

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR BLESSED TRINITY PARISH – March 29, 2023

POSTED MASS TIMES: Saturday – Apr. 1 St. Anthony’s, Upham 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday – Apr. 2 St. Alphonsus, Hampton 9:30 a.m.
 St. Bridget’s, Chapel Grove 11:30 a.m.

 Tuesday - Apr. 4 No Mass - St. Alphonsus, Hampton

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 – 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.

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.

CHRISM MASS - Bishop Riesbeck invites the faithful of the diocese to the Chrism Mass, which is being held on Tuesday, April 4, at 6:30 pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Come and celebrate with our priests as the oils are blessed and distributed throughout the diocese for the Sacraments in the upcoming year. Besides the Cathedral parking lot, there is additional parking available in the St. Joseph’s Hospital Staff Parking.

HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS - Please take a moment and consider signing up to participate in our Holy Week celebrations. Sign-up sheets are on the back wall at St. Alphonsus church. Experience is not necessary nor is a huge time commitment. All we need is a willingness, on your part, to be involved. There are many who could explain what needs to be done - “Many hands make light work”. I can’t think of a better way to get to know **YOUR** parish community.

KNOWLEDGE CAFE – Friday, March 31, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. Myia Campbell, Department of Social Development – Roll of a Social Worker, Long Term Care & Adult Protection. Social Worker Myia Campbell and Sharon Brown will be providing information regarding the Long-Term Care Program (65+) and Adult Protection Program. If you’re wondering how to apply for in-home care, a Special Care Home or Nursing Home, then come find out!

The Café is funded by the Government of Canada’s New Horizons for Seniors Program. Everyone welcome. Refreshments will be provided.

Next Café Friday, **April 14th – Canadian Mental Health.** 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.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE (D&P) – Development and Peace thanks you for supporting the *People and Planet First* campaign with your Development and Peace donation. Between St. Anthony’s and St. Alphonsus, we have collected \$1,458.00. The monies collected will help

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support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

If you have not had the chance to donate, there is still time to place your Development and Peace envelope (yellow) in the offertory or to donate online at devp.org/give.

“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 community but this would only be possible if parishioners volunteer to help. Remember the old American slogan “Uncle Sam needs YOU”? Well, Blessed Trinity needs YOU to make this initiative work. Perhaps you missed last week’s message? Volunteers are needed. Please email Dee Dee 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. It was last reported that 17 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, however, for your convenience, here is their Wish List:

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Box to hold tools	Small saw	Electrical tape	Adjustable wrench
Tape measure	Flashlight	Hammer	Masking tape
Small nails	Twine	Picture hanging “stuff”	Pliers
Sandpaper	Small screws	Utility knife	

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. My “Mikey” really enjoys the distraction 😊

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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