



Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of St. John's

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT FOR APRIL 22, 2018

ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL 2018 – CELEBRATING MILESTONES

This year marks important milestones. 2018 marks the 10th anniversary of Archbishop Martin Currie as our Archbishop. It also marks the 50th anniversary of Bishop Currie's ordination to the priesthood. We encourage Parishes of the Archdiocese to have another successful Appeal Collection this year.

The Archbishop's Appeal helps to cover the cost of chaplaincies and spiritual care at hospitals, Her Majesty's Penitentiary, Seniors Homes and Long-Term Care facilities as well as RUAH counseling outreach.

The Archbishop's Appeal Collection will be taken up in Parishes during the weekend Masses April 28th – 29th, May 6th – 7th, May 12th – 13th. Each Parish will determine which one or more of these dates will be a convenient time.

Archbishop's Appeal Committee

Fr. Cecil Critch, VG – Chair

Fr. Wayne Dohey

Mona Morrow

Gerry Phelan

Pat Hayward

Jim McGrath

Dear Friends,

The Holy Sepulchre Cemetery will soon be filled to capacity and in a short time there will be no double plots available. There are single plots available but these are limited. In the near future, we will have to open the new cemetery in Southlands. Based on the few plots in our cemeteries that are currently available, we believe it will likely be summer when the Southlands cemetery opens.

The Southlands cemetery is without a name. If you have any suggestions for a name for our new Southlands cemetery, please contact my secretary, Janet Stead email- jstead@rcsj.org

+Martin W. Currie

Archbishop of St. John's



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VOCATION GENERAL INTERCESSION

Fourth Sunday of Easter – April 22, 2018

For all those called to lay down their lives as priests, deacons, and consecrated religious, that they will be faithful witnesses to the Good Shepherd in our midst, we pray to the Lord.

VOCATIONS BULLETIN REFLECTION – WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Fourth Sunday of Easter – April 22, 2018

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for holy vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If you are considering such a vocation, call Fr. Jeff Kolonel (709) 745 – 8183; Fr. Ray Earle (709) 488 – 2525 or email: vocations@rcsj.org

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS, SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 2018

The purpose of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention, this day, on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), to the Religious life in all its forms (male and female, contemplative and apostolic), to societies of apostolic life, to secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life, in the particular sense of mission "ad gentes".

2018 marks the 55th Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations



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CURRENT EVENTS

1. EARTH DAY GARDEN PRAYER CELEBRATION

Join us to celebrate Earth Day in a Garden Prayer Celebration. Our Program committee will be coming together to celebrate Earth Day in the Garden with a prayer celebration.

Date: Sunday, April 22, 2018, 3:00 p.m. at the

Location: Mercy Centre for Ecology and Justice, 101 Mount Scio Road, St. John's, NL

The service will be followed by a comfortable cup of tea and snacks. All are welcome. For further information call (709) 722-0081

2. NATIONAL ORGAN AND TISSUE DONOR AWARENESS WEEK

APRIL 22nd – 28th, 2018

We pray and honor those who, through Organ and Tissue donation, have given the Gift of Life to others. To give thanks and prayers to honor those who, through Organ and Tissue donation, have given life to others. To give thanks to the families who have considered those in need at their time of greatest sorrow and sadness.

For more information on tissue and organ donation, please contact a donation coordinator at (709) 777 – 6600 or toll free 1 – 877 – 640 – 1110

3. PLASTICS FOR DINNER

The Mercy Centre for Ecology and Justice will sponsor a Public lecture entitled Plastics for Dinner focusing on plastics in the oceans and elsewhere. All are welcome. For further information call (709) 722-0082

Date: Sunday, April 29, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

Location: City Hall, 10 New Gower St, St. John's, NL



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4. ST. PATRICK'S MERCY HOME FOUNDATION – VARIETY SHOW

Join us with your family, visitors and friends in support of the residents of St. Patrick's Mercy Home. Skits, Musicians, Resident Performances, Recitations, 50/50 Draw and Prizes

Date: Thursday, May 3rd, 6:30 p.m.

Location: The St. Patrick's Mercy Home Auditorium, 146 Elizabeth Ave, St. John's, NL

Tickets: \$15.00

Call (709) 752 – 8745 for tickets or information

5. THE ST. JOHN'S AND AREA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Is holding its 20th Anniversary Dinner and Meeting with Guest Speaker: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Geoff Peddle, Anglican Bishop of Eastern NL

Date: Friday, May 04th, 2018

Location: The Salvation Army, 106 Ashford Drive, Mount Pearl, NL

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Music: The Rev. Greg Mercer and Group

Tickets: Contact your denominational representative or George Powell (709) 722 – 5007 or e-mail georgepowell@nl.rogers.com

6. COME “AWAKEN THE ENERGY WITHIN” – 8 WEEK SESSION

For more relaxation, energy, wellness and joy thru Movement sessions with Wisdom Healing Qigong and T'ai Chi Chih Joy! Register at first class

Location: The Lantern, 35 Barnes Road,

Date: April 24th – June 14th, 2018

For more details visit the News menu bar at www.sheilaleonard.ca

You can also contact Sheila at 727-7863 or sheilaleonard@nf.sympatico.ca or The Lantern at (709) 753 – 8760 for more information.

New and returning students welcome!



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7. DO YOU HAVE 2 HOURS TO SPARE IN YOUR WEEK?

Pastoral Care at St. Patrick's Mercy Home is offering you an opportunity to fill these hours as a volunteer. Volunteers are needed to porter residents to the chapel, to be Lectors and Communion Ministers.

The time commitment is two hours between 10:00 a.m. and Noon, Sunday to Friday.

For further information, you may contact: Judy Cook, Volunteer Services, (709) 752-8705 or Theresa Ryan, (709)752-8716.

COUNSELLING AND PASTORAL SERVICES

8. RUAH COUNSELLING CENTRE

We provide individual, couple and family counselling.
Located at The Lantern – 35 Barnes Road, St. John's, NL

Spring Group Offerings:

➤ ***Parenting Teenagers (6 Weeks)***

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

Dates: April 10, 2018 - May 15, 2018 inclusive

Tuesday Evenings = 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Fee: \$100.00

➤ ***Stress Management (8 Weeks)***

Facilitator: Jeff Pardy, M.A., M.Ed. (Couns. Psych.), CCC

Dates: April 19, 2018 - June 7, 2018

Thursday Evenings = 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Fee: \$120.00

➤ ***When You See Red (For Women) (8 Weeks)***

Facilitator: Kim Oldford-Walters, M.Ed, (Couns. Psych), CCC

Dates: April 16, 2018 - June 11, 2018 inclusive

There will be no group meeting on May 21st due to it being a long weekend.

Monday Evenings = 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Fee: \$150.00

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

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



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9. 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 for more information

Seniors computer outreach is ongoing, please call (709) 579 – 1500 for more information

10. CENTRE FOR LIFE COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX PROGRAM

Will be held on Mondays beginning on March 5th to April 30th for seniors.

Please call (709) 579 – 1500 for more information and to make an appointment

RELIGIOUS CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS

11. SEASON OF LENT – EASTER

This 90-day season, from Ash Wednesday to Pentecost Sunday, is one of renewal for each person and the whole church. At the heart of the season is the paschal mystery of Jesus. Lent prepares for it and Easter celebrates it for fifty days.

Can a dialogue between this Paschal Mystery and the Universe Story yield new insights for living our faith today?

We invite you to come to Presentation Sisters Virginia Waters Retreat House for an hour of contemplation, reflection and dialogue

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

Date: February 18th – May 20th
Sunday, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Facilitators: Phil Lewis, Gerard Whitty

Please call (709) 754-1582 to register



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12. EXPERIENCING THE NEW LIFE OF THE RISEN CHRIST IN OUR LIVES

The Easter season is really 50 days long. Let's really celebrate Easter this year by experiencing the new life that the Risen Christ offers us. To help us, St. John's East Zone will be offering an Easter Mission, facilitated by Fr. Trevor Scott, SJ

Using many images and sounds through art, film, music and poetic thought, together we will pray to come to a deeper appreciation of the effects of the Risen Christ within our own lives in new and unexpected ways.

Date: April 29th, 30th and May 01st, 2018, 7:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

Location: St. Pius X Parish, 16 Smithville Crescent, St. John's, NL

13. GOLDEN JUBILEE OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

The Archdiocese of St. John's invite you to come and celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving on the special occasion of Archbishop Currie's 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood.

Date: Friday, May 11th, 2018, 4:00 p.m.

Location: The Basilica Cathedral of St. John the Baptist
200 Military Rd., St. John's, NL

Reception to follow at The Gathering Place
All are welcome!

14. COULD GOD BE CALLING YOU TO BECOME A PRIEST? COME AND SEE!

Men of high school age and up are invited to share an informal meal and conversation with Archbishop Currie and members of the vocations committee about discerning a call to the priesthood.

Date: Sunday May 20th, 4:00 p.m.

Location: St. Patrick's Deanery, 6 Patrick Street, St. John's NL
On the corner of Patrick Street and Deanery Avenue, St. John's.

To RSVP or for more information contact Fr. Jeff Kolonel by email johncone41@hotmail.com or by calling (709) 745 – 8183.

Men under 18 are requested to attend with a chaperone



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15. LATIN MASS

Date: Sunday, 5:15 p.m.

Location: St. Pius X Chapel, 16 Smithville Crescent, St. John's, NL

16. EASTER SEASON REFLECTION: PAINTING THE STARS

We invite you to continue celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ throughout the Easter season of fifty days. Using Bruce Sanguin's resource, "Painting the Stars", we will explore the promise of evolutionary Christian spirituality. This seven-session program includes readings, video input and guided discussion at the Presentation Sisters Virginia Water Retreat Centre

Date: Monday, April 09th, 7:15 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

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

To register, please phone (709) 754 – 1582

17. CATHOLIC RENEWAL SERVICES

Presents seven sessions of Catholic scriptural teachings on the Gospel of Luke by scriptural scholar Frances Hogan of Ireland.

First Session Begins: May 11th, 8:00 p.m.

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

For information call Gerry @ (709) 727 – 4513

18. ST. ANNE'S DEVOTIONS WITHIN MASS

Please join us as we celebrate an evening in honour of St. Anne. St. Anne's Devotions are primarily a call to prayer. They are conducted in the same manner as those at the Shrine of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupre. It is a great opportunity for the elderly, people with disabilities and all others to experience a mini-pilgrimage. Encourage your family and friends to join us. It will be a time of great blessing. Fr. Guy Desrochers C.Ss.R. from the Shrine of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupre will preside at this Mass.

Date: Friday, May 25th, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

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



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19. 2018 CEMETERY SERVICE SCHEDULE

Kilbride: Tuesday July 10th
Mt. Carmel: Tuesday July 17th
Belvedere: Tuesday July 24th
Holy Sepulchre: Tuesday July 31st

20. CELEBRATE FAMILY CONFERENCE

Celebrate is a dynamic Catholic faith-filled weekend for the whole family or for individuals. Celebrate Conferences originated in the UK and have been running successfully there for many years. Inspiring talks, children's age appropriate streams, Mass, worship, and a variety of workshops. Fun and faith for the whole family.

Theme: Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

Speakers: Jenny Baker from UK and Fr. James Fleming.

Date: July 14th – 15th, 2018

Location: All Hallows Church and Immaculate Heart of Mary School
Humber Road, Corner Brook, NL

For information please call Margaret (709) 681 – 2353, or after April 15th, call Amelia at (709) 388 – 1048

Also visit: www.celebratenl.ca or **Facebook:** Celebrate Conference 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. CM STUDY

Are you a young adult between the ages of 19 and 30, with opinions about religion and the Church? Or maybe you have no interest in religion or the Church? If so, check this out!

Contact us at cmstudy@mun.ca

Or scan the barcode



23. NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT

Join over 3000 Catholics across Canada and the USA at this premier conference for the new evangelization. It will feature 6 world-class Catholic speakers on the New Evangelization including Curtis Martin, Sr. Anne Shields, George Weigel, Patrick Madrid, Christy Dupuis and Michael Dopp.

The NES has been designed to inspire Catholics and help them live out their personal call to evangelize. We are incredibly excited to be a host site for the NES. The conference will be webcasted from Ottawa, ON to St. Peter's Parish, Mount Pearl, NL. Be inspired, receive formation, and connect with other Catholics.

Where: St. Peter's Parish, 110 Ashford Drive, Mount Pearl, NL

When: Friday, April 27th and Saturday, April 28th

Registration Cost: \$40.00 per person; Lunch will not be provided.]

Register now at www.newevangelization.ca

24. STEUBENVILLE ATLANTIC - REVEALED

The Steubenville series of conferences are held across North America each year. They seek to invite teens into a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church, empowering them to live as His disciples. These conferences are high energy events featuring inspiring talks, amazing music and worship, and opportunities for encounter with Jesus through the Eucharist and the sacrament of reconciliation.

Each year, young people from our Archdiocese travel to Halifax, NS to attend the "Atlantic" conference. This year, it will be held from July 6-8 at Dalhousie University. Youth between the ages 14-21 are encouraged to join us!

For more information on this conference, please contact Sara at sbroderick@rcsj.org



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25. 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

For more information, please contact catholicnl@gmail.com