



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 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](http://www.gsparish.ca): Archdiocese of St. John's [www.rcsj.org](http://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
<b>Monday December 24</b> Christmas Eve	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>St. Vincent's</b>  Ministry	<b>"Missa Pro Populo"</b> <i>For Parishioners</i> <i>Cross Bearer: Imelda St. Croix    Readers: Priscilla Tobin, Dan St. Croix</i> <i>Gifts: Dermot &amp; Beth Fleming    Eucharistic Minister: Patrick Tobin</i>
<b>Monday December 24</b> Christmas Eve	<b>8:00 pm</b>	<b>St. Joseph's</b>  Ministry	<b>"Missa Pro Populo"</b> <i>For Parishioners</i> <i>Server: Howard Power    Readers: Tony Healey, Rose Daley</i> <i>Gifts: Pat &amp; Joanne Singleton    Eucharistic Minister: Donal Greene</i>
<b>Tuesday December 25</b> Christmas Day	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>St. Mary's</b>  Ministry	<b>"Missa Pro Populo"</b> <i>For Parishioners</i> <i>Cross Bearer: Donnie St. Croix    Readers: Mike Breen, Sylvester Yetman</i> <i>Gifts: Josephine Kielly &amp; family    Eucharistic Minister: Des Yetman</i>
<b>Tuesday December 25</b> Christmas Day	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Mount Carmel</b>  Ministry	<b>"Missa Pro Populo"</b> <i>For Parishioners</i> <i>Server: Iggy Philpott    Readers: Richard Fowler, Donna Critch</i> <i>Gifts: Ethan McCrate &amp; family    Eucharistic Minister: Rosalind Philpott</i>

### LITURGY & MEETING SCHEDULE

<b>Wednesday, December 26</b>	7:00 pm	Admiral's Beach	<b>Holy Hour</b>
<b>Friday, December 28</b>	3:00 pm	St. Mary's	<b>Chaplet of the Divine Mercy</b>
<b>Saturday, December 29</b>	3:30 pm	Mount Carmel	<b>CONFESSIONS</b>
<b>Sunday, December 30</b>	10:00 am	St. Mary's	<b>CONFESSIONS</b>
<b>Thursday, January 3</b>	6:30 pm	Riverhead	<b>MEMORY TREE MASS</b>



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

**LUCY GRACE HEARN**

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



Dear Parishioners,

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Peter Hundt, currently Bishop of the diocese of Corner Brook-Labrador, as Our New Archbishop. I had meetings with him most of Thursday past, on behalf of all parishioners I welcomed him to the Archdiocese and invited him to visit Good Shepherd parish when his schedule permits. On Jan 7 at 7pm there will be a farewell mass for Archbishop Currie at the Basilica. On Jan 29 at 7pm at the Basilica, Bishop Hundt will be installed as the New Archbishop. It would be nice to have a large group of parishioners present at each of these masses. If there is enough interest, we will have a Bus available; leaving from St. Mary's to take people to the masses. If you have never attended the installation of an Archbishop I would really encourage you to attend as it is a beautiful mass with many ancient rites, through which Bishop Hundt, becomes the Archbishop taking possession of the Archdiocese.

**1. HOME CATECHESIS/ SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: PLEASE NOTE THE NEXT SESSION FOR PARENTS AND CHILDREN WILL TAKE PLACE January 12 Mount Carmel at 3pm, January 13 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. 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.

**3. MINISTRY:** The parish is in need of volunteers for all ministries in the parish. **AS OF YET WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED 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.

**4. 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. **Thank you to those who donated gift cards for the gathering place.**

**5. SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/MAKING MYSELF AVAILABLE 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.

**6. 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.

**7. THE CATHOLICISM SERIES:** Will resume in January 2019.

**VOCATION REFLECTION** "It is by God's will that we have been sanctified." How is God calling you to grow in holiness? If He may be inviting you to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, 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](mailto:vocations@rcsj.org)

**SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS:**

In memory of Margaret Ryan – Our Lady of Assumption Church

In memory of Cyril & Agnes White – Our Lady of Assumption Church

In memory of Elizabeth & Leonard Molloy & deceased family members – Our Lady of Assumption Church

In memory of Aiden St. Croix – Sacred Heart Church St. Vincent's

In memory of Catherine and Anthony Hicks & deceased family members – Sacred Heart Church

**ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CHURCH MEMORY TREE MASS:** Thursday, January 3, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

**The Archdiocese of St. John's cordially invites you to a farewell Mass and Reception in honour of Archbishop Martin W. Currie on Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 pm Basilica Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. Everyone is welcome!**

**THE DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGY AND MINISTRY** (Roman Catholic Studies) is offered by the Archdiocese of St John's through Queen's College. Registrations are always being accepted, and you can apply by contacting Queen's College directly at [queens@mun.ca](mailto:queens@mun.ca). In this two-year program, participants are offered the opportunity to explore each of the areas of Roman Catholic Theology— foundations, Moral Theology, Scriptural Studies, Liturgy, Church History, Evangelization and Catechesis and Pastoral Studies and Ministry. For more information contact Anne Walsh at [amfwalsh@gmail.com](mailto:amfwalsh@gmail.com)

**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULE**

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

**FINANCES WITH SINCERE THANKS**

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

**Weekly Offering: \$1750.30      Church Dues: \$380.00      Advent Offering: \$90.00      Sunday Missals: \$107.75**  
**Sanctuary Light: \$5.00      Mount Carmel Card Game Proceeds (Dec 16): \$128.00**  
**Parish Funeral Fees (Annie Ezekiel): Wake room Fee: \$75.00      Mass Stipend: \$150.00 – The Ezekiel Family**  
**Queen of Holy Rosary Church Admirals Beach Special Monthly Collection (November) \$260.00**  
**St. Mary's Parish Hall Property Insurance (July 2018 – June 2019): \$886.65 – received from the Holy Name Society**  
**St. Vincent's Card Game (Nov 26): \$145.00 sponsors.... Colette Fleming, Chris Fleming**  
**St. Vincent's Card Game (Dec 3): \$160.00 sponsors.... Karen Hayward, Tilly Hayward**  
**St. Vincent's Card Game (Dec 10) \$125.00 sponsor.... Edna St. Croix**

*Parish Monthly Financial Report for **November** 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! December Month Draw #1: Ticket No. 00031

Winner: Georgina (John) St. Croix      Drawn at Parish Office on December 7 by: Gordon Gambin      Witness: Tony Reardon  
Congratulations! Jean      Thank you, Gord and Tony

**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 (January):** Elizabeth Daley, Mercedes Daley, Gail Singleton, Doris Squires

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS** to Mr. Joseph Dobbin who will be celebrating his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on December 27<sup>th</sup>

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS** to Mrs. Theresa Merner who will be celebrating her 90th birthday on January 4, 2019

*"Praying that God will bless you on your special day and every day ahead."*

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BOXING NIGHT DANCE:** Music by: Contraband. Adm: \$12.50. 19 years and over. Doors open at 9 pm.

**TIME IN THE HALL ON NEW YEAR'S EVE !!!** The St. Joseph's Parish Hall Committee invites everyone to a Time in the Hall to be held on Monday, **December 31<sup>st</sup>**. Children's Program with music and snacks begins at 6:30pm with **Fireworks at 8:30pm**. Then, there's a **Dance with music by Rodney Linehan** which begins at 10:00pm. **Great raffle items and door prizes**, too! Come and bring a friend .... A good time is guaranteed! Suggested admission donation is \$15. Children admitted free of charge. Proceeds from this event are used to help cover the operating costs of St. Joseph's Parish Hall. **Your support is greatly appreciated.** See you there.

**NOTICE:** New Year's Night Dance, Parish Hall St. Mary's Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 Music By: Me & Him.  
Admission \$10.00 Single (19 years of age and older). To purchase tickets contact Ferg Tobin at 525-2503.

**DUNNE ACADEMY:** This coming summer marks the 50th Anniversary of Dunne Memorial Academy. We are interested in forming a committee to plan an event or events for this very special occasion. If you or anyone you know are interested in serving on this committee, please submit your name(s) to the school 709-525-2330 or email [colleenpennell@nlesd.ca](mailto:colleenpennell@nlesd.ca) We are hoping to have this committee formed by January 31st. Thank-you for your interest in this worthwhile event.

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St. Mary's Bay Council #13320 for information.

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Saturday 10:00am – 12 noon & 1:00 – 3:00pm



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