

## Community Notices

**"A Christmas Afternoon"** presented by the North Rustico Choral Group, On Sunday, Dec. 1, 2pm, at the Seniors Club, North Rustico. Enjoy Music - Skits - Songs. Light Lunch served. Admission: Donation at the Door. All proceeds to Seniors Club. Everyone Welcome

**First night of trivia** at Cymbria Lions Club will be December 7 at 7:30 pm. Come join a team or form a team for a great night of fun.

**North Rustico Lions Club Auction** Fridays at 1:30am. \$10 per team. 50/50 draw.

**Children Wish Kids fun afternoon** will be held on Dec. 1, 1:30-3pm. North Rustico Lions Club. Kids bingo, cookie decorating, jelly bean guess, colouring & a visit from Santa. \$5 per child. All proceeds to Children's Wish.

**Christmas Ceilidh** at the Cymbria Lions Club. Sunday Dec 1, 7pm, Music by Tip-Er-Back (formerly Kickin Country) with a guest fiddler Allison Giggery and stepdancers. Proceeds going to Gulf Shore Band Equipment Fund. Admission \$12, Children \$5 There will be a 50/50 and canteen sales available.

**Free Oil Painting Classes** at Rustico Bay Senior's Club starting January 13, weekly for 8 weeks. Registration deadline is Friday, December 15. All seniors 50+ are eligible but preference will be given to beginners / almost beginners. Only 10 spaces available. All oils and materials supplied. To register phone Art at 902-963-2615 / 902-314-6277. Funding provided by Senior's Secretariat.

**The North Rustico Lions Club** is now taking applications for social housing at the Sunrise Lodge. For applications, please call: Peter Gallant 902-940-9355; Garth Nicholson: 902-432-1525; or Edwin Doiron: 902-393-7754

**Central Queens United Church** will be the location of our Sunday School's "Live Nativity" on Sun., Dec. 8. The presentation will take place featuring the Sunday School students and live animals in a recreated Bethlehem set-

ting on the night of Jesus' birth. 2 shows: 1 at 6pm & a 2<sup>nd</sup> 1 at 6:30pm. Admission is a free will offering. Visitors are invited into the church for light refreshments following the tour through Bethlehem.

**Hunter River Lions Club** will be erecting the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Memory Christmas Tree. Lights will be available from any Lions member for \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Tree lighting will take place on Tuesday, Dec 10 at 7:30 at the Hunter River Lions Club with name reading to follow the lighting. Proceeds to the food bank at New Glasgow Christian Church. Lights may also be purchased on each Saturday between 4pm & 6pm at the Lions Club.

**Al-Anon Group Meeting:** Tues. at 10am in the vestry of St. Augustine's Church. In the event of a morning funeral at St. Augustine's, meeting will be held at 1pm. Call 902-892-9974 for more information.

**8 handed auction game** at Cymbria Lions club Thursday December 5 at 7pm

**Rustico Bay Seniors Club dance:** "New Moon" will be playing on Sat. Dec. 7 with Larry Campbell on guitar and lead singer. This well-known band plays regularly for dances and plays all genres of music from classic country, blues and country rock. The Club is located at 2104 Church Rd. Dancing from 8 to 11. Admission at the door. Plan to attend our New Year's Eve dance with Country Steele. To purchase tickets, (\$15 each) call Bernice 9902-621-0199 or Mark 902-964-2674. Card games every Monday evening at 7pm.

**St Augustine's Community Concert:** Come one, come all to a fantastic variety concert on Sunday, Dec. 8, 6:30pm at the Cymbria Lion's Club. As well as great local talent there will be a fudge sale, 50/50 draw and a cake auction at intermission. Admission is \$25 for your whole family, \$10 for general admission and \$5 for children under 10. You can be sure of a few good belly laughs!



**The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit**  
*Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island*

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent ☩ December 1, 2019**

### Weekly Mass Schedule

**Monday No Mass**

**Tuesday 7pm** St. Augustine's

**Wednesday 9am** Stella Maris

**Thursday 9am** St. Augustine's

**Friday 9am** St. Anne's

**Saturday 4pm** Stella Maris for Clarence Gallant, Mary MacKinnon, Allan and Evelyn Gauthier

**Sunday 9am** St. Anne's

**Sunday 10:30am** St. Augustine's

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**Lorraine LeMay** 902-360-2060

**Confessions:** Fr. Raj is available in the vestries after weekday masses for the sacrament of Reconciliation. All are encouraged to experience the Mercy and Love of the Ever Forgiving Father

**Communion at Home:** If you know of anyone who should be receiving communion at home because of inability to attend church, please contact one of the pastoral associates.

**Chaplet of Divine Mercy** for the Sick & Dying will be said following weekday Masses.

**Scent Free:** Please avoid scented products in our churches. Some parishioners are strongly allergic to chemical fragrances.

**Baptisms:** Contact Fr. Raj for Baptismal Preparation.

**Hospital or Home Visits:** If you have a family member or friend in the hospital, at home or other care facility who would like to see a priest please call Fr. Raj

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### Last Week's Collections & Donations

**St. Augustine's: \$915.45**

**St. Anne's: \$702.00**

**Stella Maris: \$879.00**

*Thank You for Your Donations to Our Parishes!  
Please consider including your Parish in your will.*

### OUR PRAYER LIST

Brian, Evan, Grace, John, Laura, Theresa, Ronnie Doiron, Roy Doiron, Beatrice Doucette, Donnie Doucette (Roxy), Tyrel Doucette, Dale Gallant, Edmond Gallant, Faustina Gallant, Vic Greenwood, Paul LeBlanc, Naomi (age 12), Monique MacLeod, Kelly Power, Dane Simpson, Susie Smith

To have a name added or removed from the prayer line please contact

**Marion Murphy** 902-621-0725

**Angela Gallant** 902-393-0960

**Rose Gallant** 902-963-3516

**Fr. Raj Santiago** 902-393-0572

**Bulletin Announcements:** Email bulletin notices to [bulletins@jp2pastoralunit.com](mailto:bulletins@jp2pastoralunit.com) or call Francis @ 902-886-2761. Deadline for weekly bulletin is Thurs. at 4pm.

**Questions:** If you have any questions about your religion, faith or parish...please write them down, put them in an envelope marked "Questions" and drop it in the offertory. We will try & post answers in a following bulletin.

**Mass Requests:** Contact Fr. Raj for all Mass requests

If you ever feel distressed during your day - call upon our Lady - just say this simple prayer: "Mary, Mother of Jesus, please be a mother to me now." I must admit - this prayer has never failed me.

*St. Teresa of Calcutta*

## Youth Ministries — [www.jp2youthministries.com](http://www.jp2youthministries.com)

### Confirmation Class

### Grades K-8 Class Schedule

### Mass As A Class Schedule

All classes are at St. Anne's  
December 8  
December 15  
January 12  
January 19  
February 2  
February 9  
March 1

Dec. 8 - St. Anne's  
Jan. 12 - St. Augustine's  
Jan. 19 - St. Augustine's  
Feb. 2 - St. Augustine's  
Feb. 9 - St. Augustine's  
March 1 - St. Augustine's  
March 8 - St. Augustine's  
March 30 - St. Augustine's  
April 19 - St. Augustine's

Dec. 15 - 9:00am - St Anne's  
Jan. 26 - 10:30am - St Augustine's  
Feb. 23 - 10:30am - St Augustine's  
Mar. 23 - 10:30am - St Augustine's  
Apr. 5 - 10:30am - St Augustine's  
May 3 - 10:30am - St Augustine's

**All classes start at 9:45am** April 26 - St. Augustine's

### Unit Notices

**Question:** What is the correct procedure when taking up the offertory at mass? **Answer:** All proceed led by the candle bearer. Candle bearer steps aside but waits. After Father has received all the gifts and raised the basket of donations. Then all should genuflect together and return to their seats. It is not to be rushed.

**Fundraiser for Sister Cecile's** work on Sunday, December 8, from 11 am to 4 pm at the Rustico Bay Seniors Club. Missionary in Cameroon, Africa, she helps the poor & the destitute with their education & their daily struggles as they prepare for the future. Last year we raised over \$14,000 & that support has had a dramatic effect on the lives of so many in the poor region where she lives & we thank you. Donations will be accepted in cash, checks or e-transfer. Call 902-963-2615 / 902-314-6277.

**Parish Dinner** after Mass On Saturday, November 30, the Knights of Columbus assisted by the CWL will serve a meatloaf dinner following the 4pm Mass. The usual freewill offering and 50/50 draw will be featured.

**All women of the St. John Paul II Pastoral Unit** are cordially invited to attend our annual CWL potluck Christmas Tea to be held at Stella Maris on Tues. Dec 3 at 12 noon. Please bring a small wrapped gift valued at \$5 or less. There will be door prizes. Come try out the

new elevator! CWL memberships \$20 are due and may be paid that day. Feel free to bring a friend. Kindly respond to Mary 902-213-2083 or Joan 902-394-2208 by Sat. Nov 30.

**Knights of Columbus Christmas food hampers.** Food hampers will be available by our council for families in need again this Christmas Season. Should you know persons in need of this service, please call Don at 902-569-8536. Such information will be kept strictly confidential. Thank you in advance.

**Nativity Presentation:** The St. John Paul II religion class students will present a short Nativity presentation Dec. 15 after the 9am Mass.

### St. Augustine's Notices

**Ministries: Dec. 1 Lector:** 1<sup>st</sup> James Donnelly, 2<sup>nd</sup> Les Standen **Eucharistic Minister:** Delma Good, John Vessey, Janice Blacquiere **Gifts to the Altar:** Michael & Susan Gallant **Usher:** Francis Gallant, Louis Arsenault, Edgar Doiron, John Blacquiere **Dec. 8 Lector:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tammy Gallant, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Beth Bradley **Eucharistic Minister:** Anne Marie Buote, Marie Doiron, Louise Doucette **Gifts to the Altar:** Melvin & Roma Gallant **Usher:** Art Buote, Braden Muttart, Darren Doucette, John Blacquiere **Dec. 15 Lector:** 1<sup>st</sup> Lori Doucette, 2<sup>nd</sup> Anne Marie Vessey **Eucharistic Minister:** Joseph Gallant, Michael Gallant, Bernadette Gallant **Gifts to the Altar:** Debbie Gallant **Usher:** James Donnelly, Barry Doiron, Les

Standen, John Blacquiere **Dec. 22 Lector:** 1<sup>st</sup> Art Buote, 2<sup>nd</sup> Barry Doiron **Eucharistic Minister:** Lori Doucette, Susan Gallant, Anne Marie Vessey **Gifts to the Altar:** Louis & Anne Arsenault **Usher:** Michael Gallant, Terry Doucette, Melvin Gallant, John Blacquiere

### Stella Maris' Notices

**Any parishioners of Stella Maris** wishing to have a reception after a funeral contact Donnie or Mary Blacquiere at 213-2083 so we can make the necessary preparations. The parish is happy to do this to help at a very difficult time.

**Ministries: Hospitality:** Curtis Gallant, Lee Gallant **Dec. 7 Lectors** Faye Fyfe, Rose Gallant **Eucharistic Minister** Della Cormier-Smith **Offertory Families** Joe & Cathy Peters **Dec. 14 Lectors** Eileen Gauthier, Ronnie Blacquiere **Eucharistic Minister** Cathy Peters **Offertory Families** Helen Gallant, Louise Gallant **Dec. 21 Lectors** Andre Lavoie, Joan Doiron **Eucharistic Minister** Karen Lavoie **Offertory Families** Marlene & Curtis Gallant

**Property & Finance Committee Meeting:** This meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 11 in the sacristy of our Church.

**Church Cleaning and Decorating for Christmas:** This cleaning and decorating will take place on Monday, December 9 at 9am with Thursday, December 12 at 9am being the back-up day in case of a snowstorm. Many hands make light work. Looking forward to many parishioners helping with this project. Thank you. *Property and Finance Committee*

### St. Anne's Notices

**Fellowship Sunday** is the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month. We should take the time to sit and talk with our neighbors and friends. So join us in the Bolger room after mass the first Sunday of every month for some coffee, tea & treats.

**St. Anne's ladies** will be packing St. Nicholas bags on Dec 8 after 9am mass. Please leave your donations of baked goods, fruit, etc in the Bolger Room. Thank you for your support.

**Ministries for December: Proclaimer:** Heather Murphy **Eucharistic Minister:** Loriann MacFarlane **Ushers/Ministrers of Hospitality:** Wilbert Gallant, Mike Doiron, Jacinta Doiron **Offertory Families: Dec 1** Wilbert & Brenda Reid; **Dec 8** John & Charlene Vanleeuwen; **Dec 15** the youth; **Dec 22** Ron & Nancy MacKinnon; **Dec 29** Dennis & Kathy Doiron

**St. Anne's Property & Finance Committee:** In the interest of keeping everything running as smooth as always, the St. Anne's Property & Finance Committee would like to remind interested parishioners that we have our monthly meeting the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month (Dec. 5) at 7pm in the Bolger Room.

### Diocese Notices

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**There will be a general retreat** with Fr. Brendon themed Meeting Jesus in the "Ordinary" of Your Life at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre January 17-19. The weekend begins with registration & room assignments from 6-7 followed by Mass at 7pm. The cost is \$170/person or \$255/married couple. To avoid disappointment, reserve your spot early by calling the Centre at 902-621-2385 or 902-388-1952.

**The PEI Catholic Women's League** invites Catholic girls and women attending colleges and universities to apply for the Catholic Girls Bursary by the deadline of January 31. Applications are available at the back of the church or in the parish office.

**First Saturday Gathering:** There will be a gathering on December 7 after the Saturday 5 pm Mass in the Knight of Columbus room at St. Dunstan's basilica. The topic is Our Lady of Miraculous Medal. There will be light lunch, fellowship and rosary. Please enter via the Adoration Chapel side entrance, for information, contact Ray /Marilyn Yu 902-628-2397, raymaryu@hotmail.com.