

SANCTUARY LAMP- For the week of March 19th – 25th the Tabernacle Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the repose of the soul of Rose Hynes. The Sanctuary Lamp in the St. Thomas of Villanova shrine will burn for the special intention A.S. 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.

VISITATION OF THE SICK:

Dear Parishioners, Fr. Fleming would like to begin regular visitation of the sick and homebound of our parish. If you or someone you know, would like to have a visit from the priest, please contact the parish office.

THE 2023 ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. JOHN’S CHRISM MASS - The Mass of Chrism is one of the most solemn and important diocesan celebrations of the liturgical year. The Mass is a celebration of the institution of the ministerial priesthood and is a sign of the unity and communion of the Priests with their Bishop. The Mass takes its name from the blessing of the Holy Oils used in the sacraments throughout the year, which are then given to the priests to take back to their parishes. The 2023 Chrism Mass will be celebrated at the Basilica-Cathedral of St. John the Baptist on **Tuesday, March 28th at 7:00 p.m.** All are welcome to attend this celebration and it will be live-streamed at www.thebasilica.net and at www.thebasilica.church).

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 or speak with Fr. Fleming. 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.

EASTER FLOWERS - Please help us beautify our Church for the Easter Season. Envelopes for your donation are available at the entrance of the Church. Thank you in advance for your generous contributions.

PASSION PLAY - Come join us on **Sunday, April 2nd, 7:30pm** in the church for the choir’s presentation of The Passion. A goodwill offering will be collected for the local food bank.

PASSION NARRATIVES - The Passion Narratives are ready for those who are Lectors for Palm Sunday & Good Friday. They can be picked up in the Sacristy.

FOOD DRIVE - St. Thomas of Villanova CWL will be collecting food for the CBS/Paradise Community Food Bank for March. Any food item will be greatly appreciated. Items can be dropped off at the church, the deadline is **March 19th.** Thanks in advance.

MASS SCHEDULE -

	March 21 – 26	INTENTION
Tues. - March 21	- 10 am -	Agnes Ebbs – John & Ellen Griffin
Wed. – March 22	- 10 am -	Anne Dalton – Sylvia Thornhill
Thurs. – March 23	- 10 am- -	Spec. Int – Traverse Family – Spec. Int – RM & JM
Fri. - March 24	- 7pm -	Cornelius Bennett – Dennis Dwyer
Sat. - March 25	- 4 pm -	Mary & Raymond Walsh – Charles Stacey
Sun. - March 26	- 9:30 am -	All Parishioners
	11:00 am -	Pius Hynes & Family – Ray & Jean Lawlor

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – will be held Friday evenings during Lent following 7pm Mass.

CONFESSIONS -

Saturdays - **3:00 pm – 3:45 pm**
 Sundays – **8:45 am – 9:15 am**
 Wednesdays - **10:30 – 11:00 am**
or by appointment

PARISH COLLECTIONS:

	March 11 & 12			
	# of envs.	Amount	Loose	Total
Sunday offering	118	\$1907.00	\$191.30	\$2,098.30
Dues	11	\$ 983.00		\$ 983.00
Ash Wed.	1	\$ 20.00		\$ 20.00
Holy Thurs.	1	\$ 5.00		\$ 5.00
Good Friday	1	\$ 5.00		\$ 5.00
Easter Flowers	5	\$ 95.00		\$ 95.00
Food bank	48	\$ 966.00		\$ 966.00
Easter Sun. off.	1	\$ 20.00		\$ 20.00
Archdiocesan Assesment	2	\$ 30.00		\$ 30.00
Development & Peace	2	\$ 15.00		\$ 15.00
Etransfers	7	\$ 720.00		\$ 720.00
Totals	197	\$4,766.00	\$191.30	\$4,957.30

Received with deep appreciation and gratitude.

Special Easter Week Considerations

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – will follow the Celebration of the Last Supper on Holy Thursday, until 10PM.

Personal Prayer and Contemplation – the Church will be open on Good Friday, from 11AM to 2PM.

OFFICE CLOSED -

The parish office will be closed Monday, March 20th, with reduced hours on Tuesday as the Administrative Assistant is required to attend a training course, it will be closed from 11am - 1 pm & 2 – 4pm.

INVITATION TO ALL PARISHES FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS The State Executive for Newfoundland and Labrador Knights of Columbus, and its 33 Councils are sponsoring a tour of a Relic of BLESSED FATHER MICHAEL J MCGIVNEY, founder of the Knights of Columbus. He founded the worldwide Fraternal Order in New Haven in 1882 in New Haven, Connecticut, USA, to look after the needs of the poor especially orphans, widows and immigrants. . The relic of Blessed Michael arrived in Newfoundland and Labrador on March 15, 2023.

Liturgy of Reception We welcome the relic of Blessed Michael McGivney to Newfoundland and Labrador. There will be veneration of the relic and a time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday **March 22, 2023, 7:00 pm** at The Cathedral Basilica of St John the Baptist, St John's. The public is invited to attend the Service.

SECOND EVENT: Founder's Day Mass (Celebrates the date when Blessed Father McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus - Wednesday **March 29, 2023, 7:00 pm** at The Cathedral Basilica of St John the Baptist, St John's. The public is invited to the Mass.

50/50 TICKETS - Knights of Columbus is selling a \$ 25.00 50/50 ticket. Potential prize of \$125,000. Parishioners who are interested in a ticket can contact Len Furlong- 834-3842 ljpp_44@hotmail.com or Ray Johnson - 689-4777 rayjohnson262@gmail.com or Steve Dray -834-8628 sdray@nl.rogers.com **Deadline April 15, 2023**

Easter Week Schedule

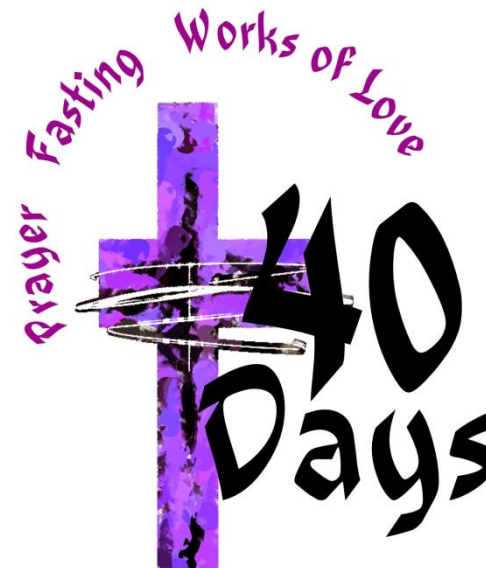
Palm Saturday/Sunday	April 1 st	4pm
	April 2 nd	11am (note: One Sunday Mass Only)
Holy Thursday	April 6 th	7pm Mass of The Lord's Supper 8 – 10pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Good Friday	April 7 th	10am Stations of the Cross with Children 11 – 2pm Church open for Prayer 3pm The Passion of the Lord
Easter Vigil	April 8 th	8:30pm
Easter Sunday -	April 9 th	11am (note: One Sunday Mass Only)

MINISTRIES:

Saturday, March 25th - 4:00 PM
1st R - Cheryl Donovan-White
2nd R & IP - Gennie Murphy
Usher - Lorna Clark – Trudy Strowbridge
EM - Tessa Crosbie
Sacristan - Rita Bruce

Sunday, March 26th - 9:30 AM 11:00 AM
Lector - Brendan Murphy **Lector** - Richard Fahey
Usher - Ray Rossiter **Usher** - Joe Santos
EM - Carol Barron **EM** - Pat Burton
Sacristan - Steve Dray **Sacristan** - Myrna Power

**4TH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 19, 2023**



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OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday - 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Wednesday – 8:30 am – 12:00 noon
Closed daily 12 -1 pm