

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH – April 3 - 6, 2025**

Date	Day	Time	Mass Intention	Requested By
Apr 01	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	<b>Stations of the Cross led by the Knights of Columbus</b>	
Apr 03	Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Patrick & Elizabeth Maloney & fam. Daniel & Blanche Maloney & fam. Sandra Peyton	Ignatius & Angela Maloney Ignatius & Angela Maloney John & Sharon White
Apr 04	Friday	10:00 a.m.	Morgan & Marg Hinchey & fam. Gerri Williams Ron Glavine	Eileen Stack Eileen Stack Anne Ledwell
<b>SUNDAY LITURGY - Fifth Sunday of Lent</b>				
Apr 05	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Rose Nolan & Paul Joy (A) Jack & Martina McGrath Marie Power	Anne Hillier Arthur & Marlyce Greene Arthur & Marlyce Greene
Apr 06	Sunday	9:30 a.m.	<b>St. Anne's Church, Glenwood</b>	
Apr 06	Sunday	11:00 a.m.	<b>MISSA PRO POPULO - For the People of the Parish</b>	

**Collection Totals - Thank you to all our parishioners for your continued generosity!**

March 23, 2025	St. Joseph's	St. Anne's
<b>Sunday Offering</b>	\$2,311.00	\$427.00
<b>Loose</b>	98.25	
<b>Maintenance</b>	65.00	45.00
<b>Heat/Fuel</b>	30.00	20.00
<b>Flowers for Easter</b>	60.00	
<b>Youth Ministry</b>	20.00	
<b>Lenten Offering</b>	30.00	25.00
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>		5.00
<b>Candles</b>		19.00
<b>E-Transfers</b>	485.00	
<b>Direct Deposit</b>	440.00	
<b>Total Deposit</b>	<b>\$3,539.25</b>	<b>\$541.00</b>

**GAS/GROCERY GIFT CARD (\$500.00) SPRING FUNDRAISER**

We have launched our Spring Fundraiser - a Gas/Grocery Gift Card prize. You may donate a gift card by dropping off a card at the Parish Office or e-transferring funds to be used to purchase a gift card. The draw date is June 13<sup>th</sup>. We have booked some time at the Co-Op to sell tickets and would appreciate it if you can help. Please call or email the Parish Office if you can volunteer a couple of hours. Tickets are available at the Parish Office - \$1.00 each.



“Even if our past seems burdensome, complicated, and perhaps even ruined, we can always give it to God and set out anew on our journey. God is merciful, and He always waits for us! **Pope Francis @Pontifex**

**MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE - April 5 & 6, 2025**

	<b>Saturday at 5 p.m.</b>	<b>Sunday at 11 a.m.</b>
<b>Readers:</b>	Kate Gonzales	Maureen Saunders
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Betty Blackmore & Jeanne Dillon	Daniel O'Donnell & Cathy Bureaux
<b>Presenters of Gifts:</b>	Rene & Edwina Cashin	Tony & Arya Jacob & family
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Dan Mahoney	Don Sejin, Miracle & Faith
<b>Candle Bearers:</b>	Colleen Maloney & Barbara Fowler	
<b>Hospitality (Ushers):</b>	Ed & Betty Blackmore	Daniel & Shirley O'Donnell
<b>Music:</b>	Volunteers	Volunteers
<b>Sacristan:</b>	Rita Pearce	
<b>Treasury:</b>	<b>Team 4: Des Dillon, Nick Connolly, Jeanne Dillon, Bill Kelly, John &amp; Alice Ivany</b>	

**The Sunday AM Choir has resumed practices on Sunday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the McCarthy Centre. New members are always welcome!**

**ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH BULLETIN**



**10 Bishop Street  
Gander, NL  
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March 30, 2025  
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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (Year C)**

Check out our bulletin on-line at [www.stjosephsparishgander.ca](http://www.stjosephsparishgander.ca)

**Parish Priest**  
Father William Hearn  
Cell: 486-9492  
**Parish Pastoral Council**  
Chair: Vacant  
**Finance Committee**  
Chair: Dan Mahoney  
**St. Anne's Parish Council**  
Vice Chair: Irene Broderick  
**Catechetical Coordinator**  
Alice McCarthy (St. Joseph's)  
sjp-homestudyprogram@bellaliant.com  
**Parish Secretary - Elizabeth Blake**

**OFFICE HOURS:**  
9 a.m. - 12 noon  
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.  
**Phone: (709) 256-3151**  
**Fax: (709) 256-3152**

**Reconciliation**  
Saturdays at 4:30 p.m.  
or by appointment  
**Sacrament of Baptism**  
Baptism Preparation (2 hours)  
& Baptisms by Appointment

**Weekend Mass Schedule**  
**St. Joseph's, Gander**  
Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 11:00 a.m.  
**St. Anne's, Glenwood**  
Sunday 9:30 a.m.

**Weekday Masses**  
are celebrated usually at  
10 a.m. Please check the  
schedule in the bulletin.

**LENTEN SEASON**

Lent began on Ash Wednesday and lasts until the beginning of the Mass of the Lord's Supper which marks the start of the Easter Triduum. Lent is the yearly celebration by the Church of its corporate conversion in Jesus Christ. It has a twofold purpose: it helps catechumens to prepare for celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion) at the Easter Vigil, and it invites those who are baptized to prepare through penance and prayer to renew their baptismal vows at Easter. Thus, Lent recalls or prepares for Baptism and emphasizes a spirit of penance. The baptismal and penitential themes are reflected in the Lenten readings.

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Today's Gospel speaks of forgiveness, harmony, and peace. The father in today's Gospel parable, who welcomes back his prodigal son joyfully and completely, with no conditions attached, is held up by Jesus as the model of the person of reconciliation. Such love is the very reflection of God's love for each one of us. Forgiveness demands that we play all three parts in the drama of the prodigal son: to be the prodigal child, facing up to our own culpability and selfishness that leads to division and hurt; to be the forgiving parent, being openhearted enough to make the first step to welcome back into our lives those who have hurt us; to be the older sibling, putting aside our own hurt and outrage, no matter how justified it may seem, for the sake of reconciliation and peace within our families and communities.



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During Lent the Stations of the Cross will be led by members of the Knights of Columbus and members of RCW on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. The church will be open on **Monday to Friday from 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.** for those who wish to make a visitation or make a personal Stations of the Cross.



## WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

"Rejoice Jerusalem, and all who love her."  
Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast."

### ROMAN CATHOLIC WOMEN



Next Meeting  
TBD.  
Next Card Game  
April 26<sup>th</sup>

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (Fr. McCormack Council)

As the draw for the Spring Tickets is May 3<sup>rd</sup> in St John's, the tickets must be returned by Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. The tickets can be returned to Dan Mahoney or dropped off at the Parish Office.



### FOR YOUR INFORMATION DIOCESAN STIPENDS

**BAPTISM STIPEND - \$25.00** - Baptisms are celebrated by appointment (after a Baptism Preparation Course has been completed).

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** The baptism of a child is a very important event in the life of the child, the child's family, and the parish community. To help parents enter more fully into the celebration of their child's baptism, St. Joseph's Parish offers a Baptism Preparation Course by appointment. Parents along with godparents are expected to attend the Baptism Preparation Course before the baptism of the child. Please call the Parish Office to register.

**MARRIAGE STIPEND - \$200.00** - Please allow at least six months between the time of contacting the Parish and the date of the Marriage. A Marriage Preparation Course is required.

**FUNERAL STIPEND - \$200.00** - St. Joseph's Parish has a Bereavement Committee to assist with planning funeral services.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

**Jocelyn Downer**, Michael McNiven, Pope Francis, K.T. Chacko, Mary Lee, Stephanie Broderick, Mary Harrison, Joey Manuel, Carey Leigh Sheppard, David Brown, Margie Keating, Maureen O'Rielly, Jackie Beresford, Jamie Cokes, Johanna Hogan, Fran Gilbert, Denise Crant, Betty LeBlanc, Loretta Dwyer, Beth McGrath, Lawrence Clowe, Wayne Coady, Mary Pickett, Marie Lawton, Jeana Bowen, Cathy Hogan, Ed Tricco, Nellie Guillemaude, JoAnne Lyver, Judy Lush, Linden Collins, Rowena Zwicker, Toni Marie Rolfe, Zeta Purchase, Renata Oman, Anne Marie Collins, Michael Parsons, Alice Richards, Christopher & Kathy King, Mary Walsh and Jeremiah Campbell. **If a family member or friend is a patient at the hospital or ill at home, and would like a visit from Father Hearn, please call the Parish Office.**



On Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, Father Hearn presented **Agnes Richard** with a papal blessing to celebrate her January 9<sup>th</sup> (90<sup>th</sup>) birthday. Congratulations from the parishioners of St. Joseph's Parish. (Pictured with Father Hearn and Agnes is her husband Ron. They have been members of the parish for over 60 years.)

SUNDAY  
MISSAL  
2024-2025

The 2024-25 Living with Christ Sunday Missal is available at the Parish Office for \$5.00 each.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** - are available at the Parish Office. The parish offers **DIRECT DEPOSIT** for contributions and accepts **E-TRANSFERS**.

## Services and Activities during Lent & Easter

Tuesday, April 1	Stations of the Cross led by the Knights of Columbus at 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 8	Stations of the Cross led by the RCW at 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 9	Lenten Penitential Service at 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 10	Chrism Mass at the Cathedral in Grand Falls-Windsor at 11 a.m.
Monday, April 14	Ecumenical Holy Week Service - hosted by St. Joseph's at 7 p.m.
Tuesday, April 15	Stations of the Cross led by the Knights of Columbus at 6:30 p.m.

### THE TRIDUUM

<b>April 17</b>	<b>Holy Thursday - Mass at 7 p.m.</b>
<b>April 18</b>	<b>Good Friday - Stations of the Cross at 10 a.m. (Outdoors weather permitting) followed by hot drinks at the McCarthy Centre.</b>
	<b>Good Friday Service (Passion and Death of Our Lord) at 3 p.m.</b>
	<b>Good Friday Service at St. Anne's at 6 p.m.</b>
<b>April 19</b>	<b>Easter Vigil at 8:30 p.m.</b>
<b>April 20</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
	<b>Celebration of the Resurrection at 9:30 a.m. at St. Anne's in Glenwood</b>
	<b>Celebration of the Resurrection 11 a.m. at St. Joseph's</b>

**April 2 - Pope John Paul II Day:** The Church celebrates the liturgical memorial of Saint John Paul II on October 22, the anniversary day of the inauguration of his pontificate. However, it is the anniversary of the death of Saint John Paul II that is civilly recognized in Canada as "Pope John Paul II Day". The Act establishing this day, also known as Bill C-266, received Royal Assent on December 16, 2014. John Paul II died on April 2, 2005 and was canonized with John XXIII on April 27, 2014 by Pope Francis. During his life, John Paul II presented a valuable message of courage, a strong stand against violations of human rights, a defence of freedom, and profound statements of hope and commitment to all people. April 2 is a special day to recall and commemorate the significant impact and contribution Saint Pope John Paul II had on Canada and the world. World Youth Day 2002 in Toronto was John Paul II's last World Youth Day but these special events continued during Pope Benedict's pontificate and continue to occur under Pope Francis' leadership. In his last days, the Holy Father, John Paul II, said to the thousand who kept prayerful vigil with him in St. Peter's Square: "I have looked for you. Now you have come to me. And I thank you".



Our thanks to **Bill Dumais** for offering to paint the church chapel and to **Vince Hibbs** for giving him a hand.



### World Day of Prayer Thank You

Thank you to all parishioners who participated in and donated food for the reception for World Day of Prayer. This year the event was hosted by St. Joseph's Parish on March 7th. After a beautiful ecumenical service, those who attended enjoyed refreshments and a delicious lunch at the McCarthy Centre. Over \$700 was raised for projects sponsored by Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada.

### ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, GLENWOOD Liturgical & Ministries' Schedule for April 6, 2025



<b>Date</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Mass Intention</b>	<b>Requested By</b>
Apr 06	Sun	9:30 a.m.	Jim Dwyer Cyril & Mary Mackey Louis Lyver & family	Doris Scharpegge The O'Rielly family Yvonne Lyver
<b>Ministries:</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday of Lent</b>			
<b>Readers:</b>	Cheryl White & Albert Oake			
<b>Gifts:</b>	Bridget Miles & Barbara Harding			
	<b>Hospitality:</b> Irene Broderick			