

# The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

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

# Baptism of the Lord ₹ January 10, 2021

# This Weekend's Liturgy

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Isaiah 55.1-11 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading 1 John 5.1-9

Gospel Mark 1.7-11

Weekly Mass Schedule

**Monday** No Mass

**Tuesday** 7pm St. Augustine's for CWL members

Wednesday 9am Stella Maris Thursday 9am St. Augustine's

Friday 9am St. Anne's Saturday 4pm Stella Maris

Sunday 9am St. Anne's

**Sunday** 10:30am St. Augustine's for Alice and Raymond Doucette, Spic, Arliss, Shane Doucette and Lorne Bryanton

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Mass Requests: Contact Fr. Raj for all Mass requests Baptisms: Contact Fr. Raj for Baptismal Preparation. Local Knights of Columbus - www.kofc9025.com Our Bulletin - www.jp2pastoralunit.com/bulletins.php

Diocese of Charlottetown - www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com

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

Deadline for weekly bulletin is Thurs. at 4pm.

# St. Augustine's Lectors

January 10 Anne ArsenaultFebruary 7 Les StandenJanuary 17 Chris DesRochesFebruary 14 James DonnellyJanuary 24 Art BuoteFebruary 21 Barry DoironJanuary 31 Betty DoucetteFebruary 28 Anne Marie Vessey

## **Stella Maris' Lectors**

Jan 9 Faye FyfeFeb 6 Eileen GauthierJan 16 Joan GallantFeb 13 Andre LavoieJan 23 Noreen HeightonFeb 20 Della Cormier-SmithJan 30 Joan DoironFeb 27 Eleanor Gallant

God LOVES us!!!! There is NOTHING we can do to make God love us less! There is NOTHING we can do to make God love us MORE!!!!!!

# **Prayers of the Faithful**

For Pope Francis, Bishop Richard, Fr. Raj, all priests and religious as they are called to witness to their congregation of the love bestowed on us by God. *We pray to the Lord*.

For peace and reconciliation, we include the citizens and government of the U.S., our friends and neighbours. We pray to the Lord.

For us as we come to the realization of how much God loves us. May we continuously appreciate how much God loves each and every one of us. *We pray to the Lord*.

For people who must travel for their work at this time. May God protect them and their family from covid and keep them safe and healthy. *We pray to the Lord*.

For all who are suffering from mental, spiritual, emotional or physical illness. We include Gloria Walsh in our prayers and hope they have courage and faith facing their challenges knowing we are praying for them. *We pray to the Lord*.

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

#### **Diocese Notices**

Holland College and UPEI! This January, join us on-line for the Canadian Catholic Students' Association National Conference! This year's theme is "Heart speaks to Heart". Running from January 21-24, you can connect with Catholic students from across the country and hear great speakers like Fr. Raymond Lafontaine, Ms. Ava MacLean and Dr. Kevin Ahern! Register by January 12 and the fee is only \$10! This conference kicks off with mass with Bishop Mark Hagemoen! https://stmcollege.ca/store/event/ccsa-national-conference-on-line/

<u>Last Week's Collections & Donations</u>

St. Augustine's: N/A St. Anne's: \$748.00 New Years Day: \$205.00 Initial Offering: \$95.00

Stella Maris (December 27): \$855.00

Christmas: \$2020.00 Memorial Tree: \$135.00

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, Alfred Barriaylt, Eric Doiron, Pope (Pius) Doiron, Roy Doiron, Beatrice Doucette, Tyrel Doucette, Gary Ellis, Albert Gallant, Edmond Gallant, Stella Gallant, Vic Greenwood, Paul LeBlanc, Naomi (age 13), Darlene MacGregor, Monique MacLeod, Carolyn Nantes, Baby Cole Peters, 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 The Martha Spirituality Centre will remain closed for in-person programs until September 2021. However, the good news is that we have organized many programs to go forward on Zoom, so we will be zooming into 2021. To access a program, you must have downloaded Zoom on your computer (it's free). When you register for a program, your facilitator will send you a link to access the program on that day. Please note the following: (A) There is no telephone access at the Martha Spirituality Centre. (B) All registrations have to be done on-line with the facilitator of each program. She/he will let you know the process of payment for each program. (C) Any inquiries by phone will be to Sr. Gemma Dunn at 902-892-3179. (D) Our brochure can be viewed through the diocese of Charlottetown website www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com and through the Sisters of St. Martha website www.peimarthas.com/programs

#### **Unit Notices**

**Helping Hands:** The Knights of Columbus Council 9025, are undertaking a Program to assist seniors in the John Paul 11 Pastoral Unit with small odd jobs, for example, hanging curtains, blinds, pictures, putting up a shelf, or minor repairs. If you need help with these jobs or others, please call Estelle Bourgeois 902-963-3599. She will refer your name and request to a member of the Knights of Columbus.

The Knights of Columbus is thriving in our pastoral unit. We have many initiatives underway such as our food bank, remembering veterans, helping hands, seminarian support, parish dinners and much more. We are welcoming Catholic men of all ages who would like more information about becoming a member to please contact James Donnelly at 902-672-3391 for more information or to visit our website at www.kofc9025.com.

**Bursary Applications:** You will find applications for they PEI Catholic girl's bursary at the back of each church. If interested please fill out and send in by January 31. Any questions please call Mary Blacquiere at 213-3083

**New SNOW and SNOW STORM Policy:** Whenever there is snow falling, and the roads are not plowed, the Holy Eucharist in St. Anne's and Stella Maris will not be offered, However, in those days mass will be offered at St. Augustine's Church those who dare the snow and drive can attend at St. Augustine's Church. Whenever the snow storm warning is on the radio, the Mass at Stella Maris and St. Anne's will be cancelled.

#### St. Anne's Notices

WIFI Available: St. Anne's Church is now wifi accessible. Please feel free to use our network while at our church.

**Live Streaming Mass:** For our parishioners that can't be with us in person, we will be live streaming our Sunday Morning mass on Facebook. You can find it at https://www.facebook.com/stannespei/live\_videos/

**Sunday Envelopes** for 2021 are now available. You may pick them up at the entrance which you usually use to go for Mass. Please put your name on them for the first few weeks. Any questions, see Kathy Doiron after Mass.

#### Stella Maris' Notices

**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 Gallant (963-2460) or Norman Gallant (963-2416).

**Property and Finance Committee Meeting:** This meeting will held on Wednesday, January 13 at 6:30pm in the basement of our church.

**Stella Maris Parish Centre:** For anyone wishing to use Stella Maris Parish Centre for small gatherings. Information on availability and function restrictions, as per health regulations, are available by contacting Paul Blacquiere @ 902 963-2505 or e-mail paul.blacquiere@pei.sympatico.ca

#### **Community Notices**

**Subtle Yoga with Paula.** Mindful Yoga on the Mat. Stella Maris Hall, North Rustico. Classes are Tues 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm. . Beginners welcome, no experience necessary. Please bring a mat, a towel, blanket, water. Come give it a try, meet some friends and have fun! For more information contact Paula: 782-234-5845.

Cribbage at Cymbria Lions Club Thursday January 14 at 7pm. Covid restrictions will be in place.

**Rustico Bay Seniors Ceilidh** hosted by Katlyn Gallant and Lori Dempster will start again Saturday January 16 at 8pm with special guest, fiddler "Little Alfred" Gallant. Doors open at 7:15.Bar service, 50/50. 19 and over. Covid restrictions at that time will be in effect.

**Rustico Bay Auction** will begin Monday. Sept 11 at 7pm. Covid restrictions at that time will be in effect.

**Rustico Bay Club:** Subtle Yoga with Paula every Monday and Wednesday beginning January 11 at 10:30am. \$10 per session. Help with Technology will begin Sat. Jan 16 at 9am. Auction will begin Monday. Sept 11 at 7pm. Covid restrictions at that time will be in effect.

# The Word This Week

It may seem strange, but this is a Christmas Feast. Not if we think of Christmas only in terms of the Baby in Bethlehem, but if we have followed the ideas of the Feasts of Holy Family and especially Epiphany, and have seen the Season in terms of the growing manifestation or appearing of the Son of God: first to the shepherds and then to the wise men from the East. Now in the River Jordan, Jesus, Son of Mary, is revealed to all as the fullness of all Gods promises: "This is my Son, the Beloved". On this day we stand before the revelation of Gods love for us, such that he would send his only Son into the world. Christmas without the Baptism of the Lord, and the words that are spoken from heaven, would be incomplete, since it is only in them that we fully see the wonder of what happened in Bethlehem, that we fully understand the reason for the joy with which we celebrated Christmas Day. As we come to the end of Christmas today, and look forward to hearing the Gospel in Ordinary Time, we do so having been shown who it is we listen to: the only Son of God, the Beloved.