

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Tuesday</b> <b>Aug. 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Jeffery Crosby; Stephen &amp; Gertrude Hickey; Gary Hickey; Elizabeth &amp; Gregory Gorman</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>Aug. 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Alice Carroll; Stan Carroll; Peter Nolan Jr.</b>
<b>Thursday</b> <b>Aug. 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Jack &amp; Veronica Andrews; Tom &amp; Gerald Coombs &amp; Marge Sweeney; Shirley Adams; Jim Hickey</b>
<b>Friday</b> <b>Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>9:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Elizabeth Kavanagh; Laura Murphy; Catherine Bowdring; Harriett &amp; Stanley Cobb</b>
<b>Saturday</b> <b>Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4:00 p.m.</b> <b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Sacrament of Penance Veronica Dwyer; Mary &amp; Steve Hawco; Margaret Kent; John, Annie &amp; Sandra Byrne; Sam. Leo &amp; Elizabeth Butt; Dan, Vera, Colleen &amp; Colin Dwyer; Bob Quigley; Roland Atkins; Bill Clarke; Granville O'Brien &amp; Moll Jackman</b>
<b>Sunday</b> <b>Aug. 24<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.9<sup>th</sup>, 2008 & Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

Offertory -116 Envelopes-----	\$1,628.00
Dues - 2 Envelopes-----	50.00
Cemetery Collection – 6 Envelopes-----	38.00
Repairs & Maintenance – 3 Envelopes-----	52.00
Proceeds from Card Game for July, 2008-----	448.00

**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)

**Events in Our Parish**

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

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

<b>Saturday</b> <b>Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Readers:</b>	<b>Christine Tulk &amp; Jasmine Brazil</b>
		<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	<b>Jody Whelan; Fred Carroll; Raymond Whelan; Irene Delahunty</b>
		<b>Presentation of Gifts:</b>	<b>Betty &amp; Kevin Quigley</b>
		<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>Leo Byrne; Fred Carroll; George Hickey; Brian Tulk</b>
<b>Sunday</b> <b>Aug. 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Readers:</b>	<b>Sharon Hammond &amp; Valerie Gorman</b>
		<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	<b>Keith Kent; Joey Somerton; John Kent; Beverly Rees</b>
		<b>Presentation of Gifts:</b>	<b>Tom Cole Family</b>
		<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>Tom Cole; Kevin Delahunty; 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.**

### 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

### The Holy Show Concert

The “HOLY SHOW CONCERT” will be held at Holy Heart Theatre on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>**. 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.

### Operation Sunshine Summer Concert

Operation Sunshine will be holding a summer concert which will be held at the **Wabana Boys & Girls Club** on **Wednesday, August. 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm** (in aid of the literacy program). The admission of the concert is \$2.00 per adult and \$1.00 per child aged 12 and under. Come and be entertained with lots of singing and dancing by our special young adults.

### MaterCare International

MaterCare International, dedicated to the care of mothers and their babies in developing countries, is seeking a mature fulltime, salaried, administrative assistant. For information please call 579-6472 or email info @ matercasre.org

### Fourth Annual Flatrock Penitential Pilgrimage

On **September 6<sup>th</sup>** the St. Joseph Prayer group will again be sponsoring the Annual Flatrock Pilgrimage under the patronage of Archbishop Wm. A. Carew. The walk will start at 11:00 a.m. and end at **Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, Flatrock**. Mass will be celebrated at 2:30 p.m. preceded by Confessions. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will follow.

### Summer Student Project Completed

The students have now completed their work with our Parish for the summer months and have done a great job. Now that the work is completed, we would like to bring you up to date with the **cost** that is required every summer in our cemeteries and our grounds, and this is not including any major work that may need to be done. For the summer of 2008, the **cost** for this project was a grand total of **\$13,415.03**. In case you missed the Financial Report for St. Michael's that was made available to all residents, our report summary showed that as of April 30, 2008 we were operating at a deficit of \$4,513.13. Also in this report, it showed that we will need new rows for our grave plots which included a road extension. Therefore, we would thank anyone who would like to donate any amount in the help of these and other ongoing expenses.



## *St. Michael's Parish*

*P.O. Box 610 - Bell Island, NL - A0A 4H0  
Phone: 709-488-2525 - Fax: 709-488-3399  
Pastor - Rev. James A. Beresford*



Parish Webpage: [www.bellisland.net/rcparish](http://www.bellisland.net/rcparish)  
Parish E-Mail: [stmichaelsparish@nf.sympatico.ca](mailto:stmichaelsparish@nf.sympatico.ca)

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

**A Place of Welcome – Isaiah 56: 1. 6-7**

**“The Foreigners who join themselves to the Lord I will bring to my holy mountain.”**

**People different from us can make us really uncomfortable. It's like we don't speak the same language or rely on the same experiences. We have different circles of friends and different sources of trust. For many of us, the best way to deal with people different from us is to avoid them.**

**Tolerance is good, but sometimes even tolerance masks prejudice. We tolerate those who are different as long as they act like us. If they observe our customs, don't stand out in crowds of their own kind, and visit our places with respect, we might accept them. Maybe.**

**More challenging is to let those who are different from us change our own way of thinking. People who are different from us are able to open our minds to other possibilities and allow us to grow.**

**God spoke a message of openness through the mouth of the prophet Isaiah. The God known as the originator of the covenant with the Israelites, the God who made the Israelites a special possession, offers a different view in this prophecy. God will bring foreigners to the holy mountain and make them joyful in its place of prayer. “My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.”**

**Is your place of worship a place of welcome for those who are different?**

**First Reading: Isaiah 56: 1.6-7**

**To my holy mountain I will bring the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord.**

**Second Reading: Romans 11: 13-15, 29-32**

**God's gifts and calling to Israel are irrevocable.**

**Gospel: Matthew 15: 21-28**

**Woman, great is your faith!**

**SANCTUARY CANDLE: IN MEMORY OF CYRIL JACKMAN**