

June 25, 2023: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Jesus said to his Apostles: “Fear no one; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops.

“Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

“Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before humans, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before humans, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.”

- Matthew 10:26-33

We read today’s Gospel in the context of last week’s Gospel in which Jesus sent the twelve disciples to proclaim the kingdom of heaven. In between last week’s reading and today’s reading, Jesus has predicted that the disciples will face difficulties in their mission. Many people will not receive them well, even within the land of Israel. Even family members will turn away from the disciples because of the disciples’ commitment to Jesus and the kingdom. Today’s Gospel offers the disciples consolation against this difficult truth.

This section of Matthew’s Gospel should be read in the context of Matthew’s intended audience, a Jewish-Christian community. The Gospel alludes to the dangers and persecutions that this community has most likely already faced and will continue to face. To reassure this community, Matthew recalls for them the encouraging words of Jesus that we read today.

In this Gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering can not be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children.

We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavor to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us.

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Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



Parish Information

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am

Mass During Week:

Wednesdays and Thursdays at 7 pm. No Mass this week
June 28th & 29th

Daily mass is cancelled any day schools are closed due to bad weather.

Lohnes Complex

First Fridays - 2 pm at the Lohnes Complex.

Bible Study:

Post-poned until further notice.

Holy Hour of Adoration:

Post-poned until further notice.

Reconciliation:

By request.

Marriages:

Six months’ notice required. A year’s notice is recommended.

Baptisms:

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.

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June 17rd – June 18th, 2023

Regular Sunday	\$1,273.00
Loose Offering	46.00
Building Fund	60.00
Votive Candles	30.00
St. Vincent de Paul	10.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Wed. 7 pm	No Mass June 28th
Thur. 7 pm	No Mass June 29th
Fri. 2 pm	No mass at Lohnes Complex
Sat. 4:30 pm	Late Peggy & Kevin O’Connell
Sun. 11 am	Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

July 1	
Joan Penney	Barbara Neville
July 2	
Anna House	Calvin Gillis
Communion to the sick – Eileen Moore	

COFFEE TIME: Our Parish Outreach Committee will continue coffee time after masses on Sunday mornings. Come join us for a cup of tea or coffee and maybe a little snack. This is the time to share with your brothers and sisters and also welcome new members.

CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER: Workshop for caregivers supporting seniors is being offered on **July 26th - 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm** at St John the Evangelist Anglican Church on Main Street. There is limited seating for register early - **deadline is July 24th**. For more information call 634-4321 or email cmhi.mhp@gmail.com

PARISH OUTREACH: This committee, consisting of, Marie Pennell (709-388-5090), Gerard Deveaux (709-638-4411), Pat Moore (709-785-2440), and Tony Griffin (709-632-5755) are offering to bring communions and provide a pastoral visit to those who wish to have this ongoing contact. They are also exploring social activities for the parish as a whole. Please support them in their efforts. Please call them if you or a family member wish to avail of this service.

SECOND ANNUAL “FRIENDS OF JACKIE” CONCERT: **Sunday, June 25th at 2:00 pm**, Bartlett’s Point Park. Music by “The Griffins”. Please bring a food item or a monetary gift to support the Bay of Islands Food Bank Network. Your monetary donation can be made by e-transfer to foodbanknetwork@nf.aibn.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Join a winning team: Become a Field Agent. Knights of Columbus is hosting a virtual career event on **June 20th at 7:30 pm MST-R** [Registration Link-https://tinyurl.com.KofCCareerEventJune20](https://tinyurl.com/KofCCareerEventJune20) June 29th -7:30 pm MST - Registration Link <https://tinyurl.com/KofCCareerEventJune29>

CEMETERY MASSES:

Mt. Patricia Cemetery - Monday, July 24th at 7:00 pm, **Townsite Cemetery** - Tuesday, July 25th at 7:00 pm, **Mount Cecilia Cemetery** (Sacred Heart Parish) Monday - July 31st at 7:00 pm, **Old RC Cemetery** - Benoit’s Cove - August 1st at 7:00 pm. In the event of rain, the mass will be held at the respective churches.

DIOCESE OF CORNER BROOK AND LABRADOR: “Dear Fr. Lee Laney; By virtue of this letter, I appoint you as Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Curling, and Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish, Benoit’s Cove, effective on **August 1st, 2023** with all the faculties, duties, and rights and privileges accorded by the norms of law. Thank you for your generous service to the people of Holy Redeemer Cathedral, All Hallows and St. Brendan’s Chapel, and pray that the next few weeks will be marked by fond farewells as well as time for rest and relaxation. Please be assured of my prayers during this time of transition, and my support in your ongoing ministry”. -Bishop Bart van Roijen

FEAST OF ST. ANNE EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION: **July 26th** is the Feast of St. Anne and the Corner Brook Aboriginal Women’s Association and the Benoit’s Cove Native Women’s Association will take a special role in preparing for and celebrating this feast. This mass will take place at **5:00 pm at Sacred Heart Parish with Bishop Bart van Roijen** as Presider. Both Women’s Association, in traditional regalia will provide hymns and songs. Following the Mass there will be a feast at St. Mary’s Church Hall. All are welcome to attend.

FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP: The regular meeting of the Family Support Group for members and caregivers of individuals living with mental illness will meet on **Sunday, June 25th at 2:00 pm - Summit Place - 112 Premier Drive**. Guest Speaker - Deon Hancock. For more information call 634-4117 or 634-4322.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: The Society of St. Vincent de Paul wishes to advise parishioners that it will be discontinuing regular monthly Poor Box collections until the fall. Those who wish to continue to support St. Vincent de Paul over the summer can do so using the envelopes provided in the back of the church and by placing your donation in the regular Sunday collection. We thank you for your continued and generous support of the Society’s charitable activities.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Will take place on **Wednesday, July 26th at 7:00 pm** at the Cathedral. This is for the parents and god-parents. We offer an update on what it means to have a child baptized together with the understanding that there will be a well-founded hope that the child will be raised in the practice of the faith. We offer a walk through of the liturgy with an opportunity for question and discussion. Call the office at 634-5161 to register.

ALZHEIMER SOCIETY-Family Support Group: is held the Last **Wednesday** of each month at **3:00 pm** at the **Corner Brook LTC**.

HUMOUR:

