



Divine Mercy

Catholic Church

A Jesuit Parish in St. John's

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Week of June 25- July 1

Monday June 26

*Deceased Members of the Burke Family;
Deceased Members of the Neary Family; Mass of Thanksgiving*

Tuesday June 27

Special Intention (SP); Chris King; Special Intention (JM)

Wednesday June 28

Kevin Tracey & Deceased Family Members

Thursday June 29

*Deceased Members of the Molloy & Walsh Families;
Peter Ryan & Deceased Members of Ryan & Boulas Families;
Michael & Agnes Nash*

Friday June 30

*Ruby Sharpe; Melinda & Gerald Doyle & Deceased Family Members;
Jim Maddigan*

Please pray for the Recently Deceased: Katherine Lynch

Parish Schedule:

Sunday Mass:

Saturday 4:00pm St Paul's

Sunday 9:00am St Francis

11:00am St Paul's

Daily Mass:

Monday to Friday 9:30am

Daily Masses take place at
our St. Paul's Site

Parish Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday:

8:30am - 4:00pm

Friday: 8:30am -12:00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Join us for Adoration and
Benediction every **Tuesday, 2:00
to 3:30 pm** in the church. Prayer
will include the Divine Mercy
Chaplet.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays:

8:30 to 9:15 am

Saturdays 3-3:45pm

By appointment:

Please call 709-726-9924 or email

info@divinemercynl.com

Sacrament of the Sick & Home Visits

Do you know someone in hospital or who
is homebound with health concerns?
Arrange a visit for the Sacrament of the
Sick or to receive Holy Communion. Call
the Parish Office at 709-726-9924

Divine Mercy Parish Contact Information:

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Pastor's Note

There is a free show on the Internet called "The Chosen." It's funded by donations and tells the story of Jesus' call of the Apostles and other close followers. One of my favourite scenes is in the first episode of the first season, in which we see the healing of Mary Magdalene. Mary had "hit rock bottom." She had given up on everything and everyone. We see her throw away a prayer that her late father had given her. She had given up on God as well. At this moment of her despair, the Lord intervenes. Jesus calls her name and knows the village where she was born and raised. She asks him who he is and how he knows her. He then recites the prayer that she had so often prayed. The scene powerfully illustrates that God does indeed hear and see us. Our prayers do not aimlessly float away, nor do our lives pass apathetically before God. The opposite, in fact, is true.

The tone of the First Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah and the Gospel sound bleak. Jeremiah is encountering strong resistance to his prophesying – "All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. 'Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him.'" In the Gospel, the Lord teaches, "Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell." Almost every person is carrying some concern, anxiety or fear. Sometimes these are of great significance, life or death, and sometimes less so. We can feel "under attack" in life, not necessarily in the same way we hear

in Jeremiah but it can all seem too much. We look for the strength to face another day. We may feel alone and forgotten, even by God. Matthew's Gospel, however, reminds us that the weight of the world need not be our demise, that we aren't left alone to handle the difficulty of living, as best as we can. God is with us. Christ tells us, "Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows." We can see every moment of our day as being lived by us, while at the same time, we are held in God's hands. We are not left alone and forgotten. We are not thrown over-board to rely on our own devices. Rather, we are always held and protected by God because we are always loved by God. This doesn't mean that our lives will be "pain-free." But it does mean that our concerns, anxieties and fears will not destroy us. The Giver of life will not allow this to happen. Life will always be given by him – "Let the oppressed see it and be glad; you who seek God, let your hearts revive. For the Lord hears the needy, and does not despise his own that are in bonds. Let heaven and earth praise him, the seas and everything that moves in them."

God bless and take care,
Fr. John

Offertory Collection Week of June 18

Offertory	\$ 4,992.40	Parish Maintenance	\$ 10.00
Cemetery	\$ 605.00	Food Bank	\$ 230.00
Donation	\$ 650.00	Papal Charities	\$ 20.00

*E-transfers can be made through dmparishnl@outlook.com Password: Church
(Please remember to include your full name and a message indicating what the E-transfer is for)
Thank you for your continuing generosity. God Bless!*

Parish Notes & Upcoming Events

Catholic Cemeteries Mass for the Faithful Departed

The annual Cemetery Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Cemetery, Outer Cove will take place on **July 12 at 7pm**. If the weather is inclement, the Mass will take place at Divine Mercy Parish (St. Francis Site).

Other Cemetery Services in St. John include:

- Gate of Heaven Cemetery – Tuesday, June 27th at 7pm
- Kilbride Cemetery – Tuesday, July 4th at 7 pm
- Mt. Carmel Cemetery – Tuesday, July 11th at 7pm
- Belvedere Cemetery – Tuesday, July 18th at 7pm
- Holy Sepulchre Cemetery – Tuesday, July 25th at 7pm

Knights of Columbus - Why Join?

✦ Lead with Faith ✦ Protect your Family ✦ Serve Others ✦ Defend your Values

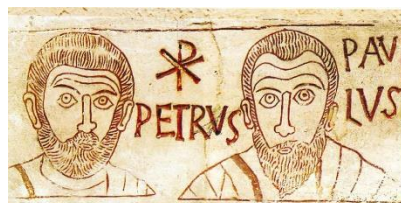
You are invited to put your faith in action. To join online go to kofc.org/join A promo for free sign up lasts until June 30 (Password BLESSEDMCGIVNEY and Agent code TTIBBS). You can also contact Gerry via email gerry@puddister.ca or call 709-685-4785

Knights of Columbus Final Meeting of the Year

The Knights of Columbus 4th Degree will hold its final meeting for the year on June 27, 7pm in the Foyer of Divine Mercy Parish (St. Paul's site). The agenda will begin with Rosary at 7pm and Guest speaker Fr. John Sullivan, S.J. discussing the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. This will be followed by a Business Meeting and Social. All are invited to attend the Rosary and Presentation. The Business meeting is for Sir Knights only.

Saint of the Week

Saints Peter & Paul
June 29



The Body of Christ, the Church, is a great structure, with Jesus as the cornerstone, the fellowship of believers as living stones (1 Pt 2:5), and the apostles with their preaching and teaching as the firm and solid foundation (see Eph 2:20). Of the apostles, Peter and Paul stand out as the two greatest builders of the foundation. We remember Peter for both his great confession of faith – that Jesus is the Christ, but also for his very human failings – his denial of Christ. He would go on to establish the early Church from the remnant of Israel. Paul, who began by persecuting the faith would go on to have an experience of the Risen Lord. He would become apostle to the Gentiles, known for his preaching and

Spreading Christianity throughout the Roman Empire. Each of them in a different way gathered together the one family of Christ.

Both Peter and Paul ended in Rome. They did not conduct their ministry jointly in Rome, but both eventually were arrested and jailed, and according to tradition, confined in the same place, the Mamertine Prison, possibly held together for months or more. Both died as martyrs. Peter was crucified upside down during the persecution of the Emperor Nero, either in 64 or 67 AD, while Paul was beheaded in 67.

Daily Readings:

Week of

June 25-July 1

Sunday, June 25

Jeremiah 20:10-13
Romans 5:12-15
Matthew 10:26-33

Monday, June 26

Genesis 12:1-9
Matthew 7:1-5

Tuesday, June 27

Genesis 13:2, 5-18
Matthew 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday, June 28

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18
Matthew 7:15-20

Thursday, June 29

Acts 12:1-11
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18
Matthew 16:13-19

Friday, June 30

Genesis 17:1, 9-10, 15-22
Matthew 8:1-4

Saturday, July 1

Genesis 18:1-15
Matthew 8:5-17