

**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
(CORPUS CHRISTI)
June 22, 2025**



**WELCOME TO
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GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH
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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday 10:00 am – 1:00 pm
Wednesday 10:30 am – 1:00 pm Friday 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Wednesday June 25	11:00 am	St. Joseph's	Alban & Catherine Daley, Sarah Gregory Dominic Leonard In Thanksgiving (E.D)
Friday June 27	3:00 pm	St. Vincent's	Wedding Donald Genereux and Dianne St. Croix
Saturday June 28	4:00 pm	St. Vincent's	Jerome Stamp; Elaine Pilditch; Hugh Yetman Rachael Comerford; Crystal Adams Raymond Sullivan
	5:30 pm	St. Mary's	
Sunday June 28	9:30 am	St. Joseph's	Austin & Theresa Linehan Frank & Betty Linehan Charles & Nora Daley Special Living Intention "Missa Pro Populo" For Parishioners Living and Deceased
	11:15 am	Mount Carmel	

MINISTRY LIST

Saturday June 28	4:00 pm	St. Vincent's	Cross Bearer: Dermot Fleming Reader: Angela Fleming Collectors: Dan Fleming Gifts: Carmelita Halleran, Marcella Fleming Eucharistic Minister: Patrick Tobin
Saturday June 28	5:30 pm	St. Mary's	Cross Bearer: Ron Molloy Reader: Bill Breen Collectors: Hubert Kielly, Joseph Kielly Gifts: Josephine Kielly, Jeanette Critch Eucharistic Minister: Des Yetman
Sunday June 29	9:30 am	St. Joseph's	Cross Bearer: Benny Furey Reader: Hugh Lawlor Collectors: Gordon Gambin, Tony Daley Gifts: Pat & Joanne Singleton Eucharistic Minister: Theresa Williams
Sunday June 29	11:15 am	Mount Carmel	Cross Bearer: Don Power Reader: Madeline McDonald Collectors: Don Power, Victor Cole Gift Bearers: Marie Bonia, Joan Downey Eucharistic Minister: Heather Marrie

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

Parish office hours will change to the following schedule, effective June 30, 2025.
Monday 10:00 am – 1:00pm Wednesday 10:30 am – 1:00 pm Thursday 10:00 am – 1:00 pm.
The office will be closed to the public from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM for administrative duties.

PARISH COUNCIL/FINANCE/FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday June 25, 2025 at 11:30 am in St. Joseph's.

FINANCES ACKNOWLEDGED WITH SINCERE THANKS

June 14, 15: St. Vincent's/St. Mary's/St. Joseph's/Mt. Carmel

Weekly Offering: \$1065.80 Mass Card Print Cost: \$4.00 St. Joseph's Cemetery Donation: \$30.00

GRAND IN YOUR HAND WINNERS (May)

1st Prize Winner: Felix Lake #0022 Drawn by Mary St. Croix Witnessed by Joan Neville
2nd Prize Winner: Cathy Pippy # 0344 Drawn by Mary Francis Comerford Witnessed by Sheila Lee

ARCHDIOCESAN MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Couples can register using the following link: [Marriage Preparation Registration | Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. John's \(rcsj.org\)](https://www.rcsj.org/marriage-preparation-registration)

2025 Jubilee Pilgrimage Sites and Celebrations

The Jubilee of 2025 is an invitation to set out on a pilgrimage of hope. A pilgrimage involves undertaking a journey to a holy place. Along this journey the pilgrim not only changes their location but is also changed within. The whole Christian life, in fact, can be seen as a pilgrimage of conversion as we proceed toward the goal of eternal life in Christ Jesus. While Pope Francis designated Jubilee pilgrimage sites in Rome and other places throughout the world, he also invited local bishops, in addition to the local Cathedral, to designate pilgrimage sites for their own dioceses. Three such sites have been designated in the Archdiocese of St. John's and a date for a special celebration at each of these sites has been organized. Information regarding the pilgrimage sites, the celebration dates and the Jubilee Indulgence that can be obtained in pilgrimage to these sites can be found in the Archdiocese of St. John's pamphlet: **2025 JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE SITES** which is available in parishes churches and on the Archdiocesan website www.rcsj.org.

LIVING FAITH

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THE GOSPEL FOR TODAY: Luke 9:11b-17

When the crowds found out about the wonders Jesus had done, they followed him; and he welcomed them, and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who needed to be cured. The day was drawing to a close, and the twelve came to him and said, 'Send the crowd away, so that they may go into the surrounding villages and countryside, to lodge and get provisions; for we are here in a deserted place.' But he said to them, 'You give them something to eat.' They said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish—unless we are to go and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, 'Make them sit down in groups of about fifty each.' They did so and made them all sit down. And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. And all ate and were filled. What was left over was gathered up, twelve baskets of broken pieces.

REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL: In 2018, on Corpus Christi Sunday, Pope Francis gave a homily in which he said: "In life, we constantly need to be fed: nourished not only with food, but also with plans and affection, hopes and desires. We hunger to be loved. But the most pleasing compliments, the finest gifts and the most advanced technologies are not enough; they never completely satisfy us." "The Eucharist is simple food, like bread, yet it is the only food that satisfies, for there is no greater love," he added. "There we encounter Jesus really; we share his life and we feel his love."

Talking with Family and Friends

- How are you hungry?

How do you ask Jesus to satisfy your hunger today?

Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

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<https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html>

THE CHURCH TEACHES THE EUCHARIST

It was by means of (this bread and wine) that the Lord Christ wished to present us with his body and blood, which he shed for our sake for the forgiveness of sins. If you receive them well, you are yourselves what you receive." (St. Augustine, Sermon 227)



By the consecration the transubstantiation of the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ is brought about. Under the consecrated species of bread and wine Christ himself, living and glorious, is present in a true, real, and substantial manner: his Body and his Blood, with his soul and his divinity. (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #1413)

Jesus said: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; if any one eats of this bread, he will live forever; . . . he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life and . . . abides in me, and I in him" (Jn 6:51, 54, 56). (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #1406)

I am the
Bread of
Life...

The Eucharist is the heart and the summit of the Church's life, for in it Christ associates his Church and all her members with his sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving offered once for all on the cross to his Father; by this sacrifice he pours out the graces of salvation on his Body which is the Church. (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #1407)

The Eucharistic celebration always includes: the proclamation of the Word of God; thanksgiving to God the Father for all his benefits, above all the gift of his Son; the consecration of bread and wine; and participation in the liturgical banquet by receiving the Lord's body and blood. These elements constitute one single act of worship. (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #1408)



The Last Supper (Mt 26:26-28)



Behold what you
are. Become what
you receive.

St. Augustine

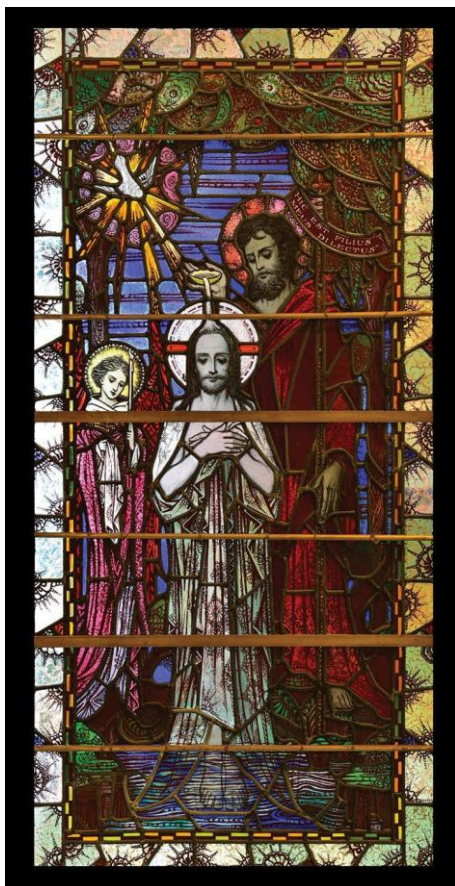
SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST JUNE 24

St. John the Baptist is the patron of the Archdiocese of St. John's, of our Basilica-Cathedral, of the city of St. John's and of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

John the Baptist is mentioned in all four Gospels. The greatness of John the Baptist, his pivotal place in the history of salvation, is perhaps best seen in the great emphasis that the Evangelist Luke gives to the announcement of his birth, and then the actual birth itself. Luke ties together the announcement of the birth of John the Baptist (and the story of the actual birth and the events that surrounded it) and the announcement of the birth of Jesus. The story takes up most of the first Chapter of the Gospel of Luke, Chapter 1, verses 5 to 80. John the Baptist pointed the way to Jesus. In his ministry, he attracted countless people to the banks of the Jordan River, and it occurred to some people that he might be the Messiah. John baptized Jesus in the Jordan. He never sought to draw attention to himself, but constantly deferred to Jesus, even sending away some of his followers to become the first disciples of Jesus.



The statue of St. John the Baptist that stands on top of the archway in the Basilica piazza, looking out over the city and the Narrows. Sculptor: Filippo Gherzi, 1856 (Photo by John FitzGerald, 2020)



St. John the Baptist is also a patron saint of French Canada. In addition to St. John's, NL, the Canadian cities of Saint John, New Brunswick (1604), and Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, Quebec (1665) were all named in his honor. His feast day of June 24, celebrated officially in Quebec as the *Fête Nationale du Québec*, and in Newfoundland and Labrador.

To the left, you will see a photo of a stained glass window from the Basilica of St. John the Baptist, showing the baptism of Jesus by John in the Jordan River. The window, by George Earley of Dublin, is part of a set of windows installed in 1955, on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the consecration of the Cathedral.

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