

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.)

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Let us know your email address.

March 17, 2024

SOLIDARITY SUNDAY



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, 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, Evan Murphy, Father Nelson Boren, Sister Margie Taylor, George Andrew Stillman, Gerald Murphy, Rosemary Butt, Joseph Dobbin, Esther Lane, Yvonne Steiner, Denise Carter, Norma Saunders

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 – St. Cyril of Jerusalem

9:00 a.m. Mass for Maureen **Doyle**, Patrick **Hammond**, Saliba & Sophia **Dominic**

Tuesday – Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of The Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 a.m. Mass for Gerald Douglas **Edney**, Lisha **Given**, deceased members of the **Brewer & Sutton** families

Wednesday – John 8.31-42

9:00 a.m. Mass for Father John **Hanton** & deceased family members, Father Pat **Power** & deceased family members, James and Laura **Lake** & deceased family members

Thursday – John 8.51-59

9:00 a.m. Mass for Jennifer **Farrell**, Ruby **Sharpe**, Helen **Fowler**

Friday – John 10.31-42

9:00 a.m. Mass for David **Peddle**, Martha **Hynes**, Kathleen **Keough**

Saturday – St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

9:00 a.m. Mass for John & Margaret **Power**, Joe **Ryan**, Joe **Power**

5:00 p.m. Mass for Shirley **Birmingham**, Paul **Molloy**, Violet **Ashford**

Sunday – PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

9:00 a.m. Mass for Gerald **O'Mara**, Annett **Evans**, Kevin **Green**

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

7:00 p.m. Mass for Trudy **Power**, Martha **Hines**, Oisín **McMahon**



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 \(rcsj.org\)](https://www.rcsj.org/marriage-preparation-registration). Once registered, couples will receive additional information outlining the session and schedule.



DEARLY DEPARTED: Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Thomas Power, Rodney Strickland and Wayne Furlong**. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in God's holy peace. Our most sincere condolences to their families.

LEGION OF MARY: The Annual Acies Ceremony for Active and Auxiliary members of The Legion of Mary will take place in the Marian Chapel of St. John the Baptist Cathedral Basilica Parish on **Sunday, March 24, beginning at 2:30 p.m.** (S. Reddy)



ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT AT THE BASILICA

THE SEARCH: The SEARCH is a 7-week Program which includes a meal, video presentation, and small group discussions that tackle questions of happiness, our purpose in the world, our relationship with God, what happens when we die, why we attend Mass, and the relevance of the Bible. The SEARCH runs from 6-8 p.m. for 7 Tuesdays from April 9th to May 21st. It is open to all adults. This Program is ideal for anyone who may wish to be more motivated to pray, more trusting in God's perfect plan for each of us, or anyone who wishes to learn more about the faith. If you are looking to grow closer to Christ, or if you are feeling a little down during this season and want to meet other members of our community, it is an ideal Program for you. The SEARCH is open to individuals who are new to the Church and individuals who are lifelong practicing Catholics. Registration is free, but you must register in advance online at <https://thebasilica.church/thesearch>

Volunteers Wanted: *If you previously participated in The SEARCH and would like to volunteer with this Program, volunteers are being accepted. Please contact Megan at 709-682-7206 for more information.*

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA): If you are an adult and wish to become fully initiated (a Baptized/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).



This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's ***Reaping our Rights Campaign*** invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity. **Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world.** "Development and Peace — Caritas Canada accompanies, supports and respects our institutional autonomy. It creates a climate of trust. I thank our sisters and brothers in Canada for their solidarity, a solidarity that generates life opportunities, that accompanies the dreams of women and men, of families, of communities and territories. **Thank you!**" — Eva Colque, Executive Director, Fundación NUNA, a partner in Bolivia. Help create hope and dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to your **SHARE LENT PARISH COLLECTION**, or at devp.org/give. **Thank you for your solidarity!**

Pontifical Collection for the church in the Holy Land on Good Friday, March 29, 2024: The **Annual Good Friday Collection** was first taken at Pope Paul VI's request fifty years ago. It is the only yearly request asked by the Holy See of dioceses and parishioners throughout the world to assist the Church in the Holy Land. The monies collected support its pastoral, educational, and social works and help to maintain the Holy Places so important for the faith of Christians everywhere. For the sake of our brothers and sisters enduring hardships, please give generously during your parish's **Good Friday celebrations on March 29, 2024**. If you are unable to attend the service, it is possible to contribute by interact e-transfer to teresainte@bellnet.ca, or online at Commissariat.ca – receipts will be issued. On behalf of the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land, to whom the Holy See has entrusted this Ministry for nearly 700 years, I sincerely thank you for your support.

PARISH FINANCIAL NEWS

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

March 10, 2024

Ash Wednesday \$130.00, Assessment \$145.00, Canada Helps \$528.26, Candles \$495.81, Collection \$4,102.00, In Memoriam \$255.00, Lent \$115.00, On-line \$1,315.91, Other \$265.00, Tap \$325.00



24 HOURS FOR THE LORD

March 22 - 23, 2024

12PM FRIDAY TO 12PM SATURDAY

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

*(THE BASILICA WILL BE OPEN FOR 24 HOURS FOR
PRIVATE PRAYER, PRAYING THE STATIONS. ETC.)*

(SECURITY WILL BE PRESENT AT ALL HOURS)

24 HOURS OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

COMMUNAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS – FRIDAY AT 7:00 PM

CONFESSIONS: FRIDAY 11AM-NOON & 7:30-9:00 PM

SATURDAY 10AM-NOON

The “24 Hours for The Lord” event, a Lenten initiative of prayer and reconciliation introduced by Pope Francis, this year marks its 11th edition. As previously, the event will be celebrated in dioceses around the world on the eve of the fourth Sunday of Lent, from Friday 8 to Saturday 9 March. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to “celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the context of Eucharistic Adoration”. “Lent summons us, and enables us, to come back to The Lord wholeheartedly and in every aspect of our life,” Pope Francis said. “Above all, I urge the members of the Church to take up the Lenten journey with enthusiasm, sustained by almsgiving, fasting and prayer.”

