

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR BLESSED TRINITY PARISH – April 5, 2023

HOLY WEEK 2023

Tuesday, April 4 @ 6:30 p.m. **Chrism Mass** – Cathedral, Waterloo St., Saint John;

Holy Thursday, April 6/23

7:00 p.m. St. Alphonsus, Hampton;

Please bring non perishable food items for Hampton Food Basket.

8:00 to 10:00 p.m. **Adoration** – St. Alphonsus, Hampton;

Good Friday, April 7/23

Noon **Mass** - St. Bridget's, Chapel Grove;

3:00 p.m. **Mass** - St. Alphonsus, Hampton;

7:00 p.m. **Way of the Cross** - St. Alphonsus, Hampton;

Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil, April 8/23

9:30 a.m. **Morning Prayer** - St. Alphonsus, Hampton;

4:00 p.m. **Mass** - St. Anthony's, Upham (for Easter Sunday);

8:00 p.m. **Easter Vigil** - St. Alphonsus, Hampton;

Easter Sunday, April 9/23

9:30 a.m. **Mass** - St. Alphonsus, Hampton;

11:30 a.m. **Mass** - St. Bridget's, Chapel Grove;

FLOWERS FOR EASTER and Volunteers – The parish is currently accepting donations (tax receipt available) for a donation to purchase flowers to decorate the church during Easter. Please place your donation in an envelope (envelopes are available at St. Alphonsus), making sure to put your name, address, amount donated and your envelope number, if you have one, on the outside. The envelope can be placed in the Collection basket, given to father or placed in the “mail box” to the left of the office door. I’m sure you would agree that flowers greatly enhance our worship environment. THANK YOU to the Arts and Environment committee. Of course, you’ve heard the expression “Many hands make light work”. Dianne would sincerely appreciate help this week and going forward. A green thumb is not a requirement😊. All that is needed is a willingness to help. Please call Dianne at (506) 832-4149 or join her this Thursday, Friday and/or Saturday around 9:00 a.m. at St. Alphonsus.

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITY – For people engaged in evangelization and catechesis today, including clergy, consecrated persons, lay ministers, and Catechists. *“The Call of the Catechist”* is a no-cost webinar series resented by the CCCB Office. Renowned speakers will be offering a three-part series on Tuesdays from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm (Atlantic Time). The **second session on April 11** with Sr. Janet Schaeffler, OP on The Spirituality of the Catechist; and with Anne Walsh on Theological Refection & the Catechist. Register now and if unable to attend a session the recording will be sent to you when available, but only if you register first.

To register, go to: www.sjdfaithformation.com. For more information, please contact Patricia Lee at catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org.

KNOWLEDGE CAFE – Friday, April 14, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. No Cafe April 7th - Good Friday. What is mindfulness and how do we be mindful? How do we practice mindfulness and what do I do when I can't stop thinking? You will practice mindfulness and learn the evidence-based benefits of practicing mindfulness. You will briefly look at the science of how mindfulness changes your brain and your perception. You will practice progressive muscle relaxation and look at things to remember for your practice of mindfulness.

The Café is funded by the Government of Canada's New Horizons for Seniors Program. Everyone welcome. Refreshments will be provided. Next Café ?? - currently don't have a new schedule.

“JOURNEY THROUGH LENT” Video Series - The CCCB video series *Journey through Lent* is available on the CCCB website. This year's Lenten reflections are delivered by His Eminence Gérald Cyprien Cardinal Lacroix, Archbishop of Quebec and Primate of Canada, and the Most Reverend Brian Joseph Dunn, Archbishop of Halifax-Yarmouth.

Past Lenten videos are archived on the website. Here are the links, for your convenience, for the remaining weeks of Lent:

English:

<https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-lent-2023/>

French:

<https://www.cecc.ca/evangelisation-catechese-et-education/ressources-video/cheminer-ensemble-durant-le-temps-du-careme-2023/>

Every Monday throughout Lent, a video will continue to be posted on the CCCB website in English and in French for the following Sunday's Eucharistic celebration.

“NEW” KITCHEN COMMITTEE – I'm sure you would agree that being able to offer a reception, for some parish events and funerals, would go a long way to boost the fellowship in our parish

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community. In order to make this initiative work, we need volunteers. Don't be shy. Reach out to Dee Dee via email at holland@nbnet.nb.ca or call (506) 333-1651 or call the office to add your name to the list.

HAMPTON HELPING HANDS (HHH) - Hampton Helping Hands, for displaced Ukrainians, is a local group of citizens providing support to new families settling in who have no furniture or other supplies when they arrive. One small support is providing toolboxes for light domestic tasks. Numerous toolboxes have been distributed from contributions of donated used and surplus tools. Any extra small tools you have can be deposited in the marked box at the entrance to the church (St. Alphonsus – to the right as you come in). There is a list of needed items available for you to take or review.

COLOURING SUPPLIES FOR OUR “WEE” VISITORS – If you are in the company of wee visitors, we have some art supplies available, if a little distraction is desired. The package contains colouring pens, sheets of paper and pictures to be coloured. They are available (only 3) in the foyer of St. Alphonsus. After Mass, please return to the table outside the office and I will ensure they are sanitized for their next visit.

FREE INCOME TAX CLINIC – Clinic will be at the Hampton Senior Resource Centre, 31 Demille Court and will run until April 25th. It is for individuals with modest incomes; **Tuesday mornings only**. First come, first served; no appointment necessary. For more information, call Wendy at the office (506) 832-3327. FYI – I've heard that CRA is currently in contract negotiations. There may be a disruption in service mid April. Considering this possibility, the sooner you file your taxes the better.

HAMPTON UNITED CHURCH CHOIR (HUCC) – The HUCC presents “We Didn't Know”, an original Easter Vigil Cantata by Janet Kidd on April 8th at 7:00 p.m. at the Hampton United Church, 24 Robb Court. A Freewill Offering will be collected in support of HU church programs. See poster on the bulletin board at St. Alphonsus.

Until next week, be safe
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