

**MASS INTENTIONS**

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| <b>Tuesday, May 26</b>   | <b>7:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Lester Yetman, Ed Nolan, Kevin Kent</b>  |
| <b>Wednesday, May 27</b> | <b>9.30 a.m.</b>  | <b>Isabel Rees, Fr. Edward J. Purcell, Mark Potter</b>  |
| <b>Thursday, May 28</b>  | <b>7:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Joseph Lyver, Walter Lundrigan, Mrs. Bradley</b>   |
| <b>Friday, May 29</b>    | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>  | <b>Mary Lahey, Mary Farhat, Maureen Simon</b>   |
| <b>Saturday, May 30</b>  | <b>4:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Confessions</b>  |
| <b>Saturday, May 30</b>  | <b>5:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Thomas &amp; Gerald Coombs; Thomas Gear &amp; McCarthy Family; Evelyn Mansfield; Elsie Maddigan; Gerard Gendreau; Peter Bickford; Wayne Bugden</b> |
| <b>Sunday, May 31</b>    | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> | <b>Parishoners Living and Deceased<br/>St. Michael's Parish</b>   |

**CALL FOR VOCATIONS:** “God sent His only Son into the world so that we might live through Him.” Are you open to the call to be sent into the world as a priest or consecrated religious, that others might live in Christ? If you think God may be offering you this grace, contact the vocations office: [stjohnsvocations@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsvocations@gmail.com).

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR:**

**DATE:** Tuesday, May 26 and Wednesday, May 27, 2009  
**TIME:** 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**NAME OF SCHOOL:** St. Augustine’s Elementary School  
**PLEASE NOTE:** Children must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2010 in order to register. Your child’s MCP card must be presented at the time of registration.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

**MAY 17, 2009**

**Offertory (119 Envelopes) .....\$1,198.85**  
**Dues (1 Envelopes) ..... 40.00**  
**Archbishop’s Appeal (2 Envelopes) ..... 40.00**  
**Papal Charities (15 Envelopes) .....179.15**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

|                                | <b>SATURDAY, MAY 30--5.00 P.M.</b>  | <b>SUNDAY, MAY 31--10:30 A.M.</b>                                 |
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| <b>READERS:</b>                | <b>Ashley Curnew<br/>Karen Seward</b>                                       | <b>Rosanne Grant<br/>Sharon Hammond</b>                           |
| <b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:</b> | <b>Rosemary O’Keefe<br/>Betty Quigley, Carol Clarke,<br/>Jasmine Brazil</b> | <b>Riv Fitzgerald, Sister Phyllis<br/>Connie Cole, Sarah Burt</b> |
| <b>PRESENTATION OF GIFTS:</b>  | <b>Mary Power, George Jackman</b>   | <b>Valerie Gorman Family</b>                                      |
| <b>USHERS:</b>                 | <b>Joe Bartlett, John Galway,<br/>George Hickey, Fred Carroll</b>           | <b>Ray Kennedy, Alex Newell<br/>Ray Whalen, Charlie O’Brien</b>   |
| <b>CHILDREN’S LITURGY:</b>     | <b>Diane Delaney</b>  |   |

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION:** The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be conferred at the **Saturday, May 30, 2009**, celebration of Mass at **5:00 p.m.**

**FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION:** Those making their First Communion will be honoured at the same time as the Confirmation candidates on **May 30, 2009** at the **5:00 p.m.** mass.

**WELCOME: NEW MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH:** We would like to welcome into our Parish Carly Marie Doyle, Patrick Thomas Littlejohn, Devin Michael Gordyn Lahey and Theodore Travis Douglas Churchill who recently received the Sacrament of Baptism in our Parish. We wish them and their families many joys and blessings and offer them our continued support.

**SUMMER GRANT:** The Parish has received confirmation of a Government Grant for one student. Interested students should forward their applications to the Parish Office. Deadline for applications is **May 30, 2009**.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION:** We are seeking to fill the position of Administrative Assistant presently available at the Parish Office. Interested persons should contact the Parish Office to obtain a detailed job description and forward their resumes to the Parish address no later than **May 30, 2009**.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING:** There will be a meeting of the Knights of Columbus on June 19, 2009. This will include a visit from District Deputy, Pat Hayward, and visitors from other Councils. All Members are requested to attend. Conception Council members are also asked to think and pray about elections to Council Executive.

**PILGRIMAGE FROM ST. JOHN'S: MEDJUGORJE AND ROME: Sept 27 - Oct. 9, 2009.** Price \$3,050. Price includes return airfare from St. John's, accommodations in Medjugorje and Rome, breakfast/dinner daily as well as the services of an English speaking guide. For more information call Betty Melvin at (709)745-7436 or Mary Maloney at (709)745-4986 or e-mail [emelvin@nl.rogers.com](mailto:emelvin@nl.rogers.com).

**PILGRIMAGE TO STE. ANNE DE BEAUPRE:** Philomena Chafe Memorial Pilgrimage to Ste. Anne De Beaupre, with visits also to St. Joseph's Oratory and Cap de la Madeleine. Group 2: August 18-25, 2009. Contact Joanne Chafe at (709) 579-7924.

**VISITATION OF SICK AND SHUT INS:** Sister Phyllis will be visiting the Sick and Shut-Ins of the Parish on **Friday, June 5, 2009**. Please prepare for her visit. If you are not going to be home on that day, please notify the Parish office at 488-2525, as this will give her extra time to spend with others who are in need.

**SACRED HEART MONTH:** June is Sacred Heart Month. Please be faithful to the Sacred Heart Devotions.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DRAW CONGRATULATIONS:** Congratulations to the winners of the Knights of Columbus 2009 State Lottery which was drawn on May 16, 2009, particularly Mrs. Evelyn Bown from our Parish who won \$500. Below is a complete list of winners. Thank you for your support.

| Draw   | Prize \$\$ | Winning # | Name of Winner      | Community    |
|--------|------------|-----------|---------------------|--------------|
| 1      | 50,000     | 4458      | Elizabeth Tulk      | Stephenville |
| Seller | 1,000      |           | Russell Tulk        | Stephenville |
| 2      | 15,000     | 7014      | Ada Fifield Group   | Wesleyville  |
| Seller | 200        |           | Joe Philpott        | Gander       |
| 3      | 5,000      | 7783      | Dave Green          |              |
| Seller | 100        |           | Gail Hamilton       | B. Falls     |
| 4      | 1,000      | 17392     | Janet Benoit        | Mainland     |
| 5      | 1,000      | 7063      | LSK Dietary Staff 2 | Gander       |
| 6      | 1,000      | 11994     | Theresa MacDonald   | Mount Pearl  |
| 7      | 1,000      | 15735     | Avalon Dental       |              |
| 8      | 1,000      | 1920      | Lucky Eight         | St. John's   |
| 9      | 500        | 2936      | Winnie Matthews     | Corner Brook |
| 10     | 500        | 11077     | Pat Joy Group       | Hr. Main     |
| 11     | 500        | 2904      | Rick Carter         | Mount Moriah |
| 12     | 500        | 15912     | Anthony Alstars     |              |
| 13     | 500        | 7269      | Dale Kean           | Gander       |
| 14     | 500        | 11464     | Evelyn Bown         | Bell Island  |
| 15     | 500        | 1138      | ACOA Group          | St. John's   |
| 16     | 500        | 14656     | Share/Brockerville  | Burin        |
| 17     | 500        | 14660     | Kerrylyn Edwards    | Lawn         |
| 18     | 500        | 8628      | Jody Battcock       | HVGB         |



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 OFFICE HOURS: Tuesdays & Thursdays 1-5 p.m.

### **FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

**MAY 24, 2009**

#### **REFLECTION:**

##### **FIRST READING: Acts 1:1-11**

*As the disciples were watching, Jesus was lifted up.*

Peter speaks to the followers of Jesus and calls for the selection of a new apostle to take the place of Judas. We get an insight into the special role of an apostle, who must be someone who has been with them from the beginning. The entire group, not just the Eleven, present two candidates. Asking for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the final decision is made by the drawing of lots. Matthias is chosen.

##### **SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:1-13**

*We build up the body of Christ, until we come to the measure of the full stature of Christ.*

We see the intertwining of ideas characteristic of Saint John. "No one has ever seen God", yet when we love each other, God is in us. The more we love each other, the more we will come to "know" God's love for us. In our love for others, we will truly see God.

##### **GOSPEL: Mark 16:15-20**

*The Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven and sits at the right hand of God.*

Immediately before his arrest, Jesus prays for his disciples--"that they may be one just as we are one." He does not pray that their lives will be easy--indeed, it is clear that they will face the same trials Jesus himself faced. They will be hated by a world in which they cannot feel at home, for "they do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world." They are sent forth nevertheless, not only witnesses to Jesus, but sharers in his love, joy, and peace.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE: IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL & HELEN FITZGERALD**