

Mass Intentions

Tuesday May 16 th	7:00 p.m.	Ron, Anabel & Ron Kavanagh Jr.; Yvonne Stone; Gloria Noseworthy; Thomas Wm. Brazil & Frank Pendergast; Murray Seward; Bernard Doyle
Wednesday May 17 th	9:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Darlene Boudreau; Art Cummings; Walt Fillier; Pat McLean & Michael Murphy; William Mercer Penance Celebration (Year 3 Children)
Thursday May 18 th	11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Hoyles Home, St. John's Marion Sweeney; Pat Ezekiel; Ray, Stephen & Alice Marie Beeso Kavanagh; Mary & John Jordan; Irene & Gerald Costello
Friday May 19 th	9:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Patrick, Catherine & David Fitzpatrick; Mary Fitzpatrick & Michael Fitzpatrick; Michael & Margaret McLean; Melissa Hurley Ecumenical Service, Chancellor Park, St. John's
Saturday May 20 th	4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Penance Kathleen (Sis) Reid; Melissa Hurley; Mary Hawco; Von Byrne; Betty Jackman; Leonard Quinlan; Mary Laurie Cole; Ed & Herbert Laurie; Vince & Frances Cabbage; William, Bridget & Gerald Dyer; Bill & Sophia Dyer; Charles Bown Sr. & Jr.; Christine Bown
Sunday May 21 st	10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life St. Patrick's Parish, St. John's

SANCTUARY CANDLE: EDWARD HAMMOND

COLLECTION

Offertory - 148 envelopes.....	\$1410.40
Papal Charities - 21 envelopes.....	157.00
Easter Offering - 1 envelope.....	5.00
Dues - 11 envelopes.....	96.00
Toonie Collection.....	9.00
Good Friday -2 envelopes.....	8.00
Lent - 3 Folders.....	70.00
Proceeds from Card Game for March	419.00

Liturgical Ministers

Sat. May 20 st	5:00 p.m.	Readers:	Ashley Curnew & Christine Tulk
		Eucharistic Ministers:	Cecilia Kent; Mary Power; Teresita McCarthy; Brenda Sweeney
		Presentation of Gifts:	Irene & Kevin Delahunty
		Ushers:	Leo Byrne; Fred Carroll; Jim Pendergast; George Hickey; Cyril Jackman; Brian Tulk
Sun. May 21 st	10:30 a.m.	Readers:	Susan Boone; Donovan Taplin
		Eucharistic Ministers:	Shirley Murphy; Sister Eileen Osborne; Connie Cole; Geraldine Fitzgerald
		Presentation of Gifts:	Shawn Murphy Family
		Children's Liturgy:	Jennifer Sweeney
		Ushers:	Tom Cole; Rick Whelan; Alex Newell; Kevin Delahunty; Charlie O'Brien; Ray Kennedy

Church Cleaning Team - 3- for week May 16th to the 19th

George Jackman; Lee Doyle; Dianne Delaney; Mary Delaney; Margaret Bickford;
Andrea Galway

National Police Week

During the week of **May 14th - 20th**, we will celebrate National Police Week. We give thanks to our local members of the RCMP and extend to them our continued support and appreciation. Let us extend to our local members a word of gratitude and assure them of our prayers for their safety. Thank you kindly for serving and protecting our town.

Happy Mother's Day

This is the day we celebrate and remember the love of our Mother. We extend to all Moms a very special blessing on this day and we thank you for all you have given so generously to your children. To all Moms who are living, may God be with you always and give you peace, love and joy. To all Moms who are deceased, may the Lord reward you for your faithful service to love. Happy Mother's Day and we love you Mom.

Sympathy

Our parish offers our sympathy to the families of the late Emma Joy and the late Margaret Flynn. May the Lord comfort you in your grief and grant eternal peace to our beloved. We assure the families of our continued support.

*This week our parish bulletin is donated in loving memory of
Edward Hammond
May they rest in peace. Please continue to pray for our loved ones.*

Dear Friends in Christ,

By the time you receive this letter I will be in Rome for the ad limina visit. Every five years a diocesan bishop makes a visit to the tombs of the Apostles, Peter and Paul and presents a report on the state of the diocese to the Holy Father and his collaborators.

In this letter I want to draw your attention to the efforts that have been made to improve the annual financial campaign and to introduce the **Archbishop's Appeal**. Over the next several weeks you will notice in your parish a poster depicting the new logo and theme: **Our Families, Our Community; Our Church - Partners in Faith**. We hope this new look is pleasing and becomes familiar as the appeal evolves.

The Archbishop's Appeal, through your generosity, provides pastoral coordination and support to our parishes. Some of the services provided by the Archdiocese are: assistance with administrative and financial activities; provision of liturgical information and resources; chaplaincy services for families and loved ones; counseling services and family oriented programs and the provision of education sessions and resources for lay leaders who assist in the faith formation of our children and youth.

The Archbishop's Appeal is one way which you can assist the larger Church family and benefit your parish. We face a tremendous financial challenge every year and only with your generous support will we be able to continue to provide these services.

I thank you for the generosity you have shown in the past; let us pray that this year's Archbishop's Appeal will be successful and we will be able to meet our pastoral needs.

Thanking you for your support, I remain,

Yours in Christ,



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Reflections for: The Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 14th, 2006

1st Reading: Acts 9:26-31...Barnabas described for them how on the road Saul had seen the Lord.

2nd Reading: 1 John 3:18-24...This is his commandment: we should believe in Jesus and love one another.

Gospel: John 15:1-8...Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.

The First Reading ties in with the Gospel - "Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit." Sometimes we are struck down in our prime. We may be successful at what we are doing, but God may have other plans for us. Saul, in the reading from Acts, is a good example of that. He was a good Jew and a Roman citizen. He carried out his orders and did exactly what was expected of him. He sought out and persecuted the Christians. He was struck down and blinded. When he regained his sight he was a changed person. Now, since his encounter with Jesus, instead of persecuting Christians, he spent all his energy in bringing people to believe in Jesus. John's Gospel illustrates the intimate relationship between God the Father, his Son Jesus, and us, the people of God. John compares the Father to the vine grower. Jesus is compared to the vine and we are the branches. We become branches of the vine through our baptism. Just as the branches get its nourishment from the vine, so we get our nourishment through our relationship with Jesus. By obeying the commandments, we will love God and love one another. And as we heard in the Second Reading, our love for Jesus and for one another is fully expressed in truth and action - faith, love and good works.

Prayer of the Faithful

"For all our pastors, chaplains, lay ministers and volunteers, that they will continue to provide comfort to all those they meet in their service to others. We Pray to the Lord."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MARY (MOLLIE DELAHUNTY) who will be celebrating her 96th birthday May 14th. Best wishes from all of us.

