

## The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island

# 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ★ September 6, 2020

## This Weekend's Liturgy

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Ezekiel 33.7-9 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Romans 13.8-10 Gospel Matthew 18.15-20

#### **Weekly Mass Schedule**

**Monday** No Mass

**Tuesday** 7pm St. Augustine's The Nativity of our Blessed Mother Mary/for the soul of Alban and Estelle Peters

Wednesday 9am Stella Maris

Thursday 9am St. Augustine's for Eileen Mary DeRoche

Friday 9am St. Anne's for Gordon Gallant

Saturday 4pm Stella Maris

Sunday 9am St. Anne's

Sunday 10am Stella Maris

Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's for John R. Gallant & Gerri Gallant

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Mass Requests: Contact Fr. Raj for all Mass requests Baptisms: Contact Fr. Raj for Baptismal Preparation.

**Bulletin Announcements:** Email bulletin notices to bulletins@jp2pastoralunit.com or call Francis @ 902-886-2761.

Deadline for weekly bulletin is Thurs. at 4pm.

#### **Last Week's Collections & Donations**

St. Augustine's: \$1050.00 St. Anne's: \$630.00 Stella Maris: \$975.00

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

Our Prayer list

Annabelle 4 months (recovering from heart surgery), Brian, Evan, Grace, John, Laura, Theresa, Alfred Barriaylt, Roy Doiron, Beatrice Doucette, Donnie Doucette (Roxy), Tyrel Doucette, Albert Gallant, Edmond Gallant, Stella Gallant, Vic Greenwood, Paul LeBlanc, Naomi (age 13), Monique MacLeod, Baby Cole Peters, Dane Simpson, Susie Smith

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

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Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to the one who has nothing. Neither is it small to God, if we have given what we could.

St. Gregory Nasiansen

## Prayers of the Faithful for Sunday, September 6

For Pope Francis, Bishop Richard, Fr. Raj, Deacon Paul, all priests, seminarians and religious as they work to teach their congregation the all important commandment, "Love one another". We pray to the Lord.

For all politicians working to bring justice and peace to all people. We pray to the Lord.

For the Pope's intention for September that the planet's resources not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner. We pray to the Lord.

For all people who are undertaking new beginnings at this time whether it be starting kindergarten, university, new career, new apartment, new commitment. May everyone remember to turn to God in prayer when things seem to be a little too much to handle. We pray to the Lord.

For all sick people including Cleon Widam, Ida McCourt, Deedee Morison, Cicilly Coady, Gerry Corcoran. May they face their challenges with faith and courage knowing we are praying for them. We pray to the Lord.

For all who have died. May they be welcomed into God's loving embrace. We pray to the Lord.

## **Unit Notices**

**The sacrament of confirmation** will be conferred on 9 of our young people on Tuesday, September 15 at 7pm at St. Augustine's. This is the last sacrament for these young people as youth. Being confirmed is a VERY important step in their faith and all parishioners should show them support. Given the pandemic, Fr. Raj has been mandated by Bishop Richard to confirm our young people.

Learning More About Our Faith and Responsibilities: This year there will be no Pastoral Associate Program. Instead, the Bishop has endorsed the suggestion of the Diocesan Committee for Adult Faith Formation (DCAFF) to do a study of a special book. We will be encouraging members of the Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, Knights of Columbus, C.W.L, Pastoral Associates, Religion Teachers and others who have a keen interest in all that speaks faith to read the book. Those who have been called forth to review the book will then meet to discuss how we will present and encourage others in our unit to take advantage of the opportunity to further understand and enhance their own faith formation.

**The knights of Columbus** will be starting their suppers on Saturday September 26. More information will follow regarding the COVID regulations. Hope to see you there.

#### St. Anne's Notices

**St. Anne's Cemetery Committee:** In the interest of keeping everything running as smooth as always the St. Anne's Cemetery Committee is looking for a few extra members. Please contact Father Raj for more information.

**St. Anne's Property & Finance Committee:** In the interest of keeping everything running as smooth as always the St. Anne's Property & Finance Committee is looking for a few extra members. Please contact Father Raj for more information.

Lecture for September: Heather Doiron

#### **Stella Maris Notices**

The Sunday 10am Mass will continue into the fall, as long as we are limited in our allowed numbers, and as long as we have an extra priest available.

**Property & Finance Committee Meeting:** This meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at 6:30pm in the Sacristy of our Church.

#### Lecture Schedule

Saturday, Sept 5	Vern Buote	Saturday, Sept 19	Joan Doiron
Sunday, Sept 6	Della Cormier-Smith	Sunday, Sept 20	Terry Crawford
Saturday, Sept 12	Eileen Gauthier	Saturday, Sept 26	Karen Gallant
Sunday, Sept 13	Joan Gallant	Sunday, Sept 27	Andre Lavoie

#### St. Augustine's Notices

**Volunteers** are needed to sanitise the seats, door handles after mass at St. Augustine's. This can be done in the evening as well as the daytime. Many hands make light work. Please contact Anne-Marie Vessey at 902-964-3442. Thanks for helping to keep God's house safe for everyone.

Our patron saint, St. Augustine, said, "To sing is to pray twice". We all enjoy music and many of us are very capable musicians. We are in need of more musicians to help with the singing in church. As we all know, if we have a number of musicians then it is not a big job for anyone. If you would like to join the music ministry (fancy name for people who play music in church) please, please contact Delma Good at delma.good10@gmail.com with your name, instrument and contact information. Guitars, piano, organ, percussion and of course voices are ALL WELCOME. Age does not matter, young and old can make beautiful music together! Let's make Delma's email blow up!

**St. Augustine's Property & Finance Meeting:** There will be a meeting of the St. Augustine's Property & Finance Committee on Tuesday, September 22 at 7:30 in the chapel. Please give any concerns you may have to a member of the P&F Comm.

#### Diocese Notices www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com

**Fall Hours:** Beginning Tuesday September 8, the diocesan offices will go back to full-time hours: Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4pm.

### **Community Notices**

You Could Save a Life: Give Blood, call 1-800-236-6283 for appointment.

Rustico Bay Seniors Club, thanks to a grant from New Horizons Canada, will be offering a number of activities at their newly renovated club beginning Monday, Sept 14. These activities will be offered to everyone interested in participating, regardless of age, with limited numbers, because of social distancing. Our goal is to lift peoples' spirits and provide a welcome break from isolation. The activities will include cards (auction), yoga, computers and entertainment. More details to come.

**Rustico Bay Club** will be hosting Subtle Yoga with Paula beginning Sept 14 every Monday and Wednesday at 10:30 am. Monday classes will be using a chair so there is no requirement to have a mat or be on the floor. Wednesday class will require a mat. Both classes will provide gentle, mindful, slow postures that are suitable for beginners as well as intermediate students with variations available for most body types. Some of the benefits of slow, mindful yoga: •Improves Energy, •Reduces Pain, •Reduces Depression, •Aids Digestion, and improves Chronic Conditions. To register, please contact Paula at 782-234-5845. Spaces are limited to 15.

**Rustico Bay Seniors Club**, will reopen for auction on Monday, Sept 14 at 7pm. Limited to 7 tables (28 people) to respect health guidelines. Bring your own water bottle and snacks. Masks are optional but highly recommended. Prizes and 50/50.

**Rustico Bay Seniors:** Although it will be different from our regular dances, there will still be laughter, camaraderie and fun. We are very pleased to announce that a bi-weekly ceilidh hosted by well-known musicians, Katlyn Gallant and Lori Dempster will begin on Saturday, Sept 19 at 8pm with special guest, Barb Blacquiere and continue until Christmas. Bar service, 50/50. 19 and over. Admission at the door. Limit 40 because of social distancing. We thank you for your support.

## The Word This Week

## If he listens to you, you have won back your brother.

No man is an island... How true this is for those who follow Christ: each of us has responsibilities towards each other, based on our debt of mutual love. When we see wickedness and wrongdoing, then because of our privileged position of following the Lord Jesus, we have a duty to speak out. This will not always be easy - remember the prophet Jeremiah last week - but this was the mission of the Lord Jesus himself, and as his followers, it is our mission too. As with everything, love is the answer to every one of the commandments.



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