

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Tues., March 30</b>	<b>7:00 pm.</b>	<b>John &amp; Helen Brazil; Granville Hunt; Margaret &amp; Moses Cummings</b>
<b>Wed., March 31</b>	<b>7:00 pm.</b>	<b>Richard O'Brien, Bill &amp; Marie Cahill; Patrick McCarthy; Bill Murphy</b>
<b>Holy Thursday, April 1</b>	<b>7:00 pm.</b> <b>11:30 pm.</b>	<b>Ronald J. Kavanagh; Pauline Peckham; Thomas Rees</b> <b>Evening Prayer</b>
<b>Good Friday April 2</b>	<b>3:00 pm.</b> <b>7:00 pm.</b>	<b>The Passion and Death of Our Lord</b> <b>Stations of The Cross</b>
<b>Holy Saturday April 3</b>	<b>8:30 pm.</b>	<b>Easter Vigil</b> <b>Frank &amp; Frankie Pendergast; Rita &amp; William Yetman; Thomas &amp; Mary Anne Lewis; Jack &amp; Roda Kent; Margaret, John &amp; Agatha Flynn; Michael Whalen; Kevin Kent</b>
<b>Easter Sunday April 4</b>	<b>10:30 am.</b>	<b>Mass of Easter Morn</b> <b>Parishioners Living and Deceased</b> <b>St. Michael's Parish</b>

**PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION - MARCH 28:** "The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious." Docility in prayer is essential to vocation discernment. Are you open to a vocation to priesthood, diaconate or the consecrated life? Contact Fr. Steve Courtney 726-3660, [stjohnsvocations@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsvocations@gmail.com).

**LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE:** **Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2pm.** Let us allow the Palm Sunday message and the echoes of the Passion resound in our hearts. Invite every member of your family and all your neighbors to join you in this community conversion as a good preparation for the Easter Joy you are awaiting.

**CEMETERY MASSES 2010:** We will be having our cemetery masses on July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm at the Front, and August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2:00pm at Lance Cove.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION – MARCH 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2010**

<b>Offertory (113 Envelopes) .....</b>	<b>\$1538.50</b>
<b>Dues (6 Envelopes) .....</b>	<b>\$80.00</b>
<b>Development &amp; Peace (9 Envelopes) .....</b>	<b>\$114.00</b>
<b>Lenten (1 Folder).....</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>Irish Weekend Proceeds .....</b>	<b>\$1967.50</b>
<b>Flower Donations .....</b>	<b>\$450.00</b>
<b>THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!</b>	

**FOR COMPLETE LITURGICAL MINISTERS – SEE LIST INSERT**

	<b>HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 1</b>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2</b>
<b>USHERS:</b>	<b><u>7:00 PM. Mass:</u></b> <b>George Jackman, Keith Pitts, Pat Murphy, George Hickey</b>	<b><u>3:00 PM. Liturgy:</u></b> <b>Leo Byrne, Chris Murphy</b> <b>Brian Tulk, Fred Carroll</b> <b><u>7:00 PM. Stations of The Cross:</u></b> <b>Joe Bartlett, John Galway, George Hickey, Jason Hickey</b>

	<b>HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 3</b> <b>8:30 P.M.</b>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4</b> <b>10:30 A.M.</b>
<b>USHERS:</b>	<b>George Jackman, Keith Pitts, Pat Murphy, George Hickey</b>	<b>Tom Cole, Kevin Delahunty Ray Whalen</b>

**DEEPEST SYMPATHIES:** To all the family and friends of Theresa Lahey. Our prayers are with you.

**WORLD DAY FOR YOUTH IN ROME – MARCH 28:** Ever since Pope John Paul's invitation to youth to join him in the Palm Sunday Mass, thousands of young people from every country and diocese all over the world have been travelling to St. Peter's Square in Rome to take part. Apart from the Procession with Blessed Palms and the mass, the Pope always has a special message for young people. The Popes message this year is "Good Teacher! What must I do to inherit eternal life?"

**THE ARCHBISHOPS DINNER & AUCTION:** Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

**SILENT VIGIL FOR THE UNBORN:** The NL Right to Life Association will hold its annual Good Friday Vigil on April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30-10:30am. in the west parking lot of the Health Science Centre. This vigil is a peaceful and prayerful gathering to witness to our belief in the sacredness and value of all human life from conception to natural death.

**PRAYER FOR HAITI – PASSION SUNDAY:** Redemptorist Fr. Thomas Son, Port-au-Prince, has prepared a slide presentation entitled Requiem. Join us to watch Requiem as we come together as a community to remember, hope and pray. St. Teresa's Church, Sun., Mar. 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm. All are welcome. Bring a friend!

**PASCHAL FAST:** The Paschal fast should be observed everywhere on **Good Friday** and continued, where possible, on Holy Saturday. This means no eating of meat and no eating between meals. Those **14** and over are bound to abstain from meat while those **18 - 59** years of age are bound by the laws of fasting. In this way people of God will receive the joys of the Lord's resurrection with uplifted and responsive hearts.

**"CEAD MILE FAILTE":** "A hundred thousand thank you's" for all who planned, prepared, created, donated, patronized and brought us through our three days of fun for St. Patrick's annual festivities at St. Michael's Parish. It was a howling and financial success. We are still receiving donations from those who were unable to attend.

**TOP TEN QUESTIONS CATHOLICS ARE ASKED:** This is a 10-session multi-media program based on the popular apologetics pamphlet from Our Sunday Visitor. The sessions will take place on Monday evenings beginning 8:00pm., April 12<sup>th</sup> at St. Pius X Church library (after 7:30 Mass). The focus of the sessions is to discuss what it means to be Catholic and to learn to present the Catholic faith to those who might have questions. Facilitator is Catholic convert/ former Protestant pastor, Eric Alcock.

**OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS:**

**"How does God Speak to Our Hearts":** Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, from 2– 5pm at the Pastoral Center, **SUPPER WILL BE PROVIDED.** Through discussions and reflection, youth will look at how God speaks to them and what they feel that God is calling them to do. (This is the last session in the series of sessions for those youth who have been attending since November, 2009).

**MUN Chaplaincy: Good Friday Prayer Walk** - Starts at St. John's Chapel (in the School of Social Work building - across from the Arts and Culture Centre on Prince Philip Drive) on MUN campus. The walk starts at 10:00am. and takes approximately 1.5 hours, with refreshments served afterwards. Parking is available in Lot 22, next to the chapel. Dress warmly, and wear comfortable footwear, as we'll be stopping at various places around campus to hear the stories of the Stations of the Cross. All are welcome. Let's journey together on this most solemn day.

**Weekly Mass** held Sunday Evenings at 6:00 pm. Mass is celebrated at St. John's College Chapel (School of Social Work building). Spread the word to the students in your life who may not be aware of this. All are Welcome!

**OBERRAMERGAU 2010 ~ THE PASSION PLAY:** 15 day escorted tour May 16<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Accommodations and travel included. Price is \$4611.00 per person taxes included from St. John's. Hurry there are only a few seats left. For complete details contact Sandra Parsons – [sparsons@harveystravel-cwt.com](mailto:sparsons@harveystravel-cwt.com).



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### ***PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION***

***MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2010***

#### ***REFLECTION:***

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 50: 4-7**

*I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.*

*The Lord helps me, therefore I have not been disgraced.*

Faithful proclamation itself opened the suffering servant to the calumny and abuse of the crowds; yet he endured mistreatment and continued to proclaim God's word. His fidelity is our salvation.

**SECOND READING: Philippians 2: 6-11**

*Jesus humbled himself. Therefore God highly exalted him.*

The incarnation is portrayed as the self-emptying of divinity through the embrace of our humanity. The Crucifixion is portrayed as the self-emptying of humanity through the embrace of a violent and cruel death. This twofold act of self-emptying love is both God's complete and total embrace of our existence and a summons to imitate the Lord in our relations with one another.

**GOSPEL: Luke 22: 66-23. 49**

*The passion of Jesus Christ, the Lord.*

In the Lord's passion and death, the very issue of greatness is played out. As the disciples, political leaders, religious groups, and crowds display the weakness of betrayal, refusal to take responsibility for their actions, scapegoating and condemnation of the innocent, Jesus' greatness is displayed in steadfast fidelity, the forgiveness of sin, and the promise of life in the kingdom.

**Sanctuary Candle in Memory of Susan Foley**