

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, June 16	7:00 p.m.	Joe & Cecilia Hutchings; Rita Callahan Jack Lahey & Leo Butt
Wednesday, June 17	9:30 a.m.	Abraham & Sadie Basha & Deceased Family Ameen Basha & Deceased Family Patrick Hurley (New York)
Thursday, June 18	7:00 p.m.	Mary Lahey; Paul Gendreau; Horace Gendreau
Friday, June 19	9:00 a.m.	Gregory, Elizabeth & May Gorman G. M. Carbage; Peter Kent
Saturday, June 20	4:00 p.m.	Confessions
Saturday, June 20	5:00 p.m.	Tom Tremblett, Jr.; William Moore James, Leonard & Harold Quinlan Patrick & Edward Jackman & Chris Murphy Anastisa, Thomas & Gerald Cole Vincent, Patricia & Stephen Warren James Hunt
Sunday, June 21	10:30 a.m.	Parishoners Living and Deceased St. Michael's Parish

HAPPY 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: Congratulations to Jim and Mary Dunne who will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on June 18, 2009.

HAPPY 40TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: Congratulations to John and Andrea Galway who will be celebrating their 40th Wedding Anniversary on June 14, 2009.

We wish both couples many more happy years together and offer our prayers for their continued health and happiness.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

JUNE 7, 2009	
Offertory (111 Envelopes)	\$1,219.50
Dues (9 Envelopes)	84.00
Archbishop's Annual Campaign (6 Envelopes)	82.00
Memorial Donation in Memory of Billy Doyle	\$25.00
THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	SATURDAY, JUNE 20--5.00 P.M.	SUNDAY, JUNE 21--10:30 A.M.
READERS:	Teresita McCarthy Des McCarthy	Sister Phyllis, Christine Quinlan
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	Helen Pitts, Jody Whalen Pat Craig, Carol Clarke	Joey Somerton, John Kent Bev Rees, Riv Fitzgerald
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS:	Lisa Fitzgerald Linda Fitzgerald-Kent	Tom Cole Family
USHERS:	Joe Bartlett, John Galway George Hickey, Fred Carroll	Ray Kennedy, Alex Newell Ray Whalen, Charlie O'Brien
CHILDREN'S LITURGY:	Ros Hurley	

YOUTH MINISTRY: STEUBENVILLE ATLANTIC 2009: Still time to register for this fantastic youth conference taking place at St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, N.S. from Friday, July 31 to Sunday, Aug. 2. Come and join hundreds of youth joyfully celebrating their Catholic faith! Open to participants in Grade 9 and older. Register now and be a part of the archdiocesan gatherings during June and July leading up to **STEUBENVILLE ATLANTIC 09. Registration deadline: Friday, June 26th.** Register on line at: steubenville.ca. For more info contact your Parish Office or Linda Maher, Catholic Youth Office, 726-3660.

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH ANNUAL DINNER THEATRE: The date for the Annual Dinner Theatre is **July 18, 2009.** Come and have a **"Shockin' Good Time"** featuring **The Wabana Drama Players** plus a **3-course meal with a complimentary glass of wine** followed by a **dance.** Cost is **\$25 per person.** For tickets contact Rosanne Grant at 488-2190, Christine Quinlan at 488-3342, Ursula Lahey at 488-3015, or the Parish Office at 488-2525.

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. JOHN'S invites you to attend the ordination of **Reverend Mr. Philip Melvin** to the Ministerial Priesthood **on June 24th, 7:30 p.m.,** at the Basilica of St. John the Baptist. A reception will follow. Please remember to pray for Philip and for all those considering a vocation to the priesthood. Music Ministers from all parishes are invited to join a Combined Choir for this celebration. Meet at 6:30 p.m. for a warm-up in the Music Room over the Marian Chapel at the Basilica.

DID YOU KNOW?: The FAMILY LIFE BUREAU offers individual, couple and family counseling. The waitlist is minimal at present. One call to (709) 579-0168 brings help.

ST. PATRICK'S MERCY HOME FOUNDATION and Spirit of Newfoundland Productions are hosting their **10th Annual Dinner Theatre** in support of St. Patrick's Mercy Home. Join us for Spirit of Newfoundland's production of Celtic Spirit, Wednesday, July 8, 2009, at the Masonic Temple, 6 Cathedral Street. **Cost \$65.00 (tax in)**. Call Jim at 726 - 2687 ext. 229 for tickets or information.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST: CALL TO VOCATIONS: "This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many." Are you being chosen by Christ to be poured out for souls with Him as a priest, or in the consecrated life? Contact the vocations office: stjohnsvocations@gmail.com.

CEMETERY MASS TIMES:

Bell Island, The Front	July 19, 2009	2:30 p.m.
Bell Island, Lance Cove	August 9, 2009	2:30 p.m.
Kilbride, St. John's	July 7, 2009	7:00 p.m.
Mt. Carmel, St. John's	July 14, 2009	7:00 p.m.
Belvedere, St. John's	July 21, 2009	7:00 p.m.
Holy Sepulchre, St. John's	July 28, 2009	7:00 p.m.

THANK YOU: Many thanks for your generosity in supporting the divers in the rescue operations for the recent unfortunate boating tragedy affecting our Island. Those wishing to donate may still do so, as the rescue work is still ongoing. Also, please keep the families in your prayers.

SACRED HEART GROTTO AT LANCE COVE: The Sacred Heart Grotto with the Way of the Cross in Lance Cove has been prepared again for the tourist season. We offer sincere thanks to Tom Stoyles for his assistance and ongoing vigilance of the grotto site.

THE LEGION OF MARY has need of new members to assist in our apostolic works – visiting those in nursing homes, hospitals, and private homes, as well as the sick and shut-ins. For more information call Pat at 364-9321; Marilyn at 364-2758; Vera at 368-8496, or Shirley at 368-4269.

THE MERCY CENTRE FOR ECOLOGY AND JUSTICE: invites children between the ages of 6 to 8 to attend a week-long Summer Day Camp at Littledale, 250 Waterford Bridge Road. The Camp will deal with our connection to the environment and the need to care for it. Children may attend on **one** of the following weeks: June 29-July 3; July 6-10, or July 13-17. The **cost** of the program is **\$10**. It is necessary to register before June 20th. To register or for further information, please phone 722-0082 or email: teersm@hotmail.com.



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SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

JUNE 14, 2009

REFLECTION:

FIRST READING: Exodus 24:3-8

See the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you.

Moses has given the people the entire law, and the people respond "with one voice," promising to observe this law which God has given them. The blood of the bull becomes the sign of the covenant into which the people enter of their own free will.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:11-15

The blood of Christ will purify our consciences.

Jesus is the high priest who offers his own blood, and passes not into a tabernacle built by hands, but into heaven itself. For those who receive the blood of Christ, the result is not a cleansing of the flesh, but of the spirit, the conscience.

GOSPEL: Mark 14:12-26, 22-26

Take; this is my body. Drink; this is my blood.

Jesus and his disciples are celebrating the Passover together. In the context of the ancient Jewish holy day, Jesus gives himself to his disciples. How astonished they must have been at his words as he handed them the bread: "this is my body," and when he recalled Moses' words in handing them the cup: "this is my blood of the covenant." It would not be until after the Resurrection that they would begin to understand what all this meant. It's reassuring to remember that Jesus invites us to this banquet not because we understand it, but because he loves us.

SANCTUARY CANDLE: IN MEMORY OF ELIZABETH & JAMES RYAN