

# Church of the Most Holy Redeemer

April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Of Easter

## REFLECTION

There is a true story in Ripley's *Believe It or Not* about a judge in Yugoslavia who had an unfortunate accident. He was "electrocuted" when he reached up to turn on the light while standing in the bathtub. His wife found his body sprawled on the bathroom floor. She called for help. Friends and neighbors, police--everyone showed up. He was pronounced dead and taken to the funeral home.

The local radio picked up the story and broadcast it all over the air. In the middle of the night, the judge regained consciousness. When he realized where he was, he rushed over to alert the night watchman, who promptly ran off, terrified. The first thought of the judge was to phone his wife and reassure her, using the funeral home phone. But he got no further than, "Hello darling, it's me," when she screamed and fainted. He tried calling a couple of the neighbors, but they all thought it was some sort of a sick prank. He even went so far as to go to the homes of several friends, but they were all sure he was a ghost and slammed the door in his face.

Finally, he was able to call a friend in the next town who hadn't heard of his death. This friend was able to convince his family and other friends that he really was alive.

Today's Gospel tells us that Jesus had to convince the disciples that he wasn't a ghost. He had to dispel their doubts and their fears. He showed them his hands and his feet. He invited them to touch him and see that he was real. And he even ate a piece of cooked fish with them--all to prove that he was alive and not a ghost or spirit. He stood there before them, as real and alive as he had been over the past three years.

Fr. Joseph

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### GIFT BEARERS:

4 PM : Diana Hoy & Shirley McGinn  
9 AM : Holly MacDougall & Catechism Students  
11AM : Jason & Suzanne Lee & Family

### ALTAR SERVERS:

4 PM:  
9 AM: Minh Chou : Minh Van : Abby Peters  
11AM: Hy Tran : Taylor Tran: Anna Compton

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Mon: 9:00 Charles Gauthier †: Souls in Purgatory  
Tues: 9:00 Intentions of Parishioners  
2:00 Special Intention (Garden Home)  
Wed: 9:00 Hubert Gallant † :  
6.30pm Irene Donnelly  
Thur: 9:00 Charles Duffy  
Fri: 9:00 George & Marjorie MacMillan  
10:30 Bill Daley  
Sat: 4:00 Barbara Allard & Lorna Murphy : Emily Rashed  
Nasrallah : Glenn Peters  
Sun. 9:00 Emma & Francis Rush  
11:00 Intentions of Parishioners

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Sunday Collection: \$ 4,296.90  
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### PARISH:

**CATECHISM PROGRAM :** The Catechism Program at Holy Redeemer will resume this Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.

### CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF

**CONFIRMATION FOR 2018 :** Our 13 young people in this year's grade 9 catechism program will be celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation on **Sat., April 21st at the 4 PM Mass** with our Bishop, the Most Reverend Richard Grecco presiding. In **preparation for this most important event in their lives, these young people have** celebrated the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** on **Sat., April 7th just after the rehearsal scheduled for 10am. Parishioners are asked to include these young people and their family members in their prayers as they prepare for this most important event in their lives – the completion of**

**Baptism and the strengthening of the presence of the Holy Spirit in their beings.**

**The PEI Right to Life Association will be holding its Annual General Meeting, Sat, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 3pm, at St. Pius X Church, In light of the many and recent changes in our country concerning the protection of life from fertilization to natural death the membership is strongly encouraged to attend. Plan to come.**

### ADDITIONAL INTAKE OF LAY PASTORAL ASSOCIATE FORMATION CANDIDATES:

As a reminder, In September 2018, additional candidates for the Diocesan Lay Pastoral Associate (LPA) Formation Program will be accepted. Parishes are encouraged to discern potential candidates for the program. The deadline for the candidates' names is June 15, 2018. Contact the Diocesan Centre at 1-902-368-8005.

**ST DUNSTAN SCHOLARSHIP:** Students graduating in June, 2018 are reminded that the deadline to apply for the SDU Scholarship is April 15<sup>th</sup>. Valued at \$5,000 and renewable for an additional 3 years. Application form and criteria can be found on the Saint Dunstan University's website or by calling 902-393-3441.

**MIKINDURE CHILDREN OF HOPE** will be doing a presentation of the recent mission team trip to Western Kenya by Kathy Mutch. Place: Jack Blanchard Hall, 7 Pond Street, Room 302 Ch'town on April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7.00 pm. All are welcome.

**INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE:** Anyone in a low-income bracket whose tax situation is straight forward, trained volunteers are ready to help you complete your return. Phone 902-566-9602.

**CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES BUREAU** is holding it's annual lottery. To purchase a ticket please contact the office at 902-894-3515. The tickets are \$100 each and give you 12 chances to win \$1000. If you win, your ticket goes back in the ballot box for the remaining draws. The first draw is April 23<sup>rd</sup>. All proceeds are in support of the

programs and services offered through Catholic Family Services.

### ECUMENICAL VIGIL FOR THE LOST CHILDREN OF PEI:

The PEI Right to Life Association invites all Islanders to join them on Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm at the Christian Reformed Church, 153 Mt. Edward Rd., Ch'town for a special Memorial Service of prayer, candle lighting, and song for children who have been lost to miscarriage, still birth, abortion, accident, illness, etc. Personal testimonies will testify to God's faithfulness. This 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Vigil is held as part of Celebrate Life Week (April 22-28). We pray this Vigil may help to bring healing, comfort and support to hurting parents and families, as well as awareness, openness and unity to their communities. Invite your friends and neighbours. Contact: PEI Right to Life, [life.sanctuary@pei.aibn.com](mailto:life.sanctuary@pei.aibn.com) or call: 902-894-5473.

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE :** This is your opportunity to see the Holyland. Father Gerard Chaisson, St. Mary's Parish, Montague and Father Simon Lobo, Saint Benedict Parish, Halifax, are the spiritual leaders on this prayerful Pilgrimage. The itinerary has been carefully arranged with full consideration to the ministry of Christ as opposed to merely a tour of the Holyland. Dates for this Pilgrimage are Oct. 7 – 18, 2018. Visit [www.privatelabeltravel.ca](http://www.privatelabeltravel.ca) and sign up for more information, or call Bob Sime at (902) 429-5145.

**CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S RETREAT DAY** with Lynn DeLong on Saturday, April 21 from 10am – 3pm. Her theme is **Women Renewed and Alive in the Spirit.** Lynn is a member of the Anglican Church, a member of the Spiritual Directors Association and a facilitator of our Women's Group here at the Centre. Cost \$30. Come and bring a friend.

**JACK BLANCHARD FAMILY CENTRE ( Holy Redeemer Parish Centre):** For your Banquets, Meetings, Receptions, Weddings Receptions, Birthday Parties, Funeral Receptions, Workshops (Bar Service available), call the Office at 894-7385.

**SENIOR ACTIVITIES - PARISH CENTRE**  
**Auction 45's Wednesday at 1:30 PM (except Holidays.)**