

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
July 13, 2025



**WELCOME TO
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GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH
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Parish office hours will change to the following schedule, effective **July 7, 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.

ARCHDIOCESAN MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Couples can register using the following link: [Marriage Preparation Registration | Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. John's](http://MarriagePreparationRegistration.RomanCatholicArchdioceseofStJohns.org)
(rcsj.org)

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Wednesday July 16	11:00 am	St. Joseph's	Josephine & Gerald Kielly Catherine Daley & Sarah Gregory Eileen & John Lewis (Sr)
Saturday July 19 <i>Please Note time & location</i>	4:00 pm	St. Vincent's	Leon Molloy; Father Joseph Barbour Phylliss Brown
	5:30 pm <i>3 Baptisms</i>	St. Mary's	Denis & Mary Ann Meehan Wanda Fagan; Judy Fitzgerald Yetman
Sunday July 20	11:00 am	St. Joseph's Cemetery Mass	For the Faithful Departed of St. Joseph's Cemetery

MINISTRY LIST

Saturday July 19	4:00 pm	St. Vincent's	Cross Bearer: Marilyn Kielly Reader: Verna Hayward Collectors: Pat Tobin, Dan St. Croix Gifts: Irene & Bernadette Molloy Eucharistic Minister: Angela Fleming
Saturday July 19	5:30 pm	St. Mary's	Cross Bearer: Marion Bishop Reader: Sheila Yetman Collectors: Pat Butler, Ron Molloy Gifts: Hubert & Shirley Kielly Eucharistic Minister: Bill Breen
Sunday July 20	11:00 am	St. Joseph's Cemetery Mass	Reader: Tony Healey Collectors: Bill McDonald, Pat Singleton Eucharistic Ministers: Howard Power, Theresa Williams

SANCTUARY LIGHT: (July 13-19) In memory Father Clem Flaherty – Our Lady of Assumption Church

PARISH COUNCIL/FINANCE COUNCIL: We are currently seeking a parishioner from Mount Carmel and Colinet to serve on Parish Council and Finance Council. If you are interested in contributing your time, please contact the parish office either by phone 709 521-2206 or email goodshepherdparish2008@gmail. We appreciate your consideration. Thank you.

FINANCES ACKNOWLEDGED WITH SINCERE THANKS

July 5,6: St. Vincent's/St. Mary's/St. Joseph's

Weekly Offering: \$1094.50

Cemetery Offering (O'Donnell's): \$477.50

Sanctuary Light: \$6.00

Certificate: \$5.00

Mass Card Print Cost: \$5.00

GRAND IN YOUR HAND WINNERS (June)

1st Prize Winner: Ben Didham Ticket No:0304

Drawn by: Annette Moriarity

Witness: Sheila Yetman

2nd Prize Winner: Natalie Matthews Ticket No:0129

Drawn by: Sheila Yetman

Witness: Shirley Kielly

MASS INTE2025 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. 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.

CENTRE FOR LIFE - Are you or someone you know in an unplanned pregnancy and in need of resources to prepare for your baby? Please contact the office at 709-579-1500. Professional and confidential pregnancy and post abortion counselling support is available. Visit our website at <https://www.centreforlife.ca> and visit the link <https://www.centreforlife.ca/main/services/#abortion> to listen to a testimony of hope and healing in the Save One section on the page. Visit our website to read more about our services and educational resources.

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH CEMETERY MASS & WEEKEND SCHEDULE JULY – AUGUST 2025
SCHEDULE NO SUBJECT TO CHANGE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>CEMETERY / WEEKEND</u>
SATURDAY July 19, 2025	4:00 pm 5:30 pm	ST. VINCENT'S ST. MARY'S	WEEKEND MASS WEEKEND MASS
SUNDAY July 20, 2025	11:00 AM	ST. JOSEPH'S	ST. JOSEPH'S CEMETERY
SATURDAY July 26, 2025	4:00 pm 5:30 pm	MOUNT CARMEL ST. JOSEPH'S	WEEKEND MASS WEEKEND MASS
SUNDAY July 27, 2025	11:00 AM	ST. VINCENT'S	SACRED HEART CEMETERY
SATURDAY August 2, 2025	4:00 pm 5:30pm	MOUNT CARMEL ST. JOSEPH'S	WEEKEND MASS WEEKEND MASS
SUNDAY August 3, 2025	11:00 AM	ST. MARY'S	NEW CEMETERY Our Lady of Assumption
SATURDAY August 9, 2025	4:00 pm 6:00 pm	ST. MARY'S ST. JOSEPH'S	WEEKEND MASS WEEKEND MASS
SUNDAY August 10, 2025	11:00 AM	NORTH HARBOUR	SACRED HEART CEMETERY
SATURDAY August 16, 2025	4:00 pm 5:30 pm	MOUNT CARMEL ST. JOSEPH'S	WEEKEND MASS WEEKEND MASS
SUNDAY August 17, 2025	11:00 AM	RIVERHEAD/ MALL BAY	ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CEMETERY
WEDNESDAY August 20, 2025	5:00 PM	ST. MARY'S	OLD CEMETERY Our Lady of Assumption
SATURDAY August 23, 2025	4:00 pm 6:00 pm	ST. MARY'S ST. JOSEPH'S	WEEKEND MASS WEEKEND MASS
SUNDAY August 24, 2025	11:00 AM	COLINET	OUR LADY OF GRACE CEMETERY
WEDNESDAY August 27, 2025	5:00 PM	O'DONNELL'S	OLD CEMETERY St. Anne's Cemetery

**In the event of inclement weather, each cemetery mass will occur on the same date
and at the same time in a designated church community.**

LIVING FAITH

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THE GOSPEL FOR TODAY

Luke 10:25-37

A lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?'

He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?'

He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.'

And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?'

Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead.'

Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

But a Samaritan while travelling came near him;

and when he saw him, he was moved with pity.

He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them.

Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said,

"Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend."

Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.'

Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

TAKING THE GOSPEL HOME

Jesus says to the lawyer who tried to test him, "Go and do likewise." Imagine that you are that lawyer. After listening to the story that Jesus tells, he asks you, "Which one of the people in my story shows themselves to be a neighbour of the man who was robbed?" Deep in your heart, you know the answer. It was not the priest. It was not the Levite. Both of these people passed by the man. No, the person who showed himself to be a neighbour was the Samaritan, a most unlikely hero in any Jewish story, for the Jews did not think very highly of Samaritans. And then, Jesus issues you a challenge, "Go and do likewise. Go out there and be a neighbour, especially to those who are hard to love."

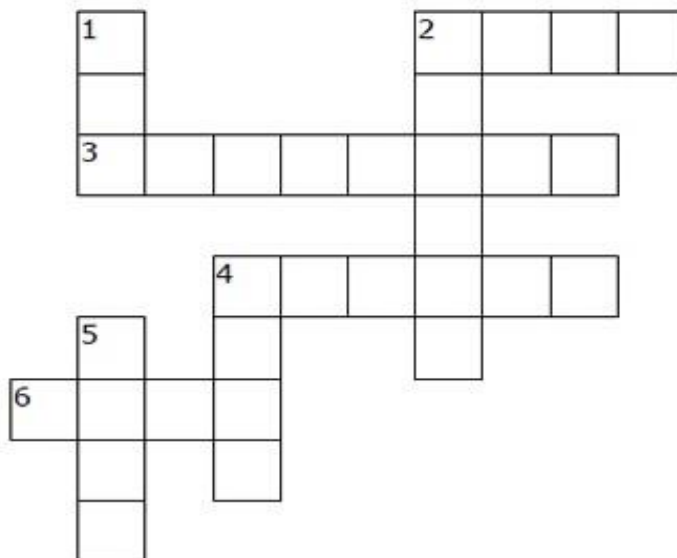
PONDER AND DISCUSS

- When is it easy for you to be a good neighbour?
- When is it hard for you to act like a good neighbour?
- Why do you think it's so important to be a good neighbour to others?

Parable of the Good Samaritan

" 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' " Luke 10:27

Based on Luke 10:25-37



ACROSS

2. A pathway for vehicles, people, and animals
3. Someone who lives very near to you
4. A person who performs religious duties in the church
6. To hit someone again and again

DOWN

1. An adult male human
2. Someone who takes money or property illegally from another person
4. To feel sympathy and sorrow for the misfortune or suffering of another
5. Not living

MAN	PRIEST	PITY	ROBBER
ROAD	BEAT	DEAD	NEIGHBOR

JUBILEE YEAR CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

On Sunday, June 22, 2025 we celebrated a Mass for Married couples at the Basilica of St. John the Baptist. Over 50 Jubillarian couples celebrating anniversaries ranging from 25-69 years of Marriage were present. Here is a copy of the Blessing given on that occasion:



Blessing of Married Couples

You have come here with your family and friends
to celebrate your faithfulness to each other
and to thank God for the years he has given you
to live in mutual love.

Through the joys and sorrows,
the triumphs and trials of life,
God has been with you.
The Church shares your joy today
and is thankful to you
for being such a powerful sign
of God's loyal and faithful love for the world.

Blessed and you, Lord, king of all creation:
you have made us your beloved people,
and have showered your gifts upon us.
with this couple, we bless you,
and thank you for their years together.

Continue to fill their hearts
with love for you and for each other.
Stretch out your hand upon them and bless them.
Grant that, as they have lived their lives
with one heart and one mind,
they may continue to witness
to your presence in their marriage.

Bless their family and friends
and lead them through this life
to eternal happiness with you.
We offer you all praise and glory
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Amen

We thank all who helped plan this and everybody who participated in this special ceremony!

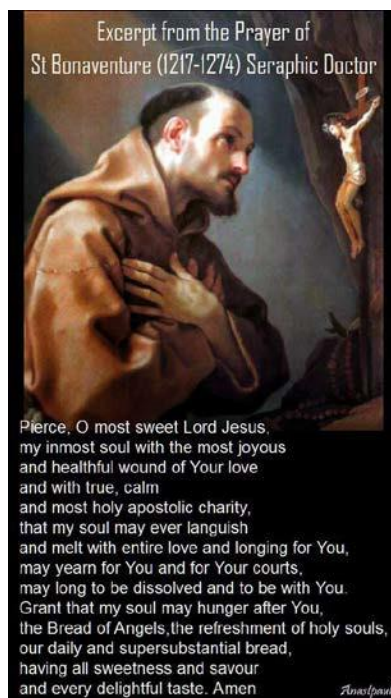
July 15

ST. BONAVENTURE BISHOP DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Born in Bagnorea, Italy, to Giovanni di Fianza and Maria Ritell in 1221, just five years before the death of Saint Francis, Saint Bonaventure was baptized John. He received the name Bonaventure when he entered the Order of Friars Minor. Bonaventure entered the Franciscans around 1243 as a member of the Roman Province.

He attended the University of Paris studying under the founder of the Franciscan school there, Alexander of Hales, receiving his *licentiate* in 1248. This degree afforded him the right to teach, which he did until his election as Minister General of the Order of Friars Minor in 1257, an office he held until May 1274.

His biography of St. Francis was adopted as the official biography of the Order in 1263. In 1273, he was made a cardinal and named the bishop of Albano by Pope Gregory X. While attending the Council of Lyon, he died suddenly on Sunday, July 15, 1274.



Bonaventure remained a simple man of faith and holiness; his life and administration governed by prayer and reflection. Legends have it that when the papal legates came to give him his cardinal's hat, they found him washing dishes. As a theologian, Bonaventure was able to reflect on the practical aspects of life and see how they interacted with the insights of faith—truly an incarnational approach, which is so typically Franciscan. He was a well-seasoned philosopher and theologian capable of thinking things through carefully in the light of reason drawing truly academic yet pastoral conclusions. He is considered the second founder of the Franciscan Order.

When Bonaventure was canonized, Pope Sixtus IV wrote: *Bonaventure was great in learning, but no less great in humility and holiness. His innocence and dove-like simplicity were such that Alexander of Hales, the renowned doctor whose disciple Saint Bonaventure became, used to say of him that it seemed as though Adam had never sinned in him.*