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**For Emergencies Only Contact:** Fr. Emmanuel Quagraine - 709 730 3887  
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**Confessions - Saturdays 5:15 pm - 5:45 pm - any other time upon request**

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### Ascension of the Lord, May 13, 2018

**"The most important person on earth is a mother.** She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral – a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body. The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other creature; God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation ... What on God's good earth is more glorious than this; to be a mother?"

Cardinal Jozsef Mindszenty (1872-1975) from his book *The Mother*

#### A Prayer for Mothers

Mary, on this day when we honor all mothers, we turn to you. We thank the Lord whom you serve for the great gift of motherhood. Never has it been known that anyone who sought your intercession was left unaided by grace. Dear Mother, thank you for your "Yes" to the invitation of the angel which has brought heaven to earth and changed human history. You opened yourself to God's word and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

Dear Mother, intercede for all of our mothers. Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love so that they could join with you in giving their own "Fiat". May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love - the very heart of the vocation of motherhood. May their love and witness be a source of great inspiration for all of us called to follow your Son.

On this Mother's day, Mother of the Word Incarnate, pray for us who have recourse to you.

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Dear Faithful Friends,

**I wish to offer all mothers and those who nurture others, a very Happy Mother's Day Weekend. May the love you so generously give to others be returned to you in abundance. We fondly remember in a special way this weekend, all our mothers who are no longer with us.**

Sincerely yours in Christ

+Martin W. Currie, Archbishop of St. John's

**Mother's Day Weekend Masses:** We will pray for all deceased mothers, grandmothers and special mothers during May. Please place their names in a special book of remembrance for the month of May to be placed at the altar for all Masses.

#### LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS - May 14 - 20

##### St. Patrick's Parish, Burin

**Tuesday**, 12:10 pm Mass - Bernadette Dimmer, John Patrick Antle, Thomas Kearley

**Thursday**, 7:00 pm Mass - Patricia Kilfoy, Teresa Marshall, John Robert Roul

**Saturday**, 6:00 pm (**Confirmation Mass**) - Colin Antle, Bert & Kitty Antle, Gary Antle

**The Holy Rosary** will be recited at 6:40 pm before weekday masses. (Bride)

**A Holy Hour, Adoration and Benediction** will be held on the first Friday of each month at 3:00 - 4:00 pm.

##### Sacred Heart Parish, Marystown

**Monday**, 12:10 pm Mass, **Tuesday**, 8:00 am Mass, **Thursday**, 2:00 pm (**Mass at Marystown Retirement Home**), **Friday**, 7:00 pm (**Confirmation Mass**), **Saturday**, 4:00 pm Mass (**Marystown**), **Sunday**, 9:00 am Mass (**Frenchman's Cove**), **Sunday**, 11:00 am Mass (**Marystown**), 4:30 pm Mass (**Fortune**)

**Mass and Healing Service:** On Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, the usual 7pm Mass at Sacred Heart Parish will be immediately followed by a healing service.

**Vocation Bulletin Reflection:** "And they went out and proclaimed the good news everywhere, while the Lord worked with them." If you are discerning a vocation to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, call Father Jeff Kolonel at (709)745-8183 or Father Ray Earle (709)488-2525 or email: [vocations@rcsj.org](mailto:vocations@rcsj.org)

#### PARISH MINISTRIES - Saturday, May 19

**Lectors:** Beth Brockerville, Erica Drake, **Offertory:** Bernice Hollett + 2 Children, **Hospitality-Collectors:** Mike Brown, Dennis Brown, Bella Keating, **Eucharistic Ministers:** Rita Lundrigan - C, Gladys Kavanagh - H, Bride Green - C

**WEEKLY COLLECTION - Offertory:** \$686.35, **Loose:** \$26.00, **Dues:** \$153.00, **Pastoral Care:** \$60.00, **Holy Thursday - Family Aid:** \$6.00, **Archbishop's Appeal:** \$15.00

**Please try to be faithful to your parish collection.** If you are away from your parish on a particular weekend, please remember to place that weekend's collection along with your regular collection the next time you attend. **Thank you for your generosity and continued support to the parish!**

**Baptismal Preparation** - Please note that parents and godparents as well as witnesses are required to complete a baptism preparation course, which is offered at 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 Baptism Preparation Course if they were baptized outside the Parish. Before your child can be baptized, the parish office must have a copy of your child's birth certificate. To register call 891-1730. Baptisms take place at the Saturday Mass or in special circumstances at a weekday Mass. **A Church Fee of \$25.00 is applicable for Baptisms. (Goodwill offering for Priest to be paid separately).** Next preparations are **Monday, June 11 at 7:00 pm. (Team - Bride & Margaret)**

**Fr. Emmanuel and Fr. James are available for “Sick Calls” in the parish.** If you would like to be visited, please contact the parish office to submit your name.

**MEETING: Pastoral Council Meeting - Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm, Burin**

**Saint Anne’s Devotions:** The devotion will consist of a Mass with a Homily in honor of Saint Anne, a candlelight procession with the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the Mass and the veneration of the Relic of Saint Anne. Fr. Guy Desrochers, from the Shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre, will be in Sacred Heart Parish, Marystown, on Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 p.m.

**COME AND SEE! THE SPIRIT SAYS “COME”!**

You are invited to participate in a 7 - week, “**Living Your Life in the Spirit of God**” seminar, to take place from April 8<sup>th</sup> - May 20<sup>th</sup>, in the Social Centre at Sacred Heart Parish, Marystown, 7:15 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. each Sunday evening. This week’s speaker, Fr. James Fleming, will speak on “**Growing in the Spirit of God.**” Next week’s speaker, Fr. Nelson Boren, will speak on “**Transformation**” (**Sunday, May 20th**). A cup of tea will follow! All are Welcome!

**Marriage Preparation on the Burin Peninsula:** We are happy to announce that a marriage preparation course will be held on the Burin Peninsula **June 1–2 at Sacred Heart Parish** in Marystown. The course will begin Friday at 6:15pm and run all-day Saturday, ending with supper and distribution of certificates. Lunch and supper on Saturday is provided. Cost is \$100. Please contact Sacred Heart Parish office to register at 279-1625.

**Marriages for Mary:** Rita and Gerard McCarthy, founders of the Catholic retreat-based ministry, Marriages for Mary will be visiting Sacred Heart Parish to lead the marriage preparation weekend June 1 – 2. Their life story and talks are immensely inspiring for couples at any stage in life. We have decided to open up this weekend to the wider parish community. If any married couple would like to attend the weekend, you may register at the parish office (279-1625). The cost is \$50 and lunch and supper are included on Saturday. We hope to see you there!

**Marriage Preparation Program Dates - St. John’s:** June 8 - 9. Registration fee is \$100 per couple. Contact the Archdiocese of St. John’s, at 1-709-726-3660, ext 221 for enquiries.

**Stebenville Youth Conference: July 6 - 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018:** Fr. James is organizing a group to attend the Conference in Halifax from July 6-8th! Youth between the ages 14-19 are encouraged to come. If you are interested please email or call Fr. James directly: [jifleming@gmail.com](mailto:jifleming@gmail.com); (709) 631-0202. To find out more visit [stebenvilleconferences.com](http://stebenvilleconferences.com).

**Dear friends,**

The Holy Sepulchre Cemetery will soon be filled to capacity and in a short time there will be no double plots available. There are single plots available but these are limited. In the near future, we will have to open the new cemetery in Southlands. Based on the few plots in our cemeteries that are currently available, we believe it will likely be summer when the Southlands cemetery opens.

The Southlands cemetery is without a name. If you have any suggestions for a name for our new Southlands cemetery, please contact my secretary, Janet Stead email- [jstead@rcsj.org](mailto:jstead@rcsj.org)

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**Family Aid - Food & Personal Items Collection: Saturday, May 26** you are invited to drop items to the church. Personal items to be donated are toiletries items, personal hygiene, paper towels, toilet tissue, etc. **Please consider giving to this cause ... Thank You!**

**“Monthly Recyclables Day” - Saturday, June 2...** thank you to all who continue to donate recyclables. **Please remember to remove all caps from items** - this will greatly assist our volunteers when preparing recyclables for depot. A sincere thank you to all volunteers.

**The Gathering Place is looking to start a DVD exchange program, and we are putting out a call for donations of DVDs and DVD players.** If anyone has any DVDs or DVD players that are gathering dust and you would be willing to donate, The Gathering Place would be thrilled to add them to an upcoming DVD library.

**Items may be dropped off to St. Patrick’s Parish office, church or at (Chase the Ace or Bingo events). A BIG THANK YOU to all persons who have donated to date!**

**PARISH BINGO: Sunday, May 20 - BINGO GROUP:** Nora & Irene  
**Escalating Jackpot - \$7,000.00+ Bingo Gift Certificates** are available at bingo or the parish office.

**‘CHASE THE ACE’ at St. Patrick’s Parish Social Centre** on Tuesday of each week from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Draw will take place between 8:30 - 9:00 pm. Come, bring a friend, enjoy this parish event and fundraiser! Thank you for your continued support!

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**Ascension of the Lord:** On the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, the Church pays special attention to communication in our world, and encourages us to spread the good news of God’s saving grace, revealed in Jesus and made present through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The accounts of the ascension in both Acts and Mark entrust us, as Jesus himself entrusted the eleven, to share the good news. The sacraments equip us wonderfully for the task of witnessing to the “whole of creation.” In Baptism, we became light to the world. In Confirmation, we received the gifts of the Holy Spirit that empower us to be the Christ-bearers of unity. And through the celebration of the Eucharist, we are nourished and strengthened for our mission.

Communicating the good news is a work in progress. There has never been a time in history when people did not need the news of salvation. When much of the communication around us tears down rather than builds up, we have the opportunity to build bridges through our encounters with others.

Jesus is the benchmark for all of our communications. Following his example, may our lives communicate God’s love and mercy and be a sign of hope to the world.

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**Canada Health Day: Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>:** Canada Health Day is celebrated in health care facilities and community services across the country.

This day reminds us that health and healing are essential aspects of our baptismal vocation. We are called to take responsibility for our personal health: to prevent illness and to seek a healthy lifestyle. Good health concerns the physical, emotional, social and spiritual health of our communities, respect for God’s creatures and the nurturing of the whole earth.

**The parish office will be closed on Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup>.  
“WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS & HAVE A GREAT WEEK”**