

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 2, 2018

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

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

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON: Shirley Kielly - 525-2936.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON: Howared 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.

<u>VISITATION TO THE SICK AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK</u>: 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		
Tuesday	6:30 pm	St. Joseph's	Edmund Genge & Anthony Stamp		
December 4			Monsignor Jim Doody; Larry Dooley		
Wednesday	9:00 am	St. Joseph's	Michael Daley; Anna Dobbin		
December 5			Albert Power		
Thursday	9:00 am	St. Joseph's	Rita & Mike Lewis; Marg Power		
December 6			Special Intention (A.P.)		
Friday	6:00 pm	St. Joseph's	Mass of Thanksgiving		
December 7			Ministry Appreciation Night		
Saturday	4:00 pm	St. Vincent's	"Missa Pro Populo"		
December 8			For Parishioners		
			Richard & Mary Molloy; Sam & Hilda Peach		
		Ministry	Cross Bearer: Lucinda Hayward Readers: Frances Fleming, Bill Breen		
			Gifts: Janice Fleming & family Eucharistic Minister: Mary Fleming		
Sunday	10:30 am	St. Joseph's	Richard & Clotilda Singleton;		
December 9			Austin & Theresa Linehan & deceased family members		
			Esther Pike & deceased members of the Nolan & Pike families		
		Ministry	Server: Howard Power Readers: Lorraine Furey, Eugene McDonald		
			Gifts: Andrew & Christine Daley Eucharistic Minister: Donal Greene		

LITURGY & MEETING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 4	7:00 pm	St. Joseph's	FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, December 5	7:00 pm	Admiral's Beach	Holy Hour
Thursday, December 6	6:30pm	MOUNT CARMEL	CATHOLICISM SERIES
Friday, December 7	3:00 pm	St. Mary's	Chaplet of the Divine Mercy
Wednesday, December 12	6:30 pm	St. Mary's	Penitential Service
Thursday, December 13	6:30 pm	Mount Carmel	Penitential Service
Saturday, December 15	3:00 pm	Mount Carmel	SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
	3:30 pm	Mount Carmel	CONFESSIONS
Sunday, December 16	9:45 am	St. Mary's	SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
	10:00 am	St. Mary's	CONFESSIONS



Baptized this weekend at Good Shepherd Parish Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

HENRY PAUL HARRIS

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



Dear parishioners,

After a leave of absence from some of my Archdiocesan Responsibilities, after much thought and prayer, and a request from the Archbishop I have resumed **some** of my Archdiocesan responsibilities. My health has improved over the past few months; I wish to thank parishioners for their prayers.

- 1. HOME CATECHESIS/ SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: 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. PLEASE NOTE THE NEXT SESSION FOR PARENTS AND CHILDREN WILL TAKE PLACE December 15 Mount Carmel at 3pm, December 16 St. Mary's at 9:45am. Regular attendance at mass and participation in the children's liturgy program are a requirement for the reception of sacraments. All children of the parish are welcome to participate in the Children's liturgy program.
- **2. SALE OF LAND AND CHURCH BUILDINGS:** Riverhead Church sold for \$5500.00. Mall Bay Church sold for \$4000.00 plus tax. Colinet Church sold for \$1.00. Colinet Loggers Association will reimburse the parish for the operating expenses of \$5,452.45 from January 1, 2017 to October 30, 2018.
- **3. IRELAND PILGRIMAGE 2019:** Registration fee of \$250.00 per person is now due and payable. The Next Deposit of \$500 is due Jan 31, 2019. Final Payment will be due May 31, 2019.
- **4. MINISTRY:** The parish is in need of volunteers for all ministries in the parish. **AS OF YET WE HAVE NOT RECOEVED MANY NEW PEOPLE COMING FORWARD FOR A MINISTRY.** Please consider the gifts and talents that you have and where God is calling you to use them. Sign-up sheets are available in the churches and on the parish website.
- **5. MINISTRY APPRECIATION NIGHT** will take place **Friday Dec 7** at the Riverview Lounge, St. Catherine's. This is open to **all** parish minsters/volunteers, and their spouse/guest. Please register at the parish office on or before November 30. Mass will be celebrated in St. Joseph's at 6pm, supper will be served at 7:30 at Riverview lounge with a dance to follow. Music supplied by Rodney Linehan.
- **6. CHRISTMAS HAMPERS.** If you are need of receiving a Christmas hamper this year, please contact the parish office to register your name. Hampers will be available about a week before Christmas.
- 7. GATHERING PLACE. The parish will be once again sponsoring a meal on Valentine's Day 2019. The cost of the meal is \$1500. If you would like to make a contribution towards the meal that would be appreciated. This year as a way of helping the guests of the Gathering for Christmas (Last year we collected coats, and winter clothing) the parish will be collecting gifts cards for Tim's, Walmart, or any grocery store. If donating a gift card please get them in \$10 amounts. The parish will be purchasing 50 Sobeys's cards to donate.
- **8. SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/MAKING MYSELF AVAILALABLE FOR A PRIVATE CHAT:** 30mins prior to all masses I will be available for anyone who would like to come to speak to me privately, receive a blessing, receive the sacrament of reconciliation, etc.
- **9. ED ROCHE CALENDARS** are available at a cost of \$20 (This is a discount from the regular retail price), all proceeds to the parish. These would make great Christmas Gift; there are only a limited number available.
- **10. ADVENT CAROL CONCERT:** The parish is sponsoring an Advent Carol Concert, **Sunday December 16**, 2-4pm in Our Lady of the Assumption Church, St. Mary's. Admission is \$10, all proceeds going to help those in need in our local area. Children under 12, free admission. The parish will also be accepting donations of non-perishable food items for the food bank.
- **11. SACRED HEART CHURCH ST. VINCENT'S:** Annual Memory Tree Mass will be celebrated **Saturday Dec 22,** 4pm. Names of deceased loved ones and donation being received. Please contact Sharon Gibbons, Fan Fleming or Angela Fleming.
- **12. THE CATHOLICISM SERIES:** This faith formation series will begin "1st DVD" on **Thursday December 6** at 6:30 in the chapel in Mount Carmel. The Series will begin in St. Mary's on **Tuesday Dec 11** @6:30pm, church in St. Mary's.
- **13. PENTITENIAL SERVICES** will take place on Wednesday Dec 12 in St. Mary's at 6:30pm and Thursday Dec 13 in Mount Carmel at 6:30pm.
- **14. CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:** Donation of Christmas flowers in honor of a loved one (living or deceased) gratefully accepted for the four main churches of Good Shepherd Parish.

<u>VOCATION REFLECTION</u> "Strengthen your hearts in holiness." Are you being called to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? 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: <u>vocations@rcsj.org</u>

<u>SANCTUARY LIGHT</u>: In memory of Con Fleming – Sacred Heart Church St. Vincent's
In memory of Frank & Adie Cahill – Our Lady of Assumption Church St. Mary's

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES BEING OFFERED IN 2019: January 11th and 12th, at Mary Queen of the World Parish, March (dates and venue TBD). Couples planning marriage in 2019 may register by contacting Stephanie Curran, RCEC office at 726-3660. BASILICA NATIVITY WINDOW CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT AND STAINED GLASS BOOK to help raise funds toward the Restoration of the Basilica Stained Windows! Available for Christmas, a Basilica Nativity Window Christmas Ornament \$10 and Stained Glass Windows of the Basilica: Available by pre-order from the Basilica Parish (754-2170) and after weekend masses at the Basilica. DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE will host Archbishop Martin W. Currie at the Lantern at 7PM on 5 December 2018. He will present on "His Life and Times". Entertainment provided by Brian Whelan and Sharon White and some former members of the Holy Show including Fr. John Costello. A free will offering for our projects is the admission price. Everyone is welcome.

FINANCES WITH SINCERE THANKS

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Weekly Offering: \$1767.60 All Souls Offering: \$15.00 Church Dues: \$80.00 Advent Offering: 10.00 Christmas Offering: \$10.00 Sanctuary Lights: \$26.00 Calendars: \$80.00 Sunday Missals: \$18.00

Mass Card Print Cost: \$8.00 Mt. Carmel Cemetery Offering: \$20.00 Mount Carmel Card Game Proceeds (Nov 25): \$131.00

North Harbour Church Memoriam (Marg Power): \$100.00

Queen of Holy Rosary Church Admiral's Beach Special Monthly Collection (October): \$240.00

St. Vincent's Card Game (Nov 12) \$175.00 sponsors... Krystal Gibbons, Kevin & Lar Gibbons

St. Vincent's Card Game (Nov 19) \$140.00 sponsors... Ann & Des Hayward St. Vincent's Church Donation: \$10.00

Kitchen Party Total Proceeds to Date: \$24,418.00

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 for your support! November Month Draw #2: Ticket No. 00096

Winner: Lucille Gambin Drawn at Parish Office on November 30 by: Ralph Gough Witness: Anne Marie Reardon

Congratulations! Lucille Thank you, Ralph and Anne Marie

CARD GAMES: Mt. Carmel: Sunday at 8:00 pm Admiral's Beach Fire Dept.: Monday at 8:00 pm Nt. Harbour: Monday @ 8pm

Salmonier South 50 + Club: Tuesday at 8:00 pm Salmonier 50 + Club: Wednesday @ 8pm

<u>CHURCH GENERAL CLEANING</u>: There will be a major cleaning of Our Lady of the Assumption Church on Wednesday, December 12 beginning at 10am. The decorating of the church for Christmas will be done on Wednesday, December 19. Any help anyone can give for cleaning and/or decorating will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

LIVING WITH CHRIST SUNDAY MISSALS: Missals for 2019 are on sale at the church entrance. Cost \$4.00 per copy.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH CLEANING GROUP (December): Brenda Pender, Sylvia Gushue, Augusta Gough, Petrina Daley.

CANDLE LIGHT VIGIL: TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO DIED BY SUICIDE. This annual community vigil is held to remember those who died by suicide and to support survivors of suicide loss. Gather in music, poems, prayers and candle lighting. You are invited to bring a framed photograph of your loved one to be displayed during the vigil. Music by Shelley Neville, Peter Halley, Dan Dillon, Judy Brazil, & Shannon Power. Please feel free to bring along sandwiches/cookies for tea following the vigil. This vigil is open to everyone regardless of faith! All are welcome. Date: Sunday, Dec 9/18 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm at St. Patrick's Church, 6 Patrick Street, St. John's

ST. VINCENT'S LIONS CLUB CHRISTMAS GIFT GIVING CAMPAIGN: Please help us ensure that needy children in our parish will not receive an empty stocking on Christmas morning. Consider helping by placing a gift marked boy or girl and the suitable age by the Christmas tree located at the inside entrance of Sacred Heart Church St. Vincent's. This helps us to collect and distribute toys for children in need throughout Good Shepherd Parish. In addition we are also accepting nonperishable food items in support of the Food Bank. Thanking you in advance for your assistance and support.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR 62 CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Starting at 1:30pm Sunday Dec 2nd. 10 cent & 25 cent wheels, Turkey/Ham Wheel. Come out for an old time Christmas Raffle.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR 62 CHRISTMAS BINGO: Friday December 14 at 8:30pm. Doors open 7:30 pm. Ham/Turkey Giveaways, 25 cent wheel.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR 62 CHRISTMAS CARD GAME: Monday, December 10 Christmas prizes, Tea and Treats served.

<u>COLINET LOGGERS-HERITAGE SOCIETY PRESENTS</u>: Sheila Williams and special guests, Jackie Sullivan, Cynthia Laurie. 7:00 PM Sunday Dec 2nd 2018 at the Ferguson and Fred Linehan Heritage Center, Colinet. Doors open 6:30 Tickets: \$20.00

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS IN HONOR OF A LOVED ONE (Living or Deceased)
GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED FOR THE FOUR MAIN CHURCHES OF GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULE

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

New Years Eve: 4:00 pm Mount Carmel New Years Day: 10:30 am St. Mary's

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> CARD GAME (Auction) Monday night @ 8:30 pm

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