



Divine Mercy Catholic Church

A Jesuit Parish in St. John's



To See ✠ To Love ✠ To Serve Summer Edition

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time: July 27, 2025

Mass Intention Week of July 27

Monday, July 28

9:30am Frances & Daniel Hunt +
John & Brendan Hunt +
Special Intention (JM)

7pm Mary Dunphy +
Jerome Conway +
Marguerite Stacey +

Tuesday, July 29

9:30am Clotilda & Richard White +
Special Intention (BM)
Intention: Health of Harold & Rosa Williams

Wednesday, July 30

9:30am William & Ann Short +
Uriel Fagan +
Special intention (NH)

7pm William Bishop +
Betty McCarthy +
Doyle Rose +

Thursday, July 31

9:30am Clarence & Ann Woodford
Charles John +
Special Intention (Bernice Kieley)

Friday, August 1

9:30am Leo & Elizabeth White +
Special Intention (PJ)
Mondesir & Marc Families +

7pm Gerard Croke +
Anne Barton +
Marie Reddick +

Please Pray for the Recently Deceased:
David Arscott, Sandy Noseworthy, Howard Fahey

Parish Schedule:

Sunday Mass:

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

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@divinemercynl.com

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Adoration and Benediction every Tuesday, 2:00 pm.

Contact Information:

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follow the prompts to enter your email address and
preferences.

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Offertory Collection Week of July 20

Offertory	\$5,678
Initial Offering	\$ 10
Food Bank	\$1,015
Cemetery	\$ 280

E-transfers can be made through dmparishnl@outlook.com (Please
include your name and indicate what the E-transfer is for)
Thank you for your generosity. God Bless!

Pastor's Note:

Saint Ignatius of Loyola was, for a long time, tortured by guilt for the sinfulness of his past life. In his autobiography he recounts how he would go to Confession and confess every sin he could remember, from his childhood to that very moment. When absolved, he felt great consolation. Life seemed more beautiful, every step lighter than before. As he walked to where he was staying, however, he began to doubt. He wondered if he had confessed every sin or had forgotten a few? He debated with himself whether he had felt the proper amount of remorse for this or that sin. The consolation disappeared. He felt he was back to where he started – in need of forgiveness. Ignatius tells us that he would often turn around and go to Confession again. It got so bad that the Confessor had to tell him to stop confessing so often in the same day. The struggle for Ignatius, and perhaps for many of us, is to thoroughly believe in the power of God's mercy (his love), that his mercy is greater than our sin. In truth, so great is God's mercy Saint Paul writes, that God has nailed "it to the Cross."

During the time St. Paul was writing, Jews understood that humanity had incurred an unpayable debt owed to God. Adam acquired the first debt through the Original Sin and, subsequently, humanity has added to it by our sins. The debt seems to be so large that we are rendered stuck, like St. Ignatius – "How could God truly forgive what I have done?" St. Paul describes how God has forgiven. Paul writes, "when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the Cross." Through Jesus Christ, the Father has nailed it to the Cross, thereby, made us "alive together with him." By nailing the now blank record of debt to the Cross, the Father wants all to see and believe – we have been forgiven because we are always loved. God's mercy is eternally powerful. We cannot be separated from him because God will not permit it. As Saint John Chrysostom taught in the fourth century, the "decree of our sins which was against us, he has taken it completely away, nailing it to the cross ... so that no trace of it might remain. This is why he did not erase it but tore it to pieces."

God bless and take care,
Fr. John

World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly – Sunday, July 27, 2025

This Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly. The day invites families, parishes and communities to honour and care for the elderly, recognizing them as a source of hope for the future. In his homily for the Jubilee of Families, Children, Grandparents and the Elderly, Pope Leo reminds us that "Families are the cradle of the future of humanity." In families, God not only entrusts His precious gift of life, but He also invites their active participation in His plan of salvation. By loving each other as well as those around them, families serve as powerful witness to God's love. Inspired by Pope Leo's words may all families recognize and live out their call to holiness, their call to be "privileged places in which to encounter Jesus, who loves us and desires our good always." The Canadian Catholic Bishops have released a 1-minute promotional video that highlights the beauty of intergenerational connections.

www.youtube.com/watch?v=wvfOGTHXNQI

Divine Mercy Parish Walk-A-Thon Saturday, August 16, 2025

Have you signed up for our summer fundraiser?



Register for the Walk by filling out a form available from the Parish Office. You can also register by scanning the QR code. Details and registration are also available from our parish website: https://www.divinemercynl.com/?page_id=1783

Knights of Columbus:

The 4th Degree of the Knights of Columbus will install new 4th Degree Knights in a ceremony to be held on August 2 at 11 AM at Divine Mercy Parish. All candidates and their families are invited to attend. The installation will be followed by a reception at Columbus Hall on St. Clare Avenue. Any candidate not yet contacted please call Derm Whelan at 709 746 5977.

Legion of Mary: Flatrock Grotto Rosary & Sermon

Sunday, August 10, 2025, 2:30pm

Everyone is Welcome – Refreshments to follow

Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto in Flatrock is one of the designated Jubilee Pilgrimage sites in 2025.