#### July 11, 2021 - 15<sup>th</sup> Day of Ordinary Time

"Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclear spirits. Mark 6: 7-13

#### The five people you meet in a pandemic.

Early in the pandemic, TIME Magazine columnist Belinda Luscombe started walking around her New York neighborhood just to get out of the house to make human contact. In her May 24/May 31 essay, she writes about some of the characters she met.

There's the postal carrier, with the unusual name Archimedes, who had been delivering the mail for years but had never met. Now they talk just about every day (even though Archimedes can never remember Belinda's name).

Belinda also checks in regularly with Kenny, the superintendent of a building nearby, "a lovely man with a beautiful spirit" who knows everything that's happening in the neighborhood and doesn't hesitate to tell you how he feels about a given issue.

Amid the many padlocked restaurants in the neighborhood, one Indian restaurant managed to stay open. Belinda's family became regular take-out customers. Ram, the owner, has come to know each family member's order and preferences. Keeping his business open has been a challenge, but his optimism is "as nourishing as the tikka masala."

Elijah lives in the building next door — but it's a world away from Belinda's. Elijah is a survivor of abandonment, addiction, divorce, incarceration and an arrhythmia that could kill him at any time. In their conversations, Belinda and Elijah have shown each other different experiences of life.

But the most unexpected rapport Belinda developed during the pandemic has been with "this interesting young woman who lived in my house. I already knew her a bit, since I gave birth to her about two decades ago." The moody, sullen teenager had moved away for college but came home when the campuses closed. "The child who moved out was perpetually indignant about something, usually me" but the individual who moved back was "a reasonable and charming" young woman who "astonishingly, sometimes laughed at my jokes."

"That's the weird thing about the people you meet during a pandemic," Belinda Luscombe writes in TIME. "They've been there the whole time."

Our lives are a "walking tour" of sorts during which we encounter God in the people we meet along the way — and, if we do it right, they see something of the love of God in us. Belinda Luscombe writes how her life has been enriched by her encounters during her walks through her neighborhood these past few months; in that same spirit, Jesus sends forth the Twelve not to organize or rule or dominate but to heal, comfort and encourage. So may we travel "light" through this time and place, leaving behind our own interests and expectations and fears to experience God's grace and peace in the wisdom and insight of God's daughters and sons we meet along the way.

## July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Sacred Heart Parish

### A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



#### Parish Information

Pastor: Monsignor Jim Robertson Office Administrator: Dianne Russell NEW (Summer) Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9am - 2pm.

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m. To Register, please call the office Tuesday to Friday between 9 am and 2 pm.

Mass During Week:	Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7 pm
	Friday at 10 am.
Lohnes Complex	First Fridays - 2 p.m. at the Lohnes Complex, <i>closed to public</i> .
<u>Bible Study</u> :	Discontinued for the summer.
Holy Hour of Adoration:	Discontinued until further notice.
Reconciliation:	By request
Marriages:	Six months' notice required. A year's notice is recommended.
<u>Baptisms</u> :	Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.
Family Connections:	At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections
St. Vincent de Paul:	To assist those in need. Call 638-9010.

Masks must be worn at all times. (As per newest Government Regulations). Always remain 2 meters distant from others.

#### **RECEIVED WITH THANKS**

July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Regular Sunday	\$1350.60	
Building Fund	80.00	
Cemetery Fund	270.00	
Word Among Us	10.00	

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Tue.	Funeral	
Wed. 7pm	Late Jack & Joan Hearn	
Thu. 7pm	Late Gregory Joyce	
Fri. 10am	The Deceased Members of	
	the Joyce Family	
Sat. 4:30pm	Late Joseph and Annetta	
	Hackett	
Sun. 11am	Parish Community	

**VOTIVE CANDLES**: Please speak to servers about having candles lit. The cost is \$5.

**<u>SAINT ANNE'S OIL</u>**: The parish has a supply of Saint Anne's Oil. These are available at the parish office. We ask a \$7 offering for each.

**PAPAL PRAYER INTENTION**: We pray that, in social, economic, and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

**PARISH COUNCIL:** Thank you to those who serve on our parish Council. Every year three council members finish their terms in September. We will need new members to have a full slate. If you know someone who would be a good member, please speak with them and put their name forward for election.

MARY'S KITCHEN: Brown Bag it – Friday's 5:30pm to 6:30pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary School, the side entrance.

**<u>CONDOLENCES</u>**: We offer our prayerful condolences to the family of the late Keith Pennell. May he rest in peace.

**<u>CEMETERY MOWING</u>**: Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup> we need people to come forward and help us mow Mount Cecilia Cemetery weather permitting. Please help us continue to make this cemetery a beautiful place.

<u>CEMETERY MASSES – Sacred Heart:</u> Mass will be at Mount Cecilia Cemetery in Curling on Tuesday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. In the event of bad weather, mass will take place Wednesday, July 21 in the cemetery if possible. If the weather is still inclement then mass will take place in the church on that Wednesday.

Plans are being made for cemetery mass in Benoits Cove on Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm.

**<u>CEMETERY MASS COLLECTION</u>**: A free will offering will be accepted as you leave the cemetery mass this year. All monies collected will help defray the cost of our new fence.

<u>CEMETERY MASSES - Cathedral:</u> Please take note that these masses will be celebrated in the Cathedral. Mass for Mt. Patricia cemetery will take place on Tuesday, July 27<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Mass for Townsite Cemetery will be July 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.



#### SAINT BONAVENTURE - July 15th:

Perhaps not a household name for most people, Saint Bonaventure, nevertheless, played an important role in both the medieval Church and the history of the Franciscan Order. A senior faculty

member at the University of Paris, Saint Bonaventure certainly captured the hearts of his students through his academic skills and insights. But more importantly, he captured their hearts through his Franciscan love for Jesus and the Church. Like his model, Saint Francis, Jesus was the center of everything his teaching, his administration, his writing, and his life. So much so, that he was given the title "Seraphic Doctor."

Bonaventure so united holiness and theological knowledge that he rose to the heights of mysticism while remaining a very active preacher and teacher, one beloved by all who met him. To know him was to love him; to read him is still for us today to meet a true Franciscan and a gentleman.

**ST. MICHAEL PRAYER:** St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host - by the Power of God - cast into hell, Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen. (this prayer can be said after Mass, after praying the Rosary, or whenever one is in need of protection)

#### THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE OPENING MASS: To celebrate

the Year of St. Joseph, the Diocese of Corner Brook and Labrador has made St. Joseph's Parish Church in St. George's a pilgrimage site for the said Holy Year. In line with this, a special opening Mass in honour of St. Joseph will be held on Monday July 19, 2021 at 5:00pm in St. Joseph's Parish Church. It will be presided by Bishop van Roijen, with priests of the Diocese concelebrating. Only 100 people will be able to attend, so please contact the parish secretary, Phyllis Long, to make reservations. She can be contacted in the mornings at 709-646-2232 and in the afternoons at 709-647-3255.

#### WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND

**ELDERLY:** July 25 of this year will mark the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The theme of this first World Day is "I am with you always" (cf. Mt 28:20). The theme's purpose is to convey the closeness of God and the Church to the elderly and to also emphasize the intergenerational closeness between the young and the elderly.

<u>CLEANING SERVICES</u>: The Diocesan Office is in need of cleaning services to help clean the building on a weekly basis. Cleaning of the building typically takes place once per week, taking approximately 5 hours per session. Interested parties can call Brian Buckle at the Diocesan Office at 639-7073 ext. 224

**HUMOUR:** A mom and a son come home from the grocery store. The boy immediately empties out a box of animal crackers and the mom asks him why. The boy says, "You should not eat it if the seal is broken, so I'm looking for the seal."