



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Monthly Online Family Newsletter

Interested in what we at St. Paul's are doing for young people and families? Consider signing up for our monthly online *St. Paul's Family Newsletter*. To do so, simply contact the St. Paul's office and let us know, or email Family & Youth Minister, Rob Montgomery rob.montgomery@anglican.nb.ca).

Sunday School Resumes Today

Our Sunday School program will resume today Jan. 14.

Sea Dogs vs. Quebec Remparts,

Faith & Family Night Fundraiser! - January 20 at 7:00pm

Join us for a faith-filled evening at the rink with guest speaker and NHL Hall-of-Famer Mike Gartner. Mike Gartner will be having a pre-game speaking session at Harbour Station from 5-5:45 PM. Mike is recognized as one of the top 100 NHL players of all time and remains dedicated to his faith. Tickets for the entire event are \$7 for Youth aged 5-12, \$10 for Students, and \$18 for Adults/Seniors. \$5 from each adult ticket goes back to the Church of your choice, with funds coming into St. Paul's going directly towards helping people in need in our neighbourhood.

For more information, contact Rob Montgomery or visit:

<https://seadogs.spinzo.com/faith-family-night-fundraiser-sea-dogs-take-on-the-quebec-remparts-2018-01-20-FEKKQ>

The Coldest Night of the Year is a super-fun, family-friendly fundraiser that raises money for local charities serving hungry, homeless and hurting families and youth in 120 communities across Canada. In the Saint John area, we will be raising funds for Outflow Ministries. Participants raise funds, and on **Saturday February 24** we will be walking around uptown Saint John together. Our St. Paul's team ("*St. Paul's Pilgrims*") is open to all members and friends of St. Paul's Church, including our Youth Group. If you would like to join our team, or support us with a donation, please contact Rob Montgomery, or go online to: <https://cnoy.org/home>.

Choral Scholarship

We are pleased to announce a new initiative at St. Paul's - our Choral Scholarship Programme! The program is a great opportunity to sing with a choir, learn classic choral repertoire, gain experience and enhance your musical training. Post secondary scholarship is \$2000/year and High School Scholarship is \$1000/year. For information or to apply, please contact us at 847-1812 or stpaulsrothesay@nb.aibn.com.

PARISH NOTES

Patronal Feast Day

We will be celebrating the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul (our patron saint) on **January 28th**. Bishop Edwards will be with us on that day at 10 a.m. as our celebrant and preacher. At the conclusion of the Eucharist, the bishop will dedicate the stained glass in the foyer. All are invited to join us for a potluck lunch following the service.

Choral Evensong

Our next scheduled Choral Evensong will be on **January 28th at 7 p.m.** This is a quiet, reflective service of readings, hymns and canticles led by the choir. Do consider joining us.

Bring in your palms!

In preparation for Ash Wednesday we will be burning the palm branches from last Palm Sunday to make the ashes which will be used during the rite of imposition. If you have palm branches/crosses left over from previous years, please bring them in to the office.

Parish Annual Meeting – Sunday, February 25

As we prepare for our AGM next month, we are now receiving reports from parish organizations and committees for the report booklet. We would like to have the booklet available for **Feb 18** and are asking for reports to be sent to the office by **Wed, Jan 31**. It is a help to send the reports electronically to stpaulsrothesay@nb.aibn.com. Thank you.

Mission Within The Parish Meeting

The Mission Within the Parish will hold their meeting this month on **Tues. Jan 16** at 7:30 p.m. in the Crosby Room

Altar Guild Annual Meeting

Will be held on **Thurs, Jan 25** at 5:00 at the home of Pam Iype, 18 Tranquility Lane in Quispamsis.

Candlemas Procession & Eucharist - February 4th @ 10 a.m.

Candlemas, February 2nd, is the traditional name of the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple. The lessons for this day tell of how Mary and Joseph brought the baby Jesus to the Temple and presented him to the Lord in the presence of Simeon and Anna. We are reminded of the need to show forth Christ in our daily lives to the world. It is a turning point in our liturgical year. We take one last look at the baby of Bethlehem and then turn toward Calvary. Since Simeon proclaimed Jesus to be a "light to lighten the Gentiles," it is customary to bless candles on this day. You are invited to bring in household candles used throughout the year for a blessing. Burning blessed candles at home is a reminder that we are called to bring the light of Christ into the world.