



Divine Mercy

Catholic Church

A Jesuit Parish in St. John's



To See



To Love



To Serve

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time: September 21, 2025

Mass Intention

Week of September 21

Monday, September 22

9:30am Deceased Members of Byrne Family +
Deceased Members of Ryan Family +
Special Intention (RM)

7pm Jerome Conway +
Special Intention (EM)
Sara Sexton +

Tuesday, September 23

9:30am Rosemary Fahey +
Paul Toporowski & Deceased Family +
Special Intention (RM)

Wednesday, September 24

9:30am Deceased Members of Mesbah Family +
Clarence, Mary & Jody Stack +
Special Intention (RM)

7pm John & Isabelle Dunne +
Theresa Coady +
Ethel Lawton +

Thursday, September 25

9:30am Joe & Helen Coady +
Special Intention (RM)
Gerard & Violet Griffin +

Friday, September 26

9:30am Sandi Noseworthy +
Special Intention (EF)
Special Intention (RM)

7pm Edward Barrington +
Marguerite Stacey +
Morgan Hinckley +

Please Pray for the Recently Deceased:

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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Inquiries for Sacrament Preparation and Faith

Formation: email: faith.divinemercynl@gmail.com

Pastor: Fr. John Sullivan, S.J. Email: john@ekon.ca
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Associate Pastor: Fr. Joe Mroz, S.J. email: ej_mroz@yahoo.ca

Offertory Collection

Week of September 21

Offertory	\$ 5,478
Dues	\$ 7,350
Food Bank	\$ 270
Walk-a-thon	\$ 255

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

Sacrament Preparation

Divine Mercy Parish

Sacrament Preparation for Children Age 7 +



Reconciliation

Preparation Program
October-November 2025

Confirmation

Preparation Program
January-February 2026

Holy Eucharist

Preparation Program
February-March 2026

For More info or to register:

www.divinemercynl.com



"See what the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are."

1 John 3:1

Calling Parents of Children of Sacramental Age: If you have a child or children 7 years of age or more, you are invited to register them for our sacramental preparation programs for Confirmation and First Holy Communion and Reconciliation. Register online by going to our website at www.divinemercynl.com/ or calling the Parish Office at 709-726 9924 or email us at info@divinemercynl.com

*Or speak with someone at the
Sacraments Information Table
today after Mass!*

BECOMING CATHOLIC THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



Divine Mercy Parish welcomes individuals and families who are interested in joining our Catholic faith community.

Unbaptized Persons

Those who have never been baptized will follow the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

Baptized Christians

Those who have been baptized in another Christian faith community and desire to follow Jesus in the full communion of the Catholic Church will receive appropriate formation and, if they choose to join the Church, will make a public profession of faith.

Baptized Catholics

Baptized adult Catholics who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation will follow an individualized path.

Perhaps you, or someone you know is considering becoming a Roman Catholic. The Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults or RCIA is for you. The RCIA offers a communal program of preparation for those considering the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation & the Eucharist) and Reception into the Roman Catholic Community. Adults normally receive the sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. If you would like to know more, please email us at info@divinemercynl.com

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To See To Love To Serve

Catechetical Sunday September 21, 2025

As part of a 1935 initiative to recognize and celebrate the gift that catechists give to their parish communities by giving of their time for the religious education and formation of others, the Church began what we know today as Catechetical Sunday.

Celebrated on the third Sunday of September, this is a time to come together to acknowledge the dedication of all those who serve as catechists in our parish family. It is also a day when parents, grandparents and guardians are also honoured because they are the true first catechists, sharing the catholic faith with their families. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all Catholics to rededicate themselves to the mission of handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel as a community of faith.

The theme for this year's Catechetical Sunday is ***“Always be ready to give an explanation... for a reason for your hope.”*** (1 Peter 3:15) The theme is a reminder of the call to missionary discipleship that we all share as Catholics. As part of the call to holiness, we take part in the mission that Christ left all his followers. We are called to widely share the message of message of Christ through our words and actions. The theme calls all Catholics to confidently, joyously and lovingly share the reason for our faith. It emphasizes the importance of forming disciples who can witness to Christ with clarity, compassion, conviction, and hope in everyday life. The theme also ties into the Jubilee Year's theme, “Pilgrims of Hope,” a time for Catholics to renew their faith, seek forgiveness and reflect on the hope offered by Jesus Christ.

***Discover the joy of being a catechist –
Share the Faith!***

Opportunities to Serve in the Parish:

- Sacramental Preparation for Children
- Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)
 - Baptism Preparation
 - Children's Liturgy of the Word

To See, To Love, To Serve IN OCTOBER

Word on Fire: THE MASS

Discover a deeper understanding of what the Mass is and why it matters.

12 sessions available through our Flocknote
Wednesdays in October
Begins October 3

divinemercyparish12.flocknote.com/signup/227375

The CHOSEN

Season 4

8 Episodes

Available through our Flocknote
And/Or in person Thursdays

following the 9:30am Mass in the foyer

divinemercyparish12.flocknote.com/signup/227376

*If you missed Seasons 1-3 with us, let us know and we'll
catch you up!*

The Saints

October 3, 10 & 17 and November 7

This Saints Series will look at three different saints all with the name Teresa: St. Teresa of Avila, St. Therese Lisieux and St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa). The series will be available through Flocknote:

divinemercyparish12.flocknote.com/signup/227378

October 24, 31 and November 7

This Saints Series will look at three different Jesuit Saints, including St. Jean de Brebeuf and the Canadian Martyrs.

The series will be available through Flocknote:
divinemercyparish12.flocknote.com/signup/226220

Coming in November (date to be determined) The Relics of the Canadian Martyrs will come to Divine Mercy Parish. Watch for details in upcoming bulletins.

Parish Notes & Upcoming Events

Praying the Rosary in the Month of October

Join us throughout the month of October in the church before the 9:30 am weekday Mass to pray the Rosary. The month of October is dedicated to the devotion of the Rosary. All are welcome to join in this most beautiful devotion.

Note Regarding our Parking Lot:

Please be advised that there will be work done on our parking lot this Monday and Tuesday to fill in and repair the potholes. During this time, we will be unsure of the availability of parking space. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience.

MID-FALL FLING, Dinner and Dance

Sponsored by St. Paul's Knights of Columbus
Friday, October 17, 2025 - 5:30 for 6:00 pm
Columbus Hall, St. Clare Avenue.

Stuffed Chicken Breast Dinner, Live music by: 1452's,
Tickets: \$30.00 each.
Tickets available from Ray English 709-754-0780
or Brian Kennedy 709-727-5288.
All parishioners are welcome.

Youth Retreat October 24-25 NET Canada

St. Edward's Parish

NET teams (National Evangelization Teams) are groups of young adults who volunteer to travel across Canada offering exciting and engaging Catholic youth retreats to schools and parishes. This year a NET team of 9 young people will be coming to Newfoundland, and offering a retreat at St. Edward's Parish, CBS on Friday October 24th 6:30-9pm and Saturday the 25th, 10am to 4pm. Youth from grades 8-12 are invited to attend. Lunch will be provided on Saturday and an optional supper available after the 4pm Mass for those who wish to stay. For more information on NET Canada visit: <https://www.netcanada.ca>

Are You Called? Come and See

On Saturday September 27th, a Vocation Awareness Day for Priesthood and Consecrated life will be held at St. John the Baptist Basilica—Cathedral from 9am–2pm. The day will begin at 9am with a Mass for Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life. All are invited to attend. For men and women interested in learning more about discerning a call to the priesthood and consecrated life, presentations, discussion, and lunch will follow until 2pm. There is no cost, but registration is requested in order to prepare adequately for food. For more information or to register, please contact Fr. James Fleming at vocations@rcsj.org or (709) 834-9481.

Centre for Life's Seniors Technology Support:

Would you like to learn more about your cell phone, iPad, tablet or laptop? Sessions are starting on September 26 and are on Fridays from 12 pm - 1 pm. If you would like to register or have any inquiries, please call 709-579-1500.

Join the **Canada-wide Rosary Rally** to Pray the Holy Rosary on Bonaventure Avenue on Saturday, October 11th at 12 p.m. Theme: Canada Needs Our Lady. Call Colette 690-8503 for details.

40 Days/40 Hours for Life: September 22 to November 2. Join with us and countries throughout the world as we Pray and witness to the sanctity of all human life. Call Colette 690-8503 for details.

Two Day Retreat with Father Mark Cherry of Sacred Heart Evangelization and Healing Ministry:

The theme of the retreat is: Thy Kingdom Come. The retreat will be held at Our Lady Queen of Families in Mt. Pearl on **Friday October 24th from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday October 25th. from 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m., returning on Saturday evening at 6 p.m.** Father Mark Cherry will be giving four dynamic teachings-Understanding the Kingdom, The Fruit of The Kingdom, The Power of the Kingdom and The Coming Fullness of The Kingdom. Be sure not to miss it! **Coffee, refreshments and lunch** will be provided on Saturday. Please contact Suzanne Rowe for information and registration: 709-727-5809