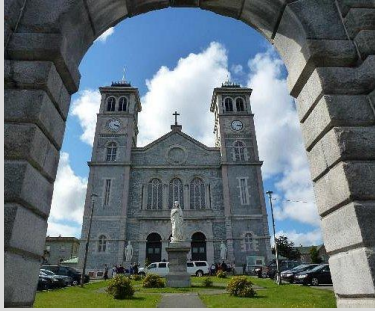


# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHEDRAL BASILICA PARISH

Welcome to Our Parish!



## Mass Times

Monday to Friday: 9 a.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. & 5 p.m.

Sunday: 9 a.m., 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.

**Rosary 30 minutes before each weekday Mass.**

## Confession Times

Friday & Saturday: 11 a.m. to noon

Confessions available Monday to Thursday  
by appointment.

## Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

Monday to Saturday: Immediately following  
9 a.m. Mass until 12 noon in the Marian Chapel.

## Vocations

Fr. James Fleming: [jjfleming@gmail.com](mailto:jjfleming@gmail.com)

**All Masses are live-streamed on [basilica.net](http://basilica.net),  
or on our parish website:  
[www.thebasilica.church](http://www.thebasilica.church)**

## Please, contact us at:

Telephone (709) 754-2170, or Fax (709) 754-5608  
Office hours are Mon. to Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
(closed from noon to 1 p.m.)

Email: [basilica@rcsj.org](mailto:basilica@rcsj.org)

[www.thebasilica.church](http://www.thebasilica.church)

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**We need your email address.**  
**Please send an email to us at**  
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May 7, 2023

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**



We welcome you to worship with us.  
If you would like to register with our Parish,  
please contact the Parish Office (754-2170),  
or pick-up a registration form at the back of the Church.



**THE HOLY ROSARY** is prayed **30 minutes**  
**before each weekday Mass.** Please,  
come and pray for Our Heavenly  
Mother's intercession.

**Prayers for the Sick:** David Fleming, Theresa Bruce,  
Madge McDonald, Patricia Quigley, Mary Rice,  
Gerard Carey, Mary Ring, Donna Power, Pat Hayward,  
Francis Xavier Doyle, Kevin Dormody, Rose Casey,  
Charlie Conway, Margaret Roach, Anita Flynn,  
Michael Doucette, Kimberly MacDonald, Keith Smith,  
Father Gerard Critch, Paddy Daly, Gladys Matichuk,  
Elizabeth Laurie, Florence Earle, Dr. Frank Duff,  
Mary Ann Lewis, Mary Wall, Dave Keough

## Parish Team

**Archbishop of St. John's**  
Most Reverend Peter J. Hundt  
**Rector, Parish Priest**  
Father Cecil Critch, P.P., V.G.

**Administrative Assistant**  
Ms. Geraldine Boland  
**Music Director**  
Mrs. Patty Fowler

## *This Coming Week in our Parish Community*

### **Monday – Blessed Catherine of St. Augustine, Virgin**

9:00 a.m. Mass for Maureen **Doyle**, Philip & Winnie **Rose**, Peggy **Reid**

### **Tuesday**

9:00 a.m. Mass for Johanna Gertrude **Hayes**, Wallace **Penney**, Gilles **Fleury**

### **Wednesday – St. John of Avila, Priest, Doctor**

9:00 a.m. Mass for Sheila **Kelly**, Maria **Pham**, Madeline Martin **Myers**

### **Thursday**

9:00 a.m. Mass for Lisa **Hacketts**, Sister Callista **Ryan**, Thomas & Elizabeth **Doheney** & deceased family members

### **Friday – St. Nereus, St. Achilleus, St. Pancras, Martyrs**

9:00 a.m. Mass for Bernice **Caule** & deceased family members, Joe, Bride & Madonna **Croke**, Frank **Sheehan**

11:00 a.m. Mass for **students of St. Bonaventure's School**

### **Saturday – Our Lady of Fatima**

9:00 a.m. Mass for Vince & Gillian **Fleming**, Matthew **Prim**, deceased members of the **Dominic** family

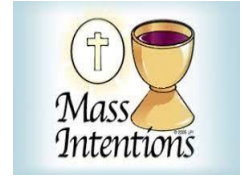
5:00 p.m. Mass for Gerard **Brazil**, John **Ryan**, Cyril **Furlong**

### **Sunday – Fifth Sunday of Easter, Mothers' Day**

9:00 a.m. Mass for Gerald **Coleman**, Leonard **Lye**, Walter **Tobin**

11:00 a.m. Mass for the **Intentions of All Parishioners**

7:00 p.m. Mass for John **Wheeler**, Jane **Tobin** (Watkins), George **Mclsaac**



**FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH:** Please join us for *Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament and Confessions* held this Saturday (May 6) from 7-9 p.m.



**FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA – MAY 13:** Members of *The Legion of Mary* will recite all four mysteries of The Holy Rosary before the statue of Our Lady of Fatima on **Saturday, May 13**, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Please, come and join us. (S. Reddy)

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** Via zoom, the next course will be held at **7:00 p.m., this coming Monday, May 8.** For additional information, please call (709) 746-9477.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Nancy Eddy**. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in God's holy peace. Our most sincere condolences to her family.



**Could God be calling you to become a Priest? Come and see.** A vocation discernment group, led by Father James Fleming, meets regularly on the **last Sunday of every month**. Single Catholic men, 18 years and older, who are open to considering a call to the Priesthood are invited to attend. The group meets at 6:30 p.m. to pray, share a meal, and discuss a topic related to discerning a call to the Priesthood. To register or find out more, please contact Father James Fleming at (709) 834-9481, or [vocations@rcsj.org](mailto:vocations@rcsj.org).

*Mary, Mother of God, please pray for us. Amen*

## **MONTH OF MAY: The Holy Rosary is held 30 minutes before each weekday Mass.**

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE:** The next course is scheduled for **May 6, 2023**, at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 200 Military Rd, St. John's. Couples can register using the following link: [Marriage Preparation Registration - Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. John's \(rcsj.org\)](https://www.rcsj.org/marriage-preparation-registration).

**NATIONAL FAMILY & LIFE WEEK (NFLW), May 7-14, 2023:** This is an invitation from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) to the faithful in Canada to celebrate the joy and beauty of family and life by seeking out new (and creative) ways to live out this call in our daily lives. The NFLW theme is Jesus' words, **"Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another"** (John 13:34). Love is at the heart of familial relationships. Our families are a Communion of Love in Christ. We are *"guardians of life"* when we love one another within our families, as well as in wider society, when we show kindness toward (and care for) people who are vulnerable and marginalized.

The Office for Family and Life of the CCCB is organizing a **FREE** webinar entitled, **"Concrete Ways to Renew Practices of Family Holiness"**. It will be held on **Saturday, June 3, 2023, from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m., EDT**. This free webinar will be presented by Msgr. Philippe Bordeyne, President of the John Paul II Pontifical Theological Institute for the Science of Marriage and the Family, Rome, Italy. The webinar will be recorded for later broadcast and accompanied by simultaneous English translation. A webinar registration link will be coming soon. For further information, please consult our Archdiocesan website: [www.rcsj.org](http://www.rcsj.org). (*E. Connolly, Director of Family Catechesis, Archdiocese of St. John's*)

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** The winning number for the recent **50/50 raffle** was 6831. Congratulations to **Ms. Sylvia Raymond** of Pasadena who received a prize of **\$72,637.50**. Thank you to all parishioners for your support and success of this effort.

**NEW ONLINE PLATFORM FIGHTS PORNOGRAPHY ADDICTION UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS:** Pornography use and addiction are sources of distress in modern marriages and a **significant reason for higher divorce rates** over the past 20 years. The accessibility of pornography on the internet (and a growing lack of understanding about the spirituality and meaning of sex and marriage), has given rise to the widespread use of pornography. This reality is the reason for a new online discussion and prayer platform called **SOS Porn Deliverance**, (<https://www.sosporn.org/>), which was recently launched under the patronage of the Italian Computer Programmer **Blessed Carlos Acutis**. The platform, available in English since March 19, was originally launched in 2020 in French by the online evangelization association **Lights in the Dark**, founded in 2015.

**33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY:** This Retreat is a 6-week program where participants meet once a week for 90 minutes to view a video and have a short discussion. It is based on the popular book by Father Michael Gaitley, MIC, entitled, **"33 Days to Morning Glory"**. The readings in it teach the secrets of drawing closer to the Heart of Jesus through Mary. Join us on Saturday morning, 10:30 a.m. to noon, at Divine Mercy Parish. To register, call the parish office at **709-726-9924**. For additional information, please call Patricia at 709-722-5273 or Marilyn at (709) 364-2758.

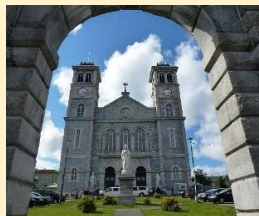
### **PARISH FINANCIAL NEWS**

All your weekly collections go *solely* to pay for parish operations – (heat, light, salaries, etc.). For the weekend of May 1, 2023: Offertory Collection \$6,476.00, Archbishop's Appeal \$130.00, Mass Stipends \$160.00, Donation \$1,555.80, Candles \$457.50, Other \$255.00, On Line Donations \$234.92. **Thank you for your generosity, everyone!**

## YEAR OF OUR PARISH: NEW BEGINNINGS, JUNE 2023 TO JUNE 2024

As was announced last weekend (April 23/24), we hope to share with you all the updates on **Year of Our Parish: New Beginnings**. Here are a few of those updates:

1. **The 'Question of the Day' that we'd like for you to answer is:** What do you think of when you hear or say, 'our community, our parish?'. You can send your responses to the Steering Committee in one of three ways: (a) you can use the parish email ([basilica@rcsj.org](mailto:basilica@rcsj.org)), (b) you can write your response and put it in the **collection box**, or (c) you can write your response and put it in the **mailbox** outside the main entrance to the Parish Office.
2. **Opening Weekend Activities for June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>:** A **Pancake Breakfast** will take place on Saturday, **June 3<sup>rd</sup>** from 10:00 a.m. to noon. It will be held at the Knights of Columbus on St. Clare Avenue. **The sale of tickets for this event will take place after all Masses on the weekend of May 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>.** Tickets are only \$5.00 each. Come join us! **The Tours and Teas** will take place on Sunday, **June 4<sup>th</sup>** from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. in the Church. There will be Tour Guides on hand for those who would like to know more about the Basilica. This is a *terrific opportunity* to meet other parishioners, and to sit down and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee with homemade sweets. Children are more than welcome. There is **no charge** for this event.
3. **Sign-up Ministry Weekend:** There will be a sign-up Ministry table at all Masses on the weekend of **June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>** where you can inquire about the various Parish Ministries. Here, you can identify where your talents might best be shared with your community.
4. **Parish Fundraiser During the Summer Months:** The Basilica Community Builders (BCB's) are organizing the afternoon teas as a fundraising initiative. **The teas will take place for 7 Thursday afternoons throughout July and August.** This event is open to the public, as well as to all visitors (tickets for purchase will be available at the event). If you would like to help with donations of your time (serving) or talent (baking), please contact the Parish Office with your name and contact information. Someone from the BCB will connect with you.
5. **Parish Garden Party:** Preliminary plans are underway for a **Parish Garden Party in July** to take place on the grounds of St. Bonaventure's School. A committee will be set-up to organize this event. If there's a suggestion you'd like to make, or some way you'd like to be involved, please call the Parish Office (754-2170) with your contact information. Someone will be sure to contact you.



Your Steering Committee,  
Kay Barrington, Brenda Collett, Norm Doyle and Jim McGrath

**YEAR OF OUR PARISH – NEW BEGINNINGS**