



Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24, 2017



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Good Shepherd Parish Website www.gsparish.ca: Archdiocese of St. John's www.rcsj.org Facebook (@GoodShepherdParishSMB)

MARRIAGE NOTIFICATIONS: 6 Months (Marriage Preparation course required) Please call Jocelyn (RCEC) to register at 1-726-3660

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 25	9:30am	St. Vincent's <i>Ministry</i>	"Missa Pro Populo" For Parishioners <i>Cross Bearer: Nellie Gibbons</i> <i>1st Reader: Angela Fleming 2nd Reader: Ann Hayward</i> <i>Gifts: Dan & Josephine St. Croix Eucharistic Minister: Patrick Tobin</i>
	11:30 am	St. Joseph's <i>Ministry</i>	"Missa Pro Populo" For Parishioners <i>Server: Donal Greene</i> <i>1st Reader: Mary Dobbin 2nd Reader: Rose Daley</i> <i>Gifts: Pat & Joanne Singleton Eucharistic Minister: Howard Power</i>
Wednesday December 27	6:30 pm	St. Joseph's	Michael & Mary Meehan; Dick & Clo Singleton Lori Rohan
Thursday December 28	9:00 am	St. Joseph's	Olga Hounsell; Father Purcell Georgina Dobbin
Saturday December 30	4:00 pm	Mount Carmel <i>Ministry</i>	Gerard & Patsy Walsh; Jim Power & deceased family members; Edward Power <i>Server: Dave Kenny</i> <i>1st Reader: Bertha Fowler 2nd Reader: Tony Healey</i> <i>Gifts: Emily Kenny & Marie Bonia Eucharistic Minister: Heather Marrie</i>
	6:00 pm	St. Mary's <i>Ministry</i>	Stan & Gertrude Walsh & deceased family members Theresa St. Croix & deceased members of the Tobin family Alice & Clifford St. Croix & deceased members of the St. Croix & Coombs families <i>Cross Bearer: Donnie St. Croix</i> <i>1st Reader: Sylvia Molloy 2nd Reader: Marg Singleton</i> <i>Gifts: Thelma Stamp & Gladys Hickey Eucharistic Minister: Mike Breen</i>
Sunday December 31	4:00 pm	St. Vincent's <i>Ministry</i>	"Missa Pro Populo" For Parishioners <i>Cross Bearer: Ann Hayward</i> <i>1st Reader: Verna Hayward 2nd Reader: Frances Fleming</i> <i>Gifts: Dermot & Beth Fleming Eucharistic Minister: Mary Fleming</i>
Monday January 1	10:30 am	St. Joseph's <i>Ministry</i>	"Missa Pro Populo" For Parishioners <i>Server: Donal Greene</i> <i>1st Reader: Lucille Gambin 2nd Reader: Dave Kenny</i> <i>Gifts: Ben & Betty Power Eucharistic Minister: Mary Dobbin</i>

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

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

MASS SCHEDULE JANUARY 2-7, 2018

Wednesday January 3	6:30 pm	St. Joseph's	John & Patricia Singleton; John Lewis Tom & Mary Careen & deceased family members
Thursday January 4	6:00 pm	Riverhead	Memory Tree Mass
Saturday January 6	4:00 pm	Mount Carmel <i>Ministry</i>	"Missa Pro Populo" For Parishioners <i>Server: Beth Wade</i> <i>1st Reader: Eugene McDonald 2nd Reader: Donal Greene</i> <i>Gifts: Bill & Madeline Dean Eucharistic Minister: Theresa Williams</i>
Sunday January 7	10:30 am	St. Mary's <i>Ministry</i>	Michael & Elizabeth Dillon & deceased family members Mona & Jim Corcoran & deceased family members Daphne & Wayne Molloy & deceased members of the Molloy & Doromody families <i>Cross Bearer: Mary B. Comerford</i> <i>1st Reader: Sylvester Yetman 2nd Reader: Dan St. Croix</i> <i>Gifts: Bill & Veronica Breen Eucharistic Minister: Pearl Kielly</i>

LITURGY & MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Dec 27	7:00pm 7:00pm	St. Joseph's Home/St. Catherine's	Holy Hour Holy Hour
Friday, Dec 29	7:00 pm 3:00 pm	Admiral's Beach St. Mary's	Holy Hour Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Thursday, Jan 4	6:00 pm	Riverhead	St. Joseph the Worker Church Memory Tree

Dear Parishioners

- 1. CHRISTMAS STOCKING TICKET LOTTERY FUNDRAISER & A CHRISTMAS TIME WITH THE ENNIS SISTERS:** Thank you for your support of these two fundraisers. Thanks to those who helped organize, and sell tickets for both events; and special thank you to those who donated items for the stocking.
- 2. 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.
- 3. FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS:** Next session to be announced.
- 4. 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. Thank you for the great response to the drive for outdoor clothing.
- 5. 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. God Bless Fr. Steve.

VOCATION REFLECTION: "Be it done unto me according to your word". Docile obedience to the Lord's will is the fruit of humble prayer. If God is inviting you to a deeper consecration as a priest, brother or sister, 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 Ricky & Hilary Gibbons, Frank & Adrian Cahill – Our Lady of Assumption Church



**Baptized this weekend at Good Shepherd Parish
Sacred Heart Church, St. Vincent's**

Madelyn Elizabeth Reid

Congratulations and God's blessings on you and your family!



Mt. Carmel/St. Joseph's

Weekly Offering: \$554.00 Church Dues: \$50.00 Advent Offering: \$90.00 Christmas Offering: \$60.00
Mission Calendar: \$10.00 Sunday Missals: \$95.00 Word Among Us Missals: \$5.00
Belize Postage: \$50.00 Gathering Place: \$50.00 Mass Card Print Cost: \$2.00 Certificates: \$10.00
Mt. Carmel Altar Society Card Game Proceeds (*Dec 10*): \$115.00 (*Dec 17*): \$123.00 Next Game January 7/2018
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cemetery Memorials: \$100.00 (*Esther Pike*) \$40.00 (*Glynn Power*)
Nt. Harbour Weekday Offering (*Dec 14*): \$112.50 Church Dues: \$100.00 Advent Offering: \$30.00 Heat/Light/Ins: \$20.00
St. Joseph's Church Donation: \$100.00 Admiral's Beach Weekday Offering (*Dec 14*): \$41.85
Queen of Holy Rosary Church Admiral's Beach Special Monthly Collection (*December*): \$460.00
Funeral Fees (*late John Lewis*): Wake room Rental: \$150.00 (*Dunphy's Funeral Home*)

St. Vincent's/St. Mary's

Weekly Offering \$394.00 Church Dues: \$180.00 Advent Offering: 65.00 Word Among Us: \$30.00 Certificate: \$10.00
Our Lady of Assumption Church Memorial (*Anastasia Yetman*): \$650.00

*Parish Monthly Financial Report for **October** 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 *Jan 7/18* 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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MEMORY TREE MASS ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CHURCH RIVERHEAD at 6:00 pm Thursday, January 4. Names of your deceased loved one along with a small donation may be submitted to Ann Squires, Irene St. Croix or Sheila Lee.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH CLEANING GROUP (January): Elizbaeth Daley, Gail Singleton, Mercedes Daley, and Doris Squires

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!

*Birthday blessings to Mrs. Elizabeth Linehan celebrating her 93rd birthday on Sunday December 31.
May God's grace be with you and may His love surround you on this special day and always!*

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 \$11,971.00 on **Saturday, Dec.23** (14 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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Please be advised that Archbishop Currie will be closing the Pastoral Centre at the end of the regular workday on December 22nd, 2017 and to reopen at regular time on January 2nd, 2018.

Good Shepherd Parish Office closed Monday December 25 to Friday December 29. Office will reopen on January 2

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