

CONTRIBUTIONS June 29th & 30th	
Offertory	\$2762.00
Building Fund	\$ 470.00
Insurance	\$ 100.00
TOTAL	\$3332.00

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, July 23rd at 7:00 pm

Late Rita Gaudon req. by Peter & Sylvia Walsh
Late Maxwell Williams req. by Joan O'Neil
Souls in Purgatory req. by Colin Burke

Wednesday, July 24th at 7:00 pm

Int. Arnold Landry req. by Lucy Tourout
Late Bernie Marks req. by Jerry MacNeil
Souls in Purgatory req. by donor

Thursday, July 25th 9:30 am

Late Anne Cluett req. by Terri & Bernie White
Late Brian Lush req. by Joan White
Late Michael White and the deceased members of the

White and Blanchard Families req. by Joan White

Friday, July 26th

The Feast of St. Anne will be held in Our Lady of Mercy Church @ 11:00 am with Bishop Bart van Roijen presiding.

DAILY READINGS, RESPONSORIAL

PSALM & GOSPEL: July 22nd to July 26th

Monday, July 22nd

1st Reading: Song of Songs 3.1-4a
2 Corinthians 5.14-17

OR

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 63.1, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 (R.1b)

Gospel: John 20.1, 11-18

Tuesday, July 23rd

1st Reading: Micah 7.14-15, 18-20

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 85.1-3, 4-5, 6-7 (R.7a)

Gospel: Matthew 12.46, 48-50++

Wednesday, July 24th

1st Reading: Jeremiah 1.1, 4-10

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 71.1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab+17 (R.15ab)

Gospel: Matthew 13.1-9

Thursday, July 25th
1st Reading: 2 Corinthians 4.7-15

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 126.1-2ab, 2bc-3, 4-5, 6 (R.5)

Gospel: Matthew 20.20-28

Friday, July 26th
1st Reading: Sirach 44.1, 8, 10-15

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 132.11, 13-14, 17-18 (R.Lk 1.32b)

Gospel: Matthew 13.16-17

STEWARDSHIP Stewardship Calling
"He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." MARK 6:31

Do you spend time, every day, alone and in silence listening to how God is calling you to Stewardship? If not, you are missing out on a

wonderful opportunity to develop a more personal relationship with Him. Unless we talk and more importantly, listen to God every day, how else will we know how He is calling us? Consider making a retreat this year, spend some "alone" time with God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Port au Port Indian Band** is hosting the Feast of St Anne Mass at Our Lady of Mercy Church on Friday, July 26th at 11:00 am. Bishop Bart van Roijen is presiding. All are welcome.
- **Emergency Food Requests:** Reminder that your donation of emergency food items are welcome and may be dropped off at the Church Entrance at any time. Thank you.
- **Development and Peace-Caritas Canada Regional Assembly, Sept. 13-15, 2024. "Peace for all Creation"-Registration is now open.** Taking place at *The Lantern*, Barnes Rd, St. John's join members and those interested in learning more about the work carried out by the International Development Organization of the Catholic Church in Canada. A full day youth retreat will be taking place in advance of the assembly. Presentations from our Latin America Programs Officer and opportunities to engage in local community development. Registration is \$20 and includes refreshment breaks, lunch, and dinner on Saturday. 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.
- 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

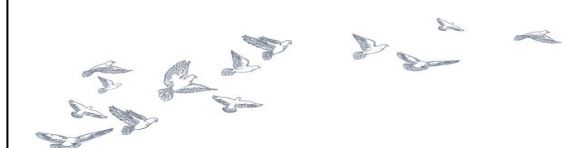
- through Sunday.
- Tea room and cafe offer:
 - Sandwiches and soup
 - Assorted desserts
 - Hot and Cold Beverages
- For additional information call 709-648-2439

July Music Schedule

- 15th St. Augustine's Gospel Choir
- 16th Ben & Doug Lane
- 17th Laura Keating Folk on Fire
- 18th Bud Noseworthy
- 19th Fred Felix
- 22nd Marilyn & John Pittman
- 23rd Tammy Dutcher
- 24th Danielle Rose
- 25th Randy Downey & Ester Oosterban
- 26th Danielle Rose
- 29th Reg & Joyce Eddy
- 30th Loyd Swyers
- 31st Lovely Bones

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

For the pastoral care of the sick~ *"We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all."*



July 21st, 2024

Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Jesus planned on giving the Apostles a well earned rest after returning from their mission. He too needed a rest, and decided to go to a quiet place with the Apostles to renew their energy. However when they reached the shore a crowd had gathered .

“Seeing these simple people of Galilee so anxious to hear about God and his mercy, he let them stay and began to preach the good news of forgiveness and hope to them. For the most part they were simple, unlettered villagers, shepherds and fishermen. They knew a little about the Law of Moses but only a little. There was no one but the local rabbi to teach them and the local rabbis were not very educated at the time. The doctors of the law, the great theologians were all in Jerusalem where they got the respect and the financial reward which they felt they merited. Hence the people of the country were more or less forgotten and neglected. They were, as our Lord described them, "like sheep without a shepherd," wandering about half-lost.

They were certainly fortunate, however, in finding the true shepherd who would lead them to the eternal pastures. Not only would he now sacrifice his rest to come to their aid but he would, later on, lay down his life for them and for all of us.

Those people of Galilee were not saints, they were ordinary, run-of-the mill, not over religious people. They cheated one another; they were often uncharitable to one another; they were not always chaste and pure; they prayed very little and perhaps only when they wanted some material benefit. Yet our Lord had compassion on them.

Christ has not changed: he is the same yesterday, today and forever. He has the same compassion for us that he had for those Galileans; we too are often like sheep without a shepherd wandering half-lost through life. He is ever calling us to come to himself so that he will lead us to safe pastures.”

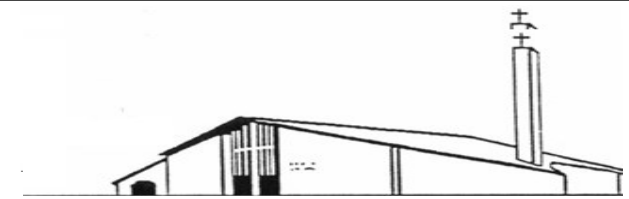
Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings* by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2024-07-21>



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JULY 21st, 2024

Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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

RECONCILIATION

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

REGULAR WEEKDAY MASSES

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

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

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

ROSARY GROUP

Saturday at 11:00 am

MARRIAGES

Six months noticed required; a years notice recommended

ST. STEPHENS PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday at 1:30 pm in the downstairs meeting room

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Please call Parish office to register.

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.