

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Tuesday, Nov. 24	7:00 pm	John & Doraval Skinner; Rose Marie Murphy; Ann & Hugh Nolan
Wednesday, Nov. 25	9:30 am	Kevin Dobbin; Mary Lahey; Bride Fitzgerald
Thursday, Nov. 26	9:30 am	Elsie Maddigan; William Dohey; Edward Frank Hammond
Friday, Nov. 27	9:00 am	Gerald Conway; Peter Shea; Lena Cahill
Saturday, Nov. 28	4:00 pm	Confessions
Saturday, Nov. 28	5:00 pm	Steve & Mary Hawco; Fred Watson, Doherty & McCarthy Families; Reg & Loretta Durdle; Hannah Sweeney & Phyllis Smith; Patrick, Gertrude, William, Andrew, Linda (Pipher) Dunne; Frederick & Alice Maloney & Deceased members of Family; John & Geraldine (Carroll) Nolan
Sunday, Nov. 29	10:30 am	Parishioners Living and Deceased St. Michael's Parish

**CALL TO SERVICE: CHRIST THE KING:** “My kingdom is not from this world.” Are you being called to proclaim the glorious reign of Christ the King as a priest, or in the consecrated life? Contact the vocations office: Fr. Steve Courtney 726-3660, stjohns vocations@gmail.com

**MODELING PEACE AND HOPE:** Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> is the National Day of Remembrance and Action held in memory of the 14 women killed in 1989 at the Montreal Ecole Polytechnique. The Women’s Interchurch Council and the St. John’s and Area Council of Churches are co-sponsoring a Service of Action and Remembrance at Pius X Roman Catholic Church, Smithville Crescent, 3:00 pm Sunday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>. Come listen to speakers and join others seeking action to eliminate violence against women.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION-NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2009**

Offertory (121 Envelopes) .....	\$1267.50
Dues (1 Envelope) .....	\$20.00
Heating (1 Envelope).....	\$10.00
Donation flowers in memory of David Foley .....	\$20.00
<b>THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT</b>	

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

	SATURDAY, NOV. 28 5.00 P.M.	SUNDAY, NOV.29 10:30 A.M.
<b>READERS:</b>	Pat Craig Christine Tulk	Sister Phyllis Christine Quinlan
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:</b>	Tom Spracklin Carol Clarke	Riv Fitzgerald Rosanne Grant
<b>PRESENTATION OF GIFTS:</b>	Irene & Kevin Delahunty	Diana Durdle Family
<b>USHERS:</b>	George Jackman Keith Pitts Pat Murphy George Hickey	Ray Kennedy Alex Newell Ray Whalen Charlie O’Brien
<b>CHILDREN’S LITURGY:</b>		Teresita McCarthy

**39<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL KIWANIS SANTA CLAUS PARADE:** Will be held on **Sunday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>**, leaving the Wabana Complex at 1:30pm and ending at the Wabana Boys and Girls Club. Candy will be given out at 2pm at the regular stops. Non-perishable food (canned or packaged items) will be collected along the route for our local Foodbank. To make the event successful, community participation is encouraged!

**BEREAVEMENT TEAMS:** Our bereavement teams are vital to our Parish. They help families at one of their most difficult times to become involved in planning the liturgies for their loved ones. There is a need to increase the number of teams in our Parish. Please give some serious consideration and if you feel you and/or a friend can help, please call the Parish office 488-2525.

**CHURCH PARKING LOT:** You are asked to respect and leave the spaces assigned for those with physical handicaps. It is very important that entrances and roadways remain clear so that emergency vehicles have easy access. Please park in marked parking areas only and not on grassy areas. Please keep fire lanes free.

**THE BELL ISLAND FOODBANK:** We are asking for donations of canned and boxed goods. If you wish to donate, a box can be found at the back of the church. We are also looking for volunteers to help at the Foodbank, either with daily operations or to join the members of the Board of Directors. If interested, please contact Lori Hann ( 3250 ) or Joe Somerton ( 2811 ). Thank you!

### HOME RELIGION PROGRAM AND PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS:

- A necessary part of the Home Religion Program is Children's Liturgy at Mass every Sunday morning. This applies generally to children between ages 5 – 9 years
- Preparation for First Communion is generally conducted for children aged 7 years
- Preparation for First Penance is generally conducted for children aged 8 years
- Preparation for Confirmation is generally conducted for children aged 9 years and older
- It is vital that Registration Forms (located at the back of the Church) be completed for each family and returned to Father Beresford at the first meeting for all parents to be held on Sunday, November 29, at 3 p.m. in St. Michael's Parish Hall
- Registration fee is \$10 per child to help offset the costs of books and other materials

ST. PAUL'S COUNCIL OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Announced that William Fleet had the winning 0016 ticket, drawn Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> and won the Jeanie Bavis original oil painting entitled "Bakeapples". The Council thanks all those who bought tickets.

THE SISTERS OF MERCY & ASSOCIATES will be holding an Art /Craft Exhibition & Sale at The Gathering Place- 172 Military Rd on **Sunday, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>** at 2:00 - 5:00 pm. Proceeds are in aid of The Gathering Place.

ARENA PUBLIC SKATING SCHEDULE: Found on community posters or by telephoning 488-2111. Adult skating held Mondays at 7:00pm and Wednesdays at 1:30pm. The cost of adult skating is \$3.00.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: This is open to everyone and is a time for us to come together as the people of the archdiocese to pray for vocations. The next holy hour will be **Tuesday, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>**, 7pm at MQP. All are welcome, please note incense will be used.

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP: **Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>**, 9:30am - 12:00pm at Mary Queen of the World, Topsail Rd. This will be a morning of reflection, input, and discussion to help us prepare to celebrate the Advent/Christmas Season. Lead by Sr. Sheila O'Dea, RSM – former Archdiocesan Director of Liturgy. Donations in lieu of a registration fee (food or money) may be made to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy of Newfoundland in collaboration with the Archdiocesan Liturgical Commission and the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis.



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### *CHRIST THE KING IN ORDINARY TIME*

*NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2009*

#### **REFLECTION:**

**FIRST READING: Daniel 7: 13-14**

*His dominion is an everlasting dominion.*

God is seated on a throne, like a great and powerful king; and the Son of man comes before him to receive "dominion, glory, and kingship". His power embraces "all peoples, nations, and languages", and his kingship will last forever.

**SECOND READING: Revelation 1: 5-8**

*The ruler of the kings of the earth has made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God.*

Jesus is described as "the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth". He has won kingship not by power, but by love, by giving his blood for us, in order to make us into a "kingdom" of priest, offering praise to God. When this king comes to earth, he will bear the wounds of his voluntary suffering, and "even those who pierced him" will behold him. "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the one who is and who was and who is to come".

**GOSPEL: John 18: 33b-37**

*You say that I am a king.*

Is Jesus the so-called "King of the Jews" or not? It is clear to this cunning leader that Jesus poses a political threat: otherwise, why would his own people have handed him over? Pilate utterly fails to understand Jesus' answer: "My kingdom does not belong to this world...my kingdom is not here". The literal minded Pilate cannot see that the man who stands before him is indeed a king, but a king of paradox: his rule comes through obedience to his Father.

Sanctuary Candle in Memory of Elaine and Son Bert Dwyer