notice and taking a marriage preparation course is a requirement. Because of our pastor's schedule for two parishes, weddings cannot be celebrated any later than 11 am on Saturday.

## **SACRAMENT AND MINISTRY TO THE SICK**

If there is a family member or relative in the hospital who would like to receive a visit from the pastor, please inform Father Peter. Also, please let Father Peter know if there is someone sick or confined to their home who would like to receive a visit, receive Holy Communion, or be anointed with the Sacrament of the Sick.