



Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of St. John's

BULLETIN FOR NOVEMBER 19, 2017

VOCATIONS BULLETIN REFLECTION

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 19, 2017

Well done, good and faithful servant....” How are you called to use your talents? If Christ may be inviting you to faithful service as a priest or consecrated religious, contact the Vocation Office at:

Fr. Jeff Kolonel (709) 745 – 8183; Fr. Ray Earle (709) 488 – 2525 or email:
vocations@rcsj.org

VOCATION GENERAL INTERCESSION

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That today's youth may show generosity to Jesus' call and make wise decisions in choosing their vocation in life, we pray to the Lord.

CURRENT EVENTS

1. CHASE THE ACE

Come out and support the St. Thomas of Villanova Parish. This Sunday's Jackpot is **\$24,762.00**, 50/50 also available.

Date: Sunday, 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Location: St. Thomas of Villanova Parish, Topsail Road, CBS

2. EMERGENCY CAMPAIGN TO HELP ROHINGYA REFUGEES

In light of Tuesday's announcement that the Canadian government is launching the Myanmar Crisis Relief Fund: <https://www.devp.org/en/pressroom/2017/comm2017-11-01>

Development and Peace - Caritas Canada has announced an emergency campaign to help Rohingya refugees. A new section has been added to the website for the emergency campaign, which provides information about the crisis, latest news, and resources to assist animators and parishes in mobilizing our supporters:

<https://www.devp.org/en/emergencies/banladesh>.

Anyone wishing to make a donation that will be matched with funds by the Government of Canada should contribute directly to the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace; you may also place a donation in the collection plate in an envelope, marked with your envelope number.

The Parish will forward donations received to Development and Peace.

Tel. 709-726-3660 Fax 709-726-8021 200 Military Road, P.O. Box 1363 St. John's, NL A1C 5N5

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Vox Clamantis in Deserto

“A Voice Crying in the Wilderness”



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3. ALUMNI/ALUMNAE GROUP

Did you attend a Jesuit school, college or university other than St Bon's or Gonzaga? We're hoping to start an alumni/alumnae group for you.

If interested, please email Fr Joe Mroz SJ ej_mroz@yahoo.ca for more information.

4. IRISH SACRED HEART MESSENGER

Anyone who is interested in ordering the Irish Sacred Heart Messenger magazine. This is a great magazine and would be a wonderful Christmas gift for your friends or your loved ones!

Contact (709) 685 – 2208 for more information

5. MATTHEW 25 OUTREACH INC. ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROJECT

Supporting Gideon's orphanage and school in Kenya. Help us put a smile on a child's face this Christmas. Suggested donation \$25.00.

For more information or to donate please contact Margie Stead: (709)746 – 6492

6. THE DIOCESAN RESOURCE CENTRE

Will be open for Three Saturdays for your Christmas shopping convenience. For cards, ornaments, books and nativities, we have what you need to enjoy the true meaning of Christmas.

Date: November 18th, 25th and December 2nd, 2017, 10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Location: 9 Kings Bridge Rd, St. John's, NL

7. 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Will conduct a ceremonial to admit 3rd Degree Knights into the 4th or Patriotic Degree. Knights are asked to contact their Grand Knight or District Deputy to make the necessary arrangements.

The Honorees for the Degree are the 6 men from Terra Nova Council who made the supreme sacrifice in WWI during this 100 anniversary of the Great War.

If you have questions, please contact the Master of the 4th Degree at (709) 753-2607.

Date: 11:00 a.m., Saturday, November 25th, 2017

Location: St. Patrick's Church, 6 Patrick Street, St. John's, NL



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8. CHRISTMAS DINNER SPONSORED BY SPIRITUAL INNER HEALING MINISTRY

A great evening to prepare yourself for the true meaning of Christmas. For tickets call Yvonne, (709) 368 – 9313 or call Jackie, (709) 747 – 0698 after 5:30 p.m.

Tickets: \$20.00 each. Deadline for Tickets is Friday, December 1st. Get your tickets early to avoid disappointment.

Date: Friday, December 8, 7:00 p.m.

Location: Wesley Church Auditorium, 101 Patrick St., St. John's, NL

COUNSELLING AND PASTORAL SERVICE

9. RUAH COUNSELLING CENTRE

We provide Individual, couple and family counselling.

Located at The Lantern – 35 Barnes Road, St. John's, NL

Fall Group Offerings:

➤ **Parenting Children Course**

Facilitators: Susan Smart, M.Ed. (Couns. Psych), CCC

Dates: October 24 – December 5, 2017 (8 Weeks)

Monday = 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Fee: \$100.00 (price includes course manual)

➤ **Special Topic Series for Single Moms (6 weeks)**

Facilitators: TBA

Dates: October 16 – November 27, 2017

Monday = 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Please note there will be no session on Remembrance Day Holiday, November 13th

Fee: No Fee

To register, visit: <http://rcsj.org/ruah-counselling-centre/group-registration>

For further details, visit <http://rcsj.org/ruah-counselling-centre> or call (709) 579 – 0168 or email: ruah@rcsj.org



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10. THE CENTRE FOR LIFE

The Centre offers free, confidential professional pregnancy and post-abortion counselling.

Please email counsellors@centreforlife.ca or call (709) 579 – 3818

Registration for the fall senior's computer classes is ongoing over the summer. Please call (709) 579 –1500 for more information.

11. THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION (CWLF)

Is accepting applications for its initial Leadership Program for Canadian Catholic women. The Program will be facilitated by the Providence School of Transformative Leadership and Spirituality, Saint Paul University, Ottawa.

For more information about CWLF, the Leadership Program and to complete an application form, visit <http://cwlfcanada.ca>

You can also contact Rita Janes, Chair, CWLF, by phone (709) 722 – 3860 or by email: ritacjanes@gmail.com

RELIGIOUS CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS

12. AWAY IN A MANGER – NATIVITIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Location: The Basilica Museum, 200 Military Road, St. John's, NL
(Immediately west of the Basilica)

Date: December 3 – 23, 2017

Hours: The exhibit is open every day from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., and evenings by request.

Admission: A Gift for a Needy Child (You can leave gifts under our tree)

Please call to book a visit if you are bringing a large group

For More Information:

Call Rene Estrada at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Centre, (709) 726 – 3660, ext. 223 or email: restrada@rcsj.org or Anne Walsh, (709) 726 – 3660, ext. 233, or e-mail awalsh@rcsj.org



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13. CURSILLO 5TH DAY CELEBRATION MEMORIAL MASS

In remembrance of deceased Cursillistas. All Cursillistas and family and friends of deceased Cursillistas are encouraged and welcome to attend.

Date: Thursday, November 23, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

Location: St. Teresa's Parish, 120 Mundy Pond Road, St. John's, NL

14. CURSILLO

Will be holding its Advent Reflection. Birthday celebrations and refreshments to follow.

Date: Saturday, November 25th, 10:00 a.m. at

Location: St. Patrick's Parish Hall, 6 Patrick Street, St. John's, NL

15. RELIGIOUS SOCIAL ACTION COALITION OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR FAIRNESS FOR ALL

Jews, Christians, Muslims, Hindus, Sikhs and others join together towards poverty elimination. Join us for a Community Symposium.

Date: Saturday, November 25, 2017, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: E.B. Foran Room, City Hall, 10 New Gower Street, St. John's.

Registration required: Please email dburrows@parishoftheascension.ca or call (709) 368 – 5693 by November 20, 2017.

Lunch provided by the Hindu Temple. Refreshments provided by the Parish of the Good Shepherd.

16. MISSION

You are invited to attend the Mission of St. Edwards & St. Thomas of Villanova Parishes. To be conducted by Redemptorist Fr. Eugene O'Reilly. Join us and allow Jesus Christ through the richness of His Word, to love you into fullness of life and a deep sense of personal well-being. It will run from Sunday until Wednesday night. Times to be announced

St. Edward's Parish:

Date: November 26th, 28th

St. Thomas of Villanova Parish:

Date: November 26th, 28th



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17. DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Come and hear Brian Whelan and Sharon White in Concert. They will present a repertoire of Sacred and Secular music. Brian and Sharon are known for their music ministries in and around St. John's for the last 30 years. This D&P effort is in aid of the Rohingya Myanmar refugees fleeing to Bangladesh. We are also celebrating our 50 anniversary

Admission is a free will offering at the event.

Please call (709) 753 – 2607 to register. Only limited space is available.

Date: 7:30 p.m., November 28, 2017

Location: The Lantern – 35 Barnes Road, St. John's, NL

18. 21st ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF CAROLS & SCRIPTURE

Listen! Soon the great gift of the Incarnation will be here. To retreat for a brief time from the Christmas hype - as exciting and engaging as that is, Please take a couple of hours to enjoy the advent time of preparation. This is an ecumenical service. Donations gratefully accepted.

Date: The First Sunday of Advent, December 3rd, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

Location: Basilica of St. John the Baptist, 200 Military Road, St. John's, NL

19. INVITATION TO ADVENT REFLECTION

All are welcome to come join us for Advent Sunday Reflections

Theme: Who do people say I am? Who do we say Jesus is? What new insights are emerging for us today to reflect on and contemplate?

To register please call: (709) 754 – 1582

Facilitators: Gerard Whitty and Philip Lewis.

Date: December 3rd, 10th and 17th, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.,

Location: Presentation Retreat House, 47 Parsonage Drive, St. John's, NL



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20. CHRISTMAS CAROLING & SOCIAL REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES

In the spirit of the season and in an endeavor to build our Parish community spirit, we will be having a Christmas Carol sing and social. Put the stress of holiday preparations aside and come and relax and enjoy beautiful music to reflect the true meaning of Christmas, followed by a social.

Carols may be requested in honor of a loved one (living or deceased) for a \$5.00 donation per name. All names will be entered into a Christmas Caroling book to be kept in the Church during the holiday season.

Sign-up sheets and pledge envelopes to request carols for loved ones will be available on the table in the foyer at St. Paul's and the back of the church for St. Francis starting the weekend of October 28th. Envelopes can be left with Carol in the parish office or placed in the collection. Hope to see you there

St. Paul's

Date: December 10th, 2017

Location: 340 – A Newfoundland Drive, St. John's, NL

St. Francis of Assisi

Date: December 17th, 2017

Location: 49 Outer Cove Road, Outer Cove, NL

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

21. YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATES

There are many opportunities in our Archdiocese for youth to get involved with the church, learn more about their faith and meet other young people. Youth groups, youth conferences, evenings of prayer, bible studies, catechesis, social events like movies, bowling, games, and opportunities to volunteer - just to name a few!

There are currently activities for youth from grade 6-12, and this year we will be adding some events specifically for youth in grades 4-6, as well as adults who are interested in getting involved with youth ministry.

If you would like to be added to our upcoming event mailing list, or if you would like to get involved, please contact Sara at sbroderick@rcsj.org



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22. WORLD YOUTH DAY – PANAMA

The next World Youth Day will be held in January 2019 in Panama. This pilgrimage is for young adults, aged 18 – 35 and the theme will be “I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.” (Lk 1:38).

If you would like more information on this pilgrimage, please contact Sara at sbroderick@rcsj.org

23. VIDEO GAME CONTEST

Are you between the ages of 12 – 18 years of age? Do you like playing video games? The Centre for Life is looking for your ideas to create a video game: WHAT CARING FOR HUMAN LIFE LOOKS LIKE.

First Prize: Your choice of either \$100.00 Steam or iTunes card

Second Prize: \$50.00 Steam or iTunes

Third Prize: \$25.00 Steam or iTunes card.

Top prize winner claims their name on opening screen of video game.

Contest closes January 31st, 2018 and winners will be announced on February 28th, 2018.

See contest details on line at <http://www.centreforlife.ca/lifecontest>

Any questions please email info@centreforlife.ca

24. MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND CHAPLAINCY

"If you're going to MUN this fall, be sure to check out the Catholic Chaplaincy.

My office is at UC 3006 (we're right beside the "ASK" desk in the UC - this will make sense when you get there).

We have a Facebook page at MUN Catholic Community and my email is ej_mroz@yahoo.ca

Hope to see you there!

Fr Joseph Mroz SJ, Catholic Chaplain, MUN