

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR BLESSED TRINITY PARISH – September 27, 2023

POSTED MASS TIMES: Saturday – Sept. 30 St. Anthony’s, Upham 4:00 p.m.

**Sunday – Oct. 1 St. Alphonsus, Hampton 9:30 a.m.
St. Bridget’s, Chapel Grove 11:30 a.m.**

**Tuesday evening – Oct. 3 St. Alphonsus, Hampton 6:30 p.m.
Rosary after 6:30 mass**

Music Ministry Practice – Tuesday evening at 5:30 p.m.

COOKIES FOR ROMERO HOUSE – Friday, September 29th, is the last Friday of this month. For those that graciously prepare cookies, please contact Shelagh Sherwood at (506) 943-3493. Individually packaged dessert items, i.e. Costco specials, will not be refused. Shelagh and Don. sincerely appreciate any help they get.

HAMPTON FOOD BASKET – WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE: The Hampton Food Basket will be holding a fall and winter clothing drive beginning in October. They are looking for donations of clean, gently used **fall and winter clothing for the entire family**. They will also be accepting bedding, towels and linens. Belts, wallets, and purses will also be accepted. **NO summer clothing**, please (limited storage space). Drop off dates as follows:

Thursday Oct. 12 6 until 8 p.m.
Saturday Oct. 14 10 a.m. until noon
Saturday Oct. 21 10 a.m. until noon
Thursday Oct. 26 6 until 8 p.m.

Drop off location: Back Parking lot of St. Alphonsus Church, 22 Church St., Hampton. Many families will benefit from your donations. We anticipate a wonderful response from our great community. Any questions please call or text Dee Dee at (506) 333 1651.

CIRCLE OF SECURITY - Relationship Based Parenting (note change in dates): Do you want to learn ways to help support your child’s exploration of the world or help your child to organize their feelings or promote a secure relationship with your child? The Hampton United Church (24 Robb Court – off Keirstead Ave.) is offering a free, 7-week group for parents of children from birth to 6 yrs. of age. Group will meet Wednesday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The group started September 20th but it’s not too late to register. For more information, contact Joelle or Jenna at: joelle.jackie@nbed.nb.ca or jenna.gass@nbed.nb.ca.

KNOWLEDGE CAFE – Hampton Resource Centre (Fridays starting at 11:00 a.m.):

September 29th - Come explore nature and learn more about our natural world: birds, wildlife, landscape, watershed etc. with Paul Martin, an Explore Nature facilitator.

October 6th – Thera-Ped Foot and Ankle Clinic with Terry Trask, C. Ped. will talk about the importance of looking after your feet and the right kind of footwear to ensure good balance.

October 13th – NO Cafe due to Rotary Club Book Sale.

LIFE CHAIN: Join thousands across Canada standing up against abortion in a peaceful, prayerful demonstration. Where: King Square Bandstand, Saint John; When: This Sunday, October 1, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. For info. on LIFE CHAIN go to: campaignlifecoalition.com/life-chain or contact sjrighttolife@gmail.com (506) 653-6828. See poster in foyer at St. Alphonsus.

WORLD MISSION DAY – “HEARTS ON FIRE, FEET ON THE MOVE” (CF. LK. 24:13-35)

Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the 97 World Mission Day, Sunday, October 22, 2023:

“Dear brothers and sisters: For this year’s World Mission Sunday, I have chosen a theme inspired by the story of the disciples on the way to Emmaus, in the Gospel of Luke (cf. 24:13-35): “Hearts on fire, feet on the move”. Those two disciples were confused and dismayed, but their encounter with Christ in the word and in the breaking of the bread sparked in them the enthusiastic desire to set out again towards Jerusalem and proclaim that the Lord had truly risen. In the Gospel account, we perceive this change in the disciples through a few revealing images: their **hearts burned within them** as they heard the Scriptures explained by Jesus, their **eyes were opened** as they recognized him and, ultimately, their **feet set out on the way**. By meditating on these three images, which reflect the journey of all missionary disciples, we can renew our zeal for evangelization in today’s world.”

Monies collected on World Mission Day support missionaries spreading the Good News. It is our response to God’s call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked.

FAITH FORMATION FOR SPANISH SPEAKING YOUTH - Beginning in October, the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception will be the worship site offering faith formation for youth in Spanish using Spanish resources. Program levels will be offered as need requires. Sacrament preparation for Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation will also be provided as needed. For more information please contact Patricia Lee, Director of Catechesis at catecheis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org or (506) 627-6465.

SAINT JOHN JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL - The SJ Jewish Historical Museum will be holding the 10th Annual Film Festival from October 14 to October 19, 2023. For more information contact: SJ Jewish Historical Museum, 91 Leinster Street, Saint John, (506) 633-1833; Email: sjjhm@nbnet.nb.ca. See poster on bulletin board at St. Alphonsus.

ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH ROAST BEEF DINNER - St. Bridget's Church will be having a roast beef dinner on **Sunday, October 15th** at 5:00 p.m. Take-out orders available. The cost is \$18.00 per adult and \$9.00 per child. To make your reservation or place a take-out order, please call Joanne at (506) 763-2436.

SAINT JOHN REGIONAL CATHOLIC MISSION – “The Great Commission: This Mission, led by Bishop Riesbeck, has already been offered in the Miramichi and Fredericton regions and was well received. Our Regional Mission will be held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Waterloo St., Saint John from **Nov. 27 – 29th** starting with mass at 7:00 p.m. followed by a talk on the following themes:

Mon., Nov. 27 – **Know** Jesus;

Tues., Nov. 28 – **Grow** in relationship with Jesus and one another in love (**Reconciliation Serv.**);

Wed., Nov. 29 – **Go** and make disciples of all nations.

Please note there will be a Reconciliation Service at the Cathedral on Tuesday, November 28th. The bishop will have local priests to assist, that evening. All sessions will conclude with refreshments and fellowship in the Cathedral rectory. See poster on the bulletin board at St. Alphonsus.

ANNUAL CATECHIST RETREAT – VILLA MADONNA: The 2024 Catechist Retreat is open for registrations. This retreat is offered as an opportunity to parish coordinators and catechists as a time for personal and spirituality renewal. Retreat will run from Friday, January 26th to Sunday, January 28th, 2024. Weekend registration fee: \$260.00; Commuter fee: \$120.00. Facilitator: Jim Anderson. To register: <https://forms.office.com/r/qMfUY9BzAq>. See poster on bulletin board for more information.

ROTARY CLUB OF HAMPTON – ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE: To be held at the Hampton Resource Center at 31 DeMille Court, Friday, Oct. 13th from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you have any used books that you would like to donate, or need more information, please contact a Rotary Club member or send message to: hamptonrotarynb@gmail.com.

CANADIAN MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (CMHA) – CMHA is offering a six-week skills-based program designed to introduce you to the benefits and practice of **Mindfulness** in your everyday life and to teach you the basics of mindfulness meditation. These basics, in practice, are meant to calm the mind and to improve both mental and physical health. Program runs Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. starting Oct. 5th to Nov. 9/23 and Mar. 14 to Apr. 18/24. For more info. call (506) 652-1447 or contact Dawn at dawn.odell@cmhanb.ca. Must pre-register at least one week in advance of start date.

2023- 2024 SUNDAY MISSALS (blue) – The new Missals have arrived! They will be available at St. Anthony's, St. Alphonsus and St. Bridget's starting this weekend. Cost: \$5.00.

Until next week, be safe

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