

SANCTUARY LAMP- For the week of April 16th – 22nd the Tabernacle Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the repose of the souls of Dorothy, Jack & Kerry Barnes. The Sanctuary Lamp in the St. Thomas of Villanova shrine will burn for special intentions – Brendan Hickey & Emily Kenney. If you would like to have the Sanctuary Lamp lit for a deceased relative or friend or for a special intention, contact the parish office. The cost is \$5.00 per week.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK - Lord hear our prayer for those who are sick, recovering from surgery, aging and in need of our prayers, and for those who care for them, may they find strength and courage through their faith. **We Pray for** – Ed Broderick, Bertha Noseworthy, Glen Bursey, Sophia Ribble, Gerry Perry, Elizabeth Hayden, David Roche, Colby Chipman, Emily Kenny, Wayne Fitzpatrick, Jeffrey Hollings, Donna Power, Marjorie Melnik, Bernadette Dawe, Doreen Wiseman, Cara Coleman, John Power & Bessie Nugent.

SUNDAY MASS TIME

The Parish Council of St. Edward's Parish has recommended that we move to one Mass on Sunday morning. This has been anticipated since the formation of the newly amalgamated parish, and it seems that the right time is approaching. One Sunday morning Mass will comfortably accommodate the current number of parishioners, and it will alleviate the workload of those involved in various ministries. The current proposal is to move to **one Mass on Sunday morning at 10am beginning on Pentecost Sunday, May 28th**. We invite your feedback. If you have any thoughts, questions, or concerns, please contact the parish office. As well, you may write your comments on a piece of paper and place them in the collection box before or after Mass over the next few weeks. We pray this will be a welcome change, and it will give us the joy of joining together for a common celebration of Mass on Sunday.

NATIONAL FAMILY & LIFE WEEK (NFLW), May 7-14, 2023:

This is an invitation from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) to the faithful in Canada to celebrate the joy and beauty of family and life by seeking out new and creative ways to live out this call in our daily lives. The NFLW theme is Jesus' words, "Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another" (John 13:34). Love is at the heart of familial relationships and our families are a communion of love in Christ. We are "guardians of life" when we love one another within our families, as well as in wider society when we show kindness toward and care for the vulnerable and marginalized. Stay tuned! More information to come.

COATS FOR THE NEEDY - The Knights of Columbus would like to congratulate and thank those who donated so freely to our project "Coats for the Needy". Coats and winter items were collected and delivered to the CBS/Paradise Food Bank to provide winter clothing to those in need. Delivered were: 64 - Winter Coats (adult and children), 58 - hats/tassel caps, 22 pairs - gloves and mittens, 16 – scarves, 10 pairs of socks and 4 pairs of winter boots . This is the 20th year for this worthy project.

RETURN TO AUTOMATIC DONATIONS – We are pleased to announce that our Parish will again be able to process automatic donations from your bank account. To sign up for automatic withdrawals you are required to complete a Pre-authorized Debit Form which is available at the entrance to the church. Please complete the form and return to the parish office. This should be available early May.

<u>MASS SCHEDULE:</u>	April 22 & 23	INTENTION
Sat. - April 22	- 4:00 pm	- Frank Picco – Sylvia Thornhill- Mary Shea
Sun. - April 23	- 9:30 a.m. 11:00 am	- All Parishioners - Joseph Walsh/Hubert Power - Clement Walsh

PLEASE NOTE – There will be no weekday Masses for the next two weeks.

E-TRANSFERS – a reminder that e-transfers are not being accepted at the present time.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE: The next course is scheduled for May 6, 2023, at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 200 Military Rd, St. John's Couples can register using the following link: Marriage Preparation Registration - Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. John's (rcsj.org).

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS - After this weekend the income tax receipts for 2023 will be removed from the church and will be available for pick up at the parish office.

MINISTRIES:

Saturday, April 22 - 4:00 PM

1st R - Dolores Robertson
2nd R & IP - Gerry Phelan
Usher - Mary Ryan & Jerry Hynes
EM - Muriel Lewis
S - Lorna Clark

Sunday, April 23 - 9:30 AM

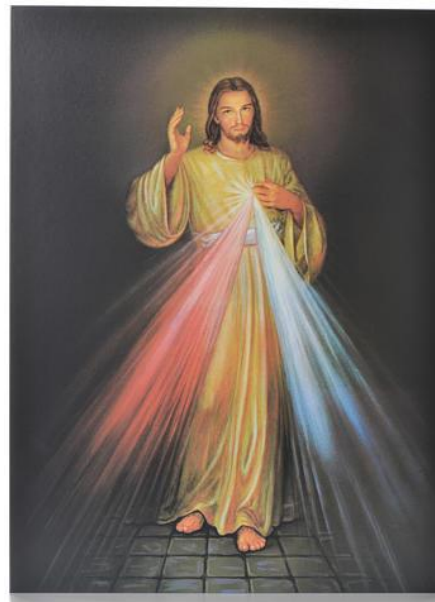
Lector - Tony Tilley
Usher - Steve Dray
EM - Dave Kenny
S - Carol Gollop

Sunday, April 23 - 11:00 AM

Lector - Doreen Stone
Usher - Ed Philpott
EM - Marguerite Greene
S - Myrna Power

OFFICE CLOSED - The parish office will be closed Friday, April 21st and will reopen Monday, April 24th @ 8:30 am.

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER
Divine Mercy Sunday
April 16, 2023



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Liturgy Committee Chair – Monika Behr

OFFICE HOURS
Monday – Friday – 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Closed daily 12 -1 pm