

**Mass Intentions**

**Tuesday July 29<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. John Jackman; Tom & Gerald Coombs & Marge Sweeney; Veronica & Jack Andrews; Moses & Margaret Cummings**

**Wednesday July 30<sup>th</sup> 9:30 a.m. Joan Boland/ Mary Clarke/ Brendon McLean & Eileen Decker; Tom Tremblett; Alice & Stan Carroll; Gerry Connolly; Lester Weir; Frank Coady**

**Thursday July 31<sup>st</sup> 9:00 a.m. Bill Clarke; Prayer of Thanks to St. Anne (S.W); Art Cummings; Curtis Squires; Gladys/Peter/Edward & Tommie Brown; Special Intention**

**Saturday Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance  
7:00 p.m. Frank Pendergast Jr.; Thomas & Elizabeth Stoyles & Dec. Family Members; Charles Bown Sr. & Jr.; Jim Whelan; Thomas Reardon; Tanya Towes; John & Patrick Stoyles & Dec. Family Members; Ryan Hicks; Margaret Kent**

**Sunday Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup> 2:30 p.m. Cemetery Mass at Lance Cove  
All Parishioners Living & Deceased**

**Collection for Week of July 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

Cemetery Collection - 79 Envelopes-----	\$2,788.00
Offertory Collection - 96 Envelopes-----	827.50
Dues – 3 Envelopes-----	15.00
Donation to St. Michael’s Parish-----	80.00
Donation to St. Michael’s Parish-----	30.00
Donation in Memory of Betty Kavanagh-----	25.00
Donation in Memory of Margaret Kent-----	25.00
Donation in Memory of Steve Delaney-----	30.00
<b>Annual Dinner Theatre-----</b>	<b>3039.89</b>

**Thank –You for Your Financial Support**

**Sympathy**

Our Parish family extends sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of the late James Hickey. We assure the family of our prayers and support during this time of grief. May our loved ones share in the promise of eternal life. Amen

**Liturgical Ministers**

**Saturday Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> 7:00 p.m. Readers: Kelsey Delaney & Colin Taylor  
Eucharistic Ministers: Art Whelan; Cynthia Stoyles; Carol Clarke  
Brenda Sweeney  
Presentation of Gifts: Mary Power & George Jackman  
Ushers: George Hickey; George Jackman; Keith Pitts**

**Cemetery Mass at Lance Cove**

**Sunday Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup> 2:30 p.m. Readers: Sharon Hammond & Teresita McCarthy  
Eucharistic Ministers: Ros Hurley & Des McCarthy  
Ushers: Ray Kennedy; Charlie O’Brien; Ray Whalen**

**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.

**APPRECIATION**

Congratulations and many thanks to parishioners who planned and carried off a multi-star Dinner Theatre. The Net Profit of this project amounted to \$3,039.89. We can’t find enough superlative adjectives to describe the atmosphere, décor, aura, banquet and entertainment. Thanks to chefs, sous-chefs, servers, waiters and entertainers. An extra note of gratitude to Bonita Power who took all the responsibility for the entertainment group.

**Note: 1.** Donations are still coming in from those who could not make this Parish venture a part of their schedule.

**Note: 2.** The Parish ladies have received many compliments on the decorating with new chair covers. **These chair covers can be added to any parish hall celebration at a cost of \$1.00 per person seated.**

**Visitation of Sick & Shut Ins**

**Fr. Jim and Sister Phyllis** will be visiting the Sick & Shut Ins of the Parish on **Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008.** Please prepare for their visit, and if you are not going to be home on that day, please call the Parish Office at 488-2525.

**Events in Our Parish**

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

### 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. 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)

### 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.

### Feast Days of Saints

<b>Tuesday:</b>	July 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2008	St. Martha
<b>Thursday:</b>	July 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2008	St. Ignatius of Loyola
<b>Friday:</b>	August 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2008	St. Alphonsus Liguori

### 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.

### Newfoundlander Named Auxiliary Bishop of Sault-Ste Marie

(St. John's) His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI on July 16, 2008 named **Father Brian Dunn** one of the Auxiliary Bishops of Sault Ste-Marie, Ontario. Bishop-Elect Brian Dunn was born in St. John's, Newfoundland, in 1955 and ordained to the priesthood in 1980.



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### **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

**Reflection: Knowing What Is Right - 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12**  
**“Give your servant an understanding mind.”**

**The beginning of wisdom is realizing its absence. When we reach inside ourselves and realize what we do not have, we start the journey to find what we need.**

**When we speak about someone having “the wisdom of Solomon,” we mean he or she is wise beyond measure. Solomon won that wisdom by first acknowledging he wasn’t smart enough to do the job God had given him to do.**

**Solomon’s father was David, the greatest of the kings. Solomon succeeded him while still a youth. He was put in charge of numberless people. Solomon, not wishing to disappoint God, feared that he lacked the skills necessary for the task. So he asked God for wisdom to tell right from wrong.**

**Another leader would have asked for a long life and personal gain, or for riches and personal pleasure, or for the death of enemies and the end of fear. But Solomon realized he needed something much more practical for the people he was to lead: the wisdom to know right from wrong.**

**When we face a decision, the first step may be to acknowledge we do not know the answer. We ask God not for personal gain, but for the gift of knowing what is the right thing to do. That will bring peace.**

**First Reading: 1 Kings 3.5-12**

**You have asked for an understanding mind.**

**Second Reading: Romans 8.28-30**

**God predestined us to be conformed to the image of his Son.**

**Gospel: Matthew 13.44-52**

**Anyone who finds a treasure in a field, sells all and buys the field.**

**Sanctuary Candle: Memory of Edward & Susannah Jackman & Dec. Family Members**

**Bulletin: Memory of Lloyd & John Pitts**