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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!

Archbishop's Appeal Collection 2019

This year's Archbishop Appeal Collection will take place in the Parishes of the Archdiocese on the weekend Masses of **May 5th and May 12th**.

Envelopes for the annual collection will be sent out to your Parish at the end of this week. Your Parish is encouraged to have a ticket drive, organize a brunch, a yard sale, a golf tournament, or another fundraising activity to support the Appeal collection in your parish. These monies are needed to help the Archdiocese fund the chaplaincies at our hospitals, at the prison, at the seniors homes and at long term care facilities, as well as at the RUAH Counselling Centre. Please designate a committee or someone in your parish to help you organize this annual fund raising collection.

Thank you all for your efforts.
Fr. Cecil Critch

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.**

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VOCATION GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Fifth Sunday of Lent - April 7, 2019

That priests, deacons, sisters and brothers who, for the sake of Christ have suffered the loss of all things, will flourish in their vocations and bring many souls to the knowledge of salvation, we pray to the Lord.

VOCATION BULLETIN REFLECTION

Fifth Sunday of Lent – April 7, 2019

“Christ Jesus has made me His own.” Are you called to belong to Christ alone as a priest, deacon or through the 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

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 register for one of these courses, please call **Theresa Whiffen at 726-3660 ext 236**

2. 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

3. 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**”

4. Spring Concert - Sunday May 5, 4:00 pm Holy Trinity Parish, Torbay. A concert celebrating the beauties of life. The Aurora Women's Choir with special guests Jennifer Johnson and the Young Virtuosi of the St. John's Suzuki Talent Education Program. Tickets: \$20/\$18. Children under 12 free. Food donations to North East Avalon Food Bank welcomed.



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5. 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 please contact Sheila at 727-7863 or sheilaleonard@nf.sympatico.ca or visit www.sheilaleonard.ca Can also call The Lantern at 753-8760.

5. St. Patrick's Parish Annual Shindig

St. Patrick's Parish Annual Shindig, **Friday, June 7, 2019 at 6:30 PM at Columbus Hall**. Games of Chance, Bingo, Live Auction and Live entertainment. Meal - Stuffed Chicken Breast, Dessert, tea or coffee. Tickets \$40.00 each. Tickets for sale at St. Patrick's parish office and St. Patrick's Church.

RELIGIOUS CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS

CENTRE FOR LIFE

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. 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. Hospitality Ministers: Tuesday, April 30 at 7:00pm**



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5. 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, 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.

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. 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.

COUNSELLING AND PASTORAL SERVICES

RUAH

1. Spring 2019 Group Offerings - Ruah Counselling Centre. Please go to www.rcsj.org for more information: *When You See RED for women*

(8 weeks beginning April 3, 2019 on Wednesday afternoons 12pm-2pm)
Rebuilding After the End of a Relationship, Separation and Divorce (8 weeks beginning April 2, 2019 on Tuesday evenings 7pm-9pm) *When You See RED for men* (8 weeks, beginning in April, dates TBD).

2. 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.

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



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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

3. 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

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

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. 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

6. 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