

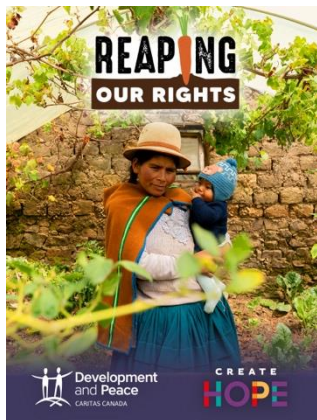
# St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish

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Mass Schedule: St. Ann's Sunday @ 9:30 am/Holy Family Saturday @ 4:30 pm and Sunday @ 11:00 am  
November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Development and Peace – Fall Campaign



Development and Peace — Caritas Canada invites you to join the **Create Hope: Reaping our Rights** Fall Campaign. See how peasant and rural communities in the Global South are uniting to ensure their rights are respected in the face of challenges such

as land grabbing, resource theft and the contamination of soil, water and air by private corporations.

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada addresses the root causes of poverty, oppression and inequality by working with partners in the Global South and by mobilizing Canadians in the common struggle for justice and dignity.

[To better understand our work, watch the short documentary by clicking on the following link: Dev Documentary](#)

Development and Peace champions women and social movements as key agents of lasting change. **Indonesia:** Peasants and other people working in rural areas have the right to adequate training suited to the specific agroecological, sociocultural and economic environments in which they find themselves. Our partner PAYOPAYO runs a farming school that trains young people, especially women, in sustainable agriculture, community resource management and rural entrepreneurship. This makes farming a viable local livelihood option and helps stem economic migration to Indonesia's cities.

Canada has a duty to uphold human rights by putting people and the environment before corporate interests, both at home and abroad. Let's ensure that no Canadian company tramples on their rights by calling on Canada to adopt **mandatory human rights and environmental due diligence legislation (UNDROP – Rights of Peasants and Other People Working in Rural Areas)**. [Sign the action sheet at the back of the church or at \[devp.org/act\]\(http://devp.org/act\)](#)



## *Service of Remembrance* *St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish*

This year's Service of Remembrance will be held on **Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm at Holy Family Church**. This Service is provided for parishioners who have lost family and friends, who have died since the first of November 2023. The ceremony will involve prayer, honoring the deceased by calling their names and the lighting of a candle in their memory. The current list of deceased individuals in our files will be provided in the near future to ensure we have all names that should be included. The Service will also be livestreamed on our website at [stkateri.ca](http://stkateri.ca). Questions about the Service of Remembrance can be directed to the Parish Office at 506 444-6021.

**Book of Remembrance:** Starting the first weekend of November the "**Book of Remembrance**" will be placed on a podium in the doorway to the Sanctuary. The book is for Parishioners to enter names of family and friends who have died over the years, and who they wish to remember during the month of November. You are encouraged to write their names in the book and the book will be placed on the Altar at the start of each Mass, during the month of November.

### **Pope Francis' Prayer for Peace**

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain.

Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace.

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us, and you call us to live as sisters and brothers. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our sister or brother. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of everyone. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together be "sister or brother", and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam!

Amen.

**Knights of Columbus Community  
Breakfast: Sunday, November 10th from  
10:00AM to 1:00PM at the Knicol Hall,  
170 Regent Street. Adults \$ 10.00,  
Children \$ 5.00 and Families \$ 30.00.  
Proceeds going to Our Lady of Grace  
Catholic School. Everyone welcome.**

**Divine Mercy:** Divine Mercy is held every Friday at 3pm at St. Ann's Church. Please call Nelson Solomon at 363-4493 for further information. All are welcome!

**Rosary:** Every Thursday morning at 10:30am at Holy Family Church. During the Season of Care for Creation we will be reciting the Joyful Mysteries. Everyone is welcome!

**Eucharistic Ministers for Holy Family Church:** A new schedule is available in the entrance of the church for the period October 5<sup>th</sup> to December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024. In addition to the schedule are two important notes regarding distribution of communion. If you have any questions, please speak to Judy Kelly. Thank you for serving in this vital Ministry that supports our Liturgy.

### **Summary of your Support for Oct 26 & 27**

<b>Regular/Loose</b>	<b>\$ 3,560.10</b>
<b>PAD (wkly. average)</b>	<b>1,986.92</b>
<b>St. Patrick's Cemetery</b>	<b>65.00</b>
<b>Religious Education</b>	<b>10.00</b>
<b>World Mission Sunday</b>	<b>130.00</b>
<b>Food Bank</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,802.02</b>

### **OPTIONS FOR OFFERTORY DONATIONS:**

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

## READINGS for November 3<sup>rd</sup>

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

2nd Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

Gospel: Mark 12:28-34

**Responsorial Psalm: I love you, O Lord, my strength.**

### Mass Intentions at St. Ann's

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Pauline Francis

Nov 10<sup>th</sup> Peter LaForest

Nov 17<sup>th</sup> Claudette Grexton

Nov 24<sup>th</sup> For the People

### READERS AT ST. ANN'S

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Stacey Chessie

Nov 10<sup>th</sup> Elaine Geldart

Nov 17<sup>th</sup> Carolann Doherty

Nov 24<sup>th</sup> Betty Colligan

### Mass Intentions at Holy Family

Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> Henry Whalen / Geraldine Hayes

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Deceased Members of the Badeau and Boyce Families

Nov 9<sup>th</sup> Gene Kervin

Nov 10<sup>th</sup> Ralph Christie

### READERS AT HOLY FAMILY

Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> Youth Mass

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Youth Mass

Nov 9<sup>th</sup> Paula Ryan/Margie Snell/Beth Wright

Nov 10<sup>th</sup> Chinyese Alozie/Norma Downing/Debbie Landau

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AT HOLY FAMILY

Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> Leslie Carr / Colleen Hamilton

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Sadie Cameron / Dorothy Blanchard

Nov 9<sup>th</sup> Joan Sowers / Harold DeCoursey

Nov 10<sup>th</sup> JoAnne Linton / Verna McCloskey

**Shelter & Foodbank Donations.** A huge **THANK YOU** to parishioners from St. Ann's Church, Holy Family Church, and Residents from Shannex for your generous donations at last weekend's Cookie Sunday! Through your donations we collected dozens of cookies for the Shelters and Foodbank along with much needed canned goods for the Food Bank.

Your kindness and generosity are outstanding! You are truly answering the teachings of Jesus. Thank you!

## RETREATS AT VILLA MADONNA

For those seeking a prayerful atmosphere of silence and peace, the **Atlantic Association of Spiritual Directors Apostolate (AASEA)** are offering an Advent Silent Guided Directed Retreat (Friday – Sunday November 22-24, 2024). At the Villa Madonna Retreat House, Rothesay, NB. For further details please contact Bob McDermott at [mcdermot@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:mcdermot@nbnet.nb.ca) or visit our website at [www.aaseasaintjohn.ca](http://www.aaseasaintjohn.ca)

**The Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Society** invites you to an ADVENT SILENT WEEKEND RETREAT at Villa Madonna Retreat House, November 29 - December 1<sup>st</sup>. THEME: "I THIRST" LEADER: REV. DR. MICHAEL MCGOWAN. Our Retreat concludes with Sunday Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Christian Riesbeck. \$240 per person - includes Private Room for 2 nights, Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner on Saturday and Breakfast & Lunch on Sunday. Payment by Cash or Cheque payable to Rhoda Ann Flood upon registration at the Villa. TO REGISTER or for more information please contact Mary Wallace at: [maryadele.wallace@gmail.com](mailto:maryadele.wallace@gmail.com) or ph 506-633-0172. Limited Accommodations. Deadline to register November 15th.



**Mark your calendars!**

### NET Team Retreat for Youth!

Experience a NET Retreat and engage your faith! A team of vibrant young missionaries will be visiting our area to provide youth in grades 8 to 12 the opportunity to hear the message of God's love and a chance to experience the Gospel personally. We promise it will be a day of faith, fun and friendship! Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 5:00 pm at the Msgr. Boyd Family Center (St. Dunstan's). Please let us know if you will be joining us by contacting

Patty Cameron 506-444-6018

Or by email at

[faithformation@stmarymagdalene-parish.ca](mailto:faithformation@stmarymagdalene-parish.ca)

## Our Sacred Stories

### Our Faith Journey: The Communion of Saints in the Midst of Our World (Fr. John Jennings)

*I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints.* These words and what they express are part of the Apostles Creed a gift to us from our earliest ancestors in the Faith. It comes down to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century from the Christian community of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Centuries. Among the things that are central to our faith and that we find in this creed is the testimony of our faith in the *communion of saints*. Creeds like the Apostles Creed or the Nicene Creed are more intellectual expressions of belief. They are descriptors of who we are and who we are to become.

What is this *communion of saints* and what does it mean for us today? The early Christians had a deep sense that their relationship with God and with Jesus was something that drew them into a community of faith. To be a disciple of Jesus was to live and work and pray with other disciples. In fact, so strong was the bond that drew these believers together that it did not end with death. Their sense of being a community of believers included those who had died and gone before them. In addition, it included those who had not yet been born but would be future disciples.

It is not unlike what we experience in our families. We fondly remember our grandparents, our uncles and aunts and all those of our family who have gone before us. We have an interest, a curiosity about our roots and the origins of our family. We tell many stories of these roots. At the same time, we are excited and rejoice when a new person enters our family, whether by a birth or a marriage. The basis of our family relationships is a bond of love that draws us together and allows us to identify with one another.

The *communion of saints* shares a similar bond. It is a community tied together by a shared experience of God who loves us into life, who sustains us in life and who ultimately draws us to an everlasting life of love with God's own self. We do not know how this all takes place, but we trust in faith that the love of God never dies, never ends and never leaves us.

Mark's Gospel describes Jesus in a debate with some of the authorities in the Temple (Mark 12:28-34). One of them, a scribe asks Jesus a fundamental question: "Which commandment is the first of all?" This is a basic question for all of us. How do we do what is right and good? How do we live in relationship with God who made and sustains us in life?

In response, Jesus tells the scribe that at its heart, our relationship with God is one of love. Our response to God's love is to love God in return and to do so in how we love one another. This is the bond and the meaning of the *communion of saints*.

This past October, we witnessed the second and final session of our Synod on Synodality. This was not the first such gathering of the whole church, nor will it be the last. Synods have their root in the early Christian community. They express the same effort to open the Church to the challenges of the present time that was the focus of the Second Vatican Council.

The Synod on Synodality, had a particular emphasis. It sought to bring together representatives of all parts and people of the Church. The Synod delegates included laity and clergy, women and men from around the world. The task before this gathering of the "communion of saints" was to discern the direction of our church living in the present world and speaking the Gospel in a global community of many cultures. A unique feature of this synod has been to explicitly focus on **listening to the Spirit** speaking through the many voices of our faith community. In this, the Synod set a pattern that is to be replicated in the local communities of our church, in parishes and dioceses around the world.

***The 2024-2025  
Sunday Missals  
are now  
available at the  
church  
entrances. \$5.00  
and can be  
dropped in the  
basket provided.***

