



## **Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of St. John's Bulletin Announcements 10 March 2019**

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### **VOCATION GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

#### **March 10, 2019 - First Sunday of Lent**

For all men and women being chosen by Christ to follow Him as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, that they will persevere in the face of temptations against faithfulness to their call, we pray to the Lord.

### **VOCATION BULLETIN REFLECTION**

#### **First Sunday of Lent – March 10, 2019**

“The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart.” Jesus the Eternal Word continues to call many to lives of holiness as priests and in the consecrated life. Could you be one of them? Call Father Jeff Kolonel at (709)745-8183 or Father Ray Earle (709)781-1696 or Father Philip Melvin at (709)754-1195 or email: [vocations@rcsj.org](mailto:vocations@rcsj.org)

### **CURRENT EVENTS**

1. The following are the dates for upcoming Marriage Preparation Courses to be held at Mary Queen of the World, Topsail Road, St. John's.

***March 29 & 30, 2019***

***May 10 & 11, 2019***

***May 31 & June 1, 2019***

*Anyone wishing to schedule for these courses, please call **Theresa Whiffen at 726-3660 ext 236***

2. **Basilica Nativity Window Christmas Ornament and Stained Glass Book to help raise funds toward the Restoration of the Basilica Stained Windows!** Available a Basilica Nativity Window Christmas Ornament, \$10, and Stained Glass Windows of the Basilica: An Illustrated Guide, by John FitzGerald (194 pp., \$25), to help raise funds for the restoration of the Basilica's stained glass windows. Available by pre-order from the Basilica Parish (754-2170) and after all weekend masses at the Basilica.

### **3. THE LEGION OF MARY**

The Legion of Mary will hold their annual Acies Ceremony for all active and auxiliary members at St. Patrick's Church on **Sunday, March 24 at 3:30 PM.**



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### **4. COUGAR FLIGHT 491 TENTH ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE**

On **Tuesday, March 12, 2019 – 7:00 pm** a memorial service in remembrance of Cougar Flight 491 will be held at **Elim Pentecostal Tabernacle**, Kenmount Rd, St. John's, NL ... (a pre-service music begins at 6:30 pm). Reception to follow in the adjacent Parish Centre. Everyone welcome. For further information, please contact Chaplain Christopher Fowler (709) 699-2481; [reverendchristopher@icloud.com](mailto:reverendchristopher@icloud.com) or Chaplain Susan Hall (709) 687-4044; [susan@nl.rogers.com](mailto:susan@nl.rogers.com) Eastern Chaplaincy.

### **5. ST. PATRICK'S PARISH – St. John's**

**Saturday March 16** - Following 4:00 Mass Irish Stew will be served in the Parish Room. Come and enjoy live music and an Irish sing along!

**Our Parish Feast Day, Sunday March 17, St. Patrick's Day-** We will have a weekend of prayer and celebration to mark the Feast Day of the patron Saint of our Parish, St. Patrick!

**Sunday March 17** - Join us at each mass to herald our patron with the singing of Hail Glorious St. Patrick. After Mass share in some Irish fellowship with tea and coffee and some

## **RELIGIOUS CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS**

### **1. BASILICA LENTEN MISSION:**

There will be a **Lenten Mission** at the **Basilica March 10-13**. The theme is "**A Season of Reconciliation and Healing.**"

The Mission preacher is **Father Michael Kelleher, CSSR**, a Redemptorist priest from Limerick, Ireland. Fr. Michael has been a missionary as well as a former Provincial Superior of the Redemptorists in Ireland. He has been involved in support of reconciliation and peace talks in Northern Ireland, Mozambique and Columbia.

**Mission talks: March 10-12 at 7PM.**

**Mission Masses: Monday and Tuesday at 12:10 PM followed by lunch and discussion. Closing Mass and Final Mission Talk -Wednesday, March 13 at 7PM. All welcome!!**

**2. Good Friday Ecumenical Prayer Service For Life April 19th** 9 am at St. Pius X Church on Smithville Crescent .The Centre for Life invites the community to gather in a spiritual fellowship of reflection and prayer for all vulnerable human life in our society. Everyone is welcome. For information please call 579-1500.



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### **3. Pontifical Collection of Good Friday on April 19, 2019 for the benefit of the Holy Land.**

The Pontifical collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on **Good Friday, April 19, 2019**. Each year on Good Friday, our parish is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

As a Pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection helps to maintain not only the Holy Places above all, but also the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to the benefit of the Christian brothers and sisters and the local population.

With gratitude, Father Gilles Bourdeau, OFM, Commissary of the Holy Land

### **4. St. Patrick's Mercy Home Foundation is having its 1st Mixed Dart Tournament**

in support of the residents of **St. Patrick's Mercy Home**. Join us for a day of friendly competition with prizes to be won on **Saturday, March 23, 2019** at **Columbus Hall**, St. Clare Avenue. Cost is \$30 per person (meal included), 5 persons per team with a minimum of 2 females. Call 752-8745 for tickets or information.

### **5. CCO Annual Founders' Dinner is Saturday, March 23**

For details and to register please go to [cco.ca/stjohnsgala](http://cco.ca/stjohnsgala)

Please join us for CCO's annual fundraising dinner. We will hear from CCO's President Jeff Lockert and we will also hear from students involved with CCO who have been impacted by God through their involvement. This is a highlight for many of our friends and supporters - don't miss it! This event will take place at Columbus Hall, 49 St. Clair Ave. in St. John's. Doors open at 5:30pm, dinner will be served at 6pm. Register at [cco.ca/stjohnsgala](http://cco.ca/stjohnsgala). Email [eric.filion@cco.ca](mailto:eric.filion@cco.ca) with any questions.

### **6. ST. PIUS X CHURCH, SMITHVILLE CRES.**

**Formation Sessions for Liturgical and Sacramental Preparation Ministries** - All **current and new** Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, members of Baptism Preparation teams and members of Bereavement Teams in **St. Francis of Assisi, St. Paul's, Mary Queen of Peace** and **St. Pius X** Parishes are invited to attend a workshop to refresh us, build new skills, and offer and training. We ask all current and new participants in these ministries to make every effort to take part. The workshops will take place at St. Paul's Parish on the following dates:

**Baptism Preparation Teams:** Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 pm

**Bereavement Teams:** Tuesday, April 2 at 7:00pm

**Hospitality Minsters:** **Tuesday, April 16** at 7:00pm

Tuesday, April 30 – Make up Night (If Necessary)



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### **7. Matthew 25 Outreach**

(Supporting an Orphanage and School in Kenya)

**We are Hosting St. Paddy's day Afternoon Tea!  
Sunday March 17th 2:00 - 4:00 pm  
Corpus Christi Center Waterford Bridge Rd.**

There will be Tea, Coffee, Cookie's, Juice for the kids, Entertainment and Give-a-Ways. **Tickets are \$5.00 each.**

Each ticket enters your name in a draw for **\$500 in Gift Cards. All Ages Welcome!!!**

If you cannot attend, you can still buy a ticket to have your name entered in the Draw!  
For More Information contact **Margie Stead 746-6492.**

### **8. ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES**

The **One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies** multinational pro-life prayer event is scheduled for 3, 4, and 5 May this year. Persons participating will pray at least one Rosary for the protection of the unborn. For details and to register go to:

<http://www.saintmichaelthearchangelorganization.org>

### **9. TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS - PERMANENT TIME CHANGE**

Traditional Latin Mass at St Pius X Chapel, Smithville Crescent, will commence at 5:00 p.m. **This is a permanent time change.**

### **10. PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA AND MEDJUGORJE**

#### **Interested in going to Fatima and Medjugorje?**

We are planning a pilgrimage to go to both of these locations in September. The trip will be approximately 14-16 days and will include return airfare, accommodations in Fatima and Medjugorje, breakfast/dinner, as well as the services of an English-speaking guide in both locations.

Right now, we are trying to determine how much interest there is to join us in this pilgrimage. For more information, please contact Betty Melvin at (709)745-7436; or email: [bmelvin1@hotmail.com](mailto:bmelvin1@hotmail.com)

## **COUNSELLING AND PASTORAL SERVICES**

### **1. THE CENTRE FOR LIFE**

The Centre offers free, confidential professional pregnancy and post-abortion counselling. Please email [counsellors@centreforlife.ca](mailto:counsellors@centreforlife.ca) or call (709) 579 – 3818. Linda Holden (709) 579 –1500 for more information.



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### **YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

#### **1. Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference - July 2019**

Youth aged 14-21 are invited to join us for Steubenville Atlantic this July!

Steubenville conferences create the opportunity for teens to encounter Jesus Christ and His Church through inspiring talks, amazing music, group discussion and the Sacraments. Each year, a group of young people travel from our Archdiocese to Halifax, NS to attend this conference - it has always been an amazing experience!

This year, the conference will be held from **July 5-7** at Dalhousie University. For more information, please contact Sara at [sbroderick@rcsj.org](mailto:sbroderick@rcsj.org).

#### **2. Catholic Alpha for Youth**

Alpha for Youth is an interactive series that explores the basics of the Christian faith as well as questions about life, faith and God for a new generation. Each session will start with a meal, followed by a short video. After the video, we break into small groups for a relaxed discussion.

This series is open to all youth in our Archdiocese and is appropriate for ages 12-18. There is no cost for registration! Sessions start on Sunday, March 10th at St. Peter's Parish in Mount Pearl. For more information or to register, please visit <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/alpha-youth-series-tickets-33741358311> or contact Sara at [sbroderick@rcsj.org](mailto:sbroderick@rcsj.org).

#### **3. Mass is offered daily at MUN (M-F) at 12 noon in UC3016. All are welcome!**

**4. THE DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGY AND MINISTRY** (Roman Catholic Studies) is offered by the Archdiocese of St John's through Queen's College. Registrations are always being accepted, and you can apply by contacting Queen's College directly at [queens@mun.ca](mailto:queens@mun.ca). In this two-year program, participants are offered the opportunity to explore each of the areas of Roman Catholic Theology— foundations, Moral Theology, Scriptural Studies, Liturgy, Church History, Evangelization and Catechesis and Pastoral Studies and Ministry. For more information contact Anne Walsh at [amfwalsh@gmail.com](mailto:amfwalsh@gmail.com)