

### MASS INTENTIONS

There will be no Mass during the Week from Monday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> – Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>

<b>Saturday Feb. 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>4:00 p.m.</b> <b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Sacrament of Penance</b> <b>Mary Farhat; Marie Gosse; Norman &amp; Mary Luffman;</b> <b>Special Intention; Pendergast &amp; Bown Family; Frank</b> <b>Pendergast Sr. &amp; Jr.; Thomas Rees; Nunce Ratford;</b> <b>Nellie Moore; John Moore; Dan, Vera &amp; Colleen Dwyer;</b> <b>Mary &amp; Steve Hawco</b>
<b>Sunday Feb. 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>For Parishioners Living and Deceased</b> <b>St. Michael's Parish</b>

### Collection for Week of January 31<sup>st</sup> & Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009

<b>Offertory – 89 Envelopes</b> -----	<b>\$1,057.50</b>
<b>Dues – 6 Envelopes</b> -----	<b>60.00</b>
<b>Initial Offering – 1 Envelope</b> -----	<b>5.00</b>

**Thank –You for Your Financial Support**

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

<b>Saturday Feb. 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Readers:</b>	<b>Karen Seward &amp; Amanda Curnew</b>
		<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	<b>Carol Clarke; Rosemary O'Keefe; Loretta</b> <b>Byrne; Pat Murphy</b>
		<b>Presentation of Gifts:</b>	<b>Lydia Brazil Family</b>
		<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>Leo Byrne; Brian Tulk; Chris Murphy;</b> <b>Fred Carroll</b>
<b>Sunday Feb. 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Readers:</b>	<b>Patricia King &amp; Ros Hurley</b>
		<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	<b>Vanita Bartlett; Christine Quinlan; Shirley</b> <b>Murphy; Keith Kent</b>
		<b>Presentation of Gifts:</b>	<b>Tom Cole Family</b>
		<b>Children's Liturgy:</b>	<b>Beverly Rees</b>
		<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>Ray Kennedy; Alex Newell; Ray Whalen;</b> <b>Charlie O'Brien</b>

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

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

**Tax Receipts for 2008:** Copies of the tax receipts for the year 2008 are available at the back of the Church. Thank you for your generous offering.

### Dates to Remember, 2009

**Please schedule the following events into your Calendar:**

<b>March 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St. Patrick's Day Card Game</b>
<b>March 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St. Patrick's Day Stew Supper &amp; Pub Night</b>
<b>March 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St. Patrick's Day Concert</b>
<b>July 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Annual Dinner Theatre</b>

### Cemetery Mass Schedule – 2009

<b>St. Michael's Cemetery, The Front:</b>	<b>July 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Sacred Heart Cemetery, Lance Cove:</b>	<b>August 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m.</b>

**Toll Free Support Line for Immigrants:** . The *Community and Settlement Information Support Line for Immigrants* was launched in January, 2009. An operator will take calls during normal business hours (9 am – 4:30 pm) and also respond to requests via e-mail at [ancinformation@nfld.net](mailto:ancinformation@nfld.net) or by phone, toll free at **1-877-666-9650**.

**AL-ANON ALATEEN:** Are you or a family member affected by someone else's drinking? If so, you might like to attend our 26<sup>th</sup> Al-Anon Convention (with AA participation) on February 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> at the Holiday Inn. For further information please call our confidential line at 722-2666."

**Knights of Columbus Fundraiser 2009:** The Knights of Columbus are selling tickets at the cost of \$40.00 each. Prizes are as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> \$50,000.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$15,000.00, and 3<sup>rd</sup> \$5,000.00. The draw takes place May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009. You can purchase as a group, which will bring down the cost for each individual, or you may purchase an individual ticket.

**TheCRY- St. John's:** TheCRY Launch: **Friday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.** opening Service @ Basilica of Saint John the Baptist. **Saturday, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.** at St. John's Convention Centre. Find out all you need @ [www.thecry.ca](http://www.thecry.ca) or call 613-422-4279.

**Home Religion:** There will be a meeting for the **Parents and Candidates** in the Home Religion Program at St. Michael's Hall on **Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.** All Parents and Candidates are asked to attend.

**Family Life Bureau:** "Counseling Services"- individual, couple, and family counseling is available at the Family Life Bureau upon request. One call to 579-0168 brings help."

**Mercy Associates:** The next meeting of the **New Group** of the Mercy Associates will be held on **Thursday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Sister's Residence.

**SISTERS OF MERCY:** This year the Sisters of Mercy are preparing for their General Chapter to be held in **June 21 - 26, 2009**. A Chapter is a sacred time when members of a religious congregation refresh their commitment to the charism and vision of the foundress in light of today's reality. The Sisters of Mercy invite you, the Christian community, to join with them in prayer of God's blessing on this special moment in their history.

**Countdown for Lent:** The season of lent begins on **February 25<sup>th</sup> with the liturgy of Ash Wednesday**. If you have palm at home from last year, please return them to the church in the next few weeks so that they can be burned and used in the Ash Wednesday liturgy. **Fridays** are days of abstinence from meat, but Catholics may substitute special acts of charity or piety on this day. Fulfillment of this duty involves prayer, works of piety and charity, and self-denial by fulfilling one's obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the prescribed fast and abstinence. **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older; the law of fasting binds those from 18 to 59 years of age.** Parents and educators are reminded of their duty to introduce children gradually to the understanding and practice of penance. Adult example will be the greatest influence in this matter.

**Sympathy:** Our Parish family extends sympathy and prayers to the families and friends of the late Mary Farhat, Tom Lahey & Marie Gosse. We assure the families of our prayers and support during this time of grief. May our loved ones share in the promise of eternal life.

**Church Envelopes 2009:** Do you use Church Envelopes? **Why not use Church envelopes for your weekly collection for 2009?** Every dollar you contribute is counted and is tax deductible at the end of the year. Call the Parish office to request your 2009 envelopes or leave your name and phone number and we will have them ready for you upon your request. We thank you for your continued support.

**Knights of Columbus Contest for Students:** The State Council of the Knights of Columbus for NL will sponsor a 500 word essay contest for students from Grades 7 to 12. Participants are to write on the following subject:  
The Knights of Columbus are celebrating 100 years of fraternity and service in Newfoundland and Labrador. What impact has the membership of the Knights of Columbus had in the Church and in society at large during those 100 years?  
All entries must be received by April 15 and are to be sent to Bernie Flynn, Stats Warden, 39 Philip Drive, Corner Brook, NL – A2H 6B2. An independent panel will judge the essays. First prize is \$200.00, second is \$100.00 and third is \$50.00. The prize winners will be announced at the Knights of Columbus convention in May.



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*Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time  
February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009*

***Reflection:***

**First Reading:** *Job 7:1-4, 6-7.*

*Sorrow fills all my days.*

**In the first reading the words of Job express all the misery and emptiness of his situation, bereft of everybody and of everything. His words ring true for many of suffering humanity today.**

**Second Reading:** *1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23*

*Woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel!*

**In the second reading St Paul speaks of his dedication to the preaching of the Gospel, his becoming all things to all men for its sake.**

**Gospel:** *Mark 1:29-39*

*Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases.*

**The Gospel recounts a number of miracles worked by Christ. His life was given to prayer, to preaching the Gospel and healing those who were sick.**

**World Day of the Sick Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009:** The ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the Church. Pope John Paul II in establishing this day stated: "I consider most appropriate, indeed, the bestowal upon the entire ecclesial community of an initiative which, as already practiced in some nations and regions, has brought forth precious pastoral fruit." February 11<sup>th</sup> (memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes) highlights the healing ministry of the Church. It reminds us that service to the sick and suffering cannot be neglected. It recognizes the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care institutions and pastoral care givers to restore health to those afflicted with illness and disease.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE: IN MEMORY OF MARY & STEVE HAWCO**