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Confessions - Saturdays 5:15 pm - 5:45 pm - any other time upon request

Epiphany of the Lord, January 6, 2019

"They set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising" - towards the place of the child who had been born king of the Jews. When the star stopped, the wise men were "overwhelmed with joy." They entered the house and saw "the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage."

We have heard this story many times. This would be the time, when our children were young, that we would bring out the tiny camels and the wise men and place them in our Nativity creche. It would be the last act of our Christmas story. In a few days the small figures and other decorations still up from this joyous season would be carefully put away for another year.

Astronomers debate whether the star marked the arrival of a comet, a super nova or possibly a rare celestial conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn. Theologians note that only Matthew records the story, and some suggest it is a pious fiction designed to integrate older writings into the birth narrative of Jesus.

Questions abound but the essential messages remain. For Paul, it is the mystery now "made known to humankind." Isaiah urges rejoicing: "Arise, shine, for your light has come." The Epiphany reveals that Christ now had come among us all.

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THE ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. JOHN'S cordially invites you to a **farewell Mass and Reception** (St. Bonaventure's College Gym) in honour of **Archbishop Martin W. Currie on Monday, January 7th, 2019 at 7:00 pm** Basilica Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. **Everyone is welcome!**

THANK YOU: Fr. Emmanuel, Fr. Jose and Fr. William Hann would like to thank you for your cards, gifts and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year. God bless you all, and continue to keep us in your prayers.

LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS - January 7 - 13

St. Patrick's Parish, Burin

Tuesday, 7:00 pm Mass - Leslie O'Brien, William Farrell, Evangeline Duffney
Wednesday, 7:00 pm Mass - Adelaide Antle, Margaret Gaulton, Teresa Marshall
Thursday, 7:00 pm Mass - Peter & Cynthia Grondin, Lou Bailey & dfm., Emily Antle
Saturday, 6:00 pm Mass - Ondre & Elizabeth Power, Elizabeth Baker & Patricia Jordan, Hilda Kilfoy

PARISH MINISTRIES - Saturday, January 12

Lectors: Marilyn Donahue, Mary Francis, **Offertory:** Bernice Hollett + 2 Children,
Hospitality-Collectors: Martin O'Keefe, Ethel O'Keefe, Margaret Manning, **Eucharistic Ministers:** Nora Antle, Bride Green, Gladys Kavanagh

WEEKLY COLLECTION - December 23, 2018 - Offertory: \$813.00, **Loose:** \$89.65, **Dues:** \$190.00, **Advent:** \$60.00

December 25, 2018 - (CHRISTMAS) - Offertory: \$865.00, **Loose:** \$353.15, **Dues:** \$220.00, **Advent:** \$70.00, **Christmas:** \$1,659.00

WEEKLY COLLECTION - December 30, 2018 - Offertory: \$1,443.00, **Loose:** \$19.25, **Dues:** \$140.00, **Christmas:** \$640.00

January 1, 2019 (NEW YEAR'S DAY) - New Year's Day Offering: \$335.00, **Initial Offering:** \$110.00

Thank you for your generosity and continued support to the parish.

The Holy Rosary will be recited at 6:40 pm before weekday masses. (Bernice)
A Holy Hour, Adoration and Benediction will be held on the first Friday of each month at 3:00 - 4:00 pm

LITURGY SCHEDULE - January 7 - 13, Sacred Heart Parish, Marystown

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

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

Vocation Bulletin Reflection: “Opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts.” Are you beginning to see your life as a gift to be given to the Lord as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? 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

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, January 14th at 7:00 pm.** (Team - Evelyn & Marilyn)

Church Envelope Packages for 2019 are now available at the Church foyer. If you are not using envelopes and would like a package, please contact the office.

Christmas Flowers: Thank you for all donations toward flowers to beautify our Church this Christmas season. Your generosity was appreciated!

Family Aid - Food & Personal Items Collection: Saturday, January 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, February 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. **Total Collected: \$600.80, Total to date: \$9,784.75**

PARISH BINGO: Escalating Jackpot - \$2,500+ ... Sunday, January 13 - BINGO GROUP: Ethel O'Keefe **Bingo Gift Certificates** are available at bingo or the parish office.

‘CHASE THE ACE’ at St. Patrick’s Parish Social Centre beginning on **Tuesday, January 8, 2019** and continuing 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!**

Annual Old Christmas Day Gathering for the singing of gospel songs will be held at St. Patrick’s Church on **Sunday, January 6, 2019 at 2:00 pm.** Admission: A goodwill offering. A lunch will follow. Come bring a friend and enjoy the evening!

WORLD DAY OF PEACE - JANUARY 1: In his greeting to the world for the 52nd World Day of Peace, Pope Francis reflects on the role of “good politics at the service of peace.” Those who hold political office, he says, must exercise their office in service to others, basing their work on the foundation of charity and human virtues. At the same time, Pope Francis warns of the vices that can afflict politics, including corruption, xenophobia, racism, lack of concern for the environment, and contempt for exiles. “When the exercise of political power aims only at protecting the interests of a few privileged individuals, the future is compromised and young people can be tempted to lose confidence,” the Pope writes. He encourages politics to “foster the talents of young people and their aspirations” in order to promote peace, noting that “Everyone can contribute his or her stone to help build the common home.” Peace, he insists, is based on respect for each person...respect for the law and the common good, on respect for the environment as well as “the moral tradition inherited from past generations.” In conclusion, Pope Francis says that peace “is the fruit of a great political project grounded in the mutual responsibility and interdependence of human beings.” But, he says, “it is also a challenge that demands to be taken up ever anew” - a challenge that “entails a conversion of heart and soul.”

PRAYER TO THE HOLY FAMILY

Lord, You intended for the Holy Family to be an example for all,
and for the Holy Spirit to enlighten our homes.

May we, like them, be able to live according to the family virtues and stand united by the strength of Your love before meeting again for eternity in the joy of Your house. Amen.

THE SEASON

This is the season when the earth slumbers 'neath her quilt of snow,
When little bulbs make ready for the day they'll sprout and grow.

This is the season when the stars are crystal jewels of light,
And moonlight filters thru the trees radiantly bright.

This is the season of repose for nature's growing things;
Exquisite world without a flaw, our God so richly brings.

“WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS — HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE”

HAVE A GREAT WEEK!