

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Tuesday, May 18</b>	<b>7:00 pm.</b>	<b>Margaret, Nicky &amp; Albert Ash; Marjorie Bishop; Charles Sr. &amp; Jr. Bown</b>
<b>Wed., May 19</b>	<b>9:30 am.</b>	<b>Carl &amp; Peter Nolan Jr.; Joseph Somerton; Christine Bown</b>
<b>Thursday, May 20</b>	<b>7:00 pm.</b>	<b>Deceased Family of the Bown Family; Ronald, Ricky &amp; Marie Brown; Margaret Brown</b>
<b>Friday, May 21</b>	<b>9:00 am.</b>	<b>Joseph Butler; Annie, John &amp; Sandra Byrne; Marie Cole</b>
<b>Saturday, May 22</b>	<b>4:00 pm.</b>	<b>Confessions</b>
<b>Saturday, May 22</b>	<b>5:00 pm.</b>	<b>Leonard Quinlan; Thomas &amp; Gerald Coombs &amp; Marge Sweeney &amp; Mary Catherine McCarthy; Dave Cole; Stan Carroll; Dick Cummings; Bill Murphy; Thomas Rees</b>
<b>Sunday, May 23</b>	<b>10:30 am.</b>	<b>Parishioners Living and Deceased St. Michael's Parish</b>

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER– MAY 16 – ASCENSION OF THE LORD:** “You will be My witnesses to the ends of the earth.” If you think the Lord may be inviting you to carry on His mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life. Contact Fr. Steve Courtney 726-3660, [stjohnsvocations@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsvocations@gmail.com).

**ST. JOHN VIANNEY VOCATIONS SUPPORT GROUP:** Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm at Mary Queen of Peace Church. This meeting is open to Men between the ages of 18-50 who are considering a call to priesthood.

**VOCATIONS HOLY HOUR:** At Mary Queen of Peace Church Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm. All are welcome to gather to pray for vocations.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION – MAY 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2010**

<b>Offertory (108 Envelopes) .....</b>	<b>\$138.50</b>
<b>Dues (2 Envelopes) .....</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>
<b>Archbishops Appeal (14 Envelopes).....</b>	<b>\$400.00</b>
<b>Papal Charities (4 Envelopes).....</b>	<b>\$37.00</b>
<b>Lenten (1 Folder).....</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>In memory of: Bill Hammond.....</b>	<b>\$35.00</b>

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!**

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

	<b>SATURDAY, MAY 22 5.00 P.M.</b>	<b>SUNDAY, MAY 23 10:30 A.M.</b>
<b>READERS:</b>	<b>Colin Taylor John Kent</b>	<b>Ros Hurley Patricia King</b>
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:</b>	<b>Pat Murphy Jody Whelan</b>	<b>Keith Kent Connie Cole</b>
<b>PRESENTATION OF GIFTS:</b>	<b>Shirley Murphy Carol Clarke</b>	<b>Bev &amp; Sid Rees</b>
<b>USHERS:</b>	<b>Joe Bartlett John Galway George Hickey Jason Hickey</b>	<b>Ray Kennedy Alex Newell Ray Whalen Charlie O'Brien</b>
<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY:</b>		<b>Amanda Pendergast</b>

**NOTICE OF KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR 2011-2012:** Parents/guardians of the Eastern School District are advised that registration for the 2011-2012 Kindergarten Program and the 2010-2011 Kinderstart program will take place at St. Augustine's on May 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010 (8:30am–2:30pm each day). Children must be five years of age on or before December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011 in order to register. Your child's MCP card and proof of address must be presented at the time of registration.

**THE ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. JOHN'S:** Invites you to attend the ordination of Mr. Cecil Critch to the Transitional Diaconate on Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at the Basilica of St. John the Baptist at 7:30pm. This is a momentous occasion for the Archdiocese and Cecil as he prepares for his ordination to the Priesthood. All are Welcome

**HOME RELIGION PROGRAM UPDATE:** There will be a final practice/rehearsal for **all Confirmation & First Eucharist candidates on Sunday, May 16, 2010, at 2:00 p.m.** in order to fully prepare them for receipt of these sacraments. It is important that the **Confirmation sponsors** attend this meeting also, if it is possible for them to do so. 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.

**PRAY GLOBALLY:** On Pentecost Sunday May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm., join local Christians in the Global Day of Prayer at the Basilica of St. John the Baptist.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2011:** There will be a meeting for all those interested in attending WYD 2011. Those interested must be 18 years of age or older as of August 2011. Our Archdiocesan Deadline for those wishing to attend WYD will be Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing you all there.

**THE STEUBENVILLE ATLANTIC 2010:** All are welcome to join in mass followed by Eucharistic Adoration to pray for the upcoming Conference. This evening will include mass, gentle contemporary Christian music interspersed with contemplative silence. Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 8:00pm at the Marian Chapel in the Basilica.

**PHILOMENA CHAFE MEMORIAL PILGRIMAGES TO STE ANNE DE BEAUPRE:** Visits to St. Joseph's Oratory and Cap de la Madeleine - Group 1: June 8<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, Group 2: August 17<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> (20th Memorial Pilgrimage). Please contact: Joanne Chafe 579-7924. Visits to Cap de la Madeleine and St. Joseph's Oratory also from St. John's to and from Montreal via Air Canada, August 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>. Contact 364-4944 or 579-6130.

**THE RIGHT TO LIFE ASSOCIATION Walk for Life and Family Fun Day** will be held on Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. Registration at St. Teresa's Parish Hall, Mundy Pond at 9:30am. Walk around Mundy Pond, back to St. Teresa's Parish Hall for food and fun. Participants in the walk can enter their name in a draw for a "Spa Basket" valued at \$175.00 of services and products. For information and sponsor sheets call 579-1500.

**ASSERTIVE COMMUNICATION:** Have you ever wished that you could express yourself more clearly? Learn how communication is linked to (expressing) our feelings, and how it can be "honed" to help improve everyday relationships with Tracy Duffy, M.Ed (Psych), Certified Family Counsellor. Begins: Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00-9:30pm (6 wks). To register call Sr. Loretta Walsh or Helen MacKinnon at 579-0168 or email: [flb@nf.aibn.com](mailto:flb@nf.aibn.com).

**NEWFOUNDLAND CATHOLIC RENEWAL** is hosting its annual summer conference on August 6<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>. Keep Your Eyes Fixed on Jesus Always. The conference will be held at Corpus Christi Parish in St. John's. The guest speaker will be Father Tim Devine, CC of Ottawa. To register, please call Rita at 747-9730.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING:** Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup> for the election of new Executives. Please make a special effort to attend.

**ST. MICHAEL'S REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL:** On Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> St. Michael's High School is holding its annual Dinner Theatre and Silent Auction. Please phone the school at 488-2828 to reserve your ticket/table. Price is \$20.00 each or 2 for \$30.00. We are looking forward to your support!



## ***St. Michael's Parish***

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### ***ASCENSION OF THE LORD***

***MAY 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2010***

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

##### **FIRST READING: Acts 1: 1-11**

*As the disciples were watching, Jesus was lifted up.*

Stephen's imitation of the Passion of Jesus extends to the surrender of his spirit into the Father's hands and his behest for the forgiveness of the sin of his persecutors. Stephen's fidelity seems empowered by a vision of God's glory that confirms Jesus' claim that he was the Son of Man. Thus, Stephen judges his persecutors with mercy as he beholds a vision of the one who comes to judge the living and the dead.

##### **SECOND READING: Ephesians 1: 17-23**

*God seated Jesus at his right hand in heaven.*

Jesus proclaims to John that he is the Alpha and the Omega, and that he beckons all people to life in the kingdom. As the one who fulfills the messianic promise in the line of David, he offers life to all who accept his invitation.

##### **GOSPEL: Luke 24: 46-53**

*Jesus withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven.*

The prayer of Jesus reveals to us the depths of his heart's desire. Jesus prays for all who will come to believe in him through the preaching of the apostles. He prays for their unity that is the gift of God's indwelling, so that all may come to believe. Jesus' hunger for the salvation of all is to be made manifest in the life of the Church.