

Baptism Preparation: A Fee is applicable for a Baptism and **must** be paid at the Parish Office before the Baptism takes place. Parents and godparents are required to complete a baptism preparation course, which is offered on the third Sunday of each month at 1:00 pm in the Parish Church. For Baptism, at least **one** sponsor (godparent) must be a baptized, confirmed and practicing Roman Catholic. **Godparents must submit a copy of their Baptism Certificate at the Baptism Preparation Course.** Before your child can be baptized, the parish office **must** have a copy of your child's birth certificate. To register, contact the parish office at 279-1625.

GRAND IN THE HAND: Monthly Ticket Draw - Sacred Heart Church - WIN \$1,000.00 every month - Only 200 Tickets sold each month. Tickets are \$10.00 each. To purchase a ticket, contact the parish office, the religious articles store in the Church, Bern Farrell's Clover Farms or Fewer's Salon, Marystown Mall.

Vocations Bulletin 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 at (709) 781-1696 or Father Philip Melvin at (709) 754-1195 or email: vocations@rcsj.org.

CHARITABLE DONATION RECEIPTS: A reminder to all parishioners that in order to be able to issue donation receipts for the 2018 calendar year, all monetary donations (offertory, dues, etc.) must be made (cheques dated and delivered) by December 31st, 2018, as per the Canada Revenue Agency Rules and Regulations.

NOTE OF THANKS: Thank you so much to Father Emmanuel, the Parish Council, and the parishioners of Sacred Heart and St. Patrick's Parishes for the beautiful celebration on December 12th marking my Golden Jubilee. The date was significant as it marked the beginning of the Mercy Congregation on the same date in 1831. The Mass was beautiful; thanks to the choirs, to the Mercy Associates for coordinating the Liturgy, and you, the parishioners for your participation and ongoing prayer. Thanks too for the "comfortable cup of tea" following the Liturgy, especially to Donna Mary for spearheading that event. Thanks to all of you for your presence, your greetings, cards, well wishes, Mass offerings, prayers, food donations and monetary gifts. In reflecting on my appreciation, I am reminded of Pope Francis' statement: "The works of mercy affect a person's entire life." I believe this to be true for all of us as we are all about these Works of Mercy. Blessings on us all. Sister Dorothy.

DONATION: We would like to express our sincere thanks to Mrs. Josephine Kelly's family and friends for their generous donation of \$515 to the Sacred Heart Parish Cemetery Fund.

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. 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.

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Confessions ½ hour before Mass Thursday, Saturday, Sunday and any other time upon request

4th Sunday of Advent
December 23rd, 2018

Feast of Saint John of Kanty

John was born in Kanti, Poland, in 1390. After his ordination, he served in the Faculty of Theology at Krakow University. A popular teacher and preacher, John was noted for his simplicity and love for the poor. He died in 1473 and was canonized in 1767.

Saint John the Apostle
(December 27th)

Also known as John the Divine, the apostle John was the son of Zebedee and the brother of James, and a fisherman. John was very close to Jesus and was present at the Transfiguration, the raising of Jairus' daughter and the Agony in the Garden. John is the "beloved disciple" referred to in the gospels. While ancient scholarship linked him to the Fourth Gospel, the Book of Revelation and the three epistles that bear his name, modern scholarship disputes this notion. John is believed to have died at Ephesus in extreme old age. In Christian iconography, his symbol is the eagle.

"Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth." (1 John 3:18)

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 7th, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., Basilica Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, St. John's. Everyone is welcome!

Welcome to all Visitors and have a great week! MERRY CHRISTMAS!

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Holy Hour before Mass first Friday of each month.

Daily mass will be cancelled in case of a funeral until further notice.

Monday, December 24, 4:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Fortune

Christmas Eve

Intention of Parishioners

Monday, December 24, 7:00 p.m.

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Monday, December 24, 11:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve

Intention of Parishioners

Tuesday, December 25, 9:00 a.m.

St. Joan of Arc, Frenchman's Cove

Christmas Day - The Nativity of the Lord

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Wednesday, December 26, 12:10 p.m.

John J. Farrell Jr. & DFM

Jim Dober

Madge & Cosmas Farrell

Wednesday, December 26, 1:00 p.m.

Pro-Life Holy Hour

Thursday, December 27, 12:10 p.m.

Walter & Diane Coady

Albert Hilliard

Edward Cheeke

Friday, December 28, 7:00 p.m.

Bill Brake

Georgina Barnes

Alfred Rose

Sanctuary Candle Walter & Diane Coady

Saturday, December 29, 4:00 p.m.

Confessions 3:15 p.m.

Gus & Minnie Spencer & DFM

Hughie Mitchell, Vincent & Julia Baker

Florence & Jerome O'Keefe

Sunday, December 30, 9:00 a.m.

St. Joan of Arc, Frenchman's Cove

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Lucy Pittman

James Walsh

Deceased Members of the Power & Kelly Families

Sunday, December 30, 11:00 a.m.

Confessions 10:15 a.m.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Norm Walsh

Ce-Ann Murley & Joe Baker

William Mitchell

Sunday, December 30, 2:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Fortune

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Intention of Parishioners

Monday, December 31, 7:00 p.m.

New Year's Eve

All Parishioners

Tuesday, January 1, 2019, 11:15 a.m.

Mary, Holy Mother of God - New Year's Day

World Day of Peace

Intention of Parishioners

Burin Liturgy Schedule

December 24 9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve

December 26 7:00 p.m.

December 27 7:00 p.m.

December 29 6:00 p.m.

January 1, 2019 9:45 a.m. New Year's Day

MINISTRIES:

Saturday, December 29, 4:00 p.m., Marystown

Hospitality / Collectors: Tom Smith, John Farrell, Jerry Warren, Roland Riggs, John J. Hanrahan, George Hynes, Nellie Collins, Jensen Hodder

1st Reader: Sister Dorothy Willcott **2nd Reader:** Sharon Walsh

Eucharistic Ministers: **Debbie Farrell**, Eileen Mitchell, Gerald Power, Mary Beth Farrell, Alphonsus Ward

Gifts: Peter & Mary Fitzpatrick

Sunday, December 30, 9:00 a.m.

Collection: John Power

Readers: Lynn Antle & Nancy Drake

Gifts: Ida Devereaux & Hannah Mullins

Sunday, December 30, 11:00 a.m., Marystown

Hospitality / Collectors: John Drake, Brenda & Ella Peddle, Lori & Zachery Bungay, Kara Squires, Gerard Barry, Noah Connolly, Ben Bugden

1st Reader: Ellen Kilfoy **2nd Reader:** Betty Coady

Eucharistic Ministers: **Eric Short**, Margie Hynes, Joanie Farrell, George Farrell, Arch Spencer

Gifts: Adrian & Genevieve Murphy

Monday, December 31, 7:00 p.m., Marystown

Hospitality / Collectors: Margaret Murphy, Geraldine Power, Carmelita Holley, Ellen Kilfoy, Carmelita Walsh, Kate Devereaux, Barbara Spencer, Stella Pittman

1st Reader: Nellie Collins **2nd Reader:** Mary Poulain

Eucharistic Ministers: **Ron Broderick**, Mary Curtis, Peter Fitzpatrick, Arch Spencer, Ray Baker

Gifts: Gerald & Rita Power

Tuesday, January 1, 2019, 11:15 a.m., Marystown

Hospitality / Collectors: Phil Pittman, Ruth Hanrahan, Jim Hanrahan, Sheila & Tanner Drake, Lillian Walsh, Noel Rumsey, Sara Denty

1st Reader: John Baker **2nd Reader:** Carol Ann Farrell

Eucharistic Ministers: **Bernice Baker**, Rick Hunt, Nora Gaulton, Loretta Lewis, Mary Lou Short

Gifts: Nicole & Mackenzie Keating

The totals stated here represent collections for December 16th, 2018:

OFFERTORY (M):	3156.00	OFFERTORY (FC):	205.00
OFFERTORY (F):	286.00	ADVENT FOLDERS (FC):	40.00
ADVENT FOLDERS (F):	80.00	CHRISTMAS DAY (M):	50.00
CHRISTMAS DAY (FC):	10.00	CHRISTMAS DAY (F):	25.00
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY (M):	20.00	FLOWERS FOR CHURCH (M):	230.00
DUES (M):	610.00	VIGIL LIGHTS (M):	259.60

Thank you for your generosity and continued support to the parish

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH.