

for the first few weeks. Any questions, see Kathy Doiron after Mass.

We will no longer be saying the rosary before Sunday Mass. The choir will use that time to prepare the music liturgy. The choir is looking for more members. If you can sing consider joining. Age is not a factor. We want our youth to know you are welcome.

Diocese Notices

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The diocesan offices will be closed from noon on Friday December 20 until 8:30am on Thursday January 2.

Annual Parish Retreat: Our theme will be "Jesus Christ the Lamb of God and the Knock Apparition". We will pray and reflect upon the significance of the Knock Apparition and its primary focus upon Jesus appearing as the Mystical Lamb. Additionally, we shall look at each of those present in the event: Mary, Our Lady of Knock, St. Joseph and St. John the Evangelist. Retreat will be held Feb. 21 - 23 at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Center. Contact Martin and/or Earla Avery: 902-621-2385.

Come join us in Egmont Bay (St. Phillippe and St. Jacques Church) for a Francophone Epiphany Family Catechesis Celebration, Sunday January 5 from 2 to 4pm. We will have a presentation on the three wise men, followed by some songs & family-based activities. A light snack will be served as well! I would also like to take this opportunity to invite francophone Islanders, island wide, to contact me, Michelle D'aoust, for more catechesis program info & resources in the French language at 902-854-2143 or cec@dioceseofcharlottetown.com.

There will be a retreat with Fr. Brendon Gallant at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre January 17-19. The cost is \$170 per person or \$255 per married couple. Please reserve your spot soon by calling the Centre at 902-621-2385 or 902-388-1952.

Scam Alert: Please be aware that an imposter, using a hard-luck story and posing as a priest

or the bishop of the diocese, is soliciting money from Catholic parishioners through email and text messages. These messages state an urgent need for help. This person is a fraud and his story a lie.

A recent Gift from an estate has provided for a new spiritual retreat center in our Diocese. This Gift will breathe new life into our Catholic Education Programs. If you would like to provide a Gift to your Parish or Diocese now or at estate planning time please visit us at www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com and click on the "Planned Giving" quick link.

Community Notices

Star of the Sea Seniors' Club: Card party will be held every Tuesday at 7:30pm. Everyone welcome. There are prizes, a light lunch and 50/50 draw.

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

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

Wednesday Games: The next games day will be January 8, 2020!!!

Rustico Bay Club: No card games until Jan. 6, 2020. New Year's Eve Dance from 9 to 12:30 with music by Country Steel. Buy your ticket in advance(\$15) from Bernice (902-621-0199) or Mark (902-964-2674) . Meeting for members on Jan.13 at 10 am. Painting classes begin on Jan. 13 in the afternoon.

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 January 2 at 7pm.



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

The Holy Family ✠ December 29, 2019

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday No Mass

Tuesday (New Years Eve) 4pm Stella Maris

Wednesday (New Years Day) 10:30am St. Augustine's

Thursday 9am St. Augustine's

Friday 9am St. Anne's

Saturday 4pm Stella Maris

Sunday 9am St. Anne's for Helena Pineau

Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's

Fr. Raj Santiago: 902-393-0572

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Pastoral Associates:

Jacinta Doiron 902-621-0638

Marion Murphy 902-621-0725

Carol Probert 902-963-3089

Anne-Marie Vessey 902-964-3442

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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

Last Week's Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$915.25

St. Anne's: \$720.00

Cemetery Fund:

IMO Ron Doiron: \$1645.00

IMO The Turner Family: \$15,115.00

IMO Faustina Gallant (Doyle) and the

Doyle Family: \$365.00

IMO Walter LeClair: \$20.00

IMO Bernadette Gallant: \$20.00

Stella Maris: \$1263.00

Memorial Tree: \$165.00

Special Collection: \$50.00

Elevator Fund: \$100.00

Christmas: \$2277.00

*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, Roy Doiron, Beatrice Doucette, Donnie Doucette (Roxy), Tyrel Doucette, Dale Gallant, Edmond 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

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In the twilight of life, God will not judge us on our earthly possessions and human successes, but on how well we have loved.

St. John of the Cross

Youth Ministries — www.jp2youthministries.com

Confirmation Class

Grades K-8 Class Schedule

Mass As A Class Schedule

All classes at St. Anne's	Jan. 12 - St. Augustine's	Jan. 26 - 10:30am - St Augustine's
January 12	Jan. 19 - St. Augustine's	Feb. 23 - 10:30am - St Augustine's
January 19	Feb. 2 - St. Augustine's	Mar. 23 - 10:30am - St Augustine's
February 2	Feb. 9 - St. Augustine's	Apr. 5 - 10:30am - St Augustine's
February 9	March 1 - St. Augustine's	May 3 - 10:30am - St Augustine's
March 1	March 8 - St. Augustine's	
	March 30 - St. Augustine's	
All classes start at 9:45am	April 19 - St. Augustine's	
	April 26 - St. Augustine's	

Unit Notices

Bulletin Announcements: Email bulletin notices to 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

Question: What is the proper way to receive Communion? **Answer:** We should do a simple bow before receiving. Our left hand holds our right hand into which Jesus is placed. When the words "the body of Christ" are spoken we should answer "Amen", then use our right hand to place the host into our mouth. We chew the host saying a thank you prayer of our choice, such as "thank you Jesus for coming to me in this blessed sacrament".

Question: What is the proper way to give the sign of peace. **Answer:** A gesture such as a nod, a handshake or a hand wave is meant to offer "the Peace of Christ" to one another. Eye contact is a part of the sign. A handshake should be firm, not limp.

Knights of Columbus Christmas food hampers. Food hampers will be available by our council for families in need again this Christ-

mas 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.

Responsible Ministry Program: We would like to make our parishioners aware we have began to send out the email providing the direction regarding the letter received mid November from the Bishop concerning the Responsible Ministry Program. All volunteers have been asked to submit an email address to the Diocesan Office. In turn you will eventually receive a link to watch a video & complete a short quiz to obtain your accredited certificate. If you are currently volunteering for John Paul Pastoral II unit & have not received an email here is the information: Here is the email address to send your email address to: jacintadoiron@hotmail.com. In the body of your email please add this: As requested, here is my email address: (insert your email address here) for you to send the link to for the Responsible Ministry Program. I am from the John Paul II Pastoral Unit. Please also cc Fr Raj at: rajstaugustin@gmail.com. Thank you for your cooperation and continued support in your faithful ministry. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact myself at jacintadoiron@hotmail.com or 902-621-0638 or Fr. Raj at rajstaugustin@gmail.com or 902-393-0572. If you do not have an email address, please visit a friend with a computer to have one created or speak with Fr. Raj.

Prayer Line. I will be away from Dec. 11-Jan. 8. If you need to put a name on the prayer line during that time, please call Faye Fyfe. 902-963-2144. Thank you. *Rose Gallant*

Winter Storm Policy: At St. Augustine's Church, Mass is never cancelled due to weather. When school in Rustico is cancelled or delayed due to weather, the weekday Mass at Stella Maris or St Ann's is cancelled. For Saturday evening Mass, a decision to cancel will be made by 1:30pm. For St. Ann's morning Mass, the decision will be made by 7am. If Religious Education classes are cancelled there will be an email sent out & a notice on the website. Call 902-393-0572 for information.

St. Augustine's Notices

Ministries: Dec. 29 Lector: 1st Chris Des Roches, 2nd Hope Muttart **Eucharistic Minister:** Delma Good, Anne Marie Buote, Marie Doiron **Gifts to the Altar:** Darren & Louise Doucette **Usher:** James Donnelly, Barry Doiron, Les Standen, John Blacquiere **Jan. 1 Lector:** 1st Les Standen, 2nd Lori Doucette **Eucharistic Minister:** Louise Doucette, Joseph Gallant, Michael Gallant **Gifts to the Altar:** Gloria Chandler **Usher:** Terry Doucette, Melvin Gallant, Francis Gallant, John Blacquiere **Jan. 5 Lector:** 1st Tammy Gallant, 2nd Mary Beth Bradley **Eucharistic Minister:** Bernadette Gallant, Lori Doucette, Susan Gallant **Gifts to the Altar:** Leona Folland **Usher:** Michael Gallant, Louis Arsenaault, Edgar Doiron, John Blacquiere **Jan. 12 Lector:** 1st Barry Doiron, 2nd Chris DesRoches **Eucharistic Minister:** Anne Marie Vessey, Linda Gallant, Carolyn Nantes **Gifts to the Altar:** Elaine Peters **Usher:** Art Buote, Braden Muttart, Darren Doucette, John Blacquiere **Jan. 19 Lector:** 1st Simone Pineau, 2nd Gerarda Gallant **Eucharistic Minister:** Roma Gallant, Linda Dow, Joan Blacquiere **Gifts to the Altar:** Audrey & Christina Gallant **Usher:** James Donnelly, Barry Doiron, Les Standen, John Blacquiere **Jan. 26 Lector:** Mass as a Class **Eucharistic Minister:** Delma Good, John Vessey, Janice

Blacquiere **Gifts to the Altar:** Mass as a Class **Usher:** Mass as a Class

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. 28 Lectors** Della Cormier-Smith, Pauline Pineau **Eucharistic Minister** Joan Doiron **Offertory Families** Carl & Bonita Pineau **Dec. 31 Lectors** Joan Gallant, Karen Gallant **Eucharistic Minister** Eric Blacquiere **Offertory Families** Joan & Rene Doiron

Ministries for January: Hospitality: Joan Gallant, Vernon Buote **Jan. 4 Lectors** Faye Fyfe, Eileen Gauthier **Eucharistic Minister** Eric Blacquiere **Offertory Families** Norman & Theresa Gallant **Jan. 11 Lectors** Ronnie Blacquiere, Andre Lavoie **Eucharistic Minister** Karen Lavoie **Offertory Families** Lee & Karen Gallant **Jan. 18 Lectors** Joan Doiron, Suzanne McCormick **Eucharistic Minister** Marlene Gallant **Offertory Families** Eric & Paula Blacquiere **Jan. 25 Lectors** Della Cormier-Smith, Karen Gallant **Eucharistic Minister** Estelle Bourgois **Offertory Families** Gavin & Joan Gallant

2020 Envelopes: New envelopes are available at the back of the Church. If you have not received a set of envelopes in the past and wish to receive them, please contact Peter G. (963-2460) or Norman G. (963-2416).

St. Anne's Notices

Ministries: Proclaimer: Heather Murphy **Eucharistic Minister:** Lorian MacFarlane **Ushers/Ministrers of Hospitality:** Wilbert Gallant, Mike Doiron, Jacinta Doiron **Offertory Families: Dec 29** Dennis & Kathy Doiron

Sunday envelopes for 2020 are now available on the table near the altar. If you do not use envelopes, but wish to do so, please pick up a box of envelopes and put your name on them