

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, April 27	7:00 pm.	John, Helen, Tom & Dan Brazil; Bill Bartlett; Veronica Fitzgerald
Wed., April 28	9:30 am.	Leo Gorman; Pat McCarthy; Edward Wiseman
Thursday, April 29	7:00 pm.	Jude Pearson; Mae Fitzgerald; Bart Ford
Friday, April 30	9:00 am.	Rose Marie Murphy & Deceased members of the Murphy & Nolan Families; David & Alice Kennedy; Monica Bugden
Saturday, May 1	3:30 pm.	Ecumenical Service for Graduation
Saturday, May 1	5:00 pm.	Agnes Sweeney; Kevin Stone; Theresa Lahey; Patrick Mooney; Fintan Hammond; Mary O'Brien; Deceased members of the Ford & Quinlan Families
Sunday, May 2	10:30 am.	Parishioners Living and Deceased St. Michael's Parish

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER— APRIL 25: World Day of Prayer for Vocations

“The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.” Does a life of joy in knowing you are following the Lord as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life inspire you? Contact Fr. Steve Courtney 726-3660, stjohnsvocations@gmail.com.

THE ANNUAL ROSARY AND PROCESSION: Sponsored by Knights of Columbus, Thursday, May 13th, 7:30pm at the Basilica of St. John's the Baptist. Candle light procession and benediction are also included in this celebration. All are welcome!

OFFERTORY COLLECTION – APRIL 18TH, 2010

Offertory (108 Envelopes)	\$1288.00
Dues (2 Envelopes)	\$45.00
Easter (1 Envelope)	\$10.00
Lenten (1 Folder).....	\$20.00
Good Friday (1 Envelope)	\$40.00
Holy Thursday (1 Envelope)	\$40.00
In memory of: Margaret Brown	\$35.00
 Owen & Aileen Kelly, Thomas & Maria Dwyer	\$100.00
Flower donation in memory of Elizabeth James Ryan.....	\$5.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	SATURDAY, MAY 1 5.00 P.M.	SUNDAY, MAY 2 10:30 A.M.
READERS:	Rosemary O'Keefe Pat Craig	Christine Quinlan Geraldine Fitzgerald
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	Tom Spracklin Carol Clarke	Bev Rees Patricia King
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS:	Lisa Kent Linda Fitzgerald-Kent	Stephanie Kent Family
USHERS:	Joe Bartlett John Galway George Hickey Jason Hickey	Tom Cole Kevin Delahunty Ray Whalen
CHILDREN'S LITURGY:		Diane Delaney

THE ARCHBISHOPS DINNER & AUCTION: Friday, April 30th at R. Gushue Hall, MUN. Tickets are \$150.00 each with a \$100.00 tax receipt issued. We are seeking donations for the live and silent auction. All donations are greatly appreciated! Please contact your parish office or Anne Marie or Linda at 726-3660.

ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL: Sunday, May 2nd & Sunday, May 9th. Please give generously in support of the Pastoral Services which benefit every parish community. Please consider supporting your parish by volunteering to assist with the Annual Archbishop's Appeal. Ask your pastor how you can help!

OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS:

Weekly Mass will discontinue for the summer months. Thank you to the Priests who presided and those who came out to support the Mass at the University.

World Youth Day 2011: There is a meeting for those interested in attending – Sunday, April 25th at the Pastoral Centre Archdiocese (front door) - a MUST for all those interested or planning to attend. Those interested must be 18 years of age or older as of August 2011. Our Archdiocesan Deadline for those wishing to attend will be Wednesday May 19th. We look forward to seeing you all there.

The Steubenville Atlantic 2010 conference offers an opportunity to experience God “in the flesh” through exciting speakers, powerful music, and meaningful worship. If you are in Grade 9-12, come join us. The Archdiocese of St. John's will travel to this event in Antigonish, Nova Scotia from July 30th - August 1st. To register, call 726-3660 or email: nyetman@nf.aibn.com or amwalsh@nf.aibn.com. You can also go to the Facebook website for Steubenville Group.

PHILOMENA CHAFE MEMORIAL PILGRIMAGES TO STE ANNE DE BEAUPRE: With visits also to St. Joseph's Oratory and Cap de la Madeleine. Group 1: June 8th-15th, Group 2: August 17th-24th (20th Memorial Pilgrimage). Please contact: Joanne Chafe 579-7924. Also, in memory of Philomena Chafe, organized by her son Frank Chafe; visits to Cap de la Madeleine and St. Joseph's Oratory; from St. John's to and from Montreal via Air Canada, August 5th-12th. Please contact 364-4944 or 579-6130.

MARCH FOR LIFE: Pro-Life NL will be holding the provincial March for Life on Thursday, May 13th, at 12:30 on Confederation Hill. This is in solidarity with other provincial and national Marches for Life marking the 41st year of abortion in Canada and mourning with the families of the 3,000,000+ babies killed. Contact Patrick at 726-5012 or prolifennl@gmail.com.

HOME RELIGION PROGRAM UPDATE: On **Sunday, April 18**, we had a meeting with all parents and children and a practice/rehearsal for Confirmation and First Eucharist. It is **important to note** that candidates who have attended meetings regularly and completed the various activities for their programs and displayed them in their scrapbooks will be issued with a certificate for the program in which they are registered. We have received the scrapbooks from most children who have been attending meetings; however, it is **vital** that **all completed scrapbooks be submitted no later than Sunday, May 2**, in order to ensure that certificates will be prepared for the celebration on May 25, 2010, and that their scrapbooks can be displayed for the Archbishop to see.

On **Wednesday, April 21**, we had the **Celebration of First Confession** by all candidates who were preparing for this. It was a beautiful celebration and all candidates who were preparing for the Sacrament attended and were presented with certificates. A social followed in the Parish Hall. A great big **"Thank You"** to the hall ladies and to all the volunteers for the great work they do and to the cantor and organist for their endless dedication to parish activities.

On **Wednesday, April 28**, we will continue preparations for the sacraments for the **Special Wednesday Night Group only** in the Parish Hall at 7 p.m. All are encouraged to attend.

On **Tuesday, May 25, at 7 p.m.** the **Mass of Confirmation & First Eucharist** will be celebrated with Archbishop Martin Currie. First Year candidates who have completed the program and submitted their completed scrapbooks will be presented with certificates following that celebration. Other candidates will be presented with certificates for the sacraments they have received.

We thank all the volunteers who have helped in any way with the preparation of all these children for the Born of the Spirit Program of faith formation.



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 25TH, 2010

REFLECTION:

FIRST READING: Acts 13.14: 43-52

We are now returning to the Gentiles.

Paul and Barnabas' pastoral and missionary visit to Antioch was an occasion for encouragement of faith of the Jewish converts and an opening up of life of faith to the Gentiles. In some sense, every effort of evangelization contains both an opportunity to encourage the faith life of those who already believe and to welcome new members into the community of faith.

SECOND READING: Revelation 7.9: 14b-17

*The lamb will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life.*

John's vision of heavenly community of salvation underscores the universal, liturgical, and ministerial dimensions of the Church on earth. John's vision reminds us that the Church on earth welcomes all who believe, worships the Lord in spirit and truth, and serves the Lord, not as isolated individuals, but as a reconciled community of faith.

GOSPEL: John 10: 27-30

I give my sheep eternal life.

Jesus links the guarantee of the salvation of his sheep to his unity with the Father. As his sheep listen to his voice and follow him, any attempt to wrestle the sheep away from him will be thwarted by the power of God. To hear the voice of Jesus is to dwell in communion with the living God. God's gift of salvation embraces us within the sheepfold of his beloved Son, the Church.

