

SANCTUARY LAMP- For the week of February 26th – March 4th the Tabernacle Sanctuary Lamp will burn for special intention Stephan R. The Sanctuary Lamp in the St. Thomas of Villanova shrine will burn for favours received M.E.R. 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, Clement Walsh, Wayne Fitzpatrick, Jeffrey Hollings, Donna Power, Marjorie Melnik, Bernadette Dawe, Doreen Wiseman & Cara Coleman.

COULD GOD BE CALLING YOU TO BECOME A PRIEST?

A vocation discernment group, led by Fr. James Fleming, meets regularly on the last Sunday of every month. Single Catholic men, 18 years and older, who are open to considering a call to the priesthood are invited to attend. To register or find out more, please contact Fr. James Fleming at 834-9481 or vocations@rcsj.org

JOURNEY THROUGH LENT - This Lent, the CCCB will be providing a video series, *Journey through Lent*. This year's Lenten reflections are delivered by His Eminence Gérald Cyprien Cardinal Lacroix, Archbishop of Quebec and Primate of Canada, and the Most Reverend Brian Joseph Dunn, Archbishop of Halifax-Yarmouth. Beginning Ash Wednesday and continuing for each Sunday of Lent, these Lenten reflections can be accessed on the Archdiocesan webpage www.rcsj.org These reflections will be updated each Monday of Lent for the following Sunday's Eucharistic celebration.

ASHES TO FIRE: LENTEN – EASTER JOURNEY IN IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY –

The Atlantic Ignatian Spirituality ministry is offering a free six-session on-line series in Lent 2023. Fr. Charles Pottie, SJ and Fr. Earl Smith, SJ will guide the sessions. Both are guides in Ignatian Spirituality. The 2023 Lenten Series will be offered on Thursdays from 7:00 to 8: 15 p.m. Atlantic time (AT), that is 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. Newfoundland Time (NT). March 02, 09, 16, 23, and 30.

The sessions are designed to help you to:

Prayerfully reflect on the Gospel passages for the Sundays of Lent.

Discover the grace of listening to each other in spiritual conversation on the prayer experience.

Appreciate the richness and bond of an online faith community.

If you are interested in participating in this Lenten Series, or would like more information, you can send a note to lentenjourney2023@gmail.com

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - St. Thomas of Villanova CWL Monthly Meeting will be held **Thursday, March 2nd at 10:45 am** after Mass in the Parish Hall. Any Parishioners interested in joining us are welcome to attend. Hope to see you there.

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.

<u>MASS SCHEDULE -</u>	February 28 – March 5	INTENTION
Tues. - Feb. 28	- 10 am	- Philip & Nora Hynes – Leo J. Hynes
Wed. – March 1	- 10 am	- Helen English – Joseph Skiffington
Thurs. – March 2	- 10 am-	- Benedict & Marie Farrell & Family – Bernard Peddle
Fri. - March 3	- 7pm	- Alex McDonald & Alice McGrath – Mary Shea
Sat. - March 4	- 4 pm	- Agnes Ebbs – Trevor, Hollis & Joan Metcalfe – Jim White
Sun. - March 5	- 9:30 am 11:00 am	- All Parishioners Loyola Mackey – Michael Brazil

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

<u>CONFESSIONS -</u>	Saturdays	- 3:00 pm – 3:45 pm
	Sundays	– 8:45 am – 9:15 am
	Wednesdays	- 10:30 – 11:00 am
		or by appointment

<u>PARISH COLLECTIONS:</u>	February 19	
Sunday offering env.	- \$2,192.00	Sunday offering loose - \$236.10
Initial offering env.	- \$ 5.00	Maintenance off. env. - \$ 10.00
Ash Wednesday env.	- \$ 20.00	
Total - \$ 2,463.10		

Received with deep appreciation and gratitude.

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING - Tuesday, February 28th – 7:30 pm – Parish Hall

2022 RECEIPTS - Receipts for your donations to St. Edward's (former St. Thomas of Villanova Parish) are available at the entrance of the church. Receipts for the former St. Edward's Parish, Kelligrews & Holy Family Parish, Paradise, should be available soon. Thank you.

CHEQUE WRITING - please continue to write your cheques to **St. Thomas of Villanova Parish**, (not St. Edward's Parish). The banking will not change until April 1st. Thank you.

2023 ENVELOPES - More envelope boxes for 2023 have arrived and are available in the Crying Room, please take a box and be sure to include your name, address, telephone and email address on the first few you use.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - will be held Friday, March 3rd – 7:30 pm at Topsail United Church. All are welcome.

PLEASE NOTE: During the winter months when the schools are closed due to extreme weather conditions there will be **NO** Weekday Mass (the parish office will be closed as well). If weekend Masses have to be cancelled due to weather conditions an announcement will be made through VOXM radio & VOWR, it will also be posted to the Parish website. Thank you

THE EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE:

Holy Thursday - April 6 - 7:00 pm
Good Friday - Children's Stations of the Cross – April 7 - 10 am
Passion of The Lord - 3:00 pm
Easter Vigil – Resurrection of the Lord – April 8 – 8:30 pm
Easter Sunday - April 9 – 11:00 am

OFFICE CLOSED – The Parish office will be closed Thursday afternoon (March 2nd) in order to attend a session with the Archdiocese.

MINISTRIES:

Saturday, March 4 - 4:00 PM
1st R - Trudy Strowbridge
2nd R & IP - Cyril Fitzgerald
Usher - Mary Ryan – Daisy Carroll
EM - Muriel Lewis
Sacristan - Lorna Clark

Sunday, March 5 - 9:30 AM
Lector - Ann Marie Vatcher
Usher - Jerry Hynes
EM - Doreen Dray
Sacristan - Carol Gollop

Sunday, March 5 - 11:00 AM
Lector - Doreen Stone
Usher - Joe Santos
EM - Paul Cahill
Sacristan - Myrna Power



FEBRUARY 26, 2023

WELCOME TO ST. EDWARD'S PARISH
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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