



An Evening with the Archbishop Dinner & Auction

On May 8th, 2019 at the Delta St. John's Hotel and Conference Centre, we will be celebrating our 11th Annual Archbishop's Dinner & Auction. Our theme this year is "New Beginnings" as we welcome Archbishop Peter J. Hundt to our Archdiocese.

Last year's event was a great success and allowed the Archdiocese to continue to improve its many Outreach Programs. We need your support to make this year's event the most successful ever! We are currently seeking donations for the dessert, silent and live auctions. If you would like to make a donation please contact Anne Marie Curran at 726-3660, Ext #227.

Tickets for the event will be going on sale soon! Tickets are \$200 (\$140 charitable donation receipt). Thank you for your support!

MASS OF CHRISM

This year's **Mass of Chrism** is scheduled for the **Tuesday of Holy Week, April 16** at **7:00 pm**. After the celebration of Eucharist and the blessing and consecration of the Holy Oils, a reception will be held in the ambulatories of the Church. Music ministers from throughout the Archdiocese are invited to be part of a massed Archdiocesan choir, which will practice in the Bellamy Choir Room at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, April 16, 2019.

PLEASE NOTE: As in past years, please return any empty chrism bottles to the Basilica so that they are able to determine how many new bottles they would need to order for this year's celebration. **Thank you.**

VOCATION GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

March 31, 2019 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

For the faithful response of all persons now being called to seek out those who are lost and bring them back to life in Christ by serving Him and His Church as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

VOCATION BULLETIN REFLECTION

Fourth Sunday of Lent -- March 31, 2019

"God is making His appeal through us." Does a life dedicated to furthering the grace of reconciliation in Christ for others appeal to you? 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



CURRENT EVENTS

1. MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE DATES:

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

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**

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**.

4. Fr. Francis Jackman Council # 9303 is sponsoring the "**Red Island ---Resettlement Girl**". Story Telling and Singing with Marion Counsel, Helen Murphy, & Barbara O'Keefe- St. Thomas of Villanova Parish Hall (Powers Court) Manuels, CBS. At **8pm on Saturday, April 6th, 2019 Tickets \$ 20.00.** Get your tickets early! Contact Gary @ 834 -1056, Steve @ 351- 3461 or Len @ 834 -3842

5. ANNUAL BASILICA PARISH FLIPPER DINNER - \$25.00 ALTERNATE DINNER: CHICKEN BREAST \$25.00

Dinner, Dessert, Tea & Coffee
Thursday, May 2nd. 6:00 p.m.
Terra Nova Council, Knights of Columbus, St. Clare Avenue (upstairs)
(Take-outs available downstairs at 5:45 p.m.)
Tickets available at: Parish Office ... Mon. thru Fri. 9:00 am. - 4:30 pm.
Parish Religious Articles Store ... Saturday before & after 5 pm. Mass,
Sunday after 8:30 am. Mass & before & after 11:00 am. Mass
DEADLINE FOR TICKET PURCHASE ... Monday, April 29th

After- Dinner Entertainment "KILMAINHAM"

RELIGIOUS CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS

1. 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.



2. MARY QUEEN OF THE WORLD on Topsail Road will be hosting a 24 Hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning with Mass at 9:30 a.m. on April 11 and ending with Mass at 9:30 a.m. on Friday April 12. We are praying for our priests but also praying that others will choose the priesthood for their vocation. Please join us for as little or as much time as you have available. All are welcome.

3. 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

4. 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.

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.

5. ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI /ST. PAUL'S /MQP /ST. PIUS X PARISHES **All Interested Parishioners, Current & New Ministry Teams Members** at 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, to build new skills, and training in various ministries. 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. **All are welcome. Bereavement Teams:** Tuesday, April 2 at 7:00pm **Hospitality Minsters:** Tuesday, April 30 at 7:00pm

6. 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.

7. <u>Pipe Organ Recital of Music for Lent</u> at the Basilica of St. John the Baptist, St. John's from 1:00-2:00 pm on Saturday, 6 April 2019, by Dr. Sean Jackman, organist of Antioch Lutheran Church, Farmington Hills, Michigan. All are welcome; admission by free-will donation, in support of the restoration of the Basilica-Cathedral's stained glass windows.



- **8.** Applications for the **Knights of Columbus Supreme Scholarship** are due on **May 1, 2019.** Applications can be requested at www.kofc.org under scholarships. The Scholarships are 4th Degree Pro Deo and Pro Patris (Canada) Scholarships.
- **9.** Come "Awaken the Energy Within" for more relaxation, energy, wellness and joy with Wisdom Healing Qigong and T'ai Chi Chih Joy thru Movement, two mindfulness meditation practices. Daytime and evening sessions Tuesday to Thursday from April 2nd May 23rd at The Lantern, 35 Barnes Road. Also Saturday Retreat Day sessions in April and May at Presentation Sisters Retreat House, 47 Parsonage Drive. New and returning participants welcome! For more details <u>please</u> contact Sheila at 727-7863 or sheilaleonard@nf.sympatico.ca or visit www.sheilaleonard.ca Can also call The Lantern at 753-8760.

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 or call (709) 579 – 3818. Linda Holden (709) 579 –1500 for more information.

2. Fatal Flaws is a thought- provoking documentary that journeys through Europe and North America to ask one of the most fundamental philosophical questions of our time: Should we give doctors the right in law to end the life of others by euthanasia or assisted suicide? Filmmaker Kevin Dunn uses powerful testimonies and expert opinions from both sides of the issue to examine the impact on society over time especially the most vulnerable. The Centre for Life will be hosting a viewing of this documentary on Tuesday March 26th at 7 pm at St. Teresa's Hall. Everyone is welcome. Any inquiries please call 579-1500.

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



3. 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 ages12-18. 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.

4. New Evangelization Summit 2019

On May 4th, join thousands of Catholics from around the world at the premier conference on the New Evangelization. The event will be held live in Ottawa and webcast to host sites across Canada, the US, the UK, and Australia. This year's Summit is once again featuring world-class Catholic speakers: Fr. James Mallon, Michael Dopp, Cardinal Gérald Lacroix, Michelle Moran, Fr. Jon Bielawski, and Michele Thompson.

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 NES. This year, the Summit is FREE for all attendees! Be inspired, receive formation, and connect with other Catholics. Register now at www.newevangelization.ca

Where/Location: St. Peter's Parish, Mount Pearl

When: May 4, 2019

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

6. <u>THE DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGY AND MINISTRY</u> (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. 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

7. 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