

# “WE WELCOME, WE WORSHIP, WE WITNESS”

## Holy Family Parish, Amherst NS

### September 9th, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

*“Has not God chosen the poor to be rich in faith, and be heirs of the Kingdom?” James 2.1*

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**Deacon Howard Gotell**

**You are invited** A retreat designed for people too busy to make a traditional retreat. Experience a relationship with God coming alive in the midst of everyday life. Come to know a freedom and peace too often out of reach in the modern world. A simple Guide each week places themes, reflections, questions and desires into the background of our busy lives. We learn to find greater focus and to let one week build upon another. It really works. Any busy person can do this retreat in the background of a very full life. Thousands of others have done so. The retreat begins the week of September 16th, 2018 and follows the Liturgical Year. Join Frank Allen on **Monday, September 10 at 11:30** for a 20-30 minute information session here at the Church in the Driscoll Room.



**St. Vincent de Paul News** On Saturday, Sept 22nd and Sunday, Sept 23rd, the SSVP team will be re-commissioned at both Masses to recommit in their work for the poor and needy in the community.

**Knights of Columbus BINGO: Sunday/Monday Nights at 6:45pm At the Knights Hall, 5 Robie St.**

Contact David Gould (902-694-4418) or Rick d’Entremont (902-664-8610).

**Next Breakfast** October 14th from 8am - 11am.. Cost is \$6.00 for Eggs, Toast, Sausage, hash browns, tea, coffee

**Faith Development YOUTH: Returning September!**

**September 16th at 10 am**—Regular Classes begin in the classrooms with the Teachers and Assistants.

**September 23rd, at 7pm** - Sacramental Preparation Meeting for youth and their families. This includes all families with youth in Reconciliation, 1st Eucharist and Confirmation.

**September 30th at 10 am**—First Family Session. All are invited!!

**September 30th at 11:15 am** is our First Family Mass and we will be excited to have our M&M’s back from their Summer Break! Join the Fun—register at [glenna@holymfamilyamherst.ca](mailto:glenna@holymfamilyamherst.ca)

**What’s Happening in September**

09th	7:00 pm	Knights Bingo Knights Hall, 5 Robie St.
10th	7:00 pm	Knights Bingo Knights Hall, 5 Robie St.
11th	7:00 pm	Faith Dev. Teacher/Assts Meeting
12th	7:00 pm	CWL Regular Meeting & “Bring & Sell”
	7:00 pm	Holy Family Jam
13th	7:00 pm	Mary Mother of Mercy Prayer Group
14th	1:00 pm	Stewardship Meeting
	7—9 pm	Chase The Ace

**Weekly Collection Update  
September 1 & 2 2018**

Envelopes:	\$ 2399.25
Loose:	\$ 232.95
Pre-Authorized	\$ 1663.00
Children’s	\$ 0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 4295.20</b>
<b>SSVP Donation Box</b>	<b>\$ 332.25</b>

**CWL News**

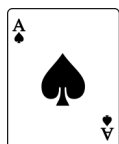
**General Meeting** to be held on **September 12 at 7 pm.**

A “bring and buy” sale will follow.



**Chase The Ace Jackpot estimated at \$1000.00**

**Entertainment lineup for September**



- Sept 14** Andrew Melanson & Peter Frenette  
Doing a 2 hour tribute to Gordon Lightfoot
- Sept 21** Drew Polegato and Katherine Hathaway
- Sept 28** No Chase the Ace due to Fall Fair

**St. Bartholomew’s Church, Melrose, NB** Their final Eucharistic Celebration will be held **September 16, 2018 at 2:00 pm.** We would like to offer our thanks and appreciation for the guidance, support and assistance we have received as we worked to maintain our church community. **All are welcome.** No Luncheon afterwards

**Envelopes in Church entrance: Pink** For those who are visiting, if you choose. All envelopes from other churches are returned back to those parishes. **White Special** Option for loose change, for PAR contributors (empty as a prayerful symbol of contribution), for special collections of the year **and/or** for privacy for anyone who may be able to make a financial contribution. Gifts of Time and Talent are of great value in our community and we thank the community for all their gifts shared with our community.

**White Intentions Envelopes:** To be used if you would like to make a donation for a Mass Intention to be said for a loved one.

**WELCOME AND BLESSINGS:** If you are not of the Catholic faith, we welcome you to our Family. If you desire, please come up at Communion time, cross your arms and receive a blessing. **New Here:** and wanting to become a member, please pick up a form in the gathering area and bring in to the office.

Summer prayers brought us to **2,575,409** in our **Hail Mary prayers** for peace in our world and for leaders in their work. Our September Hail Mary Prayers are for the Catholic Church of the World in crisis. Let us gather in prayer for Jesus' disciples to rise up and lead our faithful out of the darkness and into the Light of Jesus.

**LOONIE DRAW** Winner of \$ 67.50 on September 2 was Mary McLeod with number 98.

**Friendship Club** returns on October 24th from 1-3pm. Join us in the Hall for music, food and fun!

**Tuesday Luncheons** start again on October 16th. Mark your Calendars so you don't miss these events.

**Sept 16th 2018 Weekend Readings**

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prepare for Mass and Read in Advance

1st Reading: *ISAIAH 50.5-9*

2nd Reading: *JAMES 2.14-18*

Gospel: *MARK 8.27-35*

**Mary, Mother of Mercy Prayer Group:**

Join us **every Thursday evening at 7pm** in the Church.

The **Life in the Spirit** Sessions will be offered again this October, starting October 11th. Contact Viola Corbett or Deacon Howard for more details.

**October 20th, 10am—3pm: Cumb. Co. Regional Workshop\***

Mark your calendars! The CC Pastoral Council is putting together a workshop here for Oct.20th involving members of the office of the Archdiocese, to discuss and share training on different areas of our community work. Topics being looked at are; Music-for choirs, etc., Liturgy, Finances, Cemetery Support and others. It will be open to all who are interested in attending, however in September we will start to confirm our numbers and ask that you send an email or call to confirm. This is a great opportunity to gather with our brothers & sisters in Christ in all of Cumberland County! If there are questions please speak with Father Craig.

**OUR DEEP AND SINCERE CONDOLENCES**

...To all Parishioners who have experienced the loss of a loved one, and the family and friends of

**Gertrude Boudreau**



Light a candle in the gathering area, 75c in honor or remembering of a loved one. Set up a Mass Intention for \$10. Envelopes at back of church or check with the office.

**SAYING PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NEED:**

Please keep all those who are ill and in need of love and prayers in your special prayers as we try to help them through this time. Especially, **Mary Hobbs, Bob Gothreau and Betty Arseneau.**



Mark your Calendars for **Oct 15th, 16th & 17th for Mission 2018.** Sessions 15 10am (with Mass) & 7pm (no Mass) Look for details in upcoming bulletins.

**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sept 08	4:00 pm	St. Thomas Aquinas, Joggins	Mass for Katherine Paul
Sept 08	6:00 pm	Holy Family Parish, Amherst	Mass for Wilma White by Dan White
Sept 08	6:30 pm	St. Cornelius, Streets Ridge	Lay Led Service
Sept 09	9:00 am	St. Brigid's, Parrsboro	Lay Led service
Sept 09	9:00 am	St. Thomas More, Pugwash	Mass for Katherine Paul
Sept 09	11:00 am	St. John The Baptist, Springhill	Lay Led service
Sept 09	11:15 am	Holy Family Parish, Amherst	Mass for Cheryl Doiron by Evelyn Pollard
Sept 12	9:00 am	Holy Family Parish, Amherst	Mass for Woody Ellsworth
Sept 13	9:00 am	Holy Family Parish, Amherst	Mass for Woody Ellsworth
Sept 14	9:00 am	Holy Family Parish, Amherst	Mass for Woody Ellsworth

**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sept 15	4:00 pm	St. Paul The Apostle, River Hebert	Mass for Woody Ellsworth
Sept 15	6:00 pm	Holy Family Parish, Amherst	Mass for Valerie Smiley by Dan White
Sept 15	6:30 pm	St. Cornelius, Streets Ridge	Lay Led Service
Sept 16	9:00 am	St. Brigid's, Parrsboro	Lay Led service
Sept 16	9:00 am	St. Thomas More, Pugwash	Lay Led service
Sept 16	9:00 am	St. John The Baptist, Springhill	Mass for Wood Ellsworth
Sept 16	11:15 am	Holy Family Parish, Amherst	Mass for Claude James MacLeod