

Dear People of the Diocese of Charlottetown,

We are living in trying times. We have never experienced a crisis of global proportion, a pandemic. We have altered drastically our daily lives, our work habits, our social activities including our Sunday services, to promote public health and to protect our loved ones and our community.

The Parish Churches of the Diocese of Charlottetown continue offering daily Mass for you so that collectively we remain strong and determined to support each other throughout these many difficult days. Despite the absence of parishioners at Mass the priests know that many parishioners join them through their own personal prayers and family devotions. Many of the Parish Priests in Prince Edward Island have the technical savvy to live-stream daily and Sunday Masses. People in all three Counties can follow these live-streamed Masses; in Summerside, St. Paul's Church; in Wellington, Immaculate Conception; in Bloomfield, St. Anthony; in Tignish St. Simon and Jude, in Morell, St. Teresa, and in Charlottetown, St. Pius X. Currently there are four more parishes preparing to live-stream the Mass.

As well, in Charlottetown you can find Sunday Mass on your cable TV. Sunday mass at Holy Redeemer is televised at 9AM on Eastlink Community TV. On behalf of the Diocese of Charlottetown a very special thanks to the management and people at Eastlink Community TV for making their services available during this difficult time.

In addition to social media outreach, mentioned above, the Diocese encourages the following:

- On Good Friday at 9:00 a.m. Eastlink Community TV will televise the Scriptural Way of the Cross. Parishes that live stream likely will offer Good Friday service as well.
- The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available for individuals at Parish Churches / Pastoral Unit. Again this encounter shall adhere to proper social distancing as requested by public health.
- On Easter Sunday at 12 noon, I am asking all Catholic Parishes in PEI to ring the Church bells for sixty seconds or more to celebrate the glory of Jesus' Resurrection and His invitation to us to follow Him. When the bells are ringing, I invite all the faithful across PEI to pray the Lord's Prayer. In Solidarity may our united, prayerful voices help us rise above this crisis and one day rise with Christ to eternal life.

These days have given us the time to steel our will to overcome the difficulties we face. Easter Sunday celebrates a promise full of hope. We rely, as always, on God's grace for the strength and hope that will get us through this crisis together.

Sincerely,

Bishop Richard Grecco

Diocese of Charlottetown



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

**Easter Sunday ✠ April 12, 2020**

**This Weekend's Liturgy**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** Acts 10.34a, 37-43

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** Colossians 3.1-4

**Gospel** John 20.1-18

**Weekly Mass Schedule**

**Monday** No Mass

**Tuesday** No Mass

**Wednesday** No Mass

**Thursday** No Mass

**Friday** No Mass

**Saturday** No Mass

**Sunday** No Mass

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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.

**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

[www.jp2pastoralunit.com/bulletins.php](http://www.jp2pastoralunit.com/bulletins.php)

**Last Week's Collections & Donations**

**St. Augustine's:** N/A

**St. Anne's:** N/A

**Stella Maris:** N/A

*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, Alfred Barriault, Roy Doiron, Beatrice Doucette, Donnie Doucette (Roxy), Tyrel Doucette, Dale Gallant, Edmond Gallant, Stella Gallant, Vic Greenwood, Paul LeBlanc, Naomi (age 13), Monique MacLeod, Baby Cole Peters, Kelly Power, Doris Reid, Dane Simpson, Susie Smith  
To have a name added or removed from the prayer line please contact

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**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.

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

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

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

Confirmation Class

Retreat: TBA

Confirmation will be rescheduled

## Unit Notices

**Dear brothers and sisters once again I am here with Easter greetings:** I know it has been an awful week for all of us. And for most of us this could have been the first in our lives that we have been missing all the Holy Week devotions celebrating as a community. Indeed it is a very challenging situation. But I can see we all are fighting it with good spirit in our own way. However we need to be thankful to God that our hardships are much less than our other brothers and sisters who face in other parts of the world. Please keep praying for all those who are directly in the fighting field like the medical, and all those who work in their own way to make our lives smooth going. Let us continuously pray for those who are affected by this horrible deadly virus so that the whole world may soon experience the Jesus' Redemption from this challenging situation. Once again I wish each one of you THE PEACE OF CHRIST which He promised to his disciples after His Resurrection *Father Raj*

**We pray** for the workers who continue showing up to do their job because we need them to. We include health workers, service workers, truckers, farmers, grocery store workers and everyone else. *We pray to the Lord.*

**We pray** for anyone who has died including members of our family far and wide. *We pray to the Lord.*

**We pray** for an end to this pandemic and for the ability and strength of faith to do what is required of us. *we pray to the Lord.*

## Diocese Notices

[www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com](http://www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com)

**Until further notice,** beginning on Monday the diocesan Centre will only be open from Monday to Friday, 10am until 2pm.

Mass As A Class Schedule

Grades K-8 Class Schedule

All Cancelled or reschedule

**As we celebrate Holy Week** and look forward to Easter, let us not forget that almsgiving, especially from Lenten sacrifices has always been part of our Lenten observance. In these trying times Canadians feel very uncertain about our economic future. As we face each day's challenges let's not forget people in the poorer countries of the world who cannot meet their basic needs and are shuddering at the spread of COVID-19. They lack basics such as medical facilities, medicines, food, clean water and sanitation.

Development and Peace-Caritas Canada, reminds us that these people are our neighbours. Traditionally, on the Fifth Sunday of Lent and onwards we encourage people to donate to the organization's 149 community development and humanitarian projects serving 16.8 million people in 36 countries of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. These projects promote justice in communities trapped in poverty to transform their situation, and discover their dignity and strength together. We need to keep focussed on building global solidarity.

Parish collections are postponed indefinitely because the churches are closed. Those who are able to respond can donate directly to [www.devp.org](http://www.devp.org) and click on donations.

In closing, members of the Charlottetown Diocesan Council of Development and Peace-Caritas Canada extend our sincere thanks to Dr. Heather Morrison, Marion Dowling and all caregivers. Special thanks also to all delivering essential services.

Mary Boyd

Chair, Diocesan Council

902-388-2693

**The trip** to Our Lady of the Cape Shrine at Cap de la Madelaine in Quebec from May 15-18 with PEI Pilgrimages Ltd. has been cancelled. For further information please contact Gary Clow at 902-569-3945.

**There are now at least 6 Electronic Masses on PEI:** Eastlink Community TV Mass Live from Holy Redeemer Church at 9am on Eastlink Channel 10 and 610. Sunday Mass from St. Mary's Holy Family Church in Kensington at 9am and can be watched live or anytime at [www.facebook.com/francis.a.jay](http://www.facebook.com/francis.a.jay). Facebook Live stream of Mass from St. Pius X 10:30am Sunday at [www.facebook.com/stpiusxpei](http://www.facebook.com/stpiusxpei). Facebook Live Mass from Immaculate Conception Parish in Wellington/Richmond 10am Sunday at [www.facebook.com/ICSASP/](http://www.facebook.com/ICSASP/). Facebook from St. Simon & St. Jude Parish in Tignish at 10am Sundays [www.facebook.com/frjohnmolina](http://www.facebook.com/frjohnmolina). St. Paul's Parish in Summerside will present Mass everyday at 9:30am [www.facebook.com/stpaulspei/](http://www.facebook.com/stpaulspei/)

**Weekday Mass from Tignish:** Fr. John Molina & Fr. Lazaru Panthagani have been sharing their daily Mass from their rectory in Tignish. [www.facebook.com/frjohnmolina](http://www.facebook.com/frjohnmolina). Also Fr. John & Fr. Lazaru have an instructional video on how to keep someone in the house when they should be self isolating that is well worth viewing.

## Community Notices

**Subtle Yoga with Paula** will be live streaming classes from her Facebook page. You can access her classes from Facebook: Subtle Yoga with Paula. New to yoga, no problem. Take it at your own pace, in the comfort of your own home. Schedule: (subject to change) Tuesday 10:30 am ~ mindful yoga on the mat. Thursday 10:30 am ~ mindful yoga on the mat. Saturday 11 am ~ mindful yoga in the chair. Classes are by donation. Email transfers ([itsallyogaright@gmail.com](mailto:itsallyogaright@gmail.com)) Finances should not stand in the way of your participation. If you are not able to contribute at this time, this is respected. If you need help to find Paula on

Facebook contact: [itsallyogaright@gmail.com](mailto:itsallyogaright@gmail.com) or 782-234-5845 (text or call)

**Save the Date:** Sat. September 19, 2020, 9am to 1:30 pm, at the Eastlink Centre. Due to the current situation with Covid-19 we will be postponing the Mikinduri Children of Hope Yard and Book Sale until September 19.

**During this difficult time,** please take note that North Rustico Home Hardware will be closed on Saturdays. Also, store hours will be Monday to Friday 8am to 4pm. Thank-you for your support and understanding.

**Cymbria Lions Club:** Due to the ongoing COVID-19 concerns, the Cymbria Lions Club facility will remain closed until further notice. You are welcome to use our parking lot to access the free WiFi provided by Red Sands Internet. Simply connect your device to "Red Sands Internet Guest WiFi". Please remember to practice social distancing. Everyone please stay safe, we will get through this together!

**Free online Chair and Balance classes:** I am going live online with my Chair and Balance classes. Central Regional Sports and Recreation is funding these classes. The way this program works is that we are able to interact throughout the sessions from the comfort of your home. Please feel free to share this link with anyone you may feel might enjoy getting together and moving. A reminder that the password for these sessions is, seniors. This program will start at 9am on Wednesday and we'll have it on Fridays at 9am as well. If there are any questions, don't hesitate to reach me here, through my email or call. Stay safe everyone and keep moving!!! Michele Gallant 902-626-9799. Below is the information you'll need to try this out. You are invited to a Zoom meeting. Register in advance for this meeting: <https://us04web.zoom.us/join/register/uZMtf-i0rj8v3GSQJL1eCo6bbbTHthdC7A>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.