

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish

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Sunday, September 26th, 2021 – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



“It is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy.” 1 Corinthians 4.2



Canticle of Creation-Part 3
St. Francis of Assisi

Be praised, my Lord, for those who forgive for love of you; and for those who bear sickness and weakness in peace and patience – you will grant them a crown. Be praised, my Lord, for our Sister Death, whom we must all face. I praise and bless you, Lord, and I give thanks to you, and I will serve you in all humility.

LATEST PROTOCOLS FOR CHURCH WORSHIP. Parishioners entering Holy Family Church or St. Ann’s Church will not be required to show proof of, or attest to, their vaccination. For contact purposes, names and telephone numbers of attendees will be recorded. Everyone is to be masked at all times and seating is arranged to respect physical distancing.

LIVE STREAMING WILL BE RESUMED THIS WEEKEND.

Religious Education 2021/2022

Due to Covid 19 State of Emergency Reinstatement Grades K-5 Classes will begin Sunday, October 17th.

- Grade 1 with Catechist Laura McCarron
- Grade 2 with Catechist Sharon Watts
- Grade 3 with Catechist Laura Ann McCallum

Registration is still open and can be done Sunday mornings before class begins. The fee is \$10.00 per child, families with 2 or more \$20.00 per family.

Grade 8/9 class will begin Wednesday, October 6th at 7pm until 8:15pm. The students will be part of Regional Alpha Youth Online via Zoom. Margie Snell will be in contact with each Parent/Student prior to this date who have registered. Registration remains open for Grade 8/9. Please reach out to Sharon Watts at freb01@rogers.com

We are still hoping to have volunteer Catechists for the following Grades:

- Kindergarten – in need of a Catechist (also depending on registration numbers)
- Grade 4/5 – in need of Catechist (this class meets every other Sunday morning)

This would be a perfect opportunity for university/college students and/or parents of the young students to become involved.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Sharon Watts, Religious Education Coordinator at freb01@rogers.com

Blessing of the Book Bags Sunday, Sept 26th Father Monte will be blessing our student book bags on Sunday during Mass. Students of all ages - bring your school bags!

**MEETING Grade 8 & 9 .. There will be a meeting for the Grade 8 and 9 Classes on October 3rd following the 11 am Mass. We hope most of you are able to attend.
Margie Snell, Coordinator**

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

(Margie Snell, Catechist). Bishop Riesbeck announced a more comprehensive formation journey, which will help our candidates encounter and re-encounter Christ and prepare them for a deeper engagement in the mission. Our updated formation for Confirmation, will now begin no sooner than grade 8 and will continue into grade 9. Further information will be made available in the very near future.

READINGS for September 26th

1st Reading: Numbers 11:25-29

2nd Reading: James 5:-6

Gospel: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 7-48

Responsorial Psalm: The precepts of the Lord are right, and give joy to the heart.

READERS at ST. ANN'S

September 26th Mike Solomon

October 3rd Lawrence Cameron

Mass Intentions at St. Ann's

September 26th Alton Chessie

October 3rd Kasey M. Atwin

READERS at HOLY FAMILY:

September 25th Mary Estabrooks

September 26th Jane Buckley

October 2nd Colleen Hamilton

October 3rd Lynn Laagland

Mass Intentions at Holy Family

September 25th John Chessie

September 26th Father Paul LeBlanc

October 2nd Gladys Gorey

October 3rd Basil Thibodeau

Eucharistic Ministers for Holy Family

Sat, September 25th

Maureen Franklin

John Gillis

Sun, September 26th

Elaine Shea

Joanne Linton

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Eucharistic Ministers – Holy Family

Church: Copies of the schedule for October-December 2021 is available in the lobby or on the St. Kateri website under "Ministries" tab, "Eucharistic Ministry". If you have any questions, please speak to Judy Kelly. Thank you for your support to this Ministry!

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

Rosary at Holy Family: Rosary is held every Thursday morning at 10:30am at Holy Family Church. For further information call Judy Kelly at 478-7274 or the church office at 444-6021. All are welcome!

NEW READERS' SCHEDULE for Holy Family – A new readers' schedule for October to December is available on paper in the Holy Family vestibule. The Schedule will also be on the website after September 26.

Because of continuing pandemic concerns, there is only one reader per mass. The reader must read the first reading, psalm, second reading, and the intentions after the creed.

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

September 30th, 2021 marks the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and is Orange Shirt Day. Wear orange as a symbol of remembrance. This day honors the children in unmarked graves and survivors of residential schools, their families and communities.

Saint Andrew's Presbyterian is holding a Forgiveness and Reconciliation service on Thursday evening, September 30, 7:00 pm for any who are able to attend.

St. Dunstan's Church Noon Mass Thursday Sept 30th for National Truth and Reconciliation Day.

Opolahsomuwehs (Imelda) Perley, Wolastoqi Elder, will be speaking about ceremony and healing following the 12:05 Mass this Thursday, September 30th at St. Dunstan's Church site.

This Mass on the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Day/Orange Shirt Day) will be in remembrance of the deceased Indigenous children, youth and adults in Residential Schools with a focus on praying for a strong and unfailing commitment to fulfilling the 94 Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

Orange Shirt Day Commemoration @ UNB, September 30th, 10 am to 12 Noon at the Richard Currie Performance Center. All Welcome



Parish Call Out Program. We are piloting our Parish Call Out Program. We are doing this to reach out to as many parishioners as possible to keep them informed of activities in the Church, i.e. Feast of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Cookie Sunday, Foodbank Collections and updates on our Syrian Families. Building a relationship is about keeping in touch. Please let us know if you or anyone you know would like to be part of our program by contacting the office at 444-6021, or email: office@stkateri.ca

IT'S Cookie Sunday Weekend & Food Bank Donations – September 25th & 26th: In addition to cookies, we will be collecting for the Food Bank. The Food Bank need Kraft Dinner, canned flaked meat and pasta. You can drop off your donations at Holy Family Church the morning of Saturday, September 25th from 10am-12noon or prior to Mass on the weekend. Thank you so much for your support!

OPTIONS FOR OFFERTORY DONATIONS

1. **Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD).** There are PAD Forms in the mail box at the main entrance of Holy Family church as well as in the foyer of the church and in the entrance of St. Ann's church. Fill out and attach a voided cheque and drop off at the parish office.
2. **Mail your envelopes** to the parish. St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish, 1500 Hanwell Road, Fredericton NB E3C 1N3.
3. **Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).** Through online banking, you may send your weekly donations parish email address: office@stkateri.ca

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

Our Sacred Stories

A Christian Vision for the 21st Century (Fr John Jennings)

As Christians, we have a long history – 2000 years. Those who have given us our Gospels, like the writer of Mark’s Gospel attempted to pass on the faith memories of our earliest ancestors. Writing at least a generation after the crucifixion, the writers depended on the memories of the Christian communities in which they lived, in the first century. They aimed to describe the significance of Jesus, his message and his mission in the light of their own world. Their communities were small, they were a minority and their community of faith was not fully defined. It was evolving as it spread. The message and the mission of Jesus was intended to reach outward, to touch the world in which it was planted. Such evolution was sometimes seen as a threat. We see this in Mark’s Gospel. The disciple, John was alarmed that someone other than them was casting out demons in Jesus’s name. Jesus’s response is significant: “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us.” (Mk.9:38-40) Jesus sees no threat here. There are times when we as a community, view our world as a threat. We see the “secular” as hostile to church and to things spiritual. We may even think we must do battle with the world and the secular. Perhaps it would be better to express the view that Jesus did in Mark’s story.

A few years ago Timothy Radcliffe, the former general superior of the Dominican Order wrote an article entitled “The Shape of the Church to Come.” The article discusses the manner in which our Christian church addresses the reality of living in a world that is secular, a world where faith, religion, church and Christian life might seem unimportant. This is not a threatening world for Radcliffe. Fr. Radcliffe sees our world as the ground on which we work - where we sow the seeds of the Good News. For him, living in a secular society in the 21st century challenges us to see and proclaim the Gospel in a new light. He holds that our sharing of the Good News has much to offer to our secular society, not to correct it, but to build upon it. Radcliffe offers advice on a Christian vision for us.

[As church and society] we need a moral vision that neither locks us in a ghetto nor assimilates us to society.... We need a moral vision that engages us as people of the 21st century and leads to our flourishing. Many Catholics understand morality in a way that reflects an Enlightenment (i.e. 18th century) culture of control, obligation and prohibition. To be a Catholic is to accept the rules, starting with the Ten Commandments.... Commandments have always, obviously, had a role in Catholic morality, but with the Enlightenment they became central, rather than being part of our formation as people who seek our happiness in God....

The renewal of virtue ethics, especially in North America, promises a way beyond a voluntaristic morality. It is not so much about acts as about becoming the sort of person who finds happiness in God. By practicing the cardinal virtues of prudence, courage, temperance and justice, we can become pilgrims on the way to holiness. With the theological virtues of faith, hope and love, we are given a foretaste of the end of the journey. A morality founded on virtues [rather than commandments] is about the transformation of our desires rather than their control. (America 13 April 2009)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT JAN TO AUGUST INCOME

Offertory	
Direct Deposit	50,706.14
Envelope	55,293.25
Loose	3,807.86
New Year's	635.00
Easter	2,481.75
Christmas	1,205.00
HF Building Fund *	1,385.00
St. Ann's/St. Pat's BF*	-840.00
Total Offertory	114,674.00
Other income	
Mass Stipends *	580.00
Recoveries	10,647.00
Special collections *	4,230.00
St. Mary's Cemetery *	110.00
St. Ann's Cemetery *	285.00
St. Pat's Cemetery *	95.00
St. Mark's Cemetery *	345.00
Cork Cemetery *	50.00
Fundraising - St. Ann's	1,639.00
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	17,981.00
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Expense EXPENSES	
Administration	1,381.20
Church	30,692.84
Diocesan Assessment	17,137.00
Grounds	5,127.54
Hall (Holy Family)	181.98
Interest & Bank Charges	1,038.94
Rectory	7,725.79
Special collections remitted	985.00
Religious Education	99.47
Salaries	63,600.63
TOTAL EXPENSES	127,970.39
NET ORDINARY INCOME	4,684.61