

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Sat., March 5</b>	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Confessions</b>
<b>Sat., March 5</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Bridget Mackey; Roxy Childs; Rita Yetman; Joanne Gamberg; Mike Dwyer; John &amp; Doraval Skinner; William Neary</b>
<b>Sun., March 6</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Parishioners Living and Deceased St. Michael's Parish</b>

**EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:** “Thus should one regard us, as servants of Christ.” Are you being called to serve the Lord and others in the consecrated life or priesthood? Call Fr. Steve Courtney Director of Vocations, 279-1625 or email: [stjohnsvocations@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsvocations@gmail.com).

**FAMILY LIFE BUREAU:** For Counseling services or to register for any of the following classes: Power of Positive Parenting, Mindfulness, The Marriage Course, Boundaries, please call Sr. Loretta Walsh, Director, or Helen MacKinnon at 579-0168 or email: [flb@nf.aibn.com](mailto:flb@nf.aibn.com) –Website: [www.stjohnsarchdiocese.ca/flb](http://www.stjohnsarchdiocese.ca/flb).

**BEREAVEMENT TEAM VOLUNTEERS:** One of the most important ministries in our parish is being present to the families who deal with the death of a loved one. We need more people to be part of our Bereavement Teams. Please volunteer to help with this invaluable service.

**COUNTDOWN FOR LENT:** Lent is a time for penance and repentance, for almsgiving and prayer, for working to change attitudes that are not pleasing to God.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION - FEB. 20, 2011**

<b>Offertory (91 Envelopes)</b> .....	<b>\$1177.50</b>
<b>Dues (2 Envelopes)</b> .....	<b>\$25.00</b>
<b>Roof Fund (2 Envelopes)</b> .....	<b>\$25.00</b>
<b>Initial (1 Envelope)</b> .....	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>New Years (1 Envelope)</b> .....	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>In Memory of James Traverse</b> .....	<b>\$25.00</b>
<b>Marion Gear</b> .....	<b>\$100.00</b>
<b>Karl Kent</b> .....	<b>\$200.00</b>
<b>THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!</b>	

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	<b>SATURDAY, MARCH 5</b> <b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>SUNDAY, MARCH 6</b> <b>10:00 A.M.</b>
<b>READERS:</b>	<b>Jasmine Brazil</b> <b>John Kent</b>	<b>Ros Hurley</b> <b>Sid Rees</b>
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:</b>	<b>Fred Carroll</b> <b>Mary Power</b> <b>Pat Craig</b> <b>Art Whelan</b>	<b>Christine Quinlan</b> <b>Keith Kent</b> <b>Bev Rees</b> <b>Vanita Bartlett</b>
<b>PRESENTATION OF GIFTS:</b>	<b>Lisa Fitzgerald</b> <b>Linda Fitzgerald Kent</b>	<b>Colleen Lahey Family</b>
<b>USHERS:</b>	<b>George Jackman</b> <b>Keith Pitts</b> <b>Pat Murphy</b> <b>George Hickey</b>	<b>Tom Cole</b> <b>Kevin Delahunty</b> <b>Ray Whalen</b>
<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY:</b>		<b>Angela Kitchen</b>

### HEALING REFLECTION & PRAYER:

**J**ESUS took the child by the hand and said, ...“Little girl, I say to you arise!”  
**And immediately the girl, a child of twelve, got up and began to walk around.**  
**On witnessing this, they were all overcome with amazement. --Mk 5:41, 42**

**REFLECTION:** Understanding God's love for all of His children is not always an easy task. We must remember that He died so we all might have life.

***PRAYER:** Lord, through Your love we know that we have been given the task of caregiver to the people that You put in our lives. Help us to understand the greater reward that awaits each one of us: life with You for eternity.*

**DATES TO REMEMBER:** Dinner Theatre July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011  
 Cemetery Mass at The Front – July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
 Cemetery Mass at Lance Cove – August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
 Fall Fair – November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**\*\*\*ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFICE:** Please note the Parish office secretary is no longer available due to commitments. She will miss her time at the Parish office greatly.

**HAPPY 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY!** In honor of her upcoming 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, Mrs. Victoria Carbage will be having a celebration at St. Michael's Hall on Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> following 5:00 p.m. mass. Family – Friends – Everyone is invited to attend. Best wishes only!

**“MARRIAGES FOR MARY” Couples retreat in Medjugorje and St. Joseph's Oratory (April 25-May 5, 2011).** The retreat will begin with a one day visit to St. Joseph's Oratory on April 25th. From there we make our way to Medjugorje where we will stay at Our Lady of The Sacred Heart retreat house owned by, Canadian couple, Patrick and Nancy Latta. The retreat will be led by Father Tim Devine, CC along with other speakers/religious. The cost of the retreat is \$4200. per couple. This cost includes airfare, accommodations, meals, English speaking tour guide and transportation to Holy Mass. For further information call Gerard and Rita McCarthy @ 747- 9730 or email us [marriagesformary@hotmail.ca](mailto:marriagesformary@hotmail.ca).

**MINISTRY LIST:** Our Ministry List for March – June will be done within the next two weeks. If you are unable to be a member for all or part of this schedule, please call Rosanne at 488-2190. New people are encouraged to be part of any or all of these ministries.

**OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS : Youth** - There will be a second Information Session for Steubenville Atlantic on Monday, February 28th 7:00 p.m. All interested, not yet registered should attend this session. For more information Please call Noreen Yetman, Catholic Youth Office at the Archdiocese of St. John's 726-3660 or e-mail [nyetman@nf.aibn.com](mailto:nyetman@nf.aibn.com) or [MaryLou mlsweetapple@nf.aibn.com](mailto:MaryLou mlsweetapple@nf.aibn.com).

**MUN:** Contemplate – A Prayer and Meditation from various traditions will be held on Tuesday, March 1st 5:00 P.M. in the St. John's Chapel at MUN. A simple meal to follow.

MUN Chaplains will be hosting a pancake lunch to all MUN students on Tuesday March 8th at the Landing beginning at 11:00 A.M. Hope to see you there.

**FR. CORAPI'S TALKS ON THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Are you between the age of 19 and 40 and would like to learn more about your Catholic Faith? The Catholic Young Adults of Newfoundland (CYAN) will be presenting Fr. Corapi's tutorials on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The tutorials will be shown in 10 week sessions, with the first session commencing on Thursday, March 3rd from 8 PM until 9:30 PM at the Pastoral Center, Archdiocese of St. John's, 200 Military Road (Basilica). If you have any questions, please call 691-4728.



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### ***EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***

***FEBRUARY 27, 2011***

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

#### **FIRST READING: *Isaiah 49: 14-15***

***The Lord says: I will not forget you.***

God's promise to send Israel a savior to restore, strengthen, and comfort them. But the people seem unable to accept the message of comfort: "my Lord has forgotten me", our reading begins. But God responds with a profession of unshakable love. Could a mother ever cease to love the child she carried in her womb? It seems impossible. Yet, God says, even if she could forget, he will remember. God's care for his people is total and unshakeable.

#### **SECOND READING: *Corinthians 4: 1-5***

***The Lord will disclose the purposes of the heart.***

Paul constantly turns the attention away from himself, toward God. He is not the master, any more than Apollos or Cephas – they are all merely "servants", "stewards", tending and caring for a message that comes from God. And they will be judged on their faithfulness to this trust.

#### **GOSPEL: *Matthew 6: 24-34***

***Do not worry about your life or tomorrow.***

Jesus gives his disciples consoling words: God loves and cares for them more than they can imagine; and God will provide for them, for God feeds the birds and clothes the fields with glory. To worry about things, even the most necessary, is to doubt the care of this "heavenly Father." This consoling image of a great love is also full of challenge, for there is nothing more difficult than letting go of tomorrow to focus on today.

