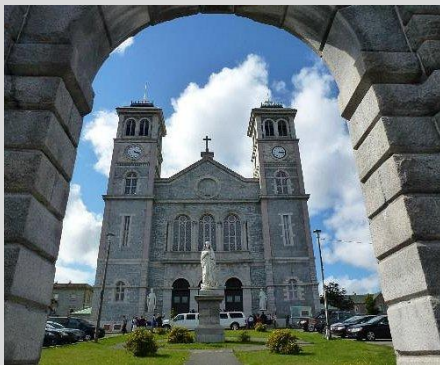


ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHEDRAL BASILICA PARISH

YEAR OF OUR PARISH: NEW BEGINNINGS - JUNE 2023 TO JUNE 2024

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

Father James Fleming: jjfleming@gmail.com

**All Masses are live-streamed on basilica.net,
or on our parish website:
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

www.thebasilica.church

200 Military Road, St. John's, NL Canada A1C 2E8

Let us know your email address.

February 25, 2024



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, Donna Power, Francis Xavier Doyle, Charlie Conway, Margaret Roach, Anita Flynn, Michael Doucette, Kimberly MacDonald, Keith Smith, Florence Earle, Mary Ann Lewis, Isabella Dye, Evangeline McGrath, Catherine Butler, Chelsea Coombs, Madonna Wheeler, Isabel Goodridge, Charlie Furey, John Abbott, Patrick Redmond, Debbie Lucas, Rick Cooper, Faith Nuna, Christopher Anthony, Father Philip Melvin, John O'Dea, Martin Squires, Angela Dillon, Joyce Dillon, Catherine Keough, Evan Murphy, Father Nelson Boren, Sister Margie Taylor, George Andrew Stillman, Gerald Murphy, Rosemary Butt, Joseph Dobbin, Esther Lane, Yvonne Steiner

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

Ms. Patty Fowler

This Coming Week In Our Parish Community

Monday – Luke 6.36-38

9:00 a.m. Mass for Barbara **Mason**, Douglas & Mary **Hynes**, Jennifer **Farrell**

Tuesday – Matthew 23.1-12

9:00 a.m. Mass for Dr. Frank **Duff**, William & Betty **Bassett**, Bruce **Peckford**

Wednesday – Matthew 20.17-28

9:00 a.m. Mass for Elaine **Galvin**, Blair **Leonard**, Jerry **Blyde**

Thursday – Luke 16.19-31

9:00 a.m. Mass for Dolly **Pippy**, Geoffrey **Murin**, Alice **Corbett**

Friday – Matthew 21.33-43, 45-46 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

9:00 a.m. Mass for Joseph **Finn**, Doug & Nellie **Skirving**, Noreen **Lewis**

Saturday – Luke 15.1-3, 11-32

9:00 a.m. Mass for Father Pat **Power**, Father John **Hanton**, James & Rebecca **Murray**

5:00 p.m. Mass for John & Maureen **Doyle**, Elizabeth **Laurie**, Janice **Owens**

Sunday – The Third Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. Mass for James **Dunphy**, Michael & Muriel **McHugh**, Mr. & Mrs. Donald **MacKenzie**

11:00 a.m. Mass for **the intentions of all parishioners**

7:00 p.m. Mass for Donald **Dunphy**, Rick **Boland**, Kathy **Whitten**



Note: Due to recent Mass cancellations (weather), several Mass intentions above were previously listed.

Each Friday during the Lenten Season, Stations of The Cross will begin at 7:00 p.m.



ARCHDIOCESAN MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE: The next course is scheduled for **May 4, 2024**, at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 200 Military Road, St. John's. Couples can register using the following link: [Marriage Preparation Registration | Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. John's \(rcsj.org\)](#). Once registered, couples will receive additional information outlining the session and schedule.



DEARLY DEPARTED: Please pray for the repose of the souls of **James Fowler and Kathleen Keough**. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in God's holy peace. Our most sincere condolences to their families.

CENTRE FOR LIFE: We are offering a virtual income tax preparation for seniors with modest incomes who qualify under the guidelines of the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program. For any inquiries or to make an appointment please contact the office at **709-579-1500**.

"Year of Our Parish: New Beginnings – June 2023 to June 2024"

ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT AT THE BASILICA

THE SEARCH PROGRAM: Please note that the **SEARCH Program** has been moved to Tuesday evenings from April 9 to May 21. Each session begins with a delicious meal, followed by a video presentation and small group sharing. Registration is available online at <https://thebasilica.church/thesearch>. If you are looking to find Jesus in your own life, or if you are struggling to find motivation in faith, this Program is for **YOU!** Join us as we tackle life's BIG questions.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA): If you are an adult and wish to become fully initiated (a Baptized and Confirmed member of the Catholic Church), or, as a Catholic, you would like to learn more about your faith, please join our RCIA Program on **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.** Please call the Parish Office to register **(709-754-2170)**.



DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: *Last chance to sign the Stand for the Land Petition.* Today is the deadline for signing a letter to Honduran Ambassador to Canada asking her government to protect those who are fighting to defend forests and rivers in a Honduran national park against pollution from a mine. The letter is part of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's last Fall Campaign. Over 20,000 Canadians have signed it in solidarity with these struggling communities of Guapinol and the San Pedro sector. Join the effort and add weight to our demands. Sign now at devp.org/act. Thank you for your solidarity!

The Roman Catholic Church Wants Your Thoughts and Opinions: To help prepare for the **2024 Synod meetings** in Rome in October, the Archdiocese of St. John's invites you to participate in a series of 3 Listening and Input Sessions. These sessions will introduce you to the next stage of the ongoing Synodal Journey, and offer you an opportunity to learn about, discuss and respond to the Synthesis Document. Led by the Redemptorist Adult Faith Formation Team (RAFFT), these sessions will be offered both in person and online. All are welcome to join in all three sessions, or any you are available to attend. Come and invite a friend!

IN PERSON: The Lantern, 35 Barnes Rd, St. John's
Tuesday, March 5, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

ONLINE: offered by Zoom
(To register, email: rafftcssr@gmail.com)
Tuesday, February 27, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 12, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.



FUNDRAISER: "Give My Regards to Broadway", March 2, 2024 – SOLD OUT!
Waiting list only.

SILENT AUCTION – PARISH DINNER, MARCH 2, 2024

Can you please help us? We are **in need of donations to the Silent Auction** for the upcoming Parish Fundraising Dinner on **March 2**. Donations of GIFT CARDS (grocery, restaurants, gas, etc.), CRAFTS, ARTWORK, KNITTED GOODS, NEW APPLIANCES, etc., are some ideas. Please bring them to the Parish Office. Thank you for your consideration and generosity, everyone.

PARISH FINANCIAL NEWS

All your weekly collections go *solely* to pay for parish operations – (heat, light, salaries, etc.).

February 18, 2024

Ash Wednesday \$830.00, Assessment \$250.00, Collection \$3,443.63, Funerals \$700.00, Lent \$745.00, Other \$244.00
Winter Financial Campaign \$20.00

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHEDRAL BASILICA PARISH
PRESENTS
A LENTEN RETREAT (PARISH MISSION)
MARCH 10, 11 and 12, 2024**

RETREAT TALKS AT 7:00 PM EACH EVENING

Theme: "PRAYER- AN ENCOUNTER WITH JESUS"

OUR PARISH RETREAT PRESENTER



ANDRÉ REGNIER, is co-founder, along with his wife Angèle, of Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO). CCO is a university student movement engaged in the new evangelization for over thirty years. While a student on campus, André was a nationally ranked varsity wrestler; but what marked his life more than his studies or athletics was how his faith came alive while he was a student. André has led CCO missions to places such as the Philippines, Poland, Mexico and Uganda. André's strengths play to coaching parishes and Dioceses in a strategy for discipleship and evangelization through an intentional accompaniment model that has come out of CCO's expertise on campus. He is a motivating and engaging presenter who speaks nationally and internationally. He desires to draw people to a deep conversion to the person of Jesus Christ and to be a catalyst for them to embrace the Church's evangelical mission.

He recently received his Master of Arts in Theology. He is the author of *Catholic Missionary Identity*, *Five Tenets to Renew the World* and *Clear and Simple*, as well as co-author of *Brick by Brick* - a book he wrote with his wife, children and in-laws- on how to raise an evangelizing family. In fact, the whole family presented at the Vatican on this topic in 2019. He and Angèle have five children and eight grandchildren. They reside in Ottawa, where CCO's National Headquarters is located, but he is a Saskatchewan boy at heart. In December 2015, André and Angèle received the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice Medal for distinguished service to the Church. It is the highest medal awarded to the laity by the Pope.