

MASS INTENTIONS

There will be no Mass during the Week from Monday, Jan. 12th, to Friday, Jan. 16th

Saturday Jan 17th	4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Penance James Power; Thomas Rees; Bridget & Wm. Norcott; John Murrin; Thomas & Gerald Coombs/ Marge Sweeney; Patrick Hammond; Tom Roberts; Mary Kenary
Sunday Jan. 18th	10:30 a.m.	For Parishioners Living and Deceased St. Michael's Parish

There will be no Mass during the Week from Monday, Jan. 19th, to Friday, Jan. 23rd

Saturday Jan 24th	4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Penance Veronica Dwyer; Granville O'Brien; Leo Murphy; Walter Tremblett; Ann Reid; Reg Durdle; Marg Crane
Sunday Jan. 25th	10:30 a.m.	For Parishioners Living and Deceased St. Michael's Parish

Collection for Week of January 3rd, & 4th, 2009

Offertory – 97 Envelopes-----	\$1, 032.50
Initial – 48 Envelopes-----	308.00
New Year's – 86 Envelopes-----	1,127.60
Insurance – 21 Envelopes-----	199.00
Advent – 1 Folder-----	20.00
Dues – 11 Envelopes-----	122.00
Donation in Memory of Lloyd & John Pitts-----	50.00
Flowers in Memory of Thomas Brazil & Deceased Family Members	
Thank –You for Your Financial Support	

THANK – YOU:

To all those who prepared for and ministered to our Christmas Celebrations.
 To all those who donated flowers or monetary gifts to help decorate our Parish Church.
 To those who donated food, to help provide Christmas Dinner for the less fortunate in our community.
 To all the volunteers who work so hard for our Parish.
 To our Parish family for your participation and also for including me in your prayers and with your gifts.
 To Fr. Edward Purcell; Father Wayne Dohey and Fr. David Butler for your Ministry help.

God Bless You All
 Father Jim

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday Jan. 17th	5:00 p.m.	Readers: Eucharistic Ministers:	Pat Craig & Jasmine Brazil Art Whelan; Loretta Byrne; Tom Spracklin; Irene Delahunty
		Presentation of Gifts: Ushers:	Mary Power & George Jackman George Jackman; Keith Pitts; Pat Murphy; George Hickey
Sunday Jan. 18th	10:30 a.m.	Readers: Eucharistic Ministers:	Christine Quinlan & Geraldine Fitzgerald Connie Cole; Sister Phyllis; Rosanne Grant; Vanita Bartlett
		Presentation of Gifts: Children's Liturgy: Ushers:	Tom Cole Family Ros Hurley Tom Cole; Kevin Delahunty; Ray Whalen
Saturday Jan. 24th	5:00 p.m.	Readers: Eucharistic Ministers:	Cathy Tulk & Jody Whelan Karen Seward; Jasmine Brazil; Pat Craig Mary Power
		Presentation of Gifts: Ushers:	Irene & Kevin Delahunty Leo Byrne; Brian Tulk; Chris Murphy; Fred Carroll
Sunday Jan. 25th	10:30 a.m.	Readers: Eucharistic Ministers:	Isabell Shulko & Valerie Gorman Christine Quinlan; Patricia King; Keith Kent; Bev Rees
		Presentation of Gifts: Children's Liturgy: Ushers:	Diane Durdle Family Teresita McCarthy Ray Kennedy; Alex Newell; Ray Whalen; Charlie O'Brien

Events in the Parish: Mon. and Wed. nights at St. Michael's Hall- -Card Game at 8:30 p.m.

Mercy Associates Meeting: The **Original** Group of the Mercy Associates will hold their meeting on **Wednesday, January 21st, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.**
 The **New** Group of the Mercy Associates will hold their meeting on **Thursday, Jan. 22nd, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.** **These meetings will take place at the Sister's Residence.**

Knights of Columbus Meeting: There will be a Meeting of the Immaculate Conception Knights of Columbus, **Friday, January 16th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.**, St. Michael's Parish Hall. All members are pleased asked to attend.

AL-ANON ALATEEN: Are you or a family member bothered by someone else's drinking? If so, maybe Al-Anon & Alateen family groups can help. For further information please call 722-2666.

Church Envelopes: The 2009 Church envelopes have been prepared and are available at the back of the Church. **For those who do not use Church envelopes and would like to do so,** you may contact the Parish office at 488-2525. Parishioners are reminded that Charitable Donations are tax deductible and if you are contributing on a regular basis you are encouraged to use church envelopes. Then we can issue an official receipt to you for tax purposes. We thank you for your continued support to our Parish.

2009 Atlantic Catechetical Conference: You are invited to the 2009 Atlantic Catechetical Conference ..Salt of the Earth...Light of the World. Time – May 22nd – 24th, 2009 at St. Peter's Conference Centre, Mount Pearl, NL. Hosted by: The Archdiocese of St. John's, in NL. Early bird registration fee before March 22nd, 2009, is \$150.00. After March 22nd, 2009, the registration fee will be \$190.00. If you require further information, please contact Noreen Yetman, Chairperson of the organizing Committee at (709) 726-3660; Fax (709) 726-8021 or via email at nyetman@nf.aibn.com. Presenters: Father Bill Brennan and Anne Walsh.

MARRIAGE*6 months notice required***PREPARATION PROGRAM – Must be completed before the wedding takes place.**

Program dates for 2009: January 16th and 17th; Feb. 20th & 21st; March 20th & 21st; April 3rd & 4th; May 8th & 9th; June 12th & 13th. For further information you may contact the Pastoral Centre at (709) 726-3660 or Family Life Bureau at **579-0168**.

World Day of Migrants and Refugees January 18th: A World Day of Migrants and Refugees has been promoted by many Episcopal Conferences in the world in communion with the one promoted by the UNO on June 20. "If the dream of a peaceful world is shared by all, if the refugees' and migrants' contribution is properly evaluated, then humanity can become more and more of a universal family and our earth a *true common home*."- *John Paul II, 2004 message*.

Prayer for Christian Unity:

May all be one as you are, Father, in me, and I in you; may they be one is us; I in them and you in me, may they be completely one. Lord, we who share in the sacraments of Christ ask you to renew the gift of holiness in your Church. May all who glory in the name of Christians come to serve you in the unity of faith. Amen.



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*Baptism of Our Lord
January 11th, 2009*

Reflection:

First Reading: Isaiah 55. 1-11

Incline your ear, and come to the waters; listen, so that you may live.

The gifts of God are priceless, especially those of the spiritual order. However, the prophet challenges his listeners, and us, to acknowledge that divine wisdom is often beyond our initial perception.

Second Reading: 1 John 5. 1-9

There are three that testify: the spirit and the water and the blood.

The Baptism of Jesus and the guidance of the Holy Spirit in his public ministry prepare the Church for an understanding of the sacraments flowing from Jesus' sacrifice.

Gospel: Mark 1.7-11

Your are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.

Jesus was impelled by John's baptism to take the task of Servant to a new level. Now his personal union with the heavenly Father will be expressed through obedient service, laying down his life for all.

SANCTUARY CANDLE:

Week of Jan. 11th - Jan. 17th

Week of Jan. 18th - Jan. 24th

In Loving Memory of Rosemarie Murphy

In Loving Memory of Veronica Andrews

& Rita McCarthy

**PEASE KEEP THIS BULLETIN FOR A TWO WEEK PERIOD AS THE OFFICE
WILL BE CLOSED ON TUESDAY, JAN. 13th & THURSDAY, JAN. 15th, 2009**