



Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of St. John's Bulletin Announcements 1 September 2019

VOCATION GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 1, 2019

For a deeper sense of gratitude for the profoundly beautiful mystery celebrated at every Mass and for all our priests, who humbly make Christ present by the power of the Holy Spirit through the grace of ordination, we pray to the Lord.

VOCATION BULLETIN REFLECTION

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“An attentive ear is the desire of the wise.” Is your prayer attentive to the wisdom of Christ? Is He inviting you to follow Him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? 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

RELIGIOUS CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS

1. Celebration of the Investiture with the Pallium of Archbishop Hundt

The Pallium (from Latin for covering) is a liturgical vestment, symbolizing the fullness of Episcopal (Bishop's) office. It is a white, woolen, circular two-inch band worn loosely around the neck, breast, and shoulders. It is ornamented with six black silken crosses and has a weighted pendant front and back. It is worn by the Pope and by metropolitan archbishops and patriarchs. The Metropolitan Archbishop receives a pallium from the Pope or his representative as a symbol of his metropolitan jurisdiction. The pallium is also symbolic of personal loyalty to the Pope and thereby a sign of unity between a local Church and the universal Church.

The Mass and Ceremony for the Investiture with the Pallium of Archbishop Hundt by the Papal Nuncio to Canada, Archbishop Luigi Bonazzi, will take place at the **Basilica Cathedral of St. John the Baptist on Monday, September 9th at 7:00 p.m.** All are welcome to attend.

(For further information regarding the Pallium visit our Archdiocesan website at: www.rcsj.org)



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2. 15th ANNUAL FLATROCK PILGRIMAGE

On Friday evening, Sept 6th and Saturday, Sept 7th, the Annual Flatrock Pilgrimage will take place. Due to this year's 15th anniversary of the traditional event, there will be added devotions taking place on Friday evening Sept 6th starting at 7:00 p.m. beginning with public consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, One-hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Eucharistic procession and Benediction. Devotions will take place in St. Michael's Church or in Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto - weather permitting.

On Saturday, Sept 7th 10:30 a.m., the traditional pilgrimage walk will begin at the junction of Windgap and Torbay Roads (Duffett's Parking Lot) and end at Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto at approximately 12:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be available in the adjacent community hall. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will begin at 2:30 p.m. preceded by Confessions. For information please contact Suzanne Rowe 709-727-5809.

3. CATHOLIC ALPHA RETURNS IN SEPTEMBER 2019.

CONSIDER JOINING THE ALPHA EXPERIENCE. Alpha is an opportunity to explore life, faith and God in a friendly, open and informal environment. It is a series of interactive sessions exploring the basics of Christian faith. Each session looks at different questions and is designed to create conversation. TUESDAY EVENINGS - SEPTEMBER 17 TO NOVEMBER 19 @ 6:00 PM., 2nd Floor Conference Room, Basilica of St. John the Baptist. Register online <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/catholic-alpha-registration-64546638734>. Registration is free. Invite a friend and try ALPHA!

Night Fever at the Basilica, Saturday, August 31, 6:00 – 9:00 (sponsored by ALPHA)

Join us for an open house night of Eucharistic Adoration, reflection, music, and refreshments

4. BOOK STUDY - THE REBIRTHING OF GOD: CHRISTIANITY'S STRUGGLE FOR NEW BEGINNINGS

Virginia Waters Retreat House, 47 Parsonage Drive, St. John's is hosting a five week book study exploring John Philip Newell's book "The Rebirthing of God: Christianity's Struggle for New Beginnings". Starting on September 17th, the group will meet on Tuesday evenings 7:00 – 8:30 pm. This study will be led by Gerard Whitty and Phil Lewis. Space is limited. Please RSVP to Robyn or Holly at virginiawatersretreat@gmail.com or by phone 709-754-1582.



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CURRENT AND UPCOMING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

1. DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGY AND MINISTRY

OFFERED BY THE ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. JOHN'S AT QUEEN'S COLLEGE

Are you interested in learning more about your faith and growing in understanding of it? The Archdiocese of St. John's offers a two-year Diploma in Theology and Ministry through Queen's College. One weekend each month for two years, you will gather with a group of believers who are curious and committed to explore many areas of theology under with the help of qualified, committed, faithful facilitators. For more information, contact Anne Walsh at (709) 579-0065, ext 227, or amfwalsh@gmail.com

2. CHASE THE ACE – St. Thomas of Villanova Parish, Manuels has once again begun a Chase the Ace fundraiser, Sunday evenings **5:30 – 7:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Cost – Chase the Ace – 3 - \$5.00, 50/50 - \$1 each. Draw takes place at 7:15. Come out and support the parish.

3. 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.

4. CAFE OF MEMORIES 2019

An afternoon of entertainment and refreshments for those with dementia and their caregivers. Events will be held on September 12, October 1 and November 5, 2019 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at Freemason's Hall, 115 Carson Avenue, Mount Pearl. Please register by calling Alzheimer Society at 709-576-0608 or email events@alzheimernl.ca

5. MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

The next Marriage Preparation Course is scheduled for September 27/28, 2019 at St. Peter's Parish, Mount Pearl. Registration for this course is via the Archdiocesan website – rcsj.org. Please check with your parish for registration details. If you have any questions regarding the course, please call Theresa Whiffen at 709-726-3660 ext. 236 or email at twhiffen@rcsj.org



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6. BASILICA HERITAGE FOUNDATION

The Basilica Heritage Foundation sponsors a Recital of Classical Music by Fraur , Chopin and Debussy for Piano by Kong Sun Nicholas Lim, Pianist, at the Basilica – Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, on **Sunday 1 September 2019 from 1:00 – 2:00 pm.** Admission is by freewill offering. In aid of the restoration of the Basilica's stained glass windows.

7. EASTERN HEALTH'S PASTORAL CARE

ETHICS & BEREAVEMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Eastern Health's Pastoral Care, Ethics & Bereavement Services Department invites people grieving the loss of a loved one to join an 8-week Bereavement Information & Support Group. There are two groups available. The first group meets at St. Clare's Mercy Hospital and begins September 16, 2019. Sessions are held Monday evenings from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. The second group meets at Health Sciences Centre and begins September 19, 2019. Sessions are held Thursday afternoons from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. For more information, or to register, please contact the Pastoral Care Office at 777-6959 or Scott Parsons at 777-7611 (Health Sciences) or Jenna King-Poirier at 777-5908 (St. Clare's).