



# Divine Mercy

## Catholic Church

A Jesuit Parish in St. John's

31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **Mass Intentions**

#### **Week of November 3**

Mon Nov 4	Michael & Annastalia Carrigan & Deceased Family + Helen Ryan + Special Intention for Eileen O'Neill
Tues Nov 5	Gerald & Lucy Stamp + Linda Harding + Special Intention (BA)
Wed Nov 6	Dave Mercer + Thomas Grant + Special Intention (Y & J)
Thurs Nov 7	Jim & Margaret Ryan + Kevin Spearns + Special Intention (ER)
Fri Nov 8	Randy Power + Barbara & Wilbur Boutcher + Special Intention for Paddy O'Neill

***Please Pray for the Recently Deceased:***  
***Barbara Mary (Bown) White +***

### **Parish Schedule:**

#### **Sunday Mass:**

##### **Saturday**

**4:00pm (Newfoundland Drive Site)**

##### **Sunday**

**9:00am (Newfoundland Drive Site)**

**11:00am (Newfoundland Drive Site)**

**4:00pm (Outer Cove Site)**

#### **Daily Mass:**

**Monday to Friday 9:30am**

Daily Mass takes place at our  
Newfoundland Drive site

#### **Parish Office Hours:**

Monday to Thursday: 8:30am - 4:00pm

Friday: 8:30am to 12:00pm

#### **Exposition of the Blessed**

##### **Sacrament:**

Join us for Adoration and  
Benediction every

**Tuesday, 2:00 to 3:30 pm**

in the church at our St.  
Paul's site.

#### **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@divinemergynl.com](mailto:info@divinemergynl.com)

#### **Sacrament of the Sick &**

##### **Home Visits**

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

### **Contact Information:**

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# Parish Notes

## What a beautiful Celebration.

A special note of gratitude for the gift of hosting the first-class relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis this past October 30. It was a beautiful event. Our parish was blessed throughout the day with so many people coming in faith to pray, to venerate the relic and to share their faith. The goodness and holiness of Blessed Carlo, the first millennial saint, was felt by young and old. We thank everyone who made the day possible in our Parish. Let us remember the motto of this newest Saint: *“To always be close to Jesus, that’s my life plan.”*

*As Fr. John is away this week, we offer this reflection from Pope Francis on the Gospel for this Sunday: Mark 12.28-34)*

## WORDS OF THE HOLY FATHER

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.... You shall love your neighbour as yourself” (Mk 12:30-31).

In choosing these two Words addressed by God to his people and by putting them together, Jesus taught once and for all that love for God and love for neighbour are inseparable; moreover, they sustain one another. Even if set in a sequence, they are two sides of a single coin: experienced together they are a believer’s strength! To love God is to live of him and for him, for what he is and for what he does. Our God is unmitigated *giving*; he is unlimited *forgiveness*; he is a *relationship* that promotes and fosters. Therefore, to love God means to invest our energies each day to be his assistants in the unmitigated service of our neighbour, in trying to forgive without limitations, and in cultivating relationships of communion and fraternity.

This challenges our Christian communities: it means avoiding the risk of being communities that have many initiatives but few relationships; the risk of being community ‘service stations’ but with little company, in the full and Christian sense of this term.

God, who is love, created us to love and so that we can love others while remaining united with him. It would be misleading to claim to love our neighbour without loving God; and it would also be deceptive to claim to love God without loving our neighbour.

## Fr. John is away from November 1 to 10

Fr. John is away this week. This weekend and next, he will be leading two retreats at the Jesuit Retreat House – Manresa – in Pickering Ontario. He would like everyone one to know that he will be praying for us while away and asks for our prayers for him and that the retreats will be grace-filled for all who participate. Fr. Mroz is acting Pastor in the parish while he is away.

# Faith Formation Corner

*Day by Day, dear Lord,  
Of thee, three things I pray;  
To see thee more clearly  
To love thee more dearly,  
To Follow thee more nearly,  
Day by day.*

To See ✠ To Love ✠ To Serve

We know that growth in holiness takes a lifetime. And, at Divine Mercy Parish we want to be intentional about these three elements of this Christian dynamic: coming to know Christ, coming to love Christ and coming to serve Christ. This is a vision of the Christian life that helps us become a disciple of Christ or to deepen one's existing discipleship. Throughout the year we will highlight upcoming opportunities in the three categories. **Choose one from each category.** Pick up a brochure or go to our parish website: [https://www.divinemerlynl.com/?page\\_id=2649](https://www.divinemerlynl.com/?page_id=2649) for a full description and more upcoming opportunities in the parish.

## Lectio Divina Through Advent

*Lectio divina* ("divine, or sacred reading") is a method of attentively and prayerfully reading the Word of God. Enter into the beauty and depth God's Word through prayer. Available for Advent through Flocknote: <https://divinemeryparish12.flocknote.com/signup/183786>  
(To Love)

### **Novena of the Immaculate Conception: November 29 to December 7**

made available daily on Flocknote and the Parish Bulletin.  
<https://divinemeryparish12.flocknote.com/signup/183787>  
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## Word on Fire: CATHOLICISM

Discover, or rediscover, the beauty, goodness and truth of the Christian Faith in this landmark series. Journey deep into the Faith with Bishop Robert Barron as you watch and reflect on each episode. From the sacred lands of Israel to the beating heart of Uganda... from the glorious shrines of Italy, France and Spain to the streets of Mexico, Kolkata, and New York City, the fullness of CATHOLICISM is revealed. 20 sessions, available through Flocknote Wednesdays beginning in November. Sign up by going to our Flocknote at: <https://divinemeryparish12.flocknote.com/signup/183438>  
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## The CHOSEN

Imagine you could see the life of Jesus through the eyes of the people who walked the earth with him — his disciples, Mary, his mother, those he healed. **The Chosen** allows us to see Him through the eyes of those who knew him. Join us for Season 1 playing on Thursdays over 8 weeks beginning October 31. We are offering this both in person and through Flocknote. In person, with an opportunity to share your thoughts and reflections – Thursdays following the 9:30am Mass. If you would like to watch the series through Flocknote, with accompanying reflection materials go to <https://divinemeryparish12.flocknote.com/signup/183443>  
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## "A Great Symphony of Prayer: The Our Father as a Programme of Life"

As part of the Year of Prayer in anticipation for the Jubilee in 2025, the Canadian Bishops hosted a webinar series titled, "A Great Symphony of Prayer". The sessions on the Our Father were led by Dr. Josephine Lombardi, of St. Augustine's Seminary in Toronto, author of the book "On Earth as it is in Heaven" Discover the richness of the prayer that Christ taught his own disciples. Offered over 4 weeks in November on our Flocknote. Sign up through our Flocknote: <https://divinemeryparish12.flocknote.com/signup/183595>  
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# Upcoming Events

Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) Presents:

## How to Live as a Catholic in Today's Culture Postmodernism & Living Christocentric

Do you want to know how you can live out your faith and share it? Come and hear what the solution is to living in today's culture as a Catholic disciple. Andre Regnier, speaker, author and co-founder of CCO has a passion for helping others live Christocentric. You are invited to join students and supporters of CCO here at Divine Mercy Parish (at our St. Paul's site) on **Saturday, November 9 at 10 am** for a talk on **Post Modernism and the Christocentric Life.** All are welcome!

### Offertory Collection Week of October 20

Offertory	\$ 5,698.00
Initial Offering	\$ 40.00
New Year's Day	\$ 60.00
Dues	\$ 140.00
Cemetery	\$ 50.00
Food Bank	\$ 1,521.00
Students to Priesthood	\$ 80.00
World Missions	\$ 270.00

*E-transfers can be made through [dmparishnl@outlook.com](mailto: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 Memorial Mass

Join us for our Annual **Memorial Mass on Wednesday, November 13 at 7pm** (Newfoundland Drive site). Each year, in the month of November, we hold this Mass to celebrate the lives of our loved ones who have died during the past year. We hope you will join us for this beautiful celebration.

Visit our website: [www.divinemercynl.com/](http://www.divinemercynl.com/) for more details and information on the many offerings and happenings in our parish and throughout the Church in the city and in the world.

## Divine Mercy Parish Christmas Bazaar



**Sunday, December 1, 2024  
10am to 2pm**

(St. Paul's site on Newfoundland Dr.)

Our Parish Christmas Bazaar is just around the corner, and we have lots of great fun planned and super deals to be had by everyone.

- Divine Mercy Tea Room
  - Craft Sale
  - Kid's Korner
  - Bake Sale
  - Silent Auction
  - Door Prizes

Just some of the things to look forward to!

Watch for more details in upcoming bulletins. If you would like to help out in preparation, on the day, or through donations, we would love your involvement. Sign up opportunities will be in next week's bulletin, on our Flocknote and on our website.

### URGENT APPEAL FOR SUPPORT IN LEBANON

With the support of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, three Canadian Catholic Aid organizations are launching an appeal for prayers and generosity to support the most urgent needs of people in Lebanon following the bombardments that have already claimed hundreds of innocent lives. The appeal press release can be accessed via the Archdiocesan website [www.rcsj.org](http://www.rcsj.org).

### Grand in Your Hand Winner:

The winner of the Knight's of Columbus October Grand in Your Hand winner is Claudia Shortall, Ticket #00176. Congratulations Claudia!