

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, Sept. 15	7:00 pm	Bill Murphy; Kevin Kent; Margaret, John & Agatha Flynn
Wednesday, Sept. 16	9:30 am	Glen Newell; Carl Nolan; Gerald Sheppard
Thursday, Sept. 17	7:00 pm	Maureen Simon; Alice Ricks; Ruby Snow
Friday, Sept 18	9:00 am	Edward Nolan; Mary Lahey; Elsie Maddigan
Saturday, Sept. 19	4:00 pm	Confessions
Saturday, Sept 19	5:00 pm	Leonard Quinlan; Elizabeth Murphy; Frank Pendergast Sr. & Jr.; David & Helen Whalen & Deceased Family; Veronica & Jack Andrews, Marjorie Sweeney, Gerald & Tom Coombs; Anthony & Margarit Simon; Margaret Cahill
Sunday, Sept 20	10:30 am	Parishioners Living and Deceased St. Michael's Parish

Welcome: New Members of Our Parish: We would like to welcome into our Parish Emily Joyce DaSilva who recently received the Sacrament of Baptism in our Parish. We wish her and her family many joys and God's blessings and offer them our continued support.

MERCY ASSOCIATES MEETING: Both groups of Mercy Associates will meet at the Sisters' Residence on Wednesday, Sept. 23rd at 7:00pm. A guest speaker will be in attendance.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION
SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2009**

Offertory (107 Envelopes)\$1,448.63
Dues (5 Envelopes)\$53.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	SATURDAY, SEPT. 19 5.00 P.M.	SUNDAY, SEPT. 20 10:30 A.M.
READERS:	Ashley Curnew Karen Seward	Isabel Shulko Geraldine Fitzgerald
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	Helen Pitts Tasha Brazil Ros Hurley Irene Delahunty	Sister Phyllis Connie Cole Sarah Burt Rosanne Grant
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS:	Bob Seward Family	Valerie Gorman Family
USHERS:	George Jackman Keith Pitts Pat Murphy George Hickey	Tom Cole Kevin Delahunty Ray Whalen

BISHOPS COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA: Will be held in most Parishes in Canada next weekend. Monies raised will be sent to our diocese, to help pay its annual contribution to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops which is involved in national and international areas of pastoral activity. It also provides a forum for the Bishops to share their experiences and insights on life of the Church and major events that shape our society. The Bishops of Canada wish to thank you in advance for your generosity.

CONCEPTION COUNCIL 1930, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Will meet on **Friday, Sept. 18th** at 7:30pm. All members are asked to make a special effort to attend.

CALL TO SERVICE: "Who do you say that I am?" The One who calls is the Messiah, the Son of the living God. Will you follow Him as a priest, brother or sister? Contact the vocations office: stjohnsvocations@gmail.com.

GATHERING PLACE: Please visit www.thelantern.nf.net or call 753-8760 for details of programs beginning in September.

GROWING IN FAITH: Starting **Sept. 19th** St. Teresa's Church in St. John's is offering a series of sessions for adults who wish to grow in wisdom, faith and knowledge. Call the Archdiocesan Pastoral Centre at 726-3660 or email Anne Walsh at amwalsh@nf.aibn.com. See more information on the bulletin board in the Church.

FAMILY LIFE BUREAU COUNSELLING SERVICES: Individual, couple and family counselling available. One call brings help. **Fall 2009 Courses Starting!** Register now for courses such as Power of Positive Parenting, Marriage Enrichment, Boundaries, Separation and Divorce. To register call Sr. Loretta Walsh at 579-0168.

THE BELL ISLAND FOODBANK: We are asking for donations of canned and boxed goods such as: beans, peanut butter and pasta (macaroni, spaghetti, sauce, etc.) to help with our cause. 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 you are interested, please contact Lori Hann (3250) or Joe Somerton (2811). Thank you!

ST. PATRICK'S MERCY HOME FOUNDATION: Is hosting its 2nd Annual Emerald Auction and Dinner in support of the residents of St. Patrick's Mercy Home. Join us on **Thursday, Sept. 17th at 6:30pm**, at Murray's Pond. Cost is \$60.00, tax and gratuity included. For tickets, call Jim at 726-2687, Ext 229

MAKE YOU THINK YOUTH PROGRAM: Attention youth in Gr. 9 and older! Would you like support in dealing with challenges in your own life or in the lives of your friends? Join us at St. Patrick's Church from 12:00 – 1:30pm on **Sunday, Sept. 20th and Sept. 27th**. Explore ways to help yourself and friends deal with life's challenges. Bring your friends! Open to youth of all faith denominations. To register contact Mary Jo Power at mjopower@hotmail.com or Linda Maher at 726-3660.

HOYLES ESCASONI / GLENBROOK LODGE PASTORAL CARE: After a lovely summer break, we will commence our building and growing of this team. Our first fall meeting will be at 7:30pm on **Wednesday, Sept. 16th** at Mary Queen of Peace Church. Hope to see everyone on the team back again and new members are always welcomed! For more info contact Linda Maher at 726-3660.

THANK YOU FROM THE PRESENTATION SISTERS: The Presentation Sisters would like to express our sincere thanks to all those who came from many parishes throughout the Archdiocese to join with us in celebrating a Eucharistic Liturgy of Thanksgiving at the Basilica on August 27. We were honored and humbled by your presence and your support as we celebrated 175 years among the people of this Archdiocese. A special thank you to Archbishop Currie, Father Kelly, the planning and liturgical committees, the choir, the musicians, the sacristans, the social committee and all who in any way assisted in making this such a wonderful celebration of thanksgiving.



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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2009

REFLECTION:

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50: 5-9

To those who struck me, I gave my back.

The faithful servant hears God's word and obeys, in spite of the physical and mental torments inflicted upon him. The servant expresses total confidence in God's ultimate vindication of him. His voice at the end of the reading is defiant: "Who disputes my right? Who will prove me wrong?"

SECOND READING: James 2: 14-18

Faith, if it has no works, is dead.

The Christian believer must do more than extend good wishes – "keep warm, and eat well". When we see someone in need, we must "give them the necessities of the body". James says it bluntly: faith without work is dead. The Church cannot neglect the service of charity any more than she can neglect the Sacraments and the World.

GOSPEL: Mark 8: 27-35

You are the Messiah. The Son of Man must undergo great suffering.

When people begin to think they know who Jesus is, their vision gets limited. The people can not accept his wisdom because they think they know him. Jesus proceeds to tell them what being Christ really means: rejection, suffering, death, and Resurrection. Jesus' stern rebuke reminds them that the kingdom Jesus comes to announce turns our values upside down.

Sanctuary Candle in Memory of Richard & Alice Ryan