

# Church of the Most Holy Redeemer

May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday Of Easter

## REFLECTION

Joke; A young man wrote this to his girlfriend. "Sweetheart, if this world was as hot as the Sahara Desert, I would crawl on my knees through the burning sand to come to you. If the world would be like the Atlantic Ocean, I would swim through shark-infested waters to come to you. I would fight the fiercest dragon to be by your side. I will see you on Thursday if it does not rain."

**God's love in action:** When Fr. Damien arrived in Molokai to assemble a prefabricated church for the lepers, he spent the first few weeks sleeping out under the trees, because he was unable to cope with the stench in the hovels of the lepers. He certainly wouldn't dare preach to them about God's love for them, because, as they saw it, that would be offensive. But slowly he opened his heart to the grace of God which enabled him to see the suffering Jesus in them. In no time, he was washing them, bandaging them, and burying them. He came to love them, and, through him, they came to believe that God loved them. He smoked a pipe to counteract the stench, but he soon was passing the pipe around for others to have a smoke. He ate food with them from a common bowl, out of which they scooped the food with hands that had no fingers. He caught the disease himself, and he was happy to be able to live and to die for them. Thus, St. Damien followed Jesus' commandment of love given in today's Gospel: *"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no man than this that a man lay down his life for his friends."*

Fr. Joseph

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### GIFT BEARERS:

4 PM : Paula Laravie, Mary Rush & Adele Macguigan  
 9 AM : Holly MacDougall & Catechism Students  
 11AM : Robert & Linda Campbell

### ALTAR SERVERS:

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

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Mon: 9:00 Souls in Purgatory: John W. Keenan †  
 Tues: 9:00 Intentions of Parishioners  
 2:00 Souls in Purgatory (Garden Home)  
 Wed: 9:00 Geraldine MacMillan  
 Thur: 9:00 George & Marjorie MacMillan: Fr. William F. Collins, OFM †  
 Fri: 9:00 Special Intention  
 10:30 Bill Daley  
 Sat: 4:00 Kathleen McIsaac: Alban & Evelyn Murphy: Kenny & Mary MacRae  
 Sun. 9:00 Mabel Greenan: Annie Smith: Emma & Francis Rush  
 11:00 Intentions of Parishioners

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 Sunday Collection: \$ 4,287.05  
 Capital Expenditures: \$ 2,983.45  
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### PARISH:

**FIRST COMMUNION:** First Communion for the children in our grade two class will be celebrated this year on **Sunday, May 13th (Mother's Day) at the 9 AM Mass**

**CWL NOTICE:** The regular monthly meeting of the CWL will be held at 7 pm on Monday, May 7th at the Jack Blanchard Centre.

**CANCELLED: MOTHER'S DAY MEAL:** The Mother's Day Roast Beef/Turkey Dinner at the Jack Blanchard Family Centre has been cancelled.

**MAY 27, 2018 VOLUNTEER CELEBRATION:** Holy Redeemer Parish will hold a Volunteer Appreciation Celebration on Sunday May 27 after the 11 am Mass at the Jack Blanchard Family Centre. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided along with cake and ice cream. Please confirm your attendance with your volunteer committee chair or volunteer contact lead.

### MARTHA SPIRITUALITY CENTRE NEW MAY PROGRAMS

(at 367-3103 or [srgemma@eastlink.ca](mailto:srgemma@eastlink.ca))  
 1. The Grief Club: the Secret of Getting through Life's Changes by Melody Beattie is a study group starting on Wed. May 9 from 9:00-11:30am for six consecutive Wednesdays. Cost \$40 Includes the text or \$20 if you have the text. 2. Men's Retreat on Sat. May 26 from 10am-3pm with Gilles Michaud on the theme of Discovering John of the Cross: the Path of a Contemplative Man. Cost \$20.

**THE WOHELO CLUB** will again host their Spring & Summer clothing sale, Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> – 12 pm – 4 pm; Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> - 8 am to 8 pm and Friday May 18<sup>th</sup> 9 am to 1:00 pm – in Classrooms A&B – 3rd floor of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital. We offer high quality, gently used clothing and accessories for the whole family. All proceeds go to fund equipment for high-risk newborn babies in the province. Come early for best bargains!

**THE ISLAND WIDE YOUTH GROUP "THE CREW"** is now accepting youth going into grade 9 next year. The Crew meets every Thursday from 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm in the basement of St Dunstan's Basilica. Come and join other Catholic youth from all over the Island – from Souris through to Summerside and beyond. All are welcome grades 9 -12. Our kick-off event is a 20-foot banana split May 10th. Contact [jessica@w-i.ca](mailto:jessica@w-i.ca) for inquiries.

**PEACEFUL PRO-LIFE DEMONSTRATION** will be held on May 12 in Summerside at 11:00 am along Roy Boates Ave. on the side of Walmart. If the weather isn't good that day it will be held the following Saturday, May 19th.

**SDU SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE:** The deadline to apply for the St. Dunstan's Board of Governors Award and the St. Dunstan's Post Graduate scholarship is May 15th . The Post Graduate scholarship is a \$5,000

scholarship entering the first year of a Masters or Phd. program. Application forms are at [www.saintdunstansuniversity](http://www.saintdunstansuniversity) or call 393-3441.

**FAMILY RETREATS** are a great chance to spend quality time with your own and to meet other Catholic families. The Thursday evening thru Sunday Retreats are held at Kolbe Retreat Center in Grand River PEI. The \$250 registration fee covers all food and lodging for your whole family. Retreat schedule for this summer: July 12 -15, July 26-29, Aug 9-12 and Aug 23 -26. Space is limited so please register early. Email: [www.hfmpei.com](http://www.hfmpei.com) / or [info@hfmpei.com](mailto:info@hfmpei.com) / call 902-854-2719 / text 902-432-9595.

**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. All proceeds are in support of the programs and services offered through Catholic Family Services.

**LENNON HOUSE RECOVERY CENTER FUNDRAISING EVENT** at 7:30pm, May 11<sup>th</sup> at Cymbria Lions Club in Rustico, organized by a volunteer committee from the area. Doors open at 6:30 for a live auction, silent auction, donations, raffle for surf and turf and a dance to follow. We will accept new items for the auction. Call Art at 902-963-2615 or email [arthur2129@hotmail.ca](mailto:arthur2129@hotmail.ca). See Facebook page, "fundraiser for Lennon House Recovery Centre" for complete list of items for auction.

**PEI PILGRIMAGE LTD** will lead a tour to *Our Lady of the Cape Shrine* at Cap de Madeleine, QC and *St. Joseph's Oratory*, Montreal, the weekend of May 18-21, 2018. To register, please call Gary Clow at 902-569-3945, Ken Campbell at 902-566-2914 or Joe Drane at 902-940-5871.

**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.)