

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.)

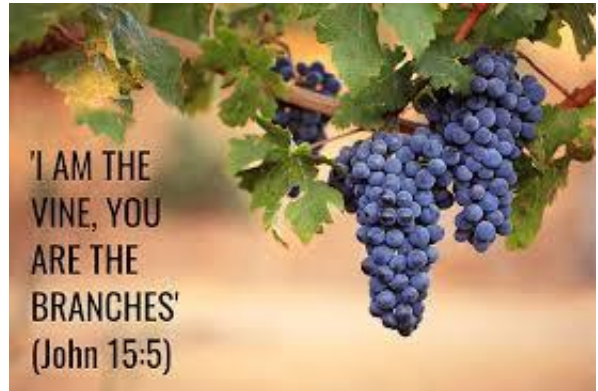
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Let us know your email address.

April 28, 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, Catherine Butler, Chelsie 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, Cathy Melee, Ellen St. Croix, John Barry, Tony Skinner, Robert Redmond, Betty Redmond, Evelyn B, Anita Fagan

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 – Memorial of St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of The Church

9:00 a.m. Mass for Ed & Josephine **Smith**, Barbara **Shave** & deceased family members, Raymond **Caule**

Tuesday – Memorial of St. Marie De L'Incarnation, Religious

SEARCH PROGRAM TONIGHT

9:00 a.m. Mass for Linda Marie **Corbett**, Jeannie **Murphy**, Reg **Swain**

Wednesday – St. Joseph the Worker; St. Pius V, Pope

9:00 a.m. Mass for Ronald **Noftall**, Marie **Bryan**, Kevin **Green**

Thursday – Memorial of St. Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor

9:00 a.m. Mass for Kimberley **Cochrane**, Evangeline **McGrath**, Michael **Byrne**

Friday – Feast of St. Philip & St. James, Apostles

9:00 a.m. Mass for Bernard **Kavanagh**, Patrick **Dempsey**, Gerard **Ryan**

Saturday – Blessed Marie-Leonie Paradis, Virgin

9:00 a.m. Mass for Gerald Douglas **Edney**, Ches & Bridget **Hurrell**, Joan **Lake**

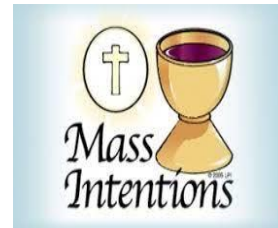
5:00 p.m. Mass for Gus **Etchegary**, deceased members of the **Reddy & Ennis** families, Bruce & Patricia **Hurrell**

Sunday – Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. Mass for Wayne **Furlong**, Patricia **Powell**, Gerald **O'Mara**

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

7:00 p.m. Mass for Shirley **Birmingham**, Maureen **Doyle**, Marty **Squires**



FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH: Please join us for Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament and Confession, **next Saturday (May 4)** from 7-9 pm.

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.

PARISH FINANCIAL NEWS

All your weekly collections go *directly* to pay for parish operations – assessment (monthly contribution to the Archdiocese), insurance, salaries, supplies, etc: Assessment \$40.00, BINGO \$3,678.00, Candles \$396.00, Collections \$7,707.00, On-line \$1,794.18, Other \$225.60, Tap \$540.00. **Total: \$14,380.78.**

Would you please consider increasing your donation, even by a small amount? In order to meet our new financial obligations, we have a necessary weekly goal of \$14,000.00. **This past week, we met our goal! Thanks everyone!** Your support is very much needed, fellow parishioners, and greatly appreciated. Thank you for your consideration.

BINGO: PLEASE SUPPORT THE COWAN AVENUE PLAZA BINGO THAT DIRECTLY SUPPORTS THE BASILICA. (BINGO is also held at 8 p.m. every Monday at St. Kevin's Parish.)

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

ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT AT THE BASILICA

THE SEARCH: The Search Program has now begun with a full house! *If you weren't able to join up for these current sessions, stay tuned for future program dates!*

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).

GLOBAL IRISH FAMINE WAY PROJECT: On May 10, 2024, in St. John's, Newfoundland, the Basilica Heritage Foundation Inc. and the Embassy of Ireland in Canada will host two events open to the general public at St. John the Baptist Cathedral Basilica Parish to launch the **Global Irish Famine Way Commemorations** and celebrate the arrival of the Bronze Shoe monuments in Canada. The Ambassador of Ireland to Canada, Jamaica, the Bahamas, Antigua and Barbuda (His Excellency, Dr. Eamonn McKee) will speak at both events. **At 11 a.m. on the morning of Friday, May 10, 2024, the Bronze Shoes will be brought to the Basilica for a national commemorative event that includes an ecumenical prayer service of thanksgiving for all who gave aid to those who suffered from the Irish Potato Famine in 1847.** Further information is available at bhf.inquiries@thebasilica.net

MEETING IN HOLY ROSARY CHURCH, PORTUGAL COVE: Members of the Catholic Community of Portugal Cove— St. Philips are invited to a meeting in Holy Rosary Church in Portugal Cove at **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday May 7, 2024.** The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the future of Holy Rosary Church and Parish.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: Gaza Ceasefire Pilgrimage Canadian Churches for Just Peace - Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, as a member organization of Kairos, an ecumenical movement for ecological justice and human rights, is participating in a global movement walking in prayerful solidarity with the people of Gaza during the month of May. This ecumenical initiative aims to be a pilgrimage of churches in Canada as we walk or wheel/roll in solidarity with Palestinians and Israelis on the road to justice and peace. We are inviting church and faith communities, to join in these actions for a just peace in Palestine and Israel. Our communal goal is walk 42 kms, the length of the Gaza strip. A national walk will take place in Ottawa on May 22. If you would like to participate local please visit the **Kairos website**, kairoscanada.org and register or contact Patricia Walsh Warren directly at pwalsh@devp.org.

MULTI-FAITH SYMPOSIUM: St. John's Hindu Temple will be organizing the 15th Multi-Faith Symposium on **Saturday, May 11, 2024**, wherein speakers from different faiths will make a presentation on a topic on Spirituality from the perspective of their respective faiths. The topic for this year is 'Role of Austerity towards One's Spiritual Progress.' There will be opportunities for the audience to ask questions, or to seek clarifications. Start Time for Registration is 7:45 a.m. The event begins at 8:20 a.m. Venue: Hindu Temple, 26 Penny Lane, St. John's, NL. We will provide breakfast during the intermission, as well as lunch at the end of the two sessions. There will be a registration fee of \$15.00 which can be paid at the door, or by e-transfer to hindutemplesj@gmail.com. Please indicate "Multi Faith Symposium Registration" in the message. (Rev. Paul J. Lundrigan, Holy Trinity Parish, Torbay, office 709-437-6628, mobile 709-685-9705.)



NATIONAL FAMILY AND LIFE WEEK (NFLW) this year will take place from 13 May to 19 May 2024. The theme for this year is **"Love hopes all things"**, which is taken from Saint Paul's hymn on love in 1 Corinthians 13.7: "[Love] bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things." This description of love is also at the heart of Pope Francis's reflection on the dynamics of spousal

and family love in the Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation Amoris Laetitia, chapter 4. Through this theme, families are encouraged to cultivate, deepen, and renew Christian hope by drawing on scriptural reflection, family prayer, and the Sacraments. For additional information, please visit:

https://drive.google.com/drive/mobile/folders/1yWLR81Bx4fpG8gmx0kSJR89n4lZJv7DF/1z39OtmzQPWTovv5CJa8mHF2d61cLiU08?usp=drive_link&sort=13&direction=a

“A Conversation in the Spirit – The Synod of Bishops”

with

SISTER ELIZABETH DAVIS, rsm

Saturday, May 18th, 9:45 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.



Father Cecil Critch and the Basilica Community Builders cordially invite you in the year dedicated to the “Year of Our Parish”, and on the weekend of Pentecost, to a **“Conversation in the Spirit”**. We warmly welcome Sister Elizabeth Davis, rsm, to share with us her experience of the Synod of Bishops in Rome. Immediately following the 9 a.m. Mass, Sister Elizabeth will make a presentation of her Synod of Bishops’ experience. Then, Sister Elizabeth will facilitate small group “round table” discussions which will conclude with a plenary session in the full group. A lunch will be served at noon. We are very grateful to Sister Elizabeth for the opportunity to learn more about the Synod of Bishops, and to contribute to the next Synod of Bishops gathering in Rome in October of 2024. **Please register by May 15th, 2024, as we need to know numbers for group participation, as well as numbers for lunch preparations. ALL ARE WELCOME.** Please contact the Parish Office: basilica@rcsj.org (709) 754-2170.

