



## The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

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

# 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠ September 20, 2020

### This Weekend's Liturgy

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Isaiah 55.6-9

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Philippians 1.20-24, 27

Gospel Matthew 20.1-16

### Weekly Mass Schedule

**Monday– Friday** No Mass

**Saturday** 4pm Stella Maris

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

**Sunday** 10am Stella Maris

**Sunday** 10:30am St. Augustine's for Alyer and Arthur Arsenault and Frank and Kate 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: \$525.00

Need of the Church in Canada: \$10.00

St. Anne's: \$755.00

Stella Maris: \$690.00

*Thank You for Your Donations to Our 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 your hands to serve, and your hearts to love. *St. Mother Teresa*

### **Prayers of the Faithful for Sunday, September 20**

For Pope Francis, Bishop Richard, Fr. Raj, all priests, seminarians and religious as they help their congregation understand why God allows tragic things to happen to family and friends. *We pray to the Lord.*

For our politicians as they continue trying to make the best decisions for everyone. *We pray to the Lord.*

For our nine youth who were confirmed last Tuesday. May they remember that the Holy Spirit will always be with them to help them do what is right. *We pray to the Lord.*

For a generous and thoughtful heart which does not judge others' actions or inactions. May we always act with compassion and forgiveness. *We pray to the Lord.*

For all people who are unwell. We include Cleon Widam, Ida McCourt, Deedee Morison, Cicilly Coady, Gerry Corcoran, Camden Kingyens. May they and their families have faith and courage facing their challenges knowing we are praying for them. *We pray to the Lord.*

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

### **Unit Notices**

**SCAM ALERT!!!** Some scammer in my name asking some financial help with all those who are in my contact list in the email. So here by I alert everyone in my contact list please don't respond to them in any way just ignore or complain to RCMP with the email id in which you get. I would never ask any financial help to help any one through email. Before taking any step please contact me if you get any mail in the future. Thanks *Fr. Raj*

**Knights of Columbus Dinners:** In an effort to begin the long road to having parishioners participate in limited/safe social events, the Knights of Columbus will begin hosting monthly dinners in Stella Maris Parish Hall. A Provincial Covid 19 Operational Plan has been prepared and all Food Premises Guidelines will be strictly adhered to. The first dinner will be held on Saturday, September 26 after the 4pm mass. This first dinner will be limited to 50 people on a first-come first-served basis. If there are more than 50 people, they will be given the option of take-out service. Come and enjoy a roast beef dinner with all the fixings topped off by delicious fresh apple pie.

**On behalf of the confirmation class** we would like to thank Father Raj for his moving & spiritual service on Tuesday evening. Thank-you to the choir for the beautiful music. Thank-you to Anne-Marie Vessey for her work this year as religion co-ordinator. Thank-you to Marion Murphy for all her yummy treats for our class snacks. *Francis & Marlene*

**On a personal note** I want to thank the unit for the beautiful flowers & gift. I have enjoyed my years helping our youth prepare for their confirmation but sadly this is my last year. Thank-you Francis for all your help. May God continue to bless you all. *Marlene Gallant*

**Registration...Free Registration!!!** Registrations are happening all over the place as activities resume. Religion classes will also be starting up. In order for proper planning to take place we absolutely need to know how many students will be in class. Please register your children for RELIGION CLASS before OCTOBER 3. We plan on following the same set up as last year where classes for Oct. Nov. and Dec. are at St. Anne's after the 9am mass. The classes in Jan.-May will be held in St. Augustine's before the 10:30 Mass. These are tentative plans and may be changed if necessary. Of course all rules and protocols will be followed regarding Covid. To register your child/ children you need to go to the Unit website. The address is www.jp2youthministries.com. Grade K - 4 registrations are under LDG and grade 5-9 registration is under YDG. If you have difficulty please do not hesitate to call me, Anne-Marie at 902-964-3442. Your prompt attention will help us have a really good year of faith formation.

**Religion Teachers Needed:** We are in need of several people to teach our faith to our young people. You could team teach if you'd like. Training can be provided by the diocese. Please consider this very worthwhile effort. Teachers in the past have stated that they sometimes learn some very interesting things about our faith from the children. PLEASE contact me, Anne-Marie Vessey, at 902-964-3442 or amvessey@gmail.com.

### 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.

#### Lecture Schedule

Saturday, Sept 19	Joan Doiron	Saturday, Sept 26	Karen Gallant
Sunday, Sept 20	Terry Crawford	Sunday, Sept 27	Andre Lavoie

### St. Augustine's Notices

**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](mailto: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](http://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.

**Past bequests** continue to provide funding to assist our seminarians with their education as they prepare to become priests for our Diocese. If you would like to help future Seminarian education and formation, please consider providing a Gift to your Parish or Diocese now or at estate planning time. Visit us at [www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com](http://www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com) and click on the "Planned Giving" quick link.

**An email was sent** to the priests on June 29 regarding dates for the National Collections. Although the date given at that time for World Mission Sunday was October 25, this was an error on the part of the CCCB National Office. World Mission Sunday is in fact set for October 18. Those of you who wish to keep it on the 25, however, are free to do so.

**Inspired by the true story,** the newly-released movie "Fatima" can be watched on-demand through Apple TV, YouTube, Bell, Rogers, and several other Canadian sources. This highly acclaimed movie dramatizes the story of three young children and the Blessed Virgin Mary's appearances to them in Fatima, Portugal in 1917. In these apparitions, Our Lady asked them to pray the Rosary for the world and the conversion of sinners. During the final apparition, tens of thousands of onlookers experienced the Miracle of the Sun, when the sun appeared to dance in the sky and at one point even plummet toward the earth before returning to its rightful place. These miraculous events have been deemed by the Church as "worthy of belief" and the message of Fatima has continued to inspire many for over 100 years. Go to [www.fatimathemovie.com/more-ways-to-watch](http://www.fatimathemovie.com/more-ways-to-watch) for full list of providers.

**Friends of St. Andrew's Chapel:** Those interested in preserving the history and heritage of the early Catholic settlers, the creation of our diocese, the Island's first bishop, Angus MacEachern and the historic site at St. Andrew's are invited to become members of the Friends of St. Andrew's Chapel. Our address is PO Box 1864, Charlottetown PE, C1A 7N5. For information you may contact 902 620 9336. The annual membership fee is \$10 or \$25 for family or \$100.00 for life membership. Donations are tax deductible.

### Community Notices

**Rustico Bay Seniors:** We are very pleased to announce that a bi-weekly Caleigh 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. Masks are optional but highly recommended We thank you for your support.

**Rustico Bay Club** will be hosting Subtle Yoga with Paula every Monday and Wednesday at 10:30am. Monday classes will be using a chair. Wednesday class will require a mat. To register, please contact Paula at 782-234-5845. Minimum \$5. Per session. Spaces are limited.

**Rustico Bay Seniors:** Card games every Monday at 7pm. Bring your own water bottle and snacks. Masks are optional but highly recommended. Prizes and 50/50.

**Hot Turkey Supper:** Cymbria Lions on Sunday, October 11. Serving from 3:30-5:30pm. Adults \$15 Children \$5. Pick-up and Take-out only.

### *The Word This Week*

#### **Why be envious, because I am generous?**

We can never hope fully to understand God: especially God's generosity. We are very good at working out who is deserving of good fortune and who is not - unfortunately for us, God's gifts go to those God chooses, not those we choose. An example is forgiveness: those who have done the most wrong are those who receive the greatest forgiveness when they turn to God - perhaps at times we begrudge this gift. Today's lesson is simply this: God's ways are not our ways, God's thought are not our thoughts.