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# June 8, 2025 ~ Pentecost Sunday



### **Spirited Life**

We are in a time when many seem to live with deep anger, much of which may come from fear generated by a sense of loss of control over our lives. We struggle to control the economy, our borders, the spread of disease, the violence in our cities and on our roads. Places once deemed safe—our schools, stores, and churches—have been invaded by violence. Ironically, those who feel most threatened by violence tend to turn to violence as a solution.

Do the scripture readings on this feast of Pentecost offer

any hint of light as to how we might move forward?

Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans contrasts living in the flesh with living in the spirit that has been given to us. To "live in the flesh" is Paul's code word for living by our baser instincts—lust for power, revenge, and pleasure; anger; greed—all of which focus on ourselves. By contrast, to live in the spirit is to respond not from our baser instincts but rather to choose a more noble path, to take the high road, to care for the common good. For Paul, living in the flesh is a dead end, unable to bring us to life now or in the hereafter. To live in the spirit is to live in God, already in this life. Thus, Paul cautions that we not "fall back into fear," something that arises from our preoccupation with the flesh.

[Jesus] said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." John 20:21

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#### **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 31/June 1, 2025

Green Envelopes	\$6,278.00
Loose Collection	1,373.00
E-Transfers	655.00
Total of above	\$8,306.00

#### **Miscellaneous Contributions**

Initial Offering \$5.00

Pope's Pastoral Works \$141.00 (Total \$1,397.00) Archbishop's Appeal \$55.00 (Total\$2,897.00) Cemetery Collection \$2,147.00 (Total \$2,157.00) Acknowledged with gratitude.

### **Development and Peace**

The St. John's Diocesan Council of Development and Peace – Caritas Canada will be holding its Annual General Meeting on Thursday June 12, following 6:30 mass at Our Lady Queen of Families Parish. We welcome members and all of those interested in the work of DPCC to join the meeting. Tea, Coffee and Light Refreshments will be served.

# 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 18<sup>th</sup>. 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 <a href="https://www.rcsj.org">www.rcsj.org</a> 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 streamed at <a href="https://www.thebasilica.net">www.thebasilica.net</a>)

Gracious God, Bestow upon us the gifts of Your Spirit. Help us to use them for Your glory and the good of others. Amen.

## Canadian Celtic Choir, Thursday, June 26

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!

# Doors open at 7:00 p.m., concert 7:30 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.



## 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. 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.

## **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 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.

#### Dear Padre,

# What does the Catholic Church teach about miracles?

Miracles are extraordinary occurrences without natural explanation that manifest the presence and power of God. We believe in miracles "because of the authority of God himself who reveals them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 156).

Christ's multiplication of the loaves is the only miracle recorded by all four evangelists. He performed many other natural miracles—calming the storm, walking on water—and numerous healings as well—curing the deaf and mute, the woman with a hemorrhage. These signs attest that the Father sent Jesus and "they invite belief in him" (CCC, 548). Moreover, Jesus' miracles "also confirm that the kingdom has already arrived on earth..." ("Dogmatic Constitution on the Church," 5). Today, God still manifests his presence in the Church through miracles. For example, potential medical healings are rigorously investigated by the Vatican for sainthood causes. Other supernatural occurrences—such as apparitions and eucharistic phenomena—are likewise thoroughly and prudently investigated with caution to maintain the Church's credibility and prevent confusion among the faith-

To that end, in May 2024, the Vatican updated its guidelines for assessing apparitions, visions, and alleged revelations, and reaffirmed that a bishop cannot rule on the validity of a particular case before the pope formally deems it to be "supernatural" for pastoral value. (Search "Norms for Proceeding in the Discernment of Alleged Supernatural Phenomena" at Vatican.va.)

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

**June 15-The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity** 

First Reading - Proverbs 8.22-31 Second Reading - Romans 5.1-5

**Gospel** - John 16.12-15

# Mass Intentions June 9 - 15

Monday 7:00pm Deceased members of the Wickens and Lane family, George Mandeville, Elaine Williams, Don Jones and

Anne Mackey

**Tuesday** 8:00am Phil Jarvis, Eileen Bidgood,

Justin Foley

Wednesday 7:00pm Bernard Howlett, Scott Kelly, John Lawlor, Gordon Withers

**Thursday** 8:00am Keziah Budden, Ann Marie Coady, Ben Penney,

sen Penney,

Intentions of Margaret O'Keefe

Friday 8:00am Anthony Ryan, Bob Chafe, Rita and Dr. Nicholas Onyeagoro

Saturday 5:00pm Gerard and Violet Griffin,

Edward Conway, Bonnie Dillon,

Paul McCarthy

Sunday 9:00am The Parishioners

11:00am Patrick Coleman, Tony Ryan, Jim Coleman, Bill Tucker,

Fred Abbott

### Afternoon Teas at the Basilica:

Three 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 <u>only 3 Thursday's remaining</u>: 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.

**Topsail United Church will be Holding a Take Out Lobster Dinner** on Thursday June 19. Pick
up time will be from 4:30 until 6 P.M. Meal will
consist of Lobster (1.5- 2.0 lb.) 3 different salads,
lettuce, tomato, cheese, roll, dessert. Cost \$35.
To reserve please call the Church Office at
709-834-4567 or Brad 709-682-2804. The cut off to
purchase tickets is June 16.