

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Tues., April 5</b>	7:00 p.m.	Gregory & Elizabeth Gorman; Fintan Hammond; Helen & John Hann
<b>Wed., April 6</b>	9:30 a.m.	James Conway; Veronica Fitzgerald Kevin Flynn
<b>Thurs., April 7</b>	7:00 p.m.	William Ford; Henry Grzeskowiak; Bernard Hall
<b>Fri., April 8</b>	9:00 a.m.	Mary (Mollie) Delahunty; Shirley Jackman; Edward F. Hammond
<b>Fri., April 8</b>	Following 9 a.m. Mass	Public Way of the Cross
<b>Sat., April 9</b>	4:00 p.m.	Confessions
<b>Sat., April 9</b>	5:00 p.m.	Darlene (Curnew) Boudreau; Mary Ann & Thomas Lewis & Special Intention; Mose & Margaret Cummings; David Gosine; Annie May Ryan; Anastatia & Thomas Cole
<b>Sun., April 10</b>	10:00 a.m.	Parishioners Living and Deceased St. Michael's Parish

**HOME RELIGION PROGRAM:** Next meeting date will be Sunday, **April 10, 2011**, at **St. Michael's Parish Hall** at **2:00 p.m.** for **all children** registered in the Home Religion Program. Parents are not required to attend.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING:** There will be a meeting of the Knights of Columbus members on **Friday, April 15, 2011 at 8 p.m.** All members are requested to attend.

### **PARISH COMMITTEES MEETING DATES:**

**Liturgy Committee:** Tuesday, April 5, at 7:30 p.m.  
**Finance Committee:** Wednesday, April 6, at 7:30 p.m.  
**Parish Council:** Thursday, April 7, at 7:30 p.m.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	<b>SATURDAY, APRIL 9 5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>SUNDAY, APRIL 10 10:00 A.M.</b>
<b>READERS:</b>	Pat Craig Christine Tulk	Ros Fitzgerald Diana Durdle
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:</b>	Fred Carroll Mary Power Jody Whelan Rosemary O'Keefe	Des McCarthy Teresita McCarthy Geraldine Fitzgerald Patricia King
<b>PRESENTATION OF GIFTS:</b>	Irene & Kevin Delahunty	Tom Cole Family
<b>USHERS:</b>	Joe Bartlett John Galway George Hickey Jason Hickey	Ray Whalen Charlie O'Brien Bill Ford
<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY:</b>		Crystal Clarke

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT:** “The Lord looks on the heart.” Are you being called to do the deeds of Christ as a priest or in the consecrated life, proclaiming the reign of the loving mercy of God our Father? Call Fr. Steve Courtney, Director of Vocations, 279-1625 or email: [vocations@nf.aibn.com](mailto:vocations@nf.aibn.com)

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION - MARCH 27, 2011

<b>Offertory (90 Envelopes)</b> .....	<b>\$1654.00</b>
<b>Dues (32 Envelopes)</b> .....	<b>\$552.00</b>
<b>Initial (1 Envelope)</b> .....	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>Lenten Folders (2)</b> .....	<b>\$40.00</b>
<b>In Memory of Peter K. Kent</b> .....	<b>\$100.00</b>
<b>Roof Fund (3 Envelopes)</b> .....	<b>\$355.00</b>
<b>Flower Donations</b> .....	<b>\$125.00</b>

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!**

**VISION TV:** The National Catholic Mission 2011, “The Heart of the Matter,” will be broadcast on VISION TV on Monday, April 18 (Part 1) and Tuesday, April 19 (Part 2) at 8:30 p.m. and repeated at 11:30 p.m. It will feature Fr. Jack Lynch, SFM; Fr. Donald Senior, C.P.; and Sister Melannic Svoboda, SND. Fr. Senior will talk about the challenge of reconciliation in our families, our Church, and in our world.

**REQUEST FOR PRAYERS:** Very Rev. Francis Puddister, V.G. has been diagnosed with cancer and will begin chemotherapy treatment in the very near future. Please keep Father Puddister in your prayers.

**EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS:** This is the time of year when we place our order for the supply of flowers for the Easter Season. If you wish to donate to the purchase of these flowers in loving memory of your loved ones, please submit your donation to the Parish Office or put it in an envelope and place it in the Church collection with the names of those you wish to pray for at the Easter liturgies. Thank you for your continued support.

**WAY OF THE CROSS:** The Church will be open from 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. each day during Lent for those who wish to pray the Way of the Cross privately.

**HOLY THURSDAY CELEBRATION:** Anyone interested in participating in the Holy Week services by volunteering to have their feet washed on Holy Thursday, please contact the Parish Office at 488-2525 or Rosanne Grant at 488-2190. It is a very humbling experience but a very honourable one that is vital to our Easter Tridium Ceremonies.

**COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX PROGRAM:** The Community Volunteer Income Tax Program is a community-based outreach program. Trained volunteers are available to help seniors and low-income individuals with simple tax situations complete their income tax returns. It's a free service. For details, call 772-3275 or 1-800-993-3275.

**BASILICA FLIPPER DINNER (IN AID OF THE GREEN HEAT CAMPAIGN):**

**Tuesday, April 26, at 6:00 pm** – Terra Nova Council Knights of Columbus, St. Clare Avenue (rear entrance). Dinner/Dessert/Tea/Coffee: **\$20.00**. Alternate Dinner: Chicken Breast. Take outs available at 6:30 pm. **Tickets:** Basilica Office- 754-2170, also at 722-4146, 576-0369.



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## ***FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT***

**APRIL 3, 2011**

### ***REFLECTION:***

**FIRST READING:** *1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13*

*David was anointed king over Israel.*

God's ways are not our ways. When Samuel comes to anoint a new king from among Jesse's sons, no one thinks to call the youngest, David, to be presented to the prophet. It was the firstborn, after all, who was to be specially dedicated to the Lord according to the law. But God's way of seeing is not like ours. He has chosen David, and after the boy is anointed by the prophet Samuel, "the spirit of the Lord rushed upon" him.

**SECOND READING:** *Ephesians 5.8-14*

*Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.*

An ancient name for Baptism was "enlightenment," and in this passage Saint Paul quotes what scripture scholars believe is an ancient baptismal hymn: "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light." Saint Paul equates light with Christ and the fruits of the Christian life.

**GOSPEL:** *John 9.1-41*

*The man who was blind washed his eyes and came back able to see.*

Jesus' healing of the man born blind is told in a carefully patterned, gradual unfolding, as the man who was blind moves from darkness to light, ignorance to understanding. For the disciples, the blind man illustrates the question they want to ask Jesus about the nature of sin and human suffering. But to Jesus, he is more: his blindness is an instrument of grace, to reveal the "works of God," to testify to Jesus as the "light of the world."

*Sanctuary Candle in Memory of Darlene (Curnew) Boudreau*