

## WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR BLESSED TRINITY PARISH – May 7/25

POSTED MASS TIMES:	Saturday – May 10 <sup>th</sup>	St. Anthony's, Upham	4:00 p.m.
	Sunday – May 11 <sup>th</sup>	St. Alphonsus, Hampton	9:30 a.m.
		St. Bridget's, Chapel Grove	11:30 a.m.
	Tuesday – May 13 <sup>th</sup>	NO MASS	

**CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS (CCCB)** – The Conclave began today. Last week, the College of Cardinals invited the faithful to pray for them during this Conclave. There are many meaningful ways to pray. One may chose to pray daily the ancient hymn “Come, O Creator Spirit” (see page six of this bulletin), which echoes the Apostles’ prayerful anticipation after Christ’s Ascension. Alternatively, one could pray the beautiful Collect from the Mass for the Election of a Pope:

*“O God, Eternal Shepherd, who govern your flock with unfailing care, grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for your Church who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care.”*

With the support of your prayers, may God’s will be accomplished.

**FUNDRAISER AT ST. BRIDGET’S – Summerville:** Spring Dinner this Saturday, May 10th @ 5:30. They will be serving ham with all the fixings, including their “special” dessert. Adults \$18.00, Children 12 and under \$9.00. Call Joanne at (506)763-2436 for tickets.

**WEE ONES BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN** – 2025 Fundraising campaign for the Sussex Pregnancy and New Parents Centre kicks off this weekend - Mothers’ Day (May 11<sup>th</sup>) and will run until Father’s Day (June 15<sup>th</sup>). Last year, between St. Alphonsus and St. Anthony’s, we raised \$1,799.93 in support of families impacted by pregnancy in our community.

When you pick up your bottle at either St. Anthony’s in Upham or St. Alphonsus in Hampton, PLEASE BE SURE TO ADD YOUR NAME AND CONTACT INFO. TO THE SHEET. I know this is a big ask but, at the end of the campaign, when I am accumulating the bottles to return to Sussex, it makes it easier to track them down. For more information contact Rev. Michelle Carmichael, Executive Director at (506) 432-4006.

**OUR LADY'S MAY ROSARY-MAKING RETREAT** – Between May 16 – 18, at the Villa Madonna Retreat House, Torryburn, come and take up a holy hobby in honour of Our Lady. Learn how to make rosaries by hand with wire, beads, and high-quality rosary-making pliers. Already know how to make rosaries? Bring your rosary-making supplies and spend the weekend with others in rosary-making and prayer. Don’t want to make rosaries? Come and spend time on retreat in prayer with others to learn more about the rosary. The retreat starts at 6:30 p.m. Friday and runs until 1:30 p.m. Sunday. Retreat facilitator, Jim Anderson, has been making rosaries for 30

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years. Weekend in-house retreat fee: \$295.00 (commuter rate: \$165.00) + rosary making kit and supplies. For more information and to register on-line:

<https://forms.office.com/r/QmQyciqg3n?origin=lprLink>

For registration information, please contact Veronica Wilson at (506) 849-5125 or [contact@villamadonna.ca](mailto:contact@villamadonna.ca). For more information on the retreat content, contact Jim Anderson at: [janderson@dioceseofsaintjohn.org](mailto:janderson@dioceseofsaintjohn.org). See poster on bulletin board.

**SPRING FAITH FORMATION SESSION** - You're warmly invited to the third and final session of the dioceses *Spring Faith Formation Opportunities* on Zoom! This inspiring event, titled "The New Evangelization: Building the Civilization of Love," will be hosted by Patricia Lee, Director of Catechesis, and facilitated by Jim Anderson, Director of Missionary Discipleship Formation. Join them on **May 28, 2025 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.** Don't miss this chance to deepen your faith and connect with the church community. To register, text (506) 627-6465 or email: [catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org](mailto:catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org)

They will send you the Zoom link once you're registered. Look forward to seeing you there!

**WEEKEND RETREAT – HE LOVES US! GROWING IN INTIMACY AND DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS** - Through prayer, reflection, and teaching based on Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter *Dilexit Nos: On the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ*. Friday, June 13 - 15, at Villa Madonna Retreat House, facilitated by Jim Anderson. Weekend in-house retreat fee: \$295.00 (commuter rate: \$165.00). For more information and to register on-line: <https://tinyurl.com/HeLovesUsRetreatSJ> This retreat is open to all interested persons, for more information contact Veronica Wilson: [contact@villamadonna.ca](mailto:contact@villamadonna.ca), 506-849-5125. See poster on bulletin board.

**SUPPORT OUR YOUTH: STEUBENVILLE ATLANTIC FUNDRAISER** – The diocese is excited to announce that they currently have enough registered youth to fill one bus to attend the Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference. Also, 15 have applied for the LEAD program! This youth event is a life-changing experience that will deepen their faith, foster community, and inspire them to live out their Catholic values. The diocese is seeking financial support to cover the costs of transportation and registration fees for the young attendees. Your generous contributions will ensure that no young person misses out on this transformative experience due to financial constraints. **Registration is \$350/youth.** Any amount donated is greatly appreciated and will go directly towards the expenses of the trip. To donate, please give through the parish (cheque made payable to: BLESSED TRINITY PARISH; on memo line write "Steubenville fundraiser". Parish will forward to the diocese) and drop your envelope in the box beside the office door or donate directly through the diocese at [www.dioceseofsaintjohn.org/donations](http://www.dioceseofsaintjohn.org/donations) and indicate it is for "Steubenville Atlantic 2025". Thank you for your generosity and support. Together, we can make a lasting impact on the

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spiritual lives of our youth.

**STEUBENVILLE ATLANTIC** - Hey teens aged 14-18; get ready for an epic adventure at **Steubenville Atlantic**! Happening from **July 11-13, 2025** at **Dalhousie University**, Halifax. This is your chance to experience a **life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ**. Ignite your faith, strengthen your prayer life, and get empowered to live on mission long after the conference ends. One bus is already filled! **Deadline to register: June 13, 2025**. Need financial assistance? Check with the parish religious education coordinator about fundraising opportunities or contact Patricia Lee at [catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org](mailto:catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org). Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity!

**ROSE SUNDAY** – This Sunday, Mother's Day (May 11<sup>th</sup>), the Knights of Columbus will be passing out red "lapel roses" to all mothers in attendance (St. Alphonsus). This is done by the Knights, each year, as a sign of their Respect for Life. Voluntary donations are accepted and will be forwarded to The Mother and Child Welcome House in Fredericton.

**AUDITE** – Spring Days retreat at the Villa Madonna, from Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. The retreat opens with breakfast at 8:00 a.m. on May 27<sup>th</sup> and closes at 8:00 p.m. (dusk) on May 29<sup>th</sup>. The Welcome Experience of Silence ... everywhere ... begins at the entrance to Villa Gateway.

Cost: 3 days/2nights \$322.00, includes accommodation and meals.

First time persons: half-price;

Commuter: \$82.00, includes meals.

Cheques made payable to: AUDITE (119 Leinster Street, Saint John NB E2L 1J4)

Please, NO e-transfers.

To register call Mike (506) 977-3858 or Paul (506) 343-3933. See poster on bulletin board.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY - St. Croix Parish (St. Stephen NB)** is seeking an office administrator; this position is a crucial part of a parish as the first point of contact person. Duties include ensuring the smooth operation of the parish office by maintaining financial and church records, handling correspondence and daily office tasks. This is a 30 hour per week position with benefits. Experience with Microsoft Office and Quick books accounting software as well as basic knowledge of the structure of the Catholic Church, and her institutions, are required. Please submit a resume to; [parish@nb.aibn.com](mailto:parish@nb.aibn.com) by May 14<sup>th</sup>.

**MASS FOR THOSE LIVING WITH CANCER** – The date for the next monthly Mass for Those Living with Cancer, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, is Tuesday, May 20, at 6:30 pm. Anointing of the Sick will be offered.

**COOKIES FOR ROMERO HOUSE** – Last Friday of this month is May 30th. Shelagh and Don. sincerely appreciate your help with their monthly “Cookies for Romero House” campaign. **ALL** donations gladly accepted. Contact Shelagh or Don. at (506) 943-3493.

**MILESTONES:** Please join me in wishing a “Happy Birthday” to Don Sherwood ... and many more. Don. will be celebrating a B I G one, this year 😊. Happy birthday, Don.

God Bless,  
Wendy McGee  
Parish Secretary  
BLESSED TRINITY PARISH  
(506) 832-3327

# Come, Creator Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, Creator come,  
From your bright heavenly throne!  
Come, take possession of our souls,  
And make them all your own.  
You who are called the Paraclete,  
Best gift of God above,  
The living spring, the living fire,  
Sweet unction, and true love!  
You who are sevenfold in your grace,  
Finger of God's right hand,  
His promise, teaching little ones  
To speak and understand!  
O guide our minds with your blessed light,  
With love our hearts inflame,  
And with your strength which never decays  
Confirm our mortal frame.  
Far from us drive our hellish foe  
True peace unto us bring,  
And through all perils guide us safe  
Beneath your sacred wing.  
Through you may we the Father know,  
Through you the eternal Son  
And you the Spirit of them both  
Thrice-blessed three in one.  
All glory to the Father be,  
And to the risen Son;  
The same to you, O Paraclete,  
While endless ages run. Amen.

