

May 7, 2023: 5th Sunday of Easter

“Jesus said to his disciples: “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.”

Thomas said to Him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father?’ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father.”

John 14:1-12

The readings for the last few Sundays have been about the Resurrection, but today’s Gospel takes us back in time to an event in Jesus’ life before his Passion. Jesus tells his disciples that he is going to prepare a place for them in his Father’s house. He promises that where he is going, his disciples will be able to follow. Thomas, who will later doubt the disciples’ reports that they have seen the Risen Lord, contradicts Jesus by saying that the disciples don’t know where Jesus is going or how to get there. Jesus explains that he himself is the way, the truth, and the life. In knowing and loving Jesus, the disciples now love God the Father.

Philip then makes a request that challenges Jesus’ words. Philip wants Jesus to show the Father to the disciples. Recall that Jesus has just told his disciples, “If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” As a good teacher, Jesus responds to Philip by repeating and elaborating on what he has just told the disciples: they have seen and known Jesus, so they have seen and known the Father. Then Jesus offers another reassurance about his departure: because of faith in God and in Jesus, the disciples will do the work that Jesus has done and more.

The connection between Jesus and his Father, between Jesus’ work and the work of the Father, is made clear in today’s Gospel. Jesus is in the Father, and God the Father is in Jesus. As God spoke his name to Moses, “I am,” so too Jesus speaks his name to his disciples: “I am the way and the truth and the life.”

The revelation of the Trinity is completed in the passage that follows today’s reading, and it is the Gospel for next Sunday. Because Jesus goes away, the Father will send in Jesus’ name the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will continue the work of the Father and of Jesus.

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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.

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:

Bible study will resume on Sundays at 7pm.

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.



RECEIVED WITH THANKS
April 29th – April 30th, 2023

Regular Sunday	\$1,296
Loose Offering	87
Building Fund	70
Votive Candles	10
Bingo Proceeds	490
Ecclesiastical Students	285
St. Vincent de Paul	90

*Thanks to Joe and John Hayes
for the roof donation*

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 4:30 pm	Late Gus & Irene Rumboldt Late Annie Griffin
Sun. 11 am	Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

May 13	
Joan Penney	Eileen Moore
May 14	
Calvin Gillis	Donna Mitchell
Communion to the sick – Barbara Neville	

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.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: There will be a parish council meeting on Tuesday, May 9th at 6pm in the church meeting room.

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.

MARY'S KITCHEN: During the month of May our parish is asked to serve at Mary's kitchen each Friday. We need 5 volunteers each week to serve a meal, and 5 people to provide desserts. This is a great way to get involved in helping those less fortunate. If you are willing to help in any way, please call Veronica [709 639 7216] to let her know which Friday you are available. Sign up sheets will be available at the back of the church. Thanks in advance for your kindness.

VOLUNTEER DIOCESAN ARCHIVIST NEEDED: The Diocese of Corner Brook and Labrador is looking for someone who is interested in working with archival records. Some experience with archival or library records would be helpful. Please respond to: diocese@nf.aibn.com or by phone (709) 639-7073 ext. 221. Thank you.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: the executive will meet on Monday, May 15th and the regular meeting is on Thursday, May 18th. Both after morning mass in the lower level of the Cathedral.

HOLY FATHERS' INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF MAY: For church movements and groups: We pray that church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

In celebration of the National Family & Life Week in Canada: "**Love One Another**"

ALL COUPLES WITH THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED!

RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS

Mass Celebrant: Bishop Bart Van Roijen

This coming **MAY 13, 2023, during the 5 P. M. Mass at the Cathedral of the Most Holy Redeemer and Immaculate Conception, Corner Brook**

LET US COME TOGETHER AND CELEBRATE THE GIFT OF FAMILY & LIFE!

Jesus' words "love one another" in Jn 13:34, motivate us to love and forgive daily, for better and worse, in sickness and health, in good times and bad. We find love at the heart of family relationships, a communion of love in Christ.

ADVANCE NOTICE: The weekend of May 20th and May 21st, and the weekend of May 27th and May 28th, there will be only one priest available to celebrate mass. Please watch for details to come.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: will take place on Wednesday, **May 24th at 7:00 pm** at the Cathedral. This is for parents and godparents. 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 Holy Redeemer Cathedral office at 634-5161 to register.

ADVANCE NOTICE:

Cemetery Masses:

Mt. Patricia Cemetery - Monday, July 24th at 7:00 pm

Townsite Cemetery - Tuesday, July 25th at 7:00 pm In the event of rain - the mass will be held at Holy Redeemer Cathedral

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.

HUMOUR:

A Sunday school teacher was teaching the students about the kings and queens in the Bible. She then asked them, "Though kings and queens are powerful, there is a higher power. Who can tell me what it is? Tommy blurted out, "I know! Aces!"