



Divine Mercy

Catholic Church

A Jesuit Parish in St. John's

Feast of Christ the King

Mass Intentions

Week of November 26 to December 2

Monday November 27

Edward & Alice Quinn; Colin Smart; John Smart

Tuesday November 28

*Earl & Bridget Hickey; Corine Tungate, Rendell Tungate;
Eileen Hammond;*

Wednesday November 29

*Michael, Anton & Victoria Valencic;
Clotilda & Richard White ; Leo & Elizabeth White*

Thursday November 30

Margaret & Martin Hickey; Souls in Purgatory; Rita Stamp

Friday December 1

*Deceased Members of the Burke & Lawlor Families; Margaret Ryan;
Special Intention (PJ)*

Parish Schedule:

Sunday Mass:

Saturday 4:00pm
(Newfoundland Drive Site)

Sunday 9:00am
(Outer Cove Site)

11:00am
(Newfoundland Drive Site)

Daily Mass:

Monday to Friday 9:30am

Daily Mass takes place at
our Newfoundland Dr. 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.

Divine Mercy Parish Contact Information:

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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@divinemicynl.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

Pastor's Note

While Pastor of St. Anne's in Kingston, Jamaica, there was a man who frequently came to the church looking for food and sometimes clothing. It wasn't unusual for him to appear in the church completely naked. Sr. Beverly, who directed our outreach, would jump from her seat, cover him up and get him something to eat. A few of our parishioners said that stories of this man and the church's response were circulating in the neighbourhood. I was told that people were laughing at us and that he should not receive help unless he plays by the rules, that is, is fully clothed. I certainly did not like the idea that people were laughing at us (at me). Therefore, one morning I told Sr. Beverly that this man was not to be helped if he came during Mass times. Other times were ok, but not during Mass. I hoped that my decision would enhance our reputation (that is, my reputation) in the eyes of others. After speaking with Sr. Beverly, I went into the church to say Mass. The Gospel that day, however, was the one we have this week.

The Lord tells us when he returns, "he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left." And the criteria for this separation will be, "for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me."

When Mass ended, I thought to myself, "Uh oh. I think I just made a big mistake." I quickly went to Sister and asked her to forget everything I had said - The man could come anytime. To follow Christ is to walk in his path, not my path nor the one of others. It is to be guided by his will, rather than any other motivation. We may have wonderful things and most importantly, wonderful people in our lives. But, Jesus Christ is our King; he is the Lord of our life. And so, we pray, grant that we may "render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise."

God bless and take care,
Fr. John

Saints Speak

You have before you Christ as your end.
You have no need to go on looking anymore.
The moment you believed, you already recognized it.
But faith alone is not enough,
unless works too are joined to it.
"Faith working through love" says the Apostle!

~ St. Augustine of Hippo

Parish Notes & Upcoming Events

Help Make our Parish Christmas Bazaar a Success!

We are looking for donations of baked goods such as cakes, cookies, buns, etc. to help make the Bazaar a success. Someone will be on hand at all the weekend Masses on December 2 & 3 to receive any donations. And don't forget to bring a bag or two to take any purchased goodies from the bazaar home. Purchases can be made by cash or cheque only. Thanks for your support.

First Confessions:

Children of our Parish who have been preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will make their first Confessions on Wednesday, November 29 at 7pm at our Newfoundland Dr. site. Let us pray for these young people and their families that they may experience the gift of God's mercy and continue to grow in the love of the Lord.

Daily Readings: Week of November 26- December 2

Sunday, November 26
Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28
Matthew 25:31-46

Monday, November 27
Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20
Luke 21:1-4

Tuesday, November 28
Daniel 2:31-45
Luke 21:5-11

Wednesday, November 29
Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28
Luke 21:12-19

Thursday, November 30
Romans 10:9-18
Matthew 4:18-22

Friday, December 1
Daniel 7:2-14
Luke 21: 29-33

Saturday, November 25
Daniel 7: 15-27
Luke 21: 34-36

Divine Mercy Giving Tree

Divine Mercy Food Bank has placed our giving tree in the foyer (Newfoundland Drive site) back of the Church (Outer Cove site) again this year. We have placed tags for gift cards for children. Please drop all gift cards in the collection plate or return to the parish office by December 10th. We would like to thank you for all your generosity over the past years and more especially this year.

Divine Mercy Annual Turkey Drive:

The parish is collecting turkeys for our Christmas hampers. Each year the Food Bank teams distribute between 100 - 150 hampers. Please consider donating a turkey. Donated turkeys will be accepted in the foyer of the church on Tuesday, December 12 from 8:30 – 12:00 or 1-3. Many thanks for your help!

Knight of Columbus General Meeting:

Monday, November 27 at 7pm in the foyer of Divine Mercy Parish (Newfoundland Drive site). His Grace, Archbishop Peter Hundt will be the guest speaker. All are invited to join in the Rosary and speaker events. Only members may attend the business meeting which follows at 8pm.

General Meeting for Members of the Catholic Women's League

There will be a general meeting of all members of the CWL Council at Divine Mercy after 9:30am Mass, November 28, followed by a Social. All Ladies welcome.

Information Night at St. Bon's

St. Bonaventure's College is holding an Information Night on Thursday, December 7 for perspective new families. For more information call 709-726-0024 or go to www.stbonaventurescollege.ca

Parish Family News:

This week in our community, we celebrate the Baptism of Anastasia Colbourne. The Baptism will take place at our Outer Cove Site. With the Colbourne family, we rejoice in the gift of faith and pray that they might all grow in the light of God's grace.

Offertory Collection Week of November 19

Offertory	\$ 4,988.00
In Memoriam	\$ 355.00
Christmas Hampers	\$ 1,020.00
Students to the Priesthood	\$ 20.00

*E-transfers can be made through dmparishnl@outlook.com
(Please include your full name and a message indicating what the E-transfer is for)*

Thank you for your generosity. God Bless!

Divine Mercy Parish Events December Events



Christmas Bazaar December 3 12pm to 2pm

Newfoundland Drive Site

Stop by for a hot drink and sweet treat. There will also be a table of baked goods for sale and a children's area of non-stop fun. We will even have some Christmas music!

Here We Come A-Caroling Sunday, December 10 2 to 4pm

Outer Cove Site

Come and bring a friend for some festive singing. Refreshments will be served following the Carol Sing in the Annex.

An Afternoon at the Movies Sunday, December 17 2 to 4pm

Outer Cove Site

A classic double feature:

A Charlie Brown Christmas
How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Fun for the whole family!

We look forward to seeing you at these events!

Job Posting for Pastoral Assistant – Divine Mercy Parish, St. John's, NL

Divine Mercy Parish is seeking an individual, in consultation with the Parish Pastor, to review the overall Faith Formation, Sacrament Preparation and Religious Education and Development of the Parish and develop a system of life-long intergenerational faith formation through facilitation and support. This position is designed to help guide and work in partnership with parish staff, volunteers and the Archdiocesan Office of Evangelization and Catechesis in developing and implementing short term and long-term planning that will serve the changing needs of the parish. Responsibilities of the position include coordinating of all parish ministries and developing, implementing, and directing programs that balance both the maintenance and missional aspects of the parish and for the spiritual formation and belonging of parishioners. This position also requires an individual who can be flexible in their work schedule. Full job description is available at www.rcsj.org. Interested candidates should apply in confidence to Ms. Theresa Whiffen, HR Manager, Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. John's via e-mail only at twhiffen@rcsj.org, by December 15th, 2023. The e-mail should include the position title.

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. John's is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

Advent at Divine Mercy

Advent Faith Formation Series

Adventus Domini – The Coming of the Lord.

The series is divided into three sessions – available at https://www.divinemeracynl.com/?page_id=1418 beginning on the first Sunday of Advent.

Advent Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00pm

(Newfoundland Drive site)

Several priests available for individual confession. Join us in celebration of the gift of God's mercy through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Simbang Gabi-Christmas Novena

December 15 to December 23

(Newfoundland Drive site)

Mass begins each evening at 6:30 pm

Reception to follow.

'Simbang Gabi' is Filipino for 'Night Mass' a devotional nine-day series of Masses in anticipation of Christmas. All are welcome.

