



Divine Mercy

Catholic Church

A Jesuit Parish in St. John's

Sunday Bulletin – Summer Edition

July 7th: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions Week of July 7th-13th

Monday, July 8

Special Intention (RG)

Joan Vardy +

Deborah Boland +

Tuesday, July 9

Greg Abbott +

Brendan Hunt +

Joan Fitzgerald +

Wednesday, July 10

Annmarie Furey +

Cyril Power +

Jonathan Murphy +

Thursday, July 11

Elizabeth McCrowe +

Edward Walsh +

J. Craig Power +

Friday, July 12

Tom Mills +

Kevin Kearney & Deceased Family +

John & Isabelle Dunne +

Please Pray for the

Recently Deceased: Tony Nolan +

PASTOR'S NOTE:

Everyday I ask God that the life of the Lord Jesus Christ may fully become my life. And everyday I fail to fully receive his life. I continue to hang-on to my insecurities masked by pride; I silently judge others while teaching that we are all God's children; and, I ruminate on previous wrongs done to me even though I ask God to forgive me for my wrongs. I'm definitely a work in progress! Sometimes we have the idea that the love of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit is dependent on our having conquered our imperfections and sinfulness. As this will never happen in this life, we make a dreadful error – we delay our imperfect embrace of the Father. We think that only as a finished product we can finally be loved by God. Given our peculiar understanding, this week's Second Reading, however, reveals the pre-eminence of God's perfect love and our desired response.

Saint Paul struggled with something. Some have said it was a physical challenge, while others have posited a strong temptation. There is no way to know, and it is unimportant. What matters is what God did and how Paul responded. Paul writes, "to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me. . . . Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.'" Despite still not perceiving himself to be a finished product, Paul accepts the Lord's call to preach the Gospel to the Gentile world and to be accounted an Apostle. No dreadful and needless delay on Paul's part. Relying on God's grace, trusting his fidelity and loving the Lord, we can ask with open arms to fully receive the gift of his life as our own. We won't be free enough to fully receive him but we can receive him a little bit more everyday. This is what God wants and what we want – "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness."

God bless and take care,

Fr. John

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Offertory Collection

Week of June 30

Offertory	\$ 4,944.00
Cemetery	\$ 170.00
Food Bank	\$ 1,514.00

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!

Welcome to our Parish Bulletin – Summer Edition:

Summer is here! As we can anticipate a reduced pace in the parish, we will be producing a slimmed down version of our weekly bulletin through July and August. Blessings on everyone's summer, may it be fun and relaxing and we pray for the safety of all those who will be travelling.

Remembering the First Mass Celebrated at St. Francis in 1919:

On June 29, 1919, the Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul, the first Mass was celebrated at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Out Cove. The joyous event was reported on in the Daily News the following day and we are happy to share the article with you in our bulletin today.

Parish Schedule:

Sunday Mass:

Saturday 4:00pm Newfoundland Dr

Sunday 9:00am Newfoundland Dr

Sunday 11:00am Newfoundland Dr

Sunday 4:00pm Outer Cove

Daily Mass: Monday to Friday 9:30am

Daily Masses take place at our
Newfoundland Dr. site

Parish Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 8:30am - 4:00pm

Taken from the Daily News St. John's Monday, June 30, 1919

There were many a happy heart yesterday (Feast of St. Peter and Paul) in the parish of St. Francis (St. John's East). Old and young—all came with delight on their countenances, with joy in their hearts, to their new church, to be present at the first Mass celebrated within its walls.

Enthusiasm radiated upon all sides. The old, some of them past ninety years, from out of their faithful hearts poured forth grateful thanks to a kind Providence, who has blessed the evening of their lives with so signal a favour. The young, joyous and happy, carried their delight into their every word and action.

“Twas fitting that it should be so, as many a time and often have they sighed for such a day.”

Twas fitting too, that such an epoch-making event for them should occur upon the anniversary of (the fourth) of the consecration of His Grace, the Archbishop, to whose zeal and fore thought they owe so much; for it was he who erected this new parish of St. Francis (Logy Bay, Outer Cove and Middle Cove) and many were the prayers they uttered for him yesterday.

At a later date, probably late summer or early Fall His Grace will dedicate the new church, a day eagerly looked forward to by all.

That the good people have been more than generous and enthusiastic need scarcely be said. That they worked hard and zealously and co-operated in every way with their pastor, the work accomplished proclaim, but to them belongs the entire credit for all that has been so well and so thoroughly and speedily done.

May they be spared many and many a day to enjoy the fruits of their generous toil.

Parish Notes:

- In our parish this week, we have three families celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism: Robert Sanders, Joseph Collier and Nikolai Robin Montana, will be baptized this weekend. With all of their families, we rejoice in the gift of faith and pray that they and their families might all grow in the light of God's grace.
- The **Annual Cemetery Mass** at St. Francis of Assisi Cemetery, Outer Cove will take place on **July 24 at 7pm**. If the weather is inclement, the Mass will take place in the church.
- **June's 'Grand in Your Hand' Winner:** Mabel Leonard
Congratulations!