

Please pray for the sick: Nora Gagnon, Pat & Ed McGuire, Margaret Bridgeo, Andy McLean, Anne Marie Voutour, Cindy Ouellette, Sarah Ann Wright, Carolyn Allain, Loraine Stone, Janice Ryan and Margaret Wilson

For those who have died: Frank Petrie, Dorothy Hemsley & Leo Campbell

CWL- PRAYER LINE: Prayers will be said daily for two weeks by the CWL women, on request. All requests are confidential; no information is required. To have prayers said, call Jocelyn Keirstead (328-9485) jkeirstead21@gmail.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

50/50 – Jan 17, 2022 Non winner Dale Lawson \$198 Tickets are \$2/week available at Martin's Corner Store on Broadway or Smart Stop Ultramar in Grafton. Tickets must be purchased by 6 pm Sunday.

COVID LEVEL 3

Fr. Martin will host a virtual only mass this Saturday Jan.22nd at 4:00 pm. It can be viewed on our Facebook page (St John Baptist Parish). The video will remain on our Facebook page for you to view at any time. Eucharist will be available, in the parking lot, from 4:45-5:15pm following the mass on Saturday. Please remain in your vehicle. Also the regular weekday masses will live-streamed at the regular scheduled times and the Eucharist will be available following in the parking lot.

Offertory Envelopes: During this time of lock down, Offertory Envelopes can be collected on Saturday, following the Virtual Mass, for anyone coming to the church for communion. OR, they may be dropped off at the Parish Office in the mail slot. You may also send via mail to: 105 Union St., Woodstock, N.B. E7M 2W4 or e-transfer via telephone banking at your financial institution to sjbnb@rogers.com.

BREAKING DOWN WALLS: YOUNG PEOPLE, FAITH, AND MENTAL HEALTH – Young people from all around Atlantic Canada are invited to join a special Facebook Live Event addressing issues around young people and their mental health on **Wednesday, January 26, at 7:00 pm (AST)**. Special guests for this **Bell Let's Talk** event will include Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick, Bishop of Antigonish; Joe Townsend, Community CARES Youth Outreach (Sydney Mines); Paige Cox, Author of "The Berlin Project: Breaking Down Walls," and John Ratchford, Faith Witness. Anyone can join the session through the website for the Diocese of Antigonish (www.antigonishdiocese.com/) or their Facebook Page www.facebook.com/antigonishdiocese). This event is a collaborative effort, hosted by the Diocese of Antigonish and sponsored by the Atlantic Association of Catholic Youth Ministers. For more information, please contact Margot McAloon-Parker at fredreled@dioceseofsaintjohn.org

The office will be open for **telephone calls only, Monday-Thursday from 10 am to 12 pm**

Offertory Jan 16/17, 2022

	<u>St. Gertrude</u>	<u>Sts. Simon & Jude</u>	<u>St. Thomas</u>
Envelopes	290	497	
E-Transfer	20		
PAD	<u>1,417</u>	<u>222</u>	<u>77</u>
	1727	719	77
D & P	5	St. Bonaventure	30



St. John the Baptist Parish Synodal Update January 22/23, 2022

Our first Synodal consultation session with a group of 8 parishioners was a process of listening to and collecting stories, experiences and thoughts about where the church must go in the future to fulfill its mission of caring for God's people. The experience shared was prayerful, rewarding and purposeful.

Following that session at the request of the committee, Bishop Riesbeck agreed to extend the deadline for submission to Feb. 28, 2022. This provides us with a reasonable timeframe to gather information and submit a report.

PLEASE accept this invitation!

St. John the Baptist Parish Synodal committee is extending an invitation to all parishioners to 'journey together'.

Feb. 13, 2022 1pm Consultation session(s)

- Sessions will be held at St. Gertrude's and St Simon & St Jude church.
- In small group sessions facilitated by a committee member, parishioners will have an opportunity to share their stories, opinions and thoughts on the church past, present and future.
- Your voices will be welcomed and heard.
- Please RSVP by **Feb. 4** to the parish office or a committee member (contact info below)
- Covid precautions (masks, proof of vaccination, social distancing) will be required.

St. John XXIII speaking at Vatican II urged the participants to open the windows of the church. We always associate this with letting in fresh air, but something else happens when you open a window. You can hear what people outside and around you are saying.

Blessings on our synodal journey!
Looking forward to hearing from you.

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