

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish

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Mass Schedule: St. Ann's Sunday @ 9:30 am/Holy Family Saturday @ 4:30 pm and Sunday @ 11:00 am

July 13th, 2025 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Feast of Saint Ann

Join the Celebration on Sunday, July 27th at St. Ann's Church



Please join us on **Sunday July 27th at 3 pm for Mass** followed by a potluck meal and then Bingo.

Note: there will be NO 9:30 am Mass this Sunday at St. Ann's.

Everyone is welcome to join in with all or any of this celebration.



Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage. Last weekend our Parish along with a number of other Parishes in the region undertook a pilgrimage both individually and as a community, to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Saint John, which has been designated as a special place of pilgrimage during the Jubilee Year.

Throughout the morning, time and space was provided for personal devotional prayer including Stations of the Cross, the Rosary, veneration of holy relics, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The morning concluded with the Jubilee Pilgrimage Mass.

On our return journey, through the generosity of the Holy Spirit Parish Women's Society, we were graciously provided with a nourishing Pilgrim Lunch held at St. Mark's Worship site in Grand Bay-Westfield. During this time, we were able to share a meal together and discuss our pilgrimage experiences of the morning.

Everyone is welcome to attend any Pilgrimages throughout the year including those designated for specific regions.

If you have not yet had an opportunity to participate in a pilgrimage, listed below are upcoming Cathedral Jubilee Pilgrimages:

August 2nd: Mary Undoer of Knots Jubilee Pilgrimage

September 6th: Fredericton Proper Regional Pilgrimage

October 4th: Our Lady of the Rosary Jubilee Pilgrimage

November 1st: Saint John Kings and Charlotte County Regional Pilgrimage

December 6th: Our Lady Star of the Sea of Jubilee Pilgrimage

December 8th: Diocesan—wide Pilgrimage Day in honor of the Immaculate Conception

Pilgrimages to Diocesan Shrines and Minor Basilica:

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Shrine in Howard (Good Shepherd Parish). Annual Shrine Mass, July 13th, 2025, 3pm.

Saint Francis of Assisi Shrine in Skiff Lake (St. John the Baptist Parish). Annual Shrine Mass, August 10th, 2025, 11am. (More information to come.)

St. Michael's Basilica (St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Miramichi). Mass for the Vigil of the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel, September 28, 2025, 5:30pm.

Bishop Riesbeck continues his **Regional Missions** in which all are invited to attend. The next Regional Mission will be held in Miramichi from September 29th-October 1st, 2025, at Saint Michael the Archangel Basilica.

As Pilgrims of Hope, the theme for this Jubilee Year, we are encouraged to make personal pilgrimages to the Cathedral at any time during the year. *"Jesus said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while'."* (Mark 6:31)

We would be remiss to not share the deep gratitude and joy expressed by parishioners from the three Parish sites that attended the event by bus that day (St. John the Baptist Parish, St. John Paul II Parish and St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish)—for the opportunity to be a part of this designated regional Pilgrimage. So it is with grateful hearts that we extend our thanks to Bishop Riesbeck, the Diocesan Jubilee Committee, and to Fr. Bill for the opportunity to participate in this special journey, to deepen our faith and to experience God's presence and love.

General Parish Meeting for St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish: All are invited to a General Parish Meeting at St. Ann's Church Site, Kingsclear (Bilijk) **for 7:00 pm on Thursday, July 17th**. At this time the Parish Finance Council will give a report on the Revenues and Expenses for 2024 and for the First Months of 2025. They will also present a detailed picture of all assets and accounts/amounts that belong to the parish. The Parish Council will also provide an update on activities in the past year and any upcoming events.

Summary of Support for July 5th & 6th

Regular/Loose	\$ 3,091.35
PAD (wkly. average)	2,314.62
Cathedral Restoration	150.00
St. Patrick's Cemetery	45.00
TOTAL	\$ 5,600.97

OPTIONS FOR OFFERTORY DONATIONS:

1. *Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD). Forms are at the entrance of the churches. Return to parish office.*
2. *Mail: St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish, 1500 Hanwell Road, Fredericton NB E3C 1N3.*
3. *Electronic Funds Transfer to office@stkateri.ca*

Rosary - Join us every Thursday morning at 10:30am at Holy Family Church. During the Easter Season we will be reciting the Luminous Mysteries.

Summer Readers at Holy Family – It's the time of year when you create the Reader schedule for July, August and early September. The Sign-Up sheet is on the Bulletin Board in the entryway. **Please look for 1 or 2 time slots when you know that you will be in town to read.** Remember to talk to a fellow reader to discuss who is doing which readings. Please provide your phone number on the sign-up sheet to facilitate this. **If you are not currently a regular reader at Holy Family**, this is a good time to give it a try.

READINGS for July 13th

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

Responsorial Psalm: Seek God in our need, and let your hearts revive.

Mass Intentions at St. Ann's

July 13 th	Dec. Members of the Frappier Family
July 20 th	Alton Chessie
July 27 th	Gregory Francis

READERS AT ST. ANN'S

July 13 th	John Monkhouse
July 20 th	Stacey Chessie
July 27 th	Elaine Geldart

READERS AT HOLY FAMILY

July 12 th :	Paula Ryan / Mona LeBlanc
July 13 th	Maurice Harquail / Chinasa Trinita
July 19 th	Beth Wright / Margie Snell
July 20 th	Anita Allain / Ray Allain
July 26 th	Joan Sowers / Judy Kelly
July 27 th	Oma Okoye / Jane Buckley

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AT HOLY FAMILY

July 12:	Lynn Laagland and Judy Kelly
July 13 th	JoAnne Linton / Verna McCloskey
July 19 th	Leslie Carr / Colleen Hamilton
July 20 th	Sharon Watts / Bettyanne McMackin
July 26 th	Rita Maxwell / Harold DeCoursey
July 27 th	Ewart Kenney / Patrick Burgoon

Mass Intentions at Holy Family

July 12 th	Paul Hayes
July 13 th	For the People
July 19 th	Ray St. Laurent / Gary Stewart
July 20 th	Garth Underhill / Dr. Graham Matthews
July 26 th	For the People
July 27 th	Antonia Lawrence / Patricia Okoye



Development and Peace – G7 Summit, A Motivated and Mobilized Youth. Mary Asumpter, Youth Representative from Dartmouth, Nova Scotia shares her experience at the recent G7 Summit

attended by youth representatives and ambassadors from across Canada.

Mary, A Motivated Youth Representative. We gathered to join our voices for the Indigenous community and countries in the Global South so we could reach the ears of world political leaders gathering at the G7 Summit and demand a more sustainable future for all. A world where economic and ecological justice and decolonization are the norm, not the exception.

On the first day of the event, the young adults had a meeting before the official start of the program. It was a great opportunity to meet other young adults from other places who share the vision of the Jubilee and are ready to add their voices to advocate for change.

The four-day program was very impactful. The first day, listening to and dinning with people from different faith groups gave me a feeling of belonging and oneness. It emphasized the objective of the Jubilee that we are all people, and we should all be treated with ecological dignity and equality. The second day was enriched with presentations that explained the impact of environmental degradation and pollution, especially in countries in the Global South, the health effects and the cry of the people.

I attended a workshop on *Jubilee and Financial Debt*, and I was able to understand the history of jubilee in depth, the positive impact it brought some years ago, and the hope for something similar and more to be achieved. This workshop was very educative as it explained the role world political leaders continuously play in environmental degradation and economic exploitation along with organizations such as the IMF and the World Bank.



Another interesting workshop I attended was *Global-Indigenous Conversation*. This workshop was an opportunity to understand

experiences and perspectives from all different parts of the world about Jubilee, justice and land and its care. Finally, a workshop on *Gamifying Diverse Futures for Social Change and Jubilee* triggered my mind on the future and how changing times can impact critical thinking about the future.

On the last day of the forum, I was thrilled to participate in a street theatre skit; I played the role of the IMF. It was a complete display of the role world leaders play, which ended in smashing debt and equal distribution of resources.

In all these experiences and workshops, I felt a reawakening in my because this was coming together of religions, blending good of all. Unity is and we are all on a journey which starts with Christ and ends with Him. I can best understand and carry on the message to others and hope that the change we seek is achieved.



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Our Lady of Grace Catholic School in New Maryland, an affordable independent Catholic K-12 school in New Maryland dedicated to providing a solid education in a safe joyful environment, has openings for next year. For information contact www.ladyofgrace.org or call 506-459-3518

Upcoming Pow Wows:



July 11th-13th: Welamukotuk (Oromocto) Powwow:

Venue: Welamukotuk Powwow Grounds

Crafts, Music, Dance

Come out and support the Oromocto First Nation 10th Annual Powwow. Friday night features traditional games for all ages followed by entertainment with Indigenous Comedian Janelle Niles. Saturday and Sunday join us for Dancing, Drumming with Traditional Songs. Grand Entry is at 12 noon both days. Host Drum is Moosetown with Co-host Muskrat Singers. Browse over 40 Venders Registered. Everyone is Welcome!

Oromocto First Nation Powwow Grounds are located at the end of Hiawatha Avenue by the Wolastoq.



July 19th & 20th: Natoaganeg (Eel Ground) Traditional Pow Wow. The annual Natoaganeg Traditional Pow Wow takes place at the Pow Wow grounds on Riverview Road East on the Natoaganeg – Eel Ground First

Nation, overlooking the Miramichi River. Activities include crafts, music and dance. Everyone is welcome!



July 26th-27th: Tobique Pow-wow/Wolastoqiyik Neqotkuk Traditional Gathering 2025. *Crafts, Music, Dance*

Wolastoqiyik Neqotkuk (Tobique) 22nd Annual Traditional Gathering, July 26-27 at the Tobique Mudwas Park, 13100 Route 105. All are welcome to join

in the celebration of community and tradition.



July 26th & 27th:

Metepenagiag First Nation Powwow (Red Bank): Held at Metepenagiag Heritage Park, 2156 Micmac Road, Metepenagiag.

A vibrant celebration of Indigenous culture, drumming, dancing and tradition in Red Bank, New Brunswick. All are welcome!

We will continue to highlight upcoming Pow Wows in future Bulletins. For a full schedule of Pow Wows visit our Parish Website at stkateri.ca or click on the following link: [2025 Pow Wow Schedule](#)

Our Sacred Stories

Canadian Identity – Multiculturalism & Immigration

The Good Samaritan

(Fr. John Jennings)

At the beginning of this month, we celebrated the founding our nation. In 1867, the three British colonies of Canada (Upper and Lower), New Brunswick and Nova Scotia united in confederation. Over the last century and a half, our country continued to evolve and grow. Part of our growth involved us in accepting new peoples by immigration from all over the world.

More recently, we began to realize that we have been blind to the peoples who were here before our ancestors came to North America. The Indigenous peoples in America have been here for many millennia. Recognizing them as peoples who have been here before us is significant. The result of this growth has formed Canada into a nation of many cultures, religions and peoples. We are multi- cultural. Rather than seeing ourselves as a “melting pot”, we are a patch-work quilt.

Sure, there are times and occasions when we seem uncomfortable with this identity. And not everyone honours this view entirely. We have seen incidents which express a rejection of different cultures living among us. These are painful reminders that we are not always as open as we might want to be. But in general, it is how we are seen by others and for the most part by ourselves.

In the Gospel of Luke we hear the parable of the “Good Samaritan” (Luke 10:25-37). It is one of those gospel stories that we could almost tell by heart. Jesus tells the story in the context of an exchange with a lawyer who asks Jesus: “What must I do to inherit eternal life?”

Jesus says: "What is written in the law?" In response, the lawyer offers the two-fold commandment of love, for God and for neighbor. Jesus indicates, this is correct. Then comes the challenge from the lawyer: "And who is my neighbor?" To that, Jesus responds with the story of the "Good Samaritan".

A man was on a journey. On the way he encountered some thieves who beat and robbed him, "leaving him half dead" by the side of the road. Several persons walked on by including a priest and a Levite. These two "passed by on the other side". This comment is important for it reveals that they feared touching a bleeding or dead person as it would make them ritually unclean. For them, to do so would be to break their religious ritual laws.

Finally, a Samaritan came along. He did not pass by but instead showed observance of the ultimate law, mercy, compassion and care. Not only this, the Samaritan also made provision for the wounded man's continuing care.

Samaritans were viewed as unbelievers. Once they were part of God's People, but centuries before they had separated and were now seen as outsiders. A great hostility existed between Jews and Samaritans. The Gospels reveal this divide and hostility every so often. One of the insults that were hurled against Jesus was accusing him of being a Samaritan (John 8:48). In Luke's Gospel when a Samaritan village refused to receive Jesus his disciples suggested that they call down fire from heaven to consume the village. Jesus rebuked them for this. (9:51-56)

It is no small thing that as Jesus tells the story of the man beaten up on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho those who followed the ritual law meticulously "passed by". It was the Samaritan, the outcast, who stopped and using all his resources, offered compassion and care.

We are facing a world that seems bent on building walls and boundaries, national, cultural, religious. The root of this lies in fear of "the other", the one who is different from us. Thus, we lock the doors, close borders, reject those who are different, create barriers between us.

Jesus's mission is one of mercy – for all, by all. That is the message of the Kingdom of God. No one is excluded from this mercy, for God's loves all, unconditionally. Compassion and care know no boundaries, no borders. This is the ultimate law for all humanity. Ten years ago, Pope Francis called us to a Jubilee Year devoted to mercy. Mercy is open and free. There are no walls or boundaries. The Samaritan expressed mercy. Can we?

Administrative Assistant

St. Mary Magdalene RC Parish
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We are a Roman Catholic Parish with three churches in the Fredericton area. Our office is downtown at The Monsignor Boyd Family Centre, 120 Regent Street. We have an opening for an Administrative Assistant and are offering a competitive salary and benefits package. The position is full-time, 35 hours per week. Work hours are 9:00 to 5:00 Monday-Friday, with an hour for lunch; occasional extra hours as necessary.

Duties include reception, communication (i.e. social media, website management, bulletins), and general office responsibilities. Skills required include interpersonal communication, advanced computer proficiency, intimate knowledge of MS Office products, and working with database software. Must be highly organized and able to multi-task and work independently in an environment subject to frequent interruptions. Salary will be commensurate with experience. Please submit resume by July 25 to office@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca.

Only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

Our Lady of Peace Parish's monthly "Touched by Cancer" Mass for those whose lives have been affected in any way by cancer will take place at St. Anthony's Church on Friday, July 18th at 7:00 pm. All are welcome!

Fr. Ray Kelly

Riverview Arts Centre
400 Whitepine Road, Riverview NB
Thursday, August 28th 2025
7:00 PM

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