



First Sunday of Advent

December 3

2017

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 Good Shepherd Parish Website www.gsparish.ca; Archdiocese of St. John's www.rcsj.org
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MARRIAGE NOTIFICATIONS: 6 Months (Marriage Preparation course required)
 Please call Jocelyn (RCEC) to register at 1-709-726-3660

PRE-BAPTISM COURSE: To register call Dave Kenny @ 229-7395, Anna Dobbin @ 521-2867

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION available before all Masses, or anytime by appointment at the parish house.

VISITATION TO THE SICK AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office if you would like Father Steve to visit you at home or in the hospital.

MASS SCHEDULE

(When there is a funeral, weekday mass will be re-scheduled)

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	MASS INTENTIONS
Monday December 4		Rectory	Living Intention Margaret Halleran & Family
Tuesday December 5	6:30 pm	St. Joseph's	Agnes Dobbin; Kenneth Hickey Phonse & Annie Power
Wednesday December 6	6:30 pm	St. Joseph's	Joseph Doody; James & Annie Nolan & deceased family members James & Veronica Bishop & deceased family members
Thursday December 7	9:00 am	St. Joseph's	Dick & Clotilda Singleton; Richard & Susie Grace & deceased family members; Douglas Fleming & deceased family members
Friday December 8	9:00 am	St. Joseph's	Denis Linehan & deceased family members Frank & Betty Linehan & deceased family members Edmund J. Moriarity
Saturday December 9	4:00 pm	St. Vincent's <i>Ministry</i>	Patrick & Gerald Moriarity & deceased family members Patrick & Mary St. Croix & deceased family members Frank & Nellie Singleton & the deceased of the Singleton family Cross Bearer: Nellie Gibbons 1st Reader: Dan St. Croix 2nd Reader: Dorothy Kielly Gifts: Dermot & Beth Fleming & family Eucharistic Minister: Mary Fleming
Sunday December 10	10:30 am	St. Joseph's <i>Baptism within Mass</i> <i>Ministry</i>	"Missa Pro Populo" For Parishioners Server: Howard Power 1st Reader: Madeline McDonald 2nd Reader: Mary Dobbin Gifts: Clara Linehan Eucharistic Minister: Lucille Gambin

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Thursday December 6	7:00 pm	St. Mary's
Wednesday, December 13	7:00 pm	Mount Carmel

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday December 23	4:00 pm 6:00 pm	St. Vincent's St. Joseph's
Christmas Eve	6:00 pm 8:30 pm	St. Mary's Mount Carmel
Christmas Day	9:30 am 11:30 am	St. Vincent's St. Joseph's
New Year's Eve	4:00 pm	St. Vincent's

LITURGY & MEETING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Dec 5	7:00 pm	St. Joseph's	ADULT FAITH FORMATION
Wednesday, Dec 6	7:00pm	St. Joseph's	Holy Hour
	7:00pm	Home/St. Catherine's	Holy Hour
	7:00 pm	Admiral's Beach	Holy Hour
Thursday, Dec 7	7:00 pm	St. Mary's	PENITENTIAL SERVICE
Friday, Dec 8	3:00 pm	St. Mary's	Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Dear Parishioners

1. **BELIZE SCHOOL SUPPLIES**, Thank you to all who donated supplies and helped with the postage costs. The people of San Jose Succotz, are most appreciative of the support.
2. **CHRISTMAS STOCKING TICKET LOTTERY FUNDRAISER**: Tickets are on sale throughout the parish on a Giant Christmas Stocking filled with lots of Christmas goodies valued at \$500.00. Tickets sell for \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.
3. **PARISH ANNUAL KITCHEN PARTY**: I would like to put together a committee to help with the planning of the Parish Kitchen Party which will take place April 15, 2018. I really need help planning this fundraiser and I will be asking people to donate items as prizes. If you are interested in assisting with this vital fundraising event, please contact me at the parish office.
4. **FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS**: Next session is December 5, 7pm. On December 5th the session will be on Prayer and types of prayers. All are welcome!
5. **GATHERING PLACE**: The parish will be sponsoring a meal on Tuesday, Feb 13. The cost of the meal is \$1500.00, if you would like to make a donation, it would be greatly appreciated. We will need about 10 volunteers for this meal. Until the 2nd Sunday of Advent, I will be accepting donations of personal toiletry items for the guests at the Gathering Place, please note, toothpaste is not needed. Thank you for the great response to the drive for outdoor clothing.
6. **CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA 2018 CALENDARS**: Calendars are now 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 general operational church expense.
7. **A CHRISTMAS TIME WITH THE ENNIS SISTERS**: Our Lady of Assumption Church, St. Mary's December 19 – 7:30 PM Show. Tickets \$25.00 per person. To reserve tickets please call 521-2206 during parish office hours or by email @ goodshepherdparish@nf.sympatico.ca. Tickets should be picked up by Friday, December 15.
8. The parish will also be accepting non-perishable food items to help the less fortunate. Food items can be dropped off at the church or parish office. If you, or you know someone in need this time of the year, and need some assistance please contact me, God Bless Fr. Steve.

VOCATION REFLECTION: First Sunday of Advent – December 3, 2017 “Father, we are the work of Your Hands.” Is God’s work in you to be of service to Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Jeff Kolonel at (709)745-8183 or Father Ray Earle (709)488-2525 or email: vocations@rcsj.org

SANCTUARY LIGHT: In memory of Nathan Flynn – Sacred Heart Church St. Vincent’s

CHURCH DUES & ADVENT OFFERING ENVELOPES are available on the table at the back of the church for those who are not using the weekly boxed envelopes.

SUNDAY MISSALS FOR 2018 on sale before and after the weekend masses. Cost \$5.00 per missal.

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

NATIVITIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD: Over 150 Nativity sets on display. **WHERE?** The Basilica Museum (immediately west of the Basilica) **WHEN?** December 3-23 **TIMES?** Daily from 1-4 p.m., and other times by request.

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY EVENT WORLD YOUTH DAY – PANAMA: The next World Youth Day will be held in **January 2019 in Panama**. This pilgrimage is for young adults, aged 18-35 and the theme will be “I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.” (Lk 1:38). If you would like more information on this pilgrimage, please contact Sara at sbroderick@rcsj.org

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL: TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO DIED BY SUICIDE. This annual vigil is held to remember those who died by suicide and to support family and friends who are survivors of suicide loss. Gather 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, Dan Dillon, & Judy Brazil. Please feel free to bring along cookies /cake for tea following the vigil. All are welcome! **Date: Sunday, December 10, 2017 - Time: 3:00 pm Location:** St. Patrick’s Church, 6 Patrick Street, St. John’s Parking: Parking is available in Church Parking Lot on Patrick Street. For additional information please contact: Kim at 864-8101, 691-8978 or kakelly@mun.ca Tina at 726-4223 or tgdavies99@gmail.com

FINANCES WITH SINCERE THANKS

St. Joseph’s/Mt. Carmel

Weekly Offering: \$736.60 Church Dues: \$655.00 Needs of Canadian Church: \$5.00 All Souls Offering: \$10.00

Sunday Missals: \$35.00 Mt. Carmel Altar Society Card Game Proceeds (Nov 26): \$102.00

Memoriam: A very sincere thank you to the Nolan family for the donation of Advent and Lenten Altar Cloths to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in loving memory of **Annie Nolan**.

St. Vincent’s/St. Mary’s

Weekly Offering \$749.70 Church Dues: \$50.00 Collection to Priesthood: 15.00 All Souls Offering: \$15.00

Gathering Place: \$50.00 Belize Postage Donation: \$20.00 World Mission Sunday: \$15.00 Respect for Life: \$20.00

Sanctuary Light (St. Vincent’s): \$6.00 Advent Offering: \$10.00 St. Mary’s Luminary Offering: \$258.05

St. Vincent’s Card Proceeds (Nov 20): \$170.00 sponsors... Joan Making, Janelle Making Hall Rental (Nov 25): \$100.00 K. Hayward

*Parish Monthly Financial Report for **September** Posted On the Church Bulletin Boards*

Please take time to review. If you have any questions or concerns you may contact the parish office or Mr. Howard Power, Finance Council Chairperson at 521-2431.

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. Thank you for your support!

December Month Draw #1: Winner: Des Yetman Ticket No. 00019

Ticket Drawn at Parish Office December 1 by: Christine Daley Witnessed by: Clara Linehan

Congratulations! Des Thank you Christine and Clara

CARD GAMES: Mt. Carmel Altar Society: Sunday at 8:00 pm North Harbour: Monday at 8:00 pm
Admiral’s Beach Fire Dept: Monday at 8:00pm Salmonier South 50+Club: Tuesday at 8:00 pm
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ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION, BR #62 RIVERHEAD:

- **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE** Sunday, December 10, starting at 2 pm.
Turkey/Ham Ticket Wheel, 10 cent wheel, 25 cent wheel, cheer wheel..... Come out and bring a friend.
- **RCL BOXING NIGHT DANCE:** Tuesday December 26th, Royal Canadian Legion Br 62, Riverhead. Come celebrate the music and the 35th Anniversary of Me & Him. Tickets \$10 in advance \$15 on door, 19 years and older. Doors open 9 pm.

TIME IN THE HALL: The St. Joseph’s Parish 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 2018! Great prizes, 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. See you on New Year’s Eve!

CHASE THE ACE @ THE HOLYROOD POND INTERPRETATION CENTRE in St. Stephen's by St. Vincent’s - St. Stephen’s - Peter's River Fire Department. The ace pot is starting at \$10,063.00 on Dec.3 (17 cards left), tickets are sold from 1:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M. with our draw @ 3:00 P.M.; tickets are sold each week on a 50/50 draw. Thank you for your support!

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