#### March 31st, 2024: Easter Sunday - Resurrection of the Lord



## Diocese of Corner Brook and Labrador

Easter 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Christ brings hope to a broken world! In teaching the wayward, in healing the sick, in casting out unclean spirits and in forgiving sins, Jesus reveals the face of the Father as both merciful and patient, drawing humanity from sin, and its effects, to a life open to the promptings and gifts of the Holy Spirit. By uniting himself fully to the sufferings of the world, and the death that ensues, Christ enters the depths of our distress and is the answer to all our prayers. In the words of the Psalmist: "I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth." (Psalm 121: 1-2 (NRSV)).

Christians are called to be light to the world, to share the hope we have in Christ to all who dwell in darkness, not just by word, but in deeds. By carrying on the mission of Christ by teaching, healing, forgiveness and wholly giving ourselves to a life of charity, we give voice to our faith and our joy. By taking on the sufferings of others by our presence, concern and generosity, we proclaim that the cross he bore for others, in which we share, is redemptive and brings hope to a broken world.

Take courage, therefore, take heart and do not be dismayed. Let us renew our baptismal promises, the new covenant God has made with us in his blood, and resolve to be instruments of Christ's peace in the world. As we receive from him, from his body and blood offered for us and our salvation, let us also give. With Mary Magdalene as our model, let us not linger in our sin or distress, but may we respond to his voice as he calls out our name. Though the world is broken, and our lives are far from perfect, let us not give way to fear and trembling, but proclaim his resurrection, his mercy and his steadfast love.

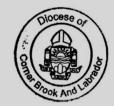
Christ is risen! Let us rejoice!

Fraternally in Christ,

\* Bart an Rojin

Bishop Bart van Roijen

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## Sacred Heart Parish

### A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ

Parish Information

Pastor: Fr. Lee Lainey

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Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am.

Weekday Mass: No morning mass at the church Apr 2-5, 2024,

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

<u>Lohnes Complex\*</u> April 5, 2024 - Friday - 2 pm

\*Note: No mass at the church on this day.

**Bible Study:** No study on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Later date to be determined.

**Holy Hour of Adoration**: Postponed 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 709-638-9010.

# RECEIVED WITH THANKS March 23 & 24, 2024

Regular Sunday	1822.75
Loose Offering	91.75
Building Fund	35.00
Lenten Folders	240.00
Votive Candles	40.00
Mass Stipends	50.00
Development & Peace	250.00
Catholic Missions in Canada	5.00
Good Friday (Holy Lands)	20.00
Easter Flowers	100.00

#### **MASS INTENTIONS April 2 - 7**

Tue.	No Mass
Wed.	No Mass
Thur.	No Mass
Fri.	Lohnes Complex only 2pm
Sat. 4:30 pm	Late Basil Donahue
Sun. 11 am	Parish Community

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

April 6		
Reader	Eucharistic Minister	
Jerome Dicks	Eileen Moore	
April 7		
Reader	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	
Anna House	Donna Mitchell	
Communion to the sick – Eileen Moore		

#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Please note the office is closed on April 8<sup>th</sup>.

<u>APRIL MONTH:</u> The Church will be closed from April 1<sup>st</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> as Father Lainey will be away at this time and no mass will be held on these days. Mass will still be held at the Lohnes Complex on Friday April 5<sup>th</sup> at 2pm.

#### **IN MEMORY - EASTER FLOWERS:**

In Memory of:

The Late Thomas Sr., Annie & Brian Griffin, from The Family.

The Late Edward Buckle, from The Family.

Anyone wishing to contribute In Memory of a loved one to help towards the cost of the Easter flowers, can contact the office or put it in an envelope in the collection.

THANK YOU: A big thank you to all who helped with the church clean up. A group of volunteers did great work on Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Your hard work is greatly appreciated.

#### **EASTER GREETING:**

Thank you to everyone who worked on preparing the Easter liturgies and all the help during Lent. Everyone, including musicians, choirs, servers, and all who took special roles, are being commended for your dedicated service.

This time of year; represents the very best of what Church is all about full, conscious, and active participation in the liturgy. Well done everyone and thanks for your active Faith, Hope and Love.

May your Easter be a time of joyful celebration with your faith, your family, and your friends. God's Blessings, Sincerely, Father Lainey

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

Poor Box Collection will be held during the Easter Weekend masses. Our society would not exist without your ongoing support, and we are very appreciative and grateful. God Bless!

Archbishop Howley Council 2581: will be meeting at All Hallows Parish Humber Road on Tuesday April 2nd at 7:45 P.M. We would appreciate that all Brother Knights please try to attend.

#### Reflection 1:

#### Moments of death and resurrection

As we go through life, we all experience little deaths.

We get a foretaste of death when we live in bitterness, loneliness, sadness, and despair. In times like these the world closes in on us, and we seem to have one foot in the grave.

But we also experience little resurrections.

When we know love, acceptance, and forgiveness; when we open our hearts to others and to life, the world opens up and we emerge from a tomb.

Lord, may the splendour of your resurrection scatter the shadows of death, and enable us to walk in radiant hope toward the kingdom where there are no more shattered hopes or broken dreams.

**LIVING WITH CHRIST:** We are now ordering our own books and they are available for sale in the back of the church. The first issue has arrived for April.

#### Reflection 2:

A description of an Easter ceremony in Russia under communism when it was dangerous to be a believer:

'Someone at the back of the church lit a candle, a single point of light not able to pierce the darkness.

Then there was another, and another.

Swiftly the flame was passed from one to another. In less than a minute the church was a blaze of light.

Each candle lit up the face behind it, a face marked with suffering.

But now that suffering turned into joy, because of the certain knowledge that the Lord has rise.

These people do not debate the resurrection.

They have experienced it in their lives.

They have not persevered the faith in hostile surroundings; it has preserved them.'

Lord, may your Easter light shine on us this day, and chase the shadows of the night of death away.

Flor McCarthy, New Sunday and Holy Day Liturgies – Year B, Dominican Publications, Dublin (Ireland), 1999, p.105