

Church of Saint Andrew

Divine Mercy Sunday, celebrated on the Sunday after Easter, is observed by Roman Catholic as well as some Anglicans. It is originally based on the Catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy that Saint Faustina Kowalska reported as part of her encounter with Jesus, recorded in her diary, where Jesus said that a person who goes to sacramental confession & receives holy communion on that day, shall obtain the total forgiveness of all sins & punishment meaning such person would go immediately after death to heaven without suffering in purgatory (or hell).

Faustina wrote that on the night of Sunday 22 February 1931 ... Jesus appeared wearing a white garment with red & pale rays emanating from his heart & told her:

Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: "Jesus, I trust in You" (in Polish: "Jezu, ufam Tobie"). I desire that this image be venerated, 1st in your chapel, & then throughout the world. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish.

The image shows Christ with his right hand raised as if giving a blessing, & the left touching his chest. Two rays, one pale, one red – which Jesus said signify water & blood – are descending from his heart (John 19:34).



Saint Faustina Kowalska
1905-1938 (33 yrs)

Faustina wrote that Jesus wanted the Divine Mercy image to be "solemnly blessed on the 1st Sunday after Easter; that Sunday to be the Feast of Mercy" which was done during the 1st Sunday Mass after Easter on 28 April 1935.



Before her death Faustina predicted that "there will be a war, a terrible, terrible war" & asked the nuns to pray for Poland. In 1939, a year after Faustina's death, Archbishop Jalbrzykowski noticed that her predictions about the war had taken place, allowed public access to the Divine Mercy image resulting in large crowds which led to the spread of the Divine Mercy devotion as a source of strength & inspiration for many people in Poland. By 1941, the devotion reached the United States & millions of Divine Mercy prayer cards were printed & distributed worldwide.

Sr. Faustina was canonized by Polish Pope John Paul II on 18 April 1993. He died 02 April 2005 on the eve of Divine Mercy Sunday. (Wiki)

Divine Mercy Sunday

21 Apr 2019

Jesus came & stood in their midst
and said to them,

"Peace be with you."

When he had said this, he showed them
his hands & his side.

...

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

And when he had said this,
he breathed on them & said to them,

"Receive the Holy Spirit."

Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them,
and whose sins you retain are retained."
(John 20:19-23)



Original painting of the Divine Mercy by
Eugeniusz Kazimirowski in 1934.

Church of St. Andrew - Parish of St. Croix

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Bulletin Entries: Don Menton by Thu pm 529-4778 (donmenton@hotmail.com) (entries may be edited)

BELONG - Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference: Steubenville Youth Conferences bringing 50,000 teens (14-18) & their leaders closer to Christ every summer in Halifax, is presented in partnership with the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth & the Franciscan University of Steubenville on 5-7 July 2019. Cost: \$325. Contact Mary Alice Glasgow 653-6829, sjreled@dioceseofsaintjohn.org; halifaxyarmouth.org/pastoral-services/steubenville-atlantic

Liturgical Ministers

	28	Apr - May	5
Greeters	Bud Clarke		Connie Harvey
Servers	Geordie Doon Liam Bradford		Jeannie Matheson Margaret Obermeier
Lectors	May Doyle Brock Bradford		Dale Lively Alice Fulton
Gifts	Mark & Eva Frost		Sean & Heidi Corrigan family
Eucharistic Ministers	Greg & Valerie Corbett Spare		Aline Saulnier, Alice Fulton, Rosemary Spires
Collection	Paul Mulvihill & Geordie Doon		
Coordinator	Don Menton		Valerie Corbett

Apr - May	Mass Intentions	Collection	St. Croix Parish	
		18 Apr	St. Andrews	St. Stephen
Sun 28 11:30 am	All Parishioners Living & Deceased	Envelopes	next	676.00
Mon 29		Loose	week	675.10
Tue 30 12 noon	Mass for Mary Manatakos	Good Friday		369.00
Wed 1		Easter		922.00
Thu 2 7:00 pm		Devt & Peace		50.00
Fri 3 11 am		Building Fund		70.00
Sat 4 9:30 pm		PAD	337.00	800.00
Sun 5 10:00 am	All Parishioners Living & Deceased	Total	337.00	3,562.10

Collections (envelopes + loose) for Dec are \$5,138.91 which is \$549 (-10%) under the \$5,688 budget & \$9,125 (-14%) under the annual \$65,000 budget (increased from \$60,000 in 2017).

Please pray for our sick & all in need. Also remember our recently deceased, together with our elderly unable to join us at Mass, together with our parish & its people. Thank you!

Calendar of Events

Parish of Saint Croix
<p>Can we pray for YOU? Everyone is invited to drop off prayer requests at the prayer station at the back. Our team would love to pray for your intention.</p> <p>Confessions are 20 minutes before all Masses & available on request.</p> <p>Children wanting to have the sacrament of 1st Holy Communion, or adults the baptism of a child or to be married, please contact Fr. Suresh.</p> <p>New Freeman weekly Saint John diocesan newspaper: FREE at the church entrance.</p>

Birthdays: Art Doyle, Evelyn Bebeau, Heidi Corrigan, Owen England, Sean Feeney, Mark Frost, Paul Goff, Lezlie LeBlanc, Dixie Lively, Quinn M^cCurdy, Louise M^{ac}Farlane, Michelle Monaghan, Hans Obermeier, David O'Leary, Marcus Ritter, Tom Staynor.

Wedding Anniversaries: Mark & Eva Frost, Carlos & Rachel Rodriguez, Lawson & Rosemary Spires.

Community of Saint Andrew

Easter Thanks: I extend heartfelt thanks to all who gave me Easter gifts & all who prayed for me. May this Easter season bring you all peace & prosperity. Father Suresh Savariraj

Many thanks too for all the donations/flowers in memory of: Dot McLaughlin, Peter Monaghan, Margaret Eldridge, Helen Adamowicz, Catherine Klink, Pat McLaughlin & his Parents, Marg & George Jones, Ernest & Shirley DeCoste, Benny & Laretta Saulier, Annie & Bill Garnett, Hubert & Frank Corbett, Ernest & Mollie Smart, Raymond Lauzier, Louis & Gertrude Lauzier, & deceased members of the Bradford & McLean families, Campbell & Mulvihill families, Akagi family & MacFarlane & Roux families. Thanks as well to the Guild for their continued support & everyone who participated in the beautiful Easter liturgies this year & God bless.

Liturgical List (May - Aug) is available at the church entrance. Anyone wishing to participate or make changes to participating in a ministry, please call ... Don Menton (4778)

St. Croix Catholic Parish CWL \$300 Bursary for a graduating Catholic high school student: applications submitted to: Mrs. Darlene Aker, 146 Pleasant Street, St. Stephen, N.B. E3L 1B3 (466-4598) **no later** than May 17. Forms available at the Church entrance or Parish Office.

Sat 27 Apr St. Croix Catholic Parish (new) CWL Council: new executive will be installed at mass. Membership is 62 members! We welcome all ladies of the Parish to join! For further information, please call Ghislaine Wheaton at 466-4647.

Mon 29 Apr **Vocation Bible School** meeting at St. Patrick's Hall at 6:30p.m.

Tue 30 Apr **Office hours Saint Andrews** - every **Tuesday** 10 am-4 pm our pastor will present to the Saint Andrews community for home visits, weekly noon Mass, communion for the sick & shut ins at Passamaquoddy lodge.

Wed 1 May **Catholic Bible Studies:** 1 pm (only, no longer 6 pm) in the meeting room in the back of the Church of St. Stephen rectory.

Wed 1 May **Gospel of Saint John Study:** 11 am All Saints Hall, co-led by Rev'd Jim Crighton & Byron Munro. Everyone is welcome, light lunch will be served.

Sun 5 May 10 am **St. Croix Parish Sunday Mass** followed by Pot-luck at St. Andrew's Catholic Church. No Sunday Mass at St. Stephen's Church this 5th May 2019. .

Mon 6 May Father Suresh Savariraj departing for **vacation** to India & will return 6th June 2019. Please pray for his safe journey.

Diocese of Saint John

Fri - Sun 3-5 May **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend at Between The Hearts Renewal Centre, Amherst, NS. Open to husbands & wives of Atlantic Canada. For more information, call 902-314-8541.

Tue 7 May 6:30 - 9:30 pm **Meeting Jesus on the Road to Emmaus:** facilitated by Sr. Gertrude Mulholland, SCIC to join the disciples on the Emmaus road as Jesus enlightens them & breaks bread together. Villa Madonna Retreat House, donation \$10.