

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Tuesday Aug. 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Marion &amp; Vincent Sweeney; Yvonne Ray; Susan Gorman; Cyril Jackman</b>
<b>Wednesday Aug. 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>John &amp; Alice Ford &amp; Family; Elizabeth &amp; Frank Taylor; Peter Warren</b>
<b>Thursday</b>		<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Friday Aug. 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>The Feast of the Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary Gerald Ford; Dan, Vera, Colleen &amp; Colin Dwyer; Patrick Byrne; Mary Delaney (Rescheduled from July 25/08)</b>
<b>Saturday Aug. 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Sacrament of Penance Frank Pendergast Sr. &amp; Jr.; Phonse, Jenny &amp; Gary Sweeney &amp; Theresa Wiseman; Dawn Cahill &amp; Loretta Quirke Dwyer; William, Bridget &amp; Gerald Dyer; Veronica Dwyer; Jack &amp; Mary Davis &amp; Brenda Davis; Bart &amp; Beryl Bartlett &amp; Dawn Cahill; Joseph Corbett Jr.; Emma McGrath Murphy; Janette Seward</b>
<b>Sunday Aug. 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>For Parishioners Living and Deceased St. Michael's Parish</b>

**Collection for Week of Aug.2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 & Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008**

Offertory – 76 Envelopes-----	\$826.17
Dues – 4 Envelopes-----	40.00
Cemetery Lance Cove -18 Envelopes -----	505.66
Repairs & Maintenance – 8 Envelopes-----	87.00
Donation in Memory of Stan, Alice & Stannie Carroll-----	20.00
Donation in Memory of Veronica Dwyer-----	45.00

**Thank –You for Your Financial Support**

**Welcome**

Our Parish extends a warm welcome to all those who are visiting the Island and have returned home for their summer holidays. We trust you will enjoy the company of family and friends. For those who are visiting our Parish and wish to make a contribution to our weekly collection, you may use the Donation Envelope which is located on the table at the entrances of our Church. All contributions over \$5.00 will be acknowledged and a receipt will be forwarded to you for tax purposes. We thank you for celebrating Eucharist with us.

**Hall Rental**

Our Parish hall is available for rent and we encourage parishioners to support our Parish. Please maintain your building and support our efforts. **Ask about our New White Fancy Chair Covers.** For further update on the cost to rent the hall, please call the Parish office at 488-2525 or visit our Parish Webpage: [www.bellisland.net/rcparish](http://www.bellisland.net/rcparish)

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

<b>Saturday Aug. 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Readers:</b>	<b>Ashley Curnew &amp; Rosemary O’Keefe</b>
		<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	<b>Betty Quigley; Mary Power; Pat Murphy; Helen Pitts</b>
		<b>Presentation of Gifts:</b>	<b>Lydia Brazil Family</b>
		<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>George Hickey; George Jackman; Keith Pitts</b>
<b>Sunday Aug. 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Readers:</b>	<b>Geraldine Fitzgerald &amp; Christine Quinlan</b>
		<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	<b>Rosanne Grant; Teresita McCarthy; Des McCarthy; Shirley Murphy</b>
		<b>Presentation of Gifts:</b>	<b>Clara Hammond &amp; Riv Fitzgerald</b>
		<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>Ray Kennedy; Charlie O’Brien; Ray Whalen</b>

**Home Religion Program/ Sacramental Preparation**

Have you registered your child for the Home Religion Program for the coming year? The religious education for our children is the sole responsibility of the parents/guardians. The role of the parish is to provide the religious materials and coordinate the families to participate in the program.

Children: Age 5 & 6 are invited to participate in the year 1 program.

Children: Age 7 or older can participate in the year 2 program which includes First Eucharist.

Children: Age 8 can participate in the year 3 program which includes First Penance.

Children: Age 9 or older can participate in the Confirmation Program.

Please note that these age groups are flexible. It is up to the parents/guardians to ask to have their child register for a particular program. The religion program will be completed at home and once per month we will meet with the parents/guardians to evaluate their progress.

For further information call the **Parish office 488-2525 or Karen Seward at 488-2566.**

Registration Forms are available at the Parish office or at the church. Please complete the form and submit a fee of \$10.00 for each program so that the parish can purchase the materials required for each child. Pass along the news to your neighbor, especially families who do not practice their faith or attend Mass on a weekly basis.

**MARRIAGE\*\*\*6 months notice required\*\*\*PREPARATION PROGRAM – Must**

**be completed before the wedding takes place. MARRIAGE INFORMATION:** Are you aware that Catholics are obliged to marry in the Catholic Church? If they marry elsewhere without permission, the marriage is not recognized by the church. Permission is available and readily granted provided that both parties are free of impediments and fulfills the church’s requirements for marriage. Please speak to your Parish priest for information and to apply for permission. You may also contact the Pastoral Centre at **(709) 726-3660.**

**Events in Our Parish**

Card Game every Monday and Wednesday night at 8:30 p.m. -----St. Michael’s Hall

### Anniversary Celebrations

In honor of the **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, Flatrock**, the following celebrations will take place.

**Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.** – Rosary, Benediction and Candlelight Procession – His Grace Archbishop Martin Currie and Fr. John Costello.

**Aug. 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.** – Healing Mass and Candlelight Procession – Fr. Francis Roche

### Latin Mass in St. John's

The **Latin Mass**, is currently being celebrated in St. John's. Father Robert Ryan of the Archdiocese of St. John's is home on holidays from his current assignment at the Vatican (Apostolic Delegate to Canada) Office in Ottawa and is offering the Masses. They are taking place at the Oratory of the Sacred Heart, better known the **Mercy Convent Chapel on Military Road**. The Masses will be celebrated **Monday to Friday at 7:00 PM up to August 15** and on **Sundays at 9:30 AM up to August 17**. **Latin-English translation Missals and guides will be available** at the Chapel door.

### AIDS Candlelight Memorial Service

The AIDS Committee of Newfoundland and Labrador (ACNL) invite you to attend the 25th Annual AIDS Candlelight Memorial Service to remember those we have lost from AIDS and to support those living with HIV/AIDS. The theme for the 25th Anniversary Candlelight Memorial is "Never Give UP. Never forget". This memorial service will be held at Cochrane Street United Church, Sunday, August 10th at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome. Refreshments to follow.

### Did You Know- Catholics Eat Meat At St. John's Regatta?

**Thursday, August 6, 1964**, on this date Father Dermot O'Keefe, Secretary to Archbishop J. Skinner, Roman Catholic Archbishop of St. John's contacted all the local radio stations and newspapers with the important announcement that he "*has granted dispensation from the law of abstinence from meat (so people could celebrate & food not be wasted) on tomorrow (Friday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 1964 to Roman Catholics in all parishes of the Archdiocese of St. John's*". The Archbishop stated "Meat is therefore permitted as often as desired on this Friday whether the Regatta is held or not." For more information visit the website of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. John's and to visit this archive at [http://www.stjohnsarchdiocese.nf.ca/archive\\_moment46.asp](http://www.stjohnsarchdiocese.nf.ca/archive_moment46.asp)

### The Holy Show Concert

The "HOLY SHOW CONCERT" will be held at Holy Heart Theatre on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH. This is a fundraiser in aid of the CWL National Convention to be held in our province in 2009. Tickets are on sale at Holy Heart Box Office for \$20.00. The Box Office is open from Monday-Friday from 12 Noon to 5:00 p.m. You can also purchase your ticket by phoning 579-4424 and using your credit card.

**Note: Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**



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### **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

#### **Acts of God**

**1 Kings 19:9, 11-13**

**"....after the fire a sound of sheer silence."**

**There's a phrase insurance policies use for a natural disaster. It's called an "act of God." It's a little unfair to libel God as the originator of deeds of destruction. Even so, when the forces of nature reveal their strength, people become aware of their weaknesses and meditate on the power of God.**

**But when people go in search of God, they rarely go to the place of an earthquake, a fire, or tornado. They go to a quiet place. They watch the sunrise. They visit a wayside chapel. They sit by the ocean. They find God's majestic voice in whispers of peace. When Elijah fled the murderous Queen Jezebel, he eventually found himself in a cave on the mountain of God, Horeb. There he witnessed God passing by. Not in the strong wind, not in the earthquake, not in the fire, did Elijah behold God's presence, but in a tiny whispering sound. You can't help but love this story!**

**Noise fills much of our day. The radio or television breaks the morning silence. Background music filters through elevators and grocery stores. Our windows cannot block out the cacophony of traffic.**

**It may not take an act of God for us to be able to find God. It may just take a quiet space.**

**First Reading: 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13**

**Go and stand on the mountain before the Lord.**

**Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5**

**I could wish that I myself were cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people.**

**Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33**

**Lord, command me to come to you on the water.**

**SANCTUARY CANDLE: IN MEMORY OF ARTHUR KITCHEN**