

CONTRIBUTIONS	August 3rd & 4th
Offertory	\$2304.85
Building Fund	\$ 330.00
Shepherds' Fund	\$ 80.00
Insurance	\$ 25.00
TOTAL	\$2739.85

Thank you to our parishioners

E-TRANSFERS

If you wish to e-transfer your donations, please use the following email address:

stephensparish@gmail.com. For tax receipt purposes, please include your envelope number (if applicable) or mailing address. Tax receipts are issued in the new year.

ESTATE PLANNING & MEMORIAM REQUEST

We encourage Parishioners in their Estate and Funeral Planning to consider donations to their Parish or the Shepherd's Fund Foundation in memory of a loved one. St. Stephen's In Memoriam cards are available at the back of the church, the Parish Office, or Russell's Funeral Home upon request.

FRAGRANT-FREE PLACE OF WORSHIP

Please note that our Parish is a fragrant-free place of worship as we have many parishioners who are asthmatic and/or have severe scent allergies. Thank you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, August 13th

The 7:00 pm Mass is cancelled due a Funeral Mass for Gerard Brennan at 10.00 am

Wednesday, August 14th at 7:00 pm

Int. Brooklyn Taylor req. by donor

Late Madeline & Patrick Marche req. by Marie Hynes

Late Pat Brennan req. by Mary & Adrien Gibbons

Thursday, August 15th

The 9:30 Mass is replaced with a special Mass at Our Lady of Mercy at 7:00 pm

Friday, August 16th at 9:30 am

Int. of Mary Cooper req. by Madeline & George White

Late Wishie Gaudet req. by Linda Dollinger

Late Ray Schumph req. by Ursula Schumph

Souls in Purgatory req. by donor

Sanctuary Candle

*in Memory of Wishie Gaudet
Requested by Roland & Evelyn Kettle*

DAILY READINGS, RESPONSORIAL PSALM & GOSPEL: August 12th to August 16th

Monday, August 12th

1st Reading: Ezekiel 1.2-5, 24-28c

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 148.1-2, 11-12, 13, 14

Gospel: Matthew 17.22-27

Tuesday, August 13th

1st Reading: Ezekiel 2.8-3.4

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 119.14+24, 72+103, 111+131 (R.103a)

Gospel: Matthew 18.1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday, August 14th

1st Reading: Ezekiel 9.1-7, 10, 18-22

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 113.1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (R.4b)

Gospel: Matthew 18.15-20

Thursday, August 15th

1st Reading: Revelations 11.19a;

12.1-6a, 10ab
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 45.9-10, 11+12c+14, 15 (R.9b)

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.20-26

Gospel: Luke 1.39-56

Friday, August 16th
1st Reading: Ezekiel 16.1-15, 60, 63

OR

1st Reading: Ezekiel 16.59-63

Responsorial Canticle: Isaiah 12.2, 3+4bc, 4d-6 (R.1c)

Gospel: Matthew 19.3-12

STEWARDSHIP Stewardship Disciples

"Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you!" 1 KINGS 19:7

God knows that committing to a **Stewardship** lifestyle is difficult. However, we were not designed to do it on our own, we need God's help. Fortunately, God gave us the greatest gift of all, His son, Jesus. Through the gift of the Eucharist, we unite our sacrifice with Jesus' sacrifice to do the will of God, Our Father. We receive the strength and courage to be His missionary disciples.

CHURCH HUMOUR A Pious Man

A pious man who had reached the age of 105 suddenly stopped going to church. Alarmed by the old fellow's absence after so many years of faithful attendance the pastor went to see him. He found him in excellent health, so the pastor asked, "How come after all these years we don't see you at services anymore?"

The old man looked around and lowered his voice. I'll tell you, Pastor," he whispered. "When I got to be 90 I expected God to take me any day. But then I got to be 95, then 100, then 105. So I figured that God is very busy and must have forgotten about me and I don't want to remind Him."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Our Lady of Mercy** complex, Port Au Port West, will be celebrating a special Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Thursday, August 15th, at 7 pm. Bishop Bart van Roijen will be officiating. The rosary will be recited prior to Mass at 6:30 pm. Priests will be available from 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm for those who wish to receive the Sacrament of Penance. Collection boxes will be placed at the back of the church for anyone wishing to donate to Our Lady of Mercy Restoration Fund.

- **Maurice Lewis, Knights of Columbus Field Agent**, will be in the area from Monday, August 12th to Friday, August 16th. He can be contacted at maurice.lewis@kofc.org or at 709-725-6056 to set up an appointment.

- **Yard Sale:** Maria Regina Rectory on August 17 from 10:am to 1:00 pm. Items for sale include kitchen wares, small appliances, furniture, etc.

- **Emergency Food Requests:** Reminder that your donation of emergency food items are welcome and may be dropped of at the Church Entrance at any time. Thank you.

- **Development and Peace-Caritas Canada Regional Assembly, "Peace for all Creation"**, Sept. 13-15, 2024, is taking place at **The Lantern**, Barnes Rd, St. John's, registration is \$20. For more information and to register please contact Patricia Walsh Warren-pwalsh@devp.org. The **agenda** is posted on the Bulletin in the Church Entrance.

- **Our Vase Sale** last weekend was an overwhelming success, raising \$300. Heartfelt thanks to all who bought vases and to those who made mone-

tary contributions. You are wonderful!!!

- Tuesday to Friday, **praying of the Rosary** will start 1/2 hour before Mass.
- **St. Stephen's Parish** is opened daily from 8:30 am to 7:30 pm for private prayer.

OUR LADY OF MERCY HERITAGE CHURCH AND MUSEUM, PORT AU PORT WEST

- Open from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Sunday.
- Tea room and cafe offer:
 - Sandwiches and soup
 - Assorted desserts
 - Hot and Cold Beverages
- For additional information call 709-648-2439

Music Schedule

Aug. 12 Lloyd Swyers

Aug. 13 Fred Felix

Aug. 14 Donovan Conran

Aug. 15 Louis House

Aug. 16 Catherine Rose

*Happy 68th Wedding Anniversary to Pius & Sarah
Tourout!*

August 11th, 2024

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for August 2024

For political leaders~*"We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs"*.



August 11th, 2024

Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

“We must thank God from the bottom of our hearts for giving us the Christian faith. This faith means that "God out of the abundance of his love, speaks to men as friends and lives among them so that he may invite and take them into fellowship with himself," as Vatican II puts it. He did not put us on earth and leave us on our own with nowhere to go except to the grave. He sent his beloved Son on earth. He made us heirs to heaven and left to us, in his Church, all the instruction and aids we need to reach our inheritance. The unbelievers and free-thinkers may feel that they are free to do what they will here on earth, but we know that we have been given the freedom of the children of God for all eternity, if only we live according to the faith given us.”

Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings* by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.
<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2024-08-11>



How often have we felt like saying, “O God, enough already!” like Elijah? What has enabled us to continue, to eventually overcome the obstacles in our way? Jesus assures the crowds that he is the Bread of Life and that he can and will sustain us forever. God had a journey planned for Elijah, to God’s holy mountain, and wasn’t going to let him give up. Jesus has a journey planned for us, to God’s kingdom, and isn’t going to let us give up either. Whenever we feel like crying out, “Enough!” let us remember that Jesus can sustain us and nourish us through all of life’s trials.

*I am
the Bread
of Life*

John 6:35



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Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary

Bishop of Corner Brook & Labrador.....	Most Rev. Bart Van Roijen
Pastor.....	Fr. Joseph Kizhakkekuruvidathil CST
Associate Pastor.....	Fr. Jaison Joseph Vizhukipara CST
Parish Council Chair.....	Debbie Wilton
Finance Committee Chair.....	Rosa Dollard
Administrative Assistant.....	Kim Ryan
St. Anne's Guild President.....	Vacant
Religious Education Coordinator.....	Michelle Hawco
Responsible Ministry Coordinator.....	Theresa Dollimont
Liturgy Coordinator.....	Bernice Maddock
Knights of Columbus.....	Grand Knight Conrad Benoit
4th Degree Assembly.....	Faithful Navigator Bob Miller

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Evening at 6:00 pm
Sunday Morning at 10:30 am

REGULAR WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:00 pm
Thursday and Friday at 9:30 am

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday:
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Wednesday: 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm
Friday: 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
*Closed daily from 12 noon to 1:00 pm

MARRIAGES

Six months noticed required; a years notice recommended

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Please call Parish office to register.

RECONCILIATION

1st Saturday of each month at 2:15 pm (or)
Priest available 30 minutes before Mass recommended.

MASS TIMES

**Maria Regina, Port au Port East:*
Saturday at 4:30 pm & Sunday at 9:00 am
**Our lady of Fatima, Piccadilly:*
The 1st, 3rd, & 4th Sunday of each month at 10:30 am
**St. Vincent de Paul, Point au Mal:*
Second Sunday of the month at 10:30 am

ROSARY GROUP

Saturday at 11:00 am

ST. STEPHENS PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday at 1:30 pm in the downstairs meeting room

WELCOME!

If you are new to the area, welcome to St. Stephen's Parish. If you would like to register as a new parishioner please reach out to the main office.