



Twenty - Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time September 23, 2018

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY: 9:00am - 12:00 and 1:00pm - 5:00pm

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

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON: Shirley Kielly - 525-2936.
PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON: Howard Power - 521-2431.

MARRIAGE NOTIFICATIONS: 6 Months (Marriage Preparation course required) Please call (RCEC) to register at 726-3660.
PRE-BAPTISM COURSE: To register call Dave Kenny @ 229-7395.

A copy of the child's birth record must be provided before the baptism.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: Debbie Dunphy, Donna Critch, Marian Bonia, Sheila Yetman, Leona Tobin, Angela Fleming.
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 |
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| Tuesday September 25 | 6:30 pm | St. Joseph's | Mary Hickey; Charlie & Nora Daley & deceased family members Douglas Mooney & deceased members of the Mooney, Williams & Gibbons families |
| Wednesday September 26 | 6:30 pm | St. Joseph's | Gus Dalton, Joe Walsh; Marg Power |
| Thursday September 27 | 9:00 am | St. Joseph's | Anna Dobbin; Esther Pike; Jack & Mary Vail |
| Friday September 28 | | Rectory | Special Intention Albert & Ann Marie Power |
| Saturday September 29 | 4:00 pm | St. Vincent's | Bernard Halleran & deceased members of the Halleran & Gibbons families; Aiden St. Croix; Robert & Isabelle Kielly & deceased family members |
| | | <i>Ministry</i> | <i>Cross Bearer: Ron Fleming Readers: Anne Hayward, Sylvester Yetman Gifts: Angela Fleming & family Eucharistic Minister: Mary Fleming</i> |
| Sunday September 30 | 10:30 am | St. Joseph's | "Missa Pro Populo" For Parishioners Ed Genge; Edward & Irene Power & deceased family members |
| | | <i>Ministry</i> | <i>Server: Howard Power Readers: Heather Marrie, Lorraine Furey Gifts: Donal & Magdalene Greene Eucharistic Minister: Richard Fowler</i> |

LITURGY & MEETING SCHEDULE

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| Wednesday, Sept 26 | 7:00 pm | Admiral's Beach | Holy Hour |
| Friday, Sept 28 | 3:00 pm | St. Mary's | Chaplet of the Divine Mercy |
| Thursday, Sept 27 | 9:30 am | St. Joseph's | HOME CATECHESIS/ SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MEETING |



Baptized this weekend at Good Shepherd Parish
St. Joseph's Church

HANNAH GRACE MCCLAFFERTY

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



Dear Parishioners,

As you know the Archbishop has placed the Archdiocesan Strategic Plan on hold until a new Archbishop is appointed. However, as a parish community we still need to build for our future. This past weekend, I preached about self-evaluation. For some time now, I have been reflecting on self-evaluation of my own ministry as a priest and regarding our parish. Self-evaluation is a good and healthy thing to do. In my own reflection, I often wonder how you the parishioners view and/or experience the parish. Basically, I am asking what are your thoughts on the parish, the Church. What are we doing well, what needs to be improved? Etc.

With recent published reports of sexual abuse within the church, or to focus on declining attendance at mass, apathy towards the Church and its sacramental life by our family and friends, it is easy to get discouraged. Therefore, on the weekend of Oct 13 and 14 after each of the masses, I am inviting you to stay behind for a question and brainstorming session. This will be an opportunity for you to ask questions, and to help me and the Pastoral Council identify areas of strength and weakness in the parish. If you do not wish to speak publicly please feel comfortable in addressing your thoughts to me in a letter. My concern over all is that we need to engage more parishioners in a meaningful way; we need more people to assist in liturgical ministry; we need to strengthen our own personal connection to our faith and our parish community. Together, we can build upon the strong foundation that we have in our parish, together, we can move forward as a faith community, strengthening and building one another up in the faith.

- 1. SALE OF LAND AND CHURCH BUILDINGS.** The parish recently placed several properties up for sale, 2 of the 5 transactions have closed namely those in Riverhead. Colinet, Mall Bay and Peter's River are in the process of being closed. Once all of the tractions are closed a final report on the sale will be published in the bulletin.
 - 2. BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS:** On Sunday, September 30 at 12:45pm there will be a Blessing of the Animals on the grounds of the parish house.
 - 3. HOME CATECHESIS/ SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION** will begin in October. Those parents wishing to register their child may do so by either registering on the website www.gsparish.ca: or by calling the parish office at 521-2206. **There will be a meeting for the catechetical leaders at 9:30am Thursday, September 27 in St. Joseph's.**
 - 4. PARISH CEMETERY COMMITTEES,** I would like to meet 2 representatives from each of the various cemetery committees throughout the parish. The meeting will take place Tuesday Oct 9, at 7pm in St. Josephs Chapel.
 - 5. "UPDATED" PARISH ANNUAL KITCHEN PARTY:** We are currently selling tickets on a very large Christmas stocking valued at over \$500 filled with multiple items. The draw will be held at the Parish Kitchen Party scheduled for Sunday, OCTOBER 21, 2018, starting at 2pm. **PLEASE HAVE ALL TICKETS INTO THE OFFICE BY MONDAY OCTOBER 8.** For prizes we need support with donations for the items listed below, or something similar. If you or a group of your family and friends want to make a cash donation to the parish, we can issue an income tax receipt and the parish can purchase the items for the spin. Thank you for your support. In mid-October we will be mailing out a flyer outlining our prizes for the various spins. **The next meeting for the committee will be, WED, Oct 3, 2018, 7pm in St. Joseph's**
 - 6. IRELAND PILGRIMAGE 2019:** Registration fee of \$250.00 per person is now due and payable, please complete the registration form on the parish website.
- PLEASE NOTE:** The weekend of October 4-7, I will be in St. John the Baptist Parish, Spring Hill, NS. In addition to the weekend mass, I will be celebrating my cousin's wedding and the baptism of her child. Fr. Cecil Critch will cover the parish in my absence.

VOCATION REFLECTION: "Wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield." Praying for wisdom will help you yield to Christ's choice of you, should He extend to you the gift of a vocation to the consecrated life or priesthood? Call Father Jeff Kolonel at (709)745-8183 or Father Ray Earle (709)781-1696 or Father Philip Melvin at (709)754-1195 or email: vocations@rcsj.org

SEASON OF CREATION: You are invited by Pope Francis to take time during the **Season of Creation (Sept. 1 - Oct. 4.)** to become more aware of the beauty and importance of the natural world in our lives as well as for the obligation we have to preserve it. Stay tuned for more info on an Inter-denominational Bon Fire on **Middle Cove Beach, Sept. 21 at 7:00 pm**, and a Reflection on Water event scheduled for **Bowering Park at 2:00, September 30.** Both events are sponsored by the Mercy Centre for Ecology and Justice.

SANCTUARY LIGHT: In memory of Neil Fleming – Sacred Heart Church St. Vincent's

FINANCES WITH SINCERE THANKS

St. Joseph's/Mount Carmel/ St. Vincent's/ St. Mary's

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| Weekly Offering: \$1622.75 | Church Dues: \$50.00 | Initial Offering: \$10.00 | Baptism Church Stipend (Sept 8) : \$20.00 |
| Mount Carmel Card Game Proceeds (Sept 16): \$94.00 | | Sanctuary Light: \$6.00 | Certificates: \$11.00 |
| Admiral's Beach Weekday Offering (Sept 13): \$28.00 | | North Harbour Weekday Offering (Sept 13): \$177.00 | |
| St. Joseph's Garden Party Donation: \$100.00 | | Weekly Bulletin Advertising: \$100.00 – Mt. Carmel Building Supplies | |
| Queen of Holy Rosary Church Admiral's Beach Special Monthly Collection (August) \$160.00 thank you! | | | |
| St. Joseph's Hall Fundraiser Event_ (Sept 1): \$1465.00 + \$535.00 (published Sept. 9) = \$2,000.00 | | | |
| St. Vincent's Card Game (Sept 3): \$175.00 sponsors.... Rose Gibbons, Mary T. Watson | | | |
| St. Vincent's Card Game (Sept 10): \$170.00 sponsors.... Marilyn Gibbons, Shirley Gibbons | | | |
| Memorials: St. Joseph's Church Memoriam (Anna Dobbin): \$400.00 | | St. Joseph's Church Memoriam (Kay Fagan): \$50.00 | |
| Sacred Heart Church North Harbour Memoriam (Margaret Power): \$1,100.00 | | | |

Parish Monthly Financial Report for July 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 for your support! September Month Draw #1: Ticket No. 00185

Winner: Sheila Lee Drawn at Parish Office on September 7 by: Bernard Furey Jr.

Witnessed by: Darrell Comerford Congratulations! Sheila Thank you, Benny and Darrell

CARD GAMES: Mt. Carmel: Sunday at 8:00 pm Admiral's Beach Fire Dept.: Monday at 8:00pm Nt. Harbour: Monday @ 8pm
Salmonier South 50 + Club: Tuesday at 8:00 pm Salmonier 50 + Club: Wednesday @ 8pm

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH CLEANING GROUP (September): Elizabeth Daley. Gail Singleton, Mercedes Daley, Doris Squires

THANK YOU: The students and Staff of Dunne Memorial Academy sincerely thanks Good Shepherd Parish for their generous donation made to our school. The proceeds from their annual parish barbeque made this donation possible and we thank the entire Parish and especially Father Steve. Your kindness is very much appreciated.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CHURCH COMMITTEE: The St. Pat's Dancers, Brandon Bowen and other performers will be at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 62, Riverhead on **Sunday, September 23** from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Admission \$5.00 (adults) \$3.00 (children). Proceeds from this event will go to St. Joseph the Worker Church Fund. Please consider coming out and joining us for a great afternoon of fine music, song and social gathering.

THE COLINET LOGGERS HERITAGE SOCIETY will be hosting an October concert featuring Chris Andrews and Craig Young, to rename the former Colinet Church with a ribbon cutting. The concert will take place at the former church building, on October 7th. The door will open at 7 pm. Ribbon cutting at 7 :30. Music will start at 8 pm. Tickets are \$25.00 each and can be purchased from, Harold Davis, Gordon Hearn, who Ralph Linehan, John Patey and Bill Didham.

BELVEDERE ORPHANAGE FUND: Each year the Board of Directors of the Belvedere Orphanage Fund Inc. informs parishes of the availability of assistance from the Fund for female orphans/half-orphans who are in need. Eligibility has been extended to male as well as female orphans and half-orphans. Applications stating the conditions for assistance are available at the parish office. Applications for 2018 distribution should be received by **October 19, 2018.**

JOB OPPORTUNITY St. Edward's Parish, Kelligrews is seeking an individual for a full-time (30 hours week) position of Parish Administrative Assistant. Skill set should include proficiency in office operation procedures, computer skills, communication (verbal & written), multi-tasking, & people interaction. This individual would also require knowledge of the Simply Accounting Software for A/P, A/R, GL, etc., and able to produce timely monthly financial statements. Please visit the Archdiocesan website rcsj.org for full job description. Please email resume to Theresa Whiffen, HR Manager at twhiffen@rcsj.org or fax to 726-3615 **on or before September 30, 2018.** Only applicants selected for interview will be contacted.

I will be out of the office from September 25 to October 4 on annual vacation leave.

Robyn will be in the office to receive and deliver messages.

Parish Finances for September 30 will be published in October 7 bulletin.

Please see page four for the Mass Schedule for October 2 to October 7.

Thank you, *Betty*

MASS SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 2 – OCTOBER 7, 2018

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

| DATE | TIME | LOCATION | MASS INTENTIONS |
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| Tuesday October 2 | 6:30 pm | St. Joseph's | Elizabeth Linehan; John Lewis; Ray Butland |
| Wednesday October 3 | 6:30 pm | St. Joseph's | Austin & Theresa Linehan & deceased family members Emmie Corcoran; Father Joseph Barbour |
| Friday October 5 | 5:00 pm | St. Mary's | Dunne Memorial Academy Graduating Class |
| Saturday October 6 | 4:00 pm | Mount Carmel <i>Ministry</i> | "Missa Pro Populo" <i>For Parishioners</i> Tommy Drohan; Josephine Davis <i>Server: Marie Bonia Readers: Eugene McDonald, Tony Healey</i> <i>Gifts: Phil & Theresa Gibbons Eucharistic Minister: Rosalind Philpott</i> |
| Sunday October 7 | 10:30 am | St. Mary's <i>Ministry</i> | James & Susie Whelan; Patrick Dobbin James & Christine Tobin & deceased family members <i>Cross Bearer: Hubert Kielly Readers: Pearl Kielly, Angela Fleming</i> <i>Gifts: Todd & Shellie White Eucharistic Minister: Jeanette Critch</i> |

LITURGY & MEETING SCHEDULE

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| Wednesday, Oct 3 Friday, Oct 5 | 7:00 pm 3:00 pm | Admiral's Beach St. Mary's | Holy Hour Chaplet of the Divine Mercy |
| Tuesday, October 2 Wednesday, Oct 3 Tuesday, Oct 9 | 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm | St. Joseph's St. Joseph's St. Joseph's | PARISH FINANCE MEETING KITCHEN PARTY FUNDRAISER MEETING PARISH CEMETERY MEETING |

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH CLEANING GROUP (October): Magdalene Greene, Emma Ryan, Elizabeth Dinn, Anne Marie Reardon

"UPDATED" PARISH ANNUAL KITCHEN PARTY: For prizes we need support with donations for the items listed below, or something similar. If you or a group of your family and friends want to make a cash donation to the parish, we can issue an income tax receipt and the parish can purchase the items for the spin. Thank you for your support. In mid-October we will be mailing out a flyer outlining our prizes for the various spins. **Any items you can donate will be appreciated and will be divided among the various spins as needed. Please call the parish office to indicate which of the item(s) you are donating.**

Sincere thanks to those who have already donated prizes or made monetary donations.

Spin 1 (Peter's River – St. Stephen's- St. Vincent's)

ITEMS NEEDED: Tools/tool sets; Christmas cheer basket (NLC GIFT CARDS); Texas Mickey (NLC GIFT CARD); Turkeys, Hams, Wine, Cakes; Selection of various Gift Cards; Homemade items.

Spin 2 (Gaskiers – Point La Haye – St. Mary's – Riverhead-Coote's Pond – Mall Bay)

ITEMS NEEDED: Chain saw; Homemade NL Items; Books; Sea Food (Salt Fish, Fresh Fish, etc.); Turkeys, Hams, Salt Beef, Veggies, Cakes.

Spin 3 (Admirals Beach – O'Donnell's – St. Joseph's – New Bridge – Forest Field)

ITEMS NEEDED: Life Jacket/pfd's/Gift Certificate from an outdoor supply store, i.e. Coastal or OP Fishing & Hunting; Selection of various Gifts Cards; Cod tongues/fish/crab; Turkeys, Hams, Cakes, NLC gift cards; Vegetables.

Spin 4 (St. Catherine's – Harricot – Colinet – North Harbour)

ITEMS NEEDED: A Quilt; Binoculars; Knapsack; Household items; Tools; Turkey, Ham, Cake, NLC gifts cards.

Spin 5 (Mount Carmel – Mitchell's Brook)

ITEMS NEEDED: Texas Mickey (NLC GIFT CARD); selection of Gift cards, Kitchen Appliances/items; Turkey, Ham, Vegetables, Salt Beef, Cakes.

SAFE TALK WORKSHOPS WILL BE OFFERED IN ST. MARY'S BAY! "Safe TALK is a half-day alertness training that prepares participants regardless of prior experience or training, to become a suicide-alert helper. Most people with thoughts of suicide don't truly want to die, but are struggling with the pain in their lives. Through their words and actions, they invite help to stay alive. Safe TALK-trained helpers can recognize these invitations and take action by connecting them with life-saving intervention resources. "October 3rd - Mount Carmel - Community Hall - 1 PM October 10th - Riverhead – Council Building – 1 PM To register, please forward your name and area where you would like to do the workshop to bethfleming20@hotmail.com.