

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Wed., September 15</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>John &amp; Marjorie Cahill; Myles Brazil; Madge Fitzgerald</b>
<b>Thurs., September 16</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Joanne Gamberg; Pat McCarthy; Maria Dwyer</b>
<b>Fri., September 17</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Moses &amp; Margaret Cummings; Philip Kavanagh; Carmel Butler</b>
<b>Sat., September 18</b>	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Confessions</b>
<b>Sat., September 18</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Leanard Quinlan; William &amp; Sarah Curnew; Charles &amp; Rita O'Brien; James &amp; Maria Kelly; Colleen Cummings; Billy, Brian &amp; Miller Family; Fronie Kent</b>
<b>Sun., September 19</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Parishioners Living and Deceased St. Michael's Parish</b>

**MUN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY:** Calling all MUN students and young adults 18 years and over! MUN Catholic Community will be hosting a fall retreat on Saturday, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, 9– 5, at Mary Queen of Peace Parish on Torbay Road with 5:00 p.m. mass to follow. The theme is Hide and Seek: Where is God in your life? Cost is \$5.00 with lunch and snacks included! Come share in faith, fellowship and fun! To register contact Michelle at 749-3373 or email: [muncatholics@muncsc.ca](mailto:muncatholics@muncsc.ca).

**GREETINGS FOR SISTER PHYLLIS:** Sister Phyllis is recovering well after surgery! If you wish to send a get well card, her address is: McAULEY CONVENT 250 Waterford Bridge Rd. St. John's NL. A1E 1E3. Please keep Sister Phyllis in your prayers.

**WORKSHOP ON THE NEW ROMAN MISSAL:** Fr. Bill Burke Director of the National Liturgy has accepted the Archbishops invitation to present a workshop in the Archdiocese on the New Roman Missal. Monday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> from 10-4 p.m. is for all Priests to attend; Tuesday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, 9:30-4 p.m. is for Priests and Parish Leaders. Workshop held at the Pastoral Center. Lunch provided.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION - SEPT. 5, 2010**

<b>Offertory (95 Envelopes) .....</b>	<b>\$1230.00</b>
<b>Dues (7 Envelopes) .....</b>	<b>\$115.00</b>
<b>Stations of the Cross (1 Envelope) .....</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>Cemetery (1 Envelope) .....</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!</b>	

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

	<b>SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18</b> <b>5.00 P.M.</b>	<b>SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19</b> <b>10:30 A.M.</b>
<b>READERS:</b>	<b>Karen Seward</b> <b>Jody Whelan</b>	<b>Christine Quinlan</b> <b>Valerie Gorman</b>
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:</b>	<b>Art Whelan</b> <b>Irene Delahunty</b>	<b>Des McCarthy</b> <b>Teresita McCarthy</b>
<b>PRESENTATION OF GIFTS:</b>	<b>Lydia Brazil</b>	<b>Stephanie Tobin Family</b>
<b>USHERS:</b>	<b>Leo Byrne</b> <b>Brian Tulk</b> <b>Chris Murphy</b> <b>Fred Carroll</b>	<b>Tom Cole</b> <b>Kevin Delahunty</b> <b>Ray Whalen</b>

**20 MILLION PEOPLE SUFFER THE FLOODS OF PAKISTAN:** *“...as often as you did it to one of these, even the least of my brothers and sisters, you did it to me.” (Matthew 24:40)* Many have lost family members; many are hungry, sick and homeless. If you wish to express gratitude to God and solidarity with the suffering people of Pakistan, make an offering, mark it for “The Pakistan Victims” and the Canadian Bishops will ensure the Canadian government matches every dollar you give.

**OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS**

**World Youth Day:** Meeting Thursday Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> at the Pastoral Centre from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm for all those attending WYD in Spain in 2011. Catechesis for this meeting will be a Reflection and Discussion of the WYD Theme.

**MUN:** On Sunday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, there will be Mass at St. John's Chapel at 4:00 p.m., celebrated by Archbishop Martin Currie. Mass will be celebrated each week at the St. John's Chapel with priests from the Archdiocese presiding. All Are Welcome!

**BISHOPS' COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA:** This annual collection will be held in most parishes in Canada next weekend. The monies raised will be sent to our diocese, which will be used to help pay its annual contribution to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. Through the work of the Bishops of Canada, the Conference is involved in national and international areas of pastoral activity, including social justice, ecumenical and interfaith relations, collaboration with Aboriginal Peoples, life and family issues, liturgy, catechesis, doctrine and relations with Catholic associations and movements. Its also provides the Bishops a forum to share their experiences and insights on the life of the Church and the major events that shape our society.

**HOME RELIGION PROGRAM:** Registration forms for the Home Religion Program are now available for pickup at the back of the Church. Please complete the registrations for your children and return them to the Church as soon as possible. Registration for your child/children will take place on Sunday, September 26, at the Parish Hall at 2 p.m. We are hoping that the Catechetical Director from the Archdiocese will attend. The registration fee this year will be \$15 per child. We anticipate the return of all candidates who are continuing their programs from last year, and we encourage you to remind your friends of the registration dates.

For your information, the program is broken down as follows:

**Children's Liturgy:** This takes place during the celebration of Mass on Sundays and is recommended for children ages 5 years and older. At these sessions, children will focus on the liturgy of the day in a language they will understand. They will be completing activities related to the readings of that particular Sunday, and parents are encouraged to register their children for this program.

**Year 1 Program:** This is a faith preparation program only. Children will not receive sacraments during this year of the program. It is a very crucial year in their faith development and should be completed prior to moving into their sacramental preparation in Year 2 of the Home Religion Program. Children should be at least 5 years old (with birthday being before December 31 to turn 6) or 6 years of age.

**Year 2 Program:** During this year, children will continue their faith development while preparing for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist.

**Year 3 Program:** During this year, children will continue their faith development while preparing for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation/Penance.

After having been fully initiated in the Church with the receipt of the sacraments completed, we encourage the participation of youth in various activities within the Church on an ongoing basis. We encourage them to sign up for any of the ministries for which they may be interested.

**Please Note:** It is vital that all children and families attend the celebration of Mass weekly and we encourage families to make the necessary efforts to do so regularly. As parents/guardians, you are the role models for your children and set the example they will likely follow throughout their entire lives. This is a great responsibility and involves a commitment on your part that won't go unrewarded.



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

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### ***TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***

***SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2010***

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

**FIRST READING:** *Exodus 32: 7-11, 13-14*

*The Lord changed his mind about the disaster he has planned to bring upon the people.*

God's promise protects his chosen people even in the midst of their infidelity. Moses appeases God's wrath against the idolatry of Israel not by proposing a plan of repentance, but by the recollection of God's promise of prosperity to Abraham, Isaac, and Israel. The embrace of God's fidelity invites us to gratitude and imitation.

**SECOND READING:** *Timothy 1: 12-17*

*Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.*

Paul has experienced the saving grace of Jesus Christ and is so astounded by his own conversion that he proposes his experience as a sign of hope for all people. We are all invited to be people of hope.

**GOSPEL:** *Luke 15: 1-32*

*There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who repents.*

A woman diligently searches for a lost coin, and a shepherd searches for a lost sheep. A father waits in hope for the return of his lost son. Jesus spoke these parables to the religious authorities as he dined among the tax collectors and sinners. Yes, in Jesus, God has come to seek out what is lost, and in our being found God rejoices!