

**PARISH OFFICE REOPENED TO THE PUBLIC** - Effective Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup> the Parish Office will be open to the public Monday - Thursday from 9 am - 5 pm and closed on Friday's.

***Mass Intentions for the week of March 29<sup>th</sup> (offered privately by Fr. Jeff Mon- Fri)***

**Mon., Mar. 29<sup>th</sup>:** Bernadine Fardy, Trevor O'Keefe, Cyril Guiney

**Tues., Mar. 30<sup>th</sup>:** Special Intentions of MM, Mrs. Claudia O'Connor, Mary Thompson

**Wed., Mar. 31<sup>st</sup>:** Special Intentions of Robert & John Martin, Anna Boland, Deceased friends of MP

**Thurs., April 1<sup>st</sup>:** Suzanne McBride, Special Intentions of Malik Husic & children,  
Special Intentions of Andrew & Julia McBride & family

**Fri., April 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Ethel & George Davis & deceased family members, Peter Bailey & deceased family members,  
Jane Blackstock & Ted Martin & deceased family members

**Sat., April 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Don Croft & deceased family members, Deceased of Robere family,  
John Ezekiel Sr. & John Ezekiel Jr.

**Sun., April 4<sup>th</sup> (St. Joseph's):** Catherine Doyle, Gloria Smith, Nellie & Jack Doyle

**Sun., April 4<sup>th</sup> (St. Kevin's):** For all Parishioners



***Mass Intentions for the week of April 5<sup>th</sup> (offered privately by Fr. Jeff Mon- Fri)***

**Mon., April 5<sup>th</sup> :** Andrew Lee, Perry Stack, Edward Stack

**Tues., April 6<sup>th</sup>:** Special Intentions of Ed & Michelle Martin & family, Michael Chafe  
In thanksgiving for safe arrival of Naomi

**Wed. April 7<sup>th</sup>:** Rosemary Kennedy, Bride Shortall, William J. Dray

**Thurs., April 8<sup>th</sup>:** Dr. & Mrs. Walley & deceased family members, Special Intentions of Michelle Martin  
Special Intentions of Barbara & Allan McBride

**Fri., April 9<sup>th</sup>:** Special Intentions of Olivia Martin, Randy Oliver, Donna Murphy

**Sat., April 10<sup>th</sup>:** Kevin & Harriet Condon, John M. & Mary J. Walsh, Richard & Elizabeth Dalton

**Sun., April 11<sup>th</sup> (St. Joseph's):** Henry Miller, Jack Walsh, John Lee

**Sun., April 11<sup>th</sup> (St. Kevin's):** For all Parishioners

**CHURCH REOPENING FOR WEEKEND MASS & PRIVATE PRAYER**

Weekend Masses will resume on Palm Sunday weekend at the usual times:

Saturday, 5 pm St. Kevin's

Sunday, 9:30 am St. Joseph's

Sunday, 11 am St. Kevin's.

**Doors will open 45 minutes before Mass time.**

Note: There will not be any weekday Masses until further notice.

Effective Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> the province moves to Alert Level 2 and under this level we are permitted to have 50 people in the church including Fr. Jeff and volunteers. ***Because of this we will be registering people at the door on a first come first serve basis for the next two weekends. We will resume to color codes on the weekend of April 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>.***

Please remember to social distance at least 6 feet apart at all times, sit within your bubble and wear your mask at all times even while seated.

***Also*** beginning Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup> St. Kevin's Parish will be open to the public for private prayer from 1 - 3 pm Monday - Thursday. The exception will be on Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> when the church will be open from 10 - 12 noon as there is a Baptism in the afternoon.

We appreciate your patience, understanding and kindness towards others at this time.

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***Fr. Jeff's Lenten Message***

As we enter into the Holy penitential season of Lent the Lord gives us an opportunity to reflect on the Just & Merciful Love of Jesus who was willing to suffer and die for our sins. During this pandemic we have an opportunity to reflect on the direction of our lives. With the light of the Holy Spirit to guide us we can allow the Lord to transform the sinfulness of our lives as we ask for His forgiveness for our sins. Lent is an opportunity to grow in a deeper love for God and for our neighbours. We can spend extra time in prayer, we can do acts of charity, and we can deny ourselves some pleasurable thing out of Love for God. We can do penance to atone for the effects of our personal sins. In this way we open ourselves up to the power of God to grow in holiness and to be filled with the joy of the Holy Spirit. May God continue to Bless you and your families at this time.

**Easter Triduum Schedule**

<b>Holy Thursday:</b>	6:00 pm - St. Kevin's	<b>Good Friday:</b>	12 Noon - St. Joseph's
	7:30 pm - St. Joseph's		3 pm - St. Kevin's

**NOTE: There will be no Easter Vigil this year**

**Easter Sunday:** 9:30 am - St. Joseph's **And** 11:00 am - St. Kevin's

**All Easter Masses at St. Kevin's & St. Joseph's will be on a first come, first served basis.**

**2020 Tax Receipts** - available at the Parish Office for pick up, mailing or emailing.

*Sanctuary Lamps:* **April 4<sup>th</sup>:** **St. Kevin's:**  
**St. Joseph's:**  
**April 11<sup>th</sup>:** **St. Kevin's:**  
**St. Joseph's:**

**Best Lent Ever Program** - St Kevin's is again promoting the Best Lent Ever Program. Beginning on Ash Wednesday you will receive a daily email with a short video to help you reconnect with yourself and your God. You will be surprised by what God can do in your life with just an email, a short video and an open heart. You can sign up at [Dynamic Catholic website](#) or through the link on St Kevin's homepage or Facebook page .

**Mass Intentions** If you would like to request a Mass for a loved one. You can request an intention by phone, email or dropping by the Parish Office when open to the public . Or you can place your intention & money in an envelope and drop it in the mail slot of the Parish Office door.

**Share Love, Share Lent:** The passion of youth. Did you know Development and Peace has an active youth movement from coast to coast? The Share Love, Share Lent campaign celebrates the passion and commitment of youth, who represent the present and the future of the Development and Peace movement. Join them in supporting our work for positive change in Canada and the Global South. Start a solidarity letter chain in aid of Development and Peace. Learn how at [devp.org/chainletter](http://devp.org/chainletter).

**Email Addresses** - We are asking parishioners to please let us know your email address. This information would not be shared with anyone. It is strictly for parish use in providing parishioners with information.

**A Lenten Retreat** - Please visit the following <http://brucedownes.org/lent>

**Knights of Columbus Essay Contest** - The topic for this year's contest is *Keeping the Christian Faith during COVID-19*. Open to Level 1, 2 & 3 students and the winner of each category will be awarded \$150. Deadline for submissions is April 30 Send submissions to [bvickers@kofcnl.org](mailto:bvickers@kofcnl.org)

**Centre for Life** - is hosting a *virtual tax clinic for seniors under the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program* . If you are a senior with a modest income and would like to make an appointment or have an inquiry please call 579-1500. Commencing on March 3rd

## **Update from the Archbishop regarding the Mount Cashel Judgement**

*Dear People of the Archdiocese of St. John's:*

*As you know our Archdiocese is actively working to address the claims of abuse at the Mount Cashel Orphanage in the 1940s, 50s and 60s, for which the Newfoundland and Labrador Court of Appeal has held us vicariously liable.*

*As a Catholic community, we are called to provide an environment of compassion to victims who have experienced abuse and to do all we can to bring healing to the victims, their loved ones and the entire community of faith.*

*Presently, we are working with a team of advisors on a major restructuring plan to provide a resolution of the victims' claims. This plan will involve consolidation and downsizing at both the diocesan and the parish levels. While the resolution of these claims will have significant implications for the parishes and parishioners of our Archdiocese, we must remember that the Catholic faith is not based on bricks and mortar. It is a faith based on a belief in a God of love and mercy who invites us to trust in Him and to share His love with one another. If we remain firm in this belief in God's goodness, and if we seek to reflect it in how we deal with our present situation, we can be assured that God will be with us in our efforts and that the final result will be a blessing to us all.*

*Over the coming weeks you may expect to see some properties listed on the real estate market. There may also be discussions at a parish level around potential changes that may come. We ask you to have patience throughout this process. We are still very much in an information gathering stage and when decisions are made we will communicate those directly. For now, we must do the necessary work to evaluate all aspects of our archdiocese.*

*I am convinced that if we journey together through this process with trust, patience and goodwill, we can help address the pain of the past and lay the foundation of hope for the future.*

*As we move forward with this process, I ask that you please join with me in praying for God's guidance, healing for the victims, and understanding, compassion and patience for us all.*

*Sincerely yours in Christ,*

*+Peter Hundt  
Archbishop of St. John's*

