



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 15, 2019

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Administrative Assistant: Betty Kielly

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 12:00 and 1:00pm - 5:00pm

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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 Theresa Whiffen (RCEC) to register at 726-3660 ext. 236

PRE-BAPTISM COURSE: To register please call Dave Kenny @ 229-7395

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
Tuesday December 17	6:30 pm	St. Joseph's	Margaret & Thomas Butland & deceased of the Butland & McEvoy families; Lawrence Ryan; Deceased members of the Gough & Duggan families
Wednesday December 18	9:00 am	St. Joseph's	Gerald Baird; Josephine Hanlon Brian Stanley
Thursday December 19	2:00 pm	Lewis Personal Care	Michael & Rita Lewis, Val & Dorothy Corcoran Jack Corcoran
Friday December 20		Rectory	Special Living Intention (B.D.) Fr. Joseph Barbour; Edward Watson
Saturday December 21	4:00 pm	St. Vincent's	Richard & Mary Molloy; Elizabeth Hayward Edward & Mary Ryan & deceased family members
		<i>Ministry</i>	<i>Cross: Nellie Gibbons Iggy Philpott Readers: Ann Hayward, Sheila Lee Gifts: Angela & Ron Fleming Eucharistic Minister: Frances Fleming</i>
Sunday December 22	10:30 am	St. Joseph's	"Missa Pro Populo" For Parishioners Theresa & John Dobbin; Samuel McEvoy Marian & Michael Synyard & deceased of the Synyard & Hickey families Richard & Clotilda Singleton
		<i>Ministry</i>	<i>Server: Donal Greene Readers: Mercedes Daley, Joseph Dobbin Gifts: Tony & Elizabeth Daley Eucharistic Minister: Linda Dunne</i>

LITURGY & MEETING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Dec 17	7:00 pm	St. Joseph's	KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS MEETING
Wednesday, Dec 18	7:00 pm	Admirals Beach	Holy Hour
Friday, Dec 20	3:00 pm	St. Mary's	Chaplet of the Divine Mercy
Saturday, Dec 21	3:30 pm	St. Vincent's	Confessions
Sunday, Dec 15	10:00 am	St. Joseph's	Confessions

Dear Parishioners,

1. CHRISTMAS STOCKING TICKET LOTTERY DRAW DATE: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2019.

PRIZE VALUE: \$1000.00. Tickets sell **3/\$5.00**. Limited number of tickets available at the parish office. Thanks to those who have donated prizes or made monetary donations to date and to our volunteers who are helping with the sale of tickets. Thank you for your support.

2. MASS INTENTIONS are often booked months in advance. I am only permitted to celebrate *three* intentions per mass and I am unable to add intentions the day of the mass. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. God Bless, Fr. Steve

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve: 4:00 pm St. Mary's 6:30 pm Mount Carmel 8:30 pm St. Joseph's

Christmas Day: 10:00 am St. Vincent's

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

New Years Eve: 4:00 pm St. Vincent's

New Years Day: 10:00 am St. Joseph's

Dear Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish.

*You are so welcoming, loving and kind. I certainly enjoyed our party, dinner and dance. Thank you for the ways you celebrate life and love one another. Your Christmas gift to me is greatly appreciated. May the peace and joy of **Christmas** be with you today and throughout the New Year. **Sincerely Msgr. Denis***

SANCTUARY LIGHT: In memory of Anthony Halleran & deceased of the Halleran & Gibbons families – St. Vincent's

PARISH DUES: If you do not use the parish weekly envelopes write your name and address on an envelope so a Tax Receipt can be issued at year end. This once a year contribution helps purchase materials needed for our many celebrations and to maintain and improve our churches. Weekly collections assist with the day to day operating expenses of our parish.

PARISH WEEKLY ENVELOPES for 2020 are now available for pickup at the back of the church. If you would like to use envelopes and receive a Tax Receipt at year end for your donations, please contact the parish office.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE: Registration for this course is via the Archdiocesan website – rcsj.org. If you have any questions regarding the course, please call Theresa Whiffen at 709-726-3660 ext. 236 or email at twhiffen@rcsj.org

ST. VINCENT'S MEMORY TREE MASS will be December 21st. 4:00pm at Sacred Heart Church in St. Vincent's. Please forward the names of your loved ones with your donation to Angela Fleming, Fan Fleming or Sharon Gibbons ASAP. What a nice way to remember your loved ones this Christmas Season.

"AWAY IN A MANGER": Updated museum hours— NATIVITY SCENES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

TO DECEMBER 23, 2019 Tuesday through Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Open December 23 10:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.

Join us for a unique exhibit of Nativity scenes from all over the world! Please consider bringing a gift for a child in need, and place it under our wonderful tree. All are welcome. Please call to book group visits.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EASTERN REGION 2019 FALL TICKET SWEEP WINNERS

Draw # 1 35102 Winner: Eileen Bussey \$4500.00 Seller Ray Rossiter \$300.00

Draw # 2 35156 Winner: Steve Dalton \$500.00 Draw # 3 34898 Winner: Todd Hussey \$200.00

Winning Tickets Drawn by Denis Belanger, Supreme Representative. Thank you for your support!

DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGY AND MINISTRY OFFERED BY THE ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. JOHN'S AT QUEEN'S COLLEGE: Are you interested in learning more about your faith and growing in understanding of it? The Archdiocese of St. John's offers a two-year Diploma in Theology and Ministry through Queen's College. One weekend each month for two years, you will gather with a group of believers who are curious and committed to explore many areas of theology under with the help of qualified, committed, faithful facilitators. For more information, contact Anne Walsh at (709) 579-0065, ext. **227**.

FINANCES WITH SINCERE THANKS

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

Weekly Offering: \$1303.05	All Souls Offering: \$40.00	Church Dues: \$1050.00	Advent Offering: \$125.00
Initial Offering: \$5.00	Sunday Missals: \$120.39	Gathering Place: \$50.00	Christmas Offering: \$45.00
Mt. Carmel Church Donation: \$500.00		Mt. Carmel Card Game Proceeds (Dec 8): \$84.00	
Christmas Stocking Ticket Lottery: \$50.00		Mount Carmel Cemetery Plot Fee (Clare Gregory): \$100.00	
St. Joseph's Hall Donation: \$250.00			
Queen of Holy Rosary Church Admiral's Beach Special Monthly Collection (October) \$460.00			
St. Vincent's Card Proceeds (Dec 2): \$170.00 sponsors.... Theresa Fleming, Josephine 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 521-2431.

GRAND IN YOUR HAND: Thank you for your support! December Month Draw #1: Ticket No. 00194
Winner: Eileen Bowen Drawn at Parish Office on December 6 by: Katie Hickey Witness: Tara Dobbin
Congratulations! Eileen. Thank you, Katie & Tara

GRAND IN YOUR HAND TICKETS DECEMBER DRAW #2

Due to the Christmas and New Year parish office schedule we would like to have all tickets to the office by Thursday, December 19. Ticket draw for December Draw # 2 will be held on **Friday December 20**.
Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

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

"NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATIONS": The St. Joseph's Parish Hall Committee is hosting a Time-in-the-Hall for the whole family on New Year's Eve, December 31, 2019: Children's Party from 6:00 – 8:00 pm followed by Fireworks at 8:30 (Admission FREE). Then, ring in the new year with an Adult Dance from 10 - 1am, music by Rodney Linehan. There will be new year hats, noisemakers, door prizes and raffle tickets on great prizes. (Admission \$10). Come and bring your friends, all funds raised go toward the upkeep of our parish hall. BYOB and Snacks.

THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR 62

CHRISTMAS CARD GAME, Monday Dec 16th, 8:30 pm, Great Christmas Prizes, Adm: \$5. Lunch to follow. 19yrs and older

ST. CATHERINE'S ACADEMY will be hosting its annual community Christmas breakfast on Friday, December 20th from 9a.m. to 10 a.m. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased at the office. The students and staff wish all parishioners a very Merry Christmas.

POSITION AVAILABLE! Corpus Christi Parish is seeking an individual for the position of Parish Administrative Assistant for 25 hrs per week. This individual will be responsible for a wide range of administrative and general office duties to facilitate the efficient operation of the Parish and provide support to Parish Committees, etc., as approved by the Pastor. This individual will require proficiency in office operation procedures, computer skills, communication skills (verbal and written), multitasking, general accounting (petty cash, etc) as well as relationship management. Applicants may forward their resumes to Theresa Whiffen, HR Manager at twhiffen@rcsj.org or fax 709-726-3615. Closing date for resumes is 11:59 pm December 29, 2019

This is to inform you that I will be away from the office on Vacation from the December 23 to January 6, 2020. Should you have any bulletin announcements for publication during this time please have them in to the office by noon Thursday, December 19. The parish office will be closed from Monday December 23 to Friday January 3, 2020. The office will reopen for regular hours on Monday January 6, 2020.

THERE IS NO TIME MORE FITTING TO SAY THANK YOU AND WISH YOU A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!

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