

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR BLESSED TRINITY PARISH – October 18, 2023

POSTED MASS TIMES:   Saturday – Oct. 21                   St. Anthony's, Upham           4:00 p.m.

                                  Sunday – Oct. 22                   St. Alphonsus, Hampton       9:30 a.m.  
  St. Bridget's, Chapel Grove 11:30 a.m.

                                  Tuesday evening – Oct. 24                   St. Alphonsus, Hampton 6:30 p.m.  
  Rosary after 6:30 mass

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

**OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED NEXT WEEK (OCT. 24<sup>TH</sup> & 25<sup>TH</sup>) – Parish administrative staff will be attending a two-day workshop at the Villa Madonna Retreat House.**

**REGIONAL MARRIAGE TRIBUNAL** – We have been asked by Dr. Michael McGowan, Chancellor, Diocese of Saint John, to share this note regarding marriage nullity cases.

The Halifax Regional Marriage Tribunal invites people with questions or concerns about the application for the nullity process to contact the Marriage Tribunal Office. The office is open and ready to assist anyone who seeks additional information or guidance in how to begin the process. We can be reached by phone at (902) 429-9800 ext. 321 or visit the “Marriage Tribunal” on the Archdiocesan website:

[www.halifaxarmouth.org/pastoral-services/marriage-tribunal](http://www.halifaxarmouth.org/pastoral-services/marriage-tribunal)

**HAMPTON FOOD BASKET – WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE:** The Hampton Food Basket is holding a fall and winter clothing drive. 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:

**This 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.

**COOKIES FOR ROMERO HOUSE** – Sister Theresa of Avila said: “Yours are the hands with which Christ blessed the world.” With that thought in mind, would you be willing to help Shelagh and Don. with their monthly “Cookies for Romero House” campaign? With some help, Shelagh and Don. have delivered thousands of cookies for Romero House’s Outreach Program.

## **COOKIES FOR ROMERO HOUSE cont.**

They would sincerely appreciate your continued support. Whether your cookies are homemade or Costco specials, no donation will be refused. Contact Shelagh or Don. at (506) 943-3493.

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

October 20<sup>th</sup> – Joost de-Bruin and Nancy Whittiase of Solar Solutions will be talking about renewable energy sources, especially solar power.

October 27<sup>th</sup> – A presentation by Dawn Cunningham and Leslie Parhamm of Retiree Employment Agency – a program with a mission to assist with filling employment gaps by supporting retirees over 50 who wish to re-enter the labour market while addressing local businesses' short term labour needs.

November 3<sup>rd</sup> – This session will provide information on the programs and services offered by the Heart and Stroke Association. Guest speaker: Annie Smith.

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

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

“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 for 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.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** - The Knights of Columbus are accepting new members. The amount of time you put in is completely up to you, every little bit is a big help. For information about the benefits of membership in this charitable, faith-filled, organization please call Art Roy at 832-4652.

**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 – 29<sup>th</sup> 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 28<sup>th</sup>. 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. In the past, some have attempted to register late and have been disappointed. 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 26<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 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.

**“NET” TEAM CONFIRMATION RETREAT** - Experience a NET Retreat and engage your faith! A team of vibrant young missionaries will be visiting the Saint John region **Monday, Nov. 20th from 5:00 pm – 8:30 pm - hosted by Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 31 Gondola Pt. Rd, Rothesay.** This retreat is for youths in grades 8 and 9, preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is an opportunity to attend the mandatory retreat experience to hear the message of God’s love and a chance to experience the Gospel personally. It will be an evening of faith, fun and friendship! Lunch and snacks will be provided. To help with planning, please reserve by contacting the parish office at (506) 832-3327.

**SPAGHETTI SUPPER – ST. MARK’S, PETTINGILL RD.** – (note time change) St Mark’s is hosting a **“Winter Warmer”** spaghetti supper, this Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at **6:00 pm**. Cost: \$10.00 per person, \$5.00 under 12, \$35.00 for family (immediate). Take-outs as well as gluten-free and dairy-free options will be available. There will be entertainment, children’s activities plus a 50/50 draw. Funds raised will help to support the parish with its snow plowing and heating costs this coming winter. For more information, call St. Mark's office: (506) 849-5111 or email: [stmarkschurch@nb.aibn.co](mailto:stmarkschurch@nb.aibn.co).

**SAINT DAVID'S UNITED CHURCH, Gondola Point Rd.** – Saint David's is hosting a **Fall Luncheon**, Saturday, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> at noon. Menu: Chicken Pot Pie, garden salad, rolls and warm apple crisp with ice cream – includes tea and coffee. Cost: \$20.00. Tickets can be reserved until Thurs., Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> by calling (506) 847-7137. See poster on bulletin board.

**OUR "LITTLE" VARIETY SHOW** – Sunday afternoon, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> starts at 2:00 p.m., in St. Alphonsus Church (upstairs). Local talent, including a men's folk group, Rising Tide quartet, Valley Girls Women's Chorus, cello duets, Donna's Divas, stories of cooking, Christmas, snow and more! Bring your family, friends and your singing voice for a sing-along or two. Free Will donation will be shared between the Hampton Food Basket and Blessed Trinity Parish. Tax receipt is available, upon request. See poster in foyer at St. Alphonsus Church.

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

**JOB POSTING WITH THE DIOCESE** – The Diocese's is looking for a dynamic and highly motivated Assistant Director of Finance to join their team. The right candidate will be skilled in maintaining general ledger accounts, payroll and benefits administration, government filings for a registered charity, and creating financial statements including account reconciliations. They are looking for an individual with the ability to work quickly and independently, who is also a team player and willing to assist others when necessary. Attention to detail, critical thinking skills and discretion in respect to the confidential nature of the work are crucial in this role. See the full job description attached to the parish weekly email.

**MILESTONE** – A little birdie told me that Rick Duffy had a Milestone birthday last week. This Sunday is the celebration. Happy belated birthday, Rick, and many more. 😊

Until next week, be safe  
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