

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR BLESSED TRINITY PARISH – October 26, 2023

POSTED MASS TIMES:	Saturday – Oct. 28	St. Anthony's, Upham	4:00 p.m.
	Sunday – Oct. 29	St. Alphonsus, Hampton	9:30 a.m.
		St. Bridget's, Chapel Grove	11:30 a.m.
	Tuesday evening – Oct. 31	<u>NO</u> 6:30 MASS AT ST. ALPHONSUS;	
	Wed. evening – Nov. 1 "ALL SAINTS"	St. Alphonsus, Hampton	6:30 p.m.

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

OFFICE WAS CLOSED THIS WEEK – I attended a two-day workshop at the Villa Madonna Retreat House, which is why this bulletin is a day late 😊

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). Last date for drop off is this evening, **Thursday Oct. 26 from 6:00 p.m. 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. 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 27th – A presentation by Dawn Cunningham and Leslie Parham 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 3rd – This session will provide information on the programs and services offered by the Heart and Stroke Association. Guest speaker: Annie Smith.

November 10th – Elizabeth Vandenberghe of the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) will be sharing information on Benefits and Credit payments, tax credits, CRA services and tools, ways to do your taxes, tax free help and how to be scam smart. Elizabeth is with the CRA Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) which runs an annual, free, income tax preparation clinic for low income tax payers at the Resource Centre.

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 DAVID'S UNITED CHURCH, Gondola Point Rd. – Saint David's is hosting a **Fall Luncheon**, this Saturday, Oct. 28th 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. 26th by calling (506) 847-7137. See poster on bulletin board.

OUR "LITTLE" VARIETY SHOW – This Sunday afternoon, Oct. 29th 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.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE FOR THE LOSS OF LIFE DUE TO MISCARRIAGE AND STILLBIRTH – Saturday, Nov. 4th @ 12:10 p.m., Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 91 Waterloo St., Saint John. Celebrated by: Fr. Ralph McRae. See poster on bulletin board.

ST. WILLIAM'S FALL BIZARRE – St. William's in St. Martins, 2354 Route 111, is hosting a Fall Bizarre on Saturday, Nov. 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the church. There will be vendors with crafts for sale. They will also be selling tickets on a \$100.00 Irving Gas Card. Proceeds are to help pay the bills. Please support this event.



TURKEY SUPPER – The Anglican Parish of Upham is holding a turkey supper, with an assortment of homemade desserts, Saturday, November 4th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Central Kings Rec. Center at 110 Titusville Road, Upham. Everyone welcome. For more information contact Rev. Brenda Fowler at (506) 650-5948.

"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.

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. 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 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.

NEW PASCHAL CANDLE FOR ST. ALPHONSUS - St. Alphonsus Church needs a new Pascal Candle. Depending on what father selects, we could be looking at close to \$600.00. Why so much? We must purchase the candle out-of-province and when you consider the cost of the candle selected plus shipping and tax it will not be inexpensive. Groceries are not the only thing that's gone up! Do you have any change to spare? For the next little while, we will be accepting donations towards the cost of the new Pascal Candle. You can place, in the collection basket or the locked box beside the office door, a sealed envelope with your donation. Mark "CANDLE" on the envelope. The envelopes will be available in the foyer of St. Alphonsus Church. If you provide your contact information and envelope number, if you have one, you will get a receipt for income tax purposes. THANK YOU for your consideration.

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.

PARISH ENVELOPES – For those parishioners that use parish envelopes, for the next little while, please write your name and correct mailing address on the envelope. We are not far from the end of our fiscal year. Having the correct mailing information etc. will make it so much easier to prepare income tax receipts.

Until next week, be safe

Wendy McGee

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