



## **Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of St. John's Bulletin Announcements 3 March 2019**

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### **VOCATION BULLETIN REFLECTION**

#### ***Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – March 3, 2019***

“They left everything and followed Jesus.” If you are seeking greater simplicity of life and a closer following of the Lord in prayer and action, consider that He may be calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life. Call Father Jeff Kolonel at (709)745-8183 or Father Ray Earle (709)488-2525 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 1 & 2, 2019***

***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. Finding God in The Unsung Heroes of the Bible**

Due to scheduling difficulties, ***The Unsung Heroes of the Bible*** sessions at St. Pius X Church **will not be held** as planned.

### **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.



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### **5. T'ai Chi Chih and Wisdom Healing Qigong Retreat Day**

Come "Awaken the Energy Within" in the quiet of Virginia Water Retreat House on beautiful Virginia Lake, 47 Parsonage Drive, St. John's for a T'ai Chi Chih (9:30 – 12:30) and Wisdom Healing Qigong (1:30 – 4:30) Retreat Day on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. Open to new and returning participants. Join us for the full day or for the morning or afternoon as your life and time allow. An invitation to step back from the busies of life and winter's teasing to treat yourself! EnJOY! Welcome to bring along your lunch. I invite you to make a donation of food, money or your time to someone of your own choosing as an energy exchange. Please pre-register by contacting Sheila at 727-7863 or [sheilaleonard@nf.sympatico.ca](mailto:sheilaleonard@nf.sympatico.ca) More details on News page at [www.sheilaleonard.ca](http://www.sheilaleonard.ca)

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

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper: Tuesday March 5 at 5:00.** All are welcome! Pancakes, Sausages, Bologna, Baked Beans, desserts tea and coffee. Tickets are available at the Parish Office. \$10 Adult, \$5 Child, \$20 Family.

**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. Good Friday Ecumenical Prayer Service For Life April 19<sup>th</sup>** 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.

**2. 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.



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### **3. 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)

### **4. 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.

### **5. 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!!**



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

Starting **Sunday, March 3, 2019**, the Traditional Latin Mass at St Pius X Chapel, Smithville Crescent, will commence at 5:00 p.m. **This is a permanent time change.**

### **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.

### **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. At MUN? Ash Wednesday, March 6, Mass with Ashes at 12** in The Landing (UC 3018) (brief service with Ashes at 11:30 if you can't stay for Mass). All welcome! Followed by light lunch (veg soup and buns).



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**5. 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)