



Divine Mercy



Catholic Church

A Jesuit Parish in St. John's

To See ✠ To Love ✠ To Serve

Feast of Saints Peter & Paul: June 29, 2025

Mass Intention Week of May June 29

Monday, June 30

9:30am William Connors +
David & Jacqueline Park +
Ruby Sharpe +
7pm Joe Houlihan +
Charles Daly +
Mark Mockey +

Tuesday, July 1

9:30am Christine Hynes & Deceased Family +
Special Intention (GS)
Patricia Martin +

Wednesday, July 2

9:30am Michael Gladney +
Special Intention (CH)
William Fitzpatrick & Deceased Family +
7pm John Bambrick +
Noreen Sharpe +
Ellen Pittan +

Thursday, July 3

9:30am Special Intention (RH)
Uriel & Larry Fagan +
Tom Cooper & Deceased Family +

Friday, July 4

9:30am Special Intention (CC)
Laura & Henry Fitzpatrick & Deceased Family +
Agnes & Austin Cooper & Deceased Family +
7pm Richie Friend +
Wanda St. George +
Roche Lambe +

***Please Pray for the Recently Deceased:
Rosemary Fahey***

Parish Schedule:

Sunday Mass:

Saturday 4:00pm Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am

Our 11:00am Mass is livestreamed on our YouTube channel:
www.youtube.com/@divinemeracy15565

Daily Mass: Monday to Friday 9:30am
Monday, Wednesday & Friday 7pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays: 8:30 to 9:15 am;
Saturdays 3-3:45pm
By appointment: email info@divinemeracynl.com

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Adoration and Benediction every Tuesday, 2:00 pm.

Contact Information:

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www.divinemeracynl.com/

Parish Office Hours:

Mon to Thurs: 8:30am -4:00pm and Fri 8:30 am-12pm

Join our Flocknote by texting 01556 to 514-900-0130 and
follow the prompts to enter your email address and
preferences.

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**Inquiries for Sacrament Preparation and Faith
Formation:** email: faith.divinemeracynl@gmail.com

Pastor's Note

This week I realized a pattern I have. While it may have been stronger in the past, it does remain. When I am confronted with a difficult situation, something that really challenges or causes fear, and I do not know what to do to resolve it, I often rely on this pattern - I rely exclusively on myself to find the solution. I use my experience, my wisdom (or lack thereof) and my skills to find a way out. What's surprising in my pattern, I realized, is the lack of presence of faith. I seem to forget when the going gets tough, that God's promise to be with us, with me, is an absolute promise. He is both present and helping. The story of Saint Peter's escape from prison provides a great example of this.

King Herod was worried that Peter would either escape or be freed. So, he ordered additional security measures be taken. Peter was double chained and slept between two soldiers. He was watched over by guards at the door. In total, there were four squads of four soldiers each guarding him. A commentator on this passage wrote, "humanly speaking, Peter's situation was hopeless. On the Christian side, Luke stresses the church's fervent prayer to God for Peter. God's power is now poised to bring to naught all human efforts to destroy Peter and prevent the further spread of the gospel." God sends an angel to miraculously lead Peter out of prison so that he may return to his leadership of the early Christian community in Jerusalem and the spreading of the Good News.

God's presence and guidance will most likely not be as dramatic as the story of Peter's escape. Nonetheless, God does help us as he helped Peter. Saint Ignatius of Loyola emphasized God's dealing and communicating directly with each person. God communicates most often through the "movements of the spirit" within our hearts. For example, we may be leaning to one decision

but the more we think of it, the more unsettled we feel. We want it to be our choice, our path, but it seems like we're trying to make something fit that just doesn't. Other possibilities begin to float around our minds. We pray for guidance, the clarity of vision to see God's will and the faith to follow it. Other possibilities are probed until one emerges from the fog and, surprisingly, results in a peace in our hearts. Despite the surprise, we have a path found not merely through our own powers but also with God's help. And this path, without doubt, will always lead to greater life. Our new pattern is the much better pattern. It involves our whole being because it now involves our faith. "Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed. The poor one called, and the Lord heard, and saved that person from every trouble."

God bless and take care,
Fr. John

Saints Speak

*'Prayer is to our soul what rain is to the soil.
Fertilize the soil ever so richly, it will remain barren
unless fed by frequent rains.'*

~St. Jean Marie Baptiste Vianney

Offertory Collection Week of June 22

Offertory	\$5240
Food Bank	\$ 240
Cemetery	\$ 45

*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 Walk-A-Thon

Saturday, August 16, 2025

I'm Walking for Divine Mercy!



Fr. John is leading the way in a parish walkathon fundraiser – and he's calling you to join in the fun. Whether you have a quick step or are more casually inclined, we hope to see you there.

How it works?

- The full *Walk* is a distance of 2.5km
- There will also be a shorter, modified option for those who need to watch their step or have small children with them.
- Register for the Walk-a-thon and pick up a pledge sheet.
- Ask friends, family and co-workers to sponsor you for the walk. People can choose to sponsor you by amount walked (e.g. \$5 for every 0.5km walked) or by a single amount for your participation in the Walk.
- Following the Walk, you collect your pledges and bring them into the Parish Office within a week of the Walk. (If people wish to give you their pledges upfront, before the walk, you can collect them and bring them into the parish on August 16).
- Any Pledge over \$25 is eligible for a tax receipt from the church.

How Do I Register?

Register for the Walk by filling out a form available from the Parish Office. Don't forget to take your pledge form with you when you register.

You can also register through our parish website:
https://www.divinemercynl.com/?page_id=1783

Once registered we will send you a pledge sheet and you will be off to the races, *so to speak*.

What if I Can't Join the *Walk*, but want to help?

If you unable to join us for the *Walk*, but would like to sponsor Fr. John, you can sign his pledge sheet when you see him. Or, if you have friends or family joining the *Walk*, you can choose to sponsor them. All proceeds of the fundraising *Walk* will go to Divine Mercy Parish.

It promises to be a fun day with prizes for those gathering the most pledges and a thank you BBQ at the end of the *Walk*.



So, call up your friends and family, sign up your pledges, do up your shoelaces and come out to walk for Divine Mercy!

Parish Notes & Upcoming Events

New Usher's Schedule

Copies of the new Usher's Schedule, beginning the weekend of July 5 and 6, are available for pick up from the Welcome Kiosk in the foyer this weekend. All ushers are asked to pick their copy up today. Thank you.

Our Lady Queen of Families Vacation Bible Study

August 25-28 9am to 12pm each day

Children ages 5-7 & 8-10

Cost: \$20 per child

Theme: The Marvelous Mysteries of the Mass

If you have any questions, call Heather at 709-364-8606 or text her at 709-699-5701

The next Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation course is scheduled for October 4, 2025. To register, go to:

<https://rcsj.org/chancery/marriage-preparation/register>

Couples will receive further information upon submission of registration.

This past week we held our Ministry BBQ for all those who serve in the many different parish ministries. In a small way, it gave us the opportunity to show our gratitude for the dedication and generosity of everyone who serves in faith and love. To all of you who give of yourselves in service – Thank You!



Watch the bulletin for details on our Parish BBQ coming in September!



Cemetery Liturgy Services 2025

The dates of liturgy services for cemeteries that are managed by the Archdiocese of St. John's are scheduled as follows:

Kilbride Cemetery, July 1, 7pm

Mt Carmel Cemetery, July 8, 7pm

Belvedere Cemetery, July 15 7pm

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, July 22, 7pm

For more information (and changes due to inclement weather) please visit

<https://www.rcsj.org/cemeteryoffice>

The Cemetery Mass for St. Francis of Assisi Cemetery will take place on Wednesday, July 23 at 7pm.

