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Second Sunday of Advent December 4, 2016

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Parish Office Hours: Mon-Fri: 9:00 am – 12 Noon and 1:00pm – 4:30pm

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New Website for the Archdiocese of St. John's www.rcsj.org

MASS SCHEDULE

(When there is a funeral weekday mass will be cancelled)

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
Tuesday December 6	6:30 pm	St. Joseph's	Mary & Michael Walsh; Ed Bruce; Charlie & Nora Daley, Charles & Lucy Daley
Wednesday December 7	6:30 pm	St. Joseph's	Nora Ryan; Phonse Duggan; Shirley Marrie
Thursday December 8	9:00 am 7:00 pm	Ad. Beach Nt. Harbour	Arthur, Madeline & Frank McEvoy; William Hickey; William, Ida & Nellie Meehan & deceased family members Sebastian Walsh & deceased family members; Edmund & Bridget Davis; Frank & Ida Power, Frank Power Jr.
Friday December 9		Rectory	Maurice, Ricky, Kevin & Heather Corcoran, Richard Foley, Irene & Kimberly Stafford, deceased members of the Saunders family
Saturday December 10	4:00 pm 5:30 pm	St. Mary's <i>Note time & place</i> St. Vincent's <i>Note time & place</i>	"Missa Pro Populo" For Parishioners Curtis Hayward; John, Rita, Randy, Rick & Paul St. Croix, Robyn Peddle; Mary, Ita & Kitty Molloy, Ellen Hayward
Sunday December 11	9:30 am 11:00 am	Mount Carmel St. Joseph's	Ned McDonald; Tommy Drohan; Kevin MacEachern & deceased family members Alban & Deborah Ryan; Ellen Daley; Helena Dawe

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

Due to the 50th Anniversary of Incorporation for the Town of St. Mary's, the weekend mass for Saturday December 10 will be celebrated at 4:00 pm in St. Mary's and 5:30 pm in St. Vincent's

LITURGY & MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, December 7	7:00 pm	St. Joseph's	Holy Hour
	7:00 pm	Admiral's Beach	Holy Hour
Friday, December 9	3:00 pm	St. Mary's	Chaplet of Devine Mercy

From The desk of the Pastor

Dear Parishioners

REGISTRATION FOR HOME CATECHESIS and SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: To register your child/family in this program, please contact Betty at the Parish Office. More information will be announced about meetings, sessions in the coming weeks. This program is not only for children preparing for the sacraments. It is open to all children, young people and families in the parish.

IRELAND TRIP – For those who are travelling to Ireland next year, the online registration form is now on the parish website, under parish news. www.gsparish.ca

CHRISTMAS CONCERT WITH THE SECRET'S: Unfortunately due to the low volume of ticket sales the show is **cancelled** for **Wednesday, December 7** at St. Joseph's Church in St. Joseph's.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE: Christmas Eve St. Vincent's 6:00pm, St. Joseph's 8:30pm, Christmas Day St. Mary's 9:30am, Mount Carmel 11:30am. Mass intentions will be for all Parishioners.

Mary Mother of God, New Year's Eve & Day: Mount Carmel Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday St. Mary's 10:30am.

CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA 2017 CALENDARS: Calendars are on sale at the parish office, before and after the weekend masses at a cost of \$10.00 each. All proceeds from the sale of the calendars will go entirely to the parish, to help offset the electrical repairs to the rectory.

VISITATION: Thursday, December 8, starting in Admiral's Beach at 9:30am visiting O'Donnell's, St. Joseph's, New Bridge, St. Catherine's, Mount Carmel, and Colinet.

VOCATION REFLECTION: "Are you called to be "A herald's voice in the desert" preparing the way of the Lord in the hearts of His people? If you think that God is calling you to serve the Lord of the harvest as a priest, sister or brother, Call Fr. Ken Walsh at 781-1696, Fr. Jeff Kolonel at 745-8183, or Fr. Ray Earle at 488-2525 or email: vocations@rcsj.org

RUAH COUNSELLING CENTRE GROUP OFFERINGS WINTER 2017 GROUP OFFERINGS - 35 Barnes Road (The Lantern) **please go to www.rcsj.org for more information:** When You See RED (8 weeks) Parenting Children Course (6 weeks); Support Group for End of Relationship, Separation, & Divorce (8 weeks); Self-Empowerment for Women (8 weeks); Stress Management (8 weeks). *Dates & Times to be announced* Visit <http://rcsj.org/content/line-registration-form>, call 579-0168, or email: ruah@rcsj.org

SCREENING PROCESS – RENEWAL: All new volunteers with parishes have to complete a screening process. Those whose *certificate of conduct* on file is **past the five year mark** are due to apply for an updated **COURT** and **POLICE** check in 2016. These forms must be completed in order to participate in any Parish Ministry/Parish Fund raising event. The new updated forms received from the archdiocesan office are available at the back of the church and at the parish office. Please complete and return to the parish office. A letter from the parish has to accompany your application stating that you are a volunteer with the parish. An applicant for a Police Record Check is required to get a clearance from the Provincial Court. Once a Court Check has been obtained, please forward to the parish office. You then complete the Police Check form and bring it to the RCMP Detachment in Holyrood.

MASS REQUEST INTENTIONS must be paid in advance before the mass can be supplied. The mass intention fee is \$5.00 per family intention.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH CLEANING GROUP (December): Anna Dobbin, Brenda Pender, Sylvia Gushue, Joan Lake

SUNDAY MISSALS FOR 2017 on sale before and after the weekend masses. Cost \$4.50

Vigil: to remember those who died by SUICIDE

Location: St. Patrick's Church, 6 Patrick Street, St. John's

Date: Sunday, December 11, 2016 - **Time:** 3:00 pm – Parking Convent Square and St. Patrick's Parking Lot. -- This vigil is held to support family and friends who have lost loved ones to suicide. Share in music, poems, prayers and candle lighting. Everyone is invited to bring a framed photograph of their loved one to be displayed during the vigil. Music by Shelley Neville, Peter Halley, Randy Crane & Dan Dillon. Individuals are invited to bring along cookies/cake for tea following the vigil. All are welcome!

TIME IN THE HALL 3.0 - The St. Joseph's Hall Committee is presenting a family-oriented event on New Year's Eve, December 31. This fundraising event will help offset the annual operating costs of the Hall. The event starts with a children's program from 7:00pm to 9:00pm with snacks, countdown and early fireworks. Music and dancing into the wee hours of 2017! Door prize, raffles and more! The event will be BYOE (Bring Your Own Everything). We suggest donations of \$20 for adults and \$10 for students. Free admission for children aged 10 and under. Email: stjosephshall2016@gmail.com. See you on New Year's Eve!

The St. Vincent's Fisherman's Museum Committee wishes to announce that the Memory Tree event will take place on Friday Dec.16th at 6:30 near the church entrance. There will be tree lighting and ribbon tying . Come along and tie a ribbon on the tree in memory of a loved one. Ribbons will be provided. Our Town Council kindly invites everyone into Council Chambers afterwards for a little social. Hope to see you there.

FINANCES WITH SINCERE THANKS!

Mount Carmel: Weekly Offering: \$631.15	All Souls Offering: \$10.00	Church Dues: \$100.00	Mission Calendars: \$30.00
Sunday Missals: \$16.00	Advent Offering: \$225.00	Mt. Carmel Cemetery Fund Donation: \$500.00	
Card Game (<i>Mt. Carmel Altar Society Nov 27</i>): \$79.00			
St. Joseph's: Weekly Offering: \$568.45	Advent Offering: \$65.00	Sunday Missal: \$5.00	Word Among Us: \$5.00
Mass Card Print Cost: \$3.00	Funeral Luncheon Donation (<i>Ryan Family</i>): \$70.00		
St. Vincent's: Weekly Offering: \$307.00	All Souls Offering: \$10.00	Church Dues: \$40.00	Advent Offering: \$50.00
Card Game (<i>Nov 22</i>): \$135.00	sponsors... <i>Carmel Sutton, Tony Hicks, Lisa White</i>		Canteen Proceeds: \$100.00
St. Mary's: Weekly Offering: \$347.90	All Souls Offering: \$5.00	Dues: \$150.00	Advent Offering: \$65.00
Word Among Us: \$55.00	Sunday Missals: \$110.00	Certificate: \$5.00	Baptism Stipend (<i>Baby Kenny</i>): \$100.00
In Memoriam (<i>late Frances Lee</i>): \$70.00			

GRAND IN YOUR HAND: Thank you to all of you who have volunteered to sell tickets for us and to those who have purchased tickets. The draw has been a great success and will help us pay off the parish operating debt, which is the purpose of the draw. Thank you for your support! **December Month Draw #1:** Winner: Regina Dobbin Ticket No. 0117
 Ticket Drawn at Parish Office Dec 2 by: Fr. Randy Doucette
 Ticket Drawn at Parish Office Dec 2 by: Fr. Randy Doucette Witnessed by: Fr. Steve Congratulations Regina!
 Thank you Fr Randy and Fr Steve

OCTOBER FINANCIAL REPORT posted on the church bulletin board. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the parish office or Mr. Howard Power Finance Council Chairperson.

CARD GAMES: Mt. Carmel Altar Society Sunday@ 8:00 pm North Harbour: Monday @ 8:00 pm
 St. Joseph's 50+ Club: Tuesday @ 8:00 pm Salmonier 50+ Club: Wednesday @ 8:00 pm

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION RIVERHEAD, S.M.B SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4TH 2 PM – 4 PM
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THANK YOU: The family of the late Lena Dawe wish to express our sincere appreciation to all those who helped to alleviate the sorrow of her passing. Thank you to all who visited from far and near, to those who donated food, telephone calls and for your prayers. Thank you to Father Steve for his visit, prayers and comforting words and to the staff at St. Clare's and the Health Science for who were so kind, compassionate and caring to all our family. Rest assured every act of kindness and every hug helped ease our pain and will always be remembered. May God bless you each and every one. *Theresa Power & Family and the Dawe Family*

Thank You: The family of the late Nora Ryan wishes to offer their sincere thanks to all the community who offered support and love to us during this sad time. To the organist, the choir, the bereavement team, those who participated in the ministries of the mass and a very special thank you to our pastor, Father Steve for the beautiful funeral celebration. Thank you to the staff of Gibbons Funeral Home who goes above and beyond to offer their support. We are so blessed to be living in this great faith community where everyone offers love and compassion in a time of need. May God bless you all! *The Ryan Family*

Thank You: The family of the late Anthony Stamp wishes to thank all those people who brought comfort to us at this sad time. Anthony was pleased to have a visit from Archbishop Martin Currie while being a patient at the Health Science Centre. Special thanks to Fr. Cecil Critch for the beautiful celebration of mass and Christian burial, to Jean Gibbons and family of Gibbons Funeral Home for their kindness and help during our brother's final days and after his passing. Thank you for your visits to the funeral home, to all who attended the mass, those who participated in the ministries of the mass, to the bereavement team for all their help and kindness and to the ladies who served such an enjoyable lunch at the hall. Special thanks to Aunt Pauline and Evelyn who prepared dinner for all our family and to John and Jean St. Croix for providing overnight accommodations to our sisters. Please be assured every kind gesture and comforting word made a sad time a little easier for the family. God bless each and every one. *Anthony's Family*

Thank You: We extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to all who helped alleviate the sorrow on the loss of our Mom, Frances. To those who visited our home and the funeral home: brought food, cards, Mass cards, flowers, made donations on her behalf to the Parish or to another charity and to those who telephoned or posted a message and those who were with us in Spirit. Special thanks to Karen, her homecare worker who loved her and cared for her like a daughter: Father Steve for brightening her days with his visits; Father Cecil and Archbishop Currie for the beautiful liturgy and burial service; Sr. Lois and the Presentation Sisters, our local choir and her godchild Ruth for the most beautiful music and hymns; to Gibbons' Funeral Home for their professionalism and care; to the Ladies Auxiliary for the delicious lunch at the Hall. To anyone who helped in any way, we are eternally grateful. God bless you.

The Lee Family

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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

Mass intentions will be for all Parishioners

Christmas Eve: 6:00 pm St. Vincent's	8:30 pm St. Joseph's	New Year's Eve: 4:00 pm Mount Carmel
Christmas Day: 9:30 am St. Mary's	11:30 am Mt. Carmel	New Year's Day: 10:30 am St. Mary's