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June 1, 2025 ~ Ascension of the Lord



Why Doesn't God Do Something?

It is said that we never grow up until both parents have died, when we can no longer go home. Yet, for each of us, there may also be a symbolic moment that moves us from childhood into adulthood. It may be achieving financial independence, graduating from school, or moving out on our own. Whatever it may be, we say to ourselves, "I am now grown up." Whenever such moments occur, we feel empowered to shape our lives and our future.

The feast of the Ascension is that sort of marker: God has empowered us to shape the world in the image of Jesus. Just as our parents empower us into an adulthood that contributes to life, it is now God who empowers us with the very same power by which he raised Jesus from the dead. It is a power and a presence by which God makes the world new through us.

There are those who say they no longer believe in God, because if there is a good God, then he would not allow violence, the death of children before their time, and all sorts of evil that mars human life. Perhaps the greater question is not "Why doesn't God do something?" but rather "Why do we not do something?" To pass on the responsibility to God is to abdicate our own responsibility and deny the fact that God continues to empower us as adults and expects us to utilize that power and presence to make all things new.

[Jesus said,] "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." ACTS 1:8

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Website: www.stteresa.ca Parish Office Hours Monday to Friday 9:00 - 4:00 pm Our bulletin is available online.



Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am

Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday: 7:00pm Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:00am (Weekday holidays - Mass moves to 9:00am) Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions included in Wednesday Mass Adoration follows Friday Mass.

Masses are available online

Reconciliation

Wednesday 6:30 - 7:00pm & Saturday 3:00 - 4:00pm or call the parish office for an individual appointment with a priest.

Marriages

A minimum of six months advance notice is required. A marriage preparation program is required to be married in the church.

Baptisms

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule the pre-baptism course and for more information. A copy of the child's birth certificate must be provided before the baptism.

Visit us on the web at www.stteresa.ca

Collection May 24/25, 2025

Green Envelopes \$5,764.00 Loose Collection 1,318.11 E-Transfers 90.00 Total of above \$7,172.11

Miscellaneous Contributions

Pope's Pastoral Works \$1,256.00 Good Friday \$20.00 (Total \$5,940.00) Easter Sunday \$30.00 (Total \$12,802.00) Archbishop's Appeal \$10.00 (Total\$2,842.00) Cemetery Collection \$10.00 Acknowledged with gratitude.



First Communion

Sunday June 1st at 1 p.m. forty two of our young people will gather with their families and parishioners to receive their First Communion. We

congratulate them and their families on this significant milestone in their faith journey. We assure them of our prayers and look forward to having them join us often at the Eucharistic table.



PENTECOST SUNDAY is

June 7/8

This great feast is sometimes referred to as "the birthday of the Church"

How will we celebrate at St Teresa's

At the Masses for Pentecost, we invite anybody who has a national dress, or traditional, dress from their country or region, to wear it. If you do not have a national dress, please consider wearing something red to honour the Holy Spirit.

We will have a map of the world and Newfoundland and Labrador available so that, wherever you come from, you might place a pin on the map, so that we can celebrate the diversity of our origins, and the wonder of our unity in the Holy Spirit.

St. Vincent de Paul - Collection

Cheques for St. Vincent de Paul must be made payable to **St. Vincent de Paul** and not to the parish.

Canadian Celtic Choir

Looking for an evening that will lift your spirits and support a great cause? Mark your calendars for a truly special night of music and community!

June 26, 7:00 p.m. St. Teresa's Church.

St. Teresa's Mundy Pond Corporation proudly presents "Songs to Touch Your Heart and Warm Your Spirit", featuring the internationally acclaimed Canadian Celtic Choir — live in concert for one night only in St. John's as part of their 2025 Canadian Tour.

Join us for a heartwarming evening filled with beautiful Celtic melodies, tradition, and togetherness — all in support of the ongoing upkeep and maintenance of the St. Teresa's Parish Complex, a cherished part of our community.

Don't miss your chance to experience this unforgettable performance, right here in the heart of St. John's.

For more information, visit <u>celticchoir.ca</u>

That's Songs to Touch Your Heart and Warm Your Spirit — Celtic music at its finest, for a cause that matters.

Tickets will be available at all three weekend Masses.

Also, tickets are now available at Fred's Records, O'Briens Records and St. Teresa's Parish office, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday.



St Teresa's Mundy Pond
Corporation is holding a 50/50
draw. Tickets are \$5 each, with 2000
available. Don't miss your chance to
win! Draw to be held during the

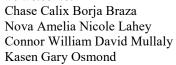
Canadian Celtic Concert at St. Teresa's Church on June 26, 2025. Ticket Sales Begin the weekend of May 31/June 1st. You can purchase your tickets at the back of church during weekend Masses and at the Parish Office Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm Proceeds to support the ongoing capital projects and maintenance of the parish complex as provided by St. Teresa's Mundy Pond Corporation.

Knights of Columbus

Weekly crib tournament - every Tuesday, 7pm, St. Teresa's Room, church basement. Enter by west side basement door.

Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptis

Baptism ~ May Through the waters of Baptism, we welcome:



Kade Johndale Mauri Soliven Chikamso Jude Umeh We pray that their journey of faith is filled with great joy. Congratulations!

St. Teresa's Chorus

Congratulations to Jane Higgins, winner of the St. Teresa's Chorus 50/50 draw. The prize amount was \$1,830.00. Ticket #23550-764. We thank everyone for your support of our choir's fundraising event for our trip to Ireland this coming fall. We are so grateful.

Holy Heart of Mary Alumnae Choir, directed by Barbara O'Keefe, presents their 25th Anniversary Gala Concert at Holy Heart Theatre on Sunday, June 8 at 7:30pm. Tickets \$25 available in person, by phone or online at HH Theatre. Guest performers include Ronalda Hutton MacDonald, Valerie Long, Marion Counsel, Holy Heart Trebles (Directed by Robert Colbourne) and the Ennis Sisters. A 50 - 50 Draw will be held.

Archdiocesan Celebration of Marriage and Family Life

As part of our Archdiocesan Jubilee Year celebrations, on Sunday June 22, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral -Basilica of St. John the Baptist, the Archdiocese will be hosting a Mass celebrating marriage and family life. All individuals and families are invited to attend this celebration. Couples celebrating 25 or more years of marriage are invited to register before June 18th. Couples celebrating 25 or more years of marriage who "register" their intention to attend this Mass before June 18, 2025, will be provided with reserved seating and will receive a special anniversary blessing as part of the celebration. Couples can register via a link on the Archdiocesan website www.rcsj.org or by phoning the Archdiocesan Office of Evangelization and Catechesis at 709-726-3660 ext. 2. (For those unable to attend the Mass will be live

(For those unable to attend the Mass will be live streamed at www.thebasilica.net)

June 8 - Pentecost Sunday

First Reading - Acts 2.1-11

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 12.3b-7, 12-13

Gospel - John 20.19-23

Mass Intentions June 2 - 8

Monday 7:00pm Jack, Annie and Adele Hunt,

Germaine and Ulysse Boudreau, Carmel Boudreau, Eunice MacNeil,

Rita and Dr. Nicholas Onyeagoro Joe Edwards, Lou Birmingham,

Tuesday 8:00am Joe Edwards, Lou Birmingham, Catherine and Alphonsus Lawlor,

Barbara Brown

Wednesday 7:00pm Gerald Douglas Edney, Regina Power, Lou Birmingham,

Richard Kelly

Thursday 8:00am Michael Barrington, Marjorie Mills,

Susan Sinnott, Doris Lawlor

Friday 8:00am Catherine, Patrick, Wayne and Susan

Pendergast, Justin Foley, Robert Perry MacDonald, Rosemarie Kavanagh

Saturday 5:00pm The Parishioners

Sunday 9:00am Ron Howlett, Gerald Murphy,

Geraldine Stevens, Ralph Blake

11:00am Joan Fitzgerald, Catherine Walsh, Kathleen Tucker, Harold O'Driscoll

Afternoon Teas at the Basilica:

Two afternoon tea parties, hosted in the magnificent setting of the Basilica, were both (by ALL accounts) a "brew-tea-full" success!!! If you're hoping to attend one of these events, there are only 4 Thursday's remaining: June 5th, June 19th, July 3rd and July 17th. Tea is served from 2-3:30 pm! NOTE: Tickets go on sale 1/2 hour before the tea begins. \$20 each, cash only. Seating capacity is limited.

Liturgy Services for Cemeteries

Gate of Heaven Cemetery – Tues., June 24, 7pm Kilbride Cemetery – Tuesday, July 1, 7:00pm Mt. Carmel Cemetery – Tuesday, July 8, 7:00pm Belvedere Cemetery – Tuesday, July 15, 7:00pm Holy Sepulchre Cemetery – Tues. July 22, 7pm

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

Psalm 19:14