The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit



# Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ₩ January 24, 2021

This Weekend's Liturgy	Last Week's Collections & Donations
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading Johan 3.1-5, 10	St. Augustine's: \$720.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading 1 Corinthians 7.29-31	St. Anne's: \$471.00
Gospel Mark 1.14-20	Initial Offering: \$5.00
Weekly Mass Schedule	Donation from Patricia Brown to cemetery
Monday-Friday No Mass (Diocese Annual Retreat)	fund: \$150.00
Saturday 4pm Stella Maris for Clarence Buote	Stella Maris: \$ 915.00
Sunday 9am St. Anne's for Ralph McQuaid and all deceased	New Year: \$40.00
members of the Brown and Proctor Families	Thank You for Your Donations to Our Parishes!
Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's	Please consider including your Parish in your will.
Contact InformationFr. Raj Santiago: 902-393-0572 or rajstaugustin@gmail.comPastoral Associates:Jacinta Doiron902-621-0638Marion Murphy902-621-0725Carol Probert902-963-3089Anne-Marie Vessey902-964-3442Lorraine Lemay902-360-2060Mass Requests: Contact Fr. Raj for all Mass requests	OUR PRAYER LISTBrian, Evan, Grace, John, Laura, Theresa, Alfred Barriaylt, Eric Doiron, Pope (Pius)Doiron, Roy Doiron, Beatrice Doucette, TyrelDoucette, 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
<b>Baptisms:</b> Contact Fr. Raj for Baptismal Preparation. <b>Local Knights of Columbus -</b> www.kofc9025.com	<b>Marion Murphy</b> 902-621-0725
Our Bulletin - www.jp2pastoralunit.com/bulletins.php	Angela Gallant 902-393-0960
<b>Diocese of Charlottetown</b> - www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com	Rose Gallant 902-963-3516
Bulletin Announcements: Email bulletin notices to bulle-	Fr. Raj Santiago 902-393-0572
tins@jp2pastoralunit.com or call Francis @ 902-886-2761. Deadline for weekly bulletin is Thurs. at 4pm.	
St. Augustine's Lectors	
January 24 Art Duata	

January 24 Art Buote January 31 Betty Doucette February 7 Les Standen

February 14 James Donnelly February 21 Barry Doiron February 28 Anne Marie Vessey

## **Stella Maris' Lectors**

Jan 23 Noreen Heighton Jan 30 Joan Doiron Feb 6 Eileen Gauthier

Feb 13 Andre Lavoie Feb 20 Della Cormier-Smith Feb 27 Eleanor Gallant

Never be in a hurry; do everything quietly and in a calm spirit. Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever, even if your whole world is upset. St. Francis de Sales

## **Prayers of the Faithful**

For Pope Francis, Bishop Richard, Fr. Raj and all priests and religious as they work to help their congregation to develop a strong faith in God. We pray to the Lord.

For politicians everywhere to put public welfare above political gain. We pray to the Lord.

For our friends, family members and fellow Canadians who are either in full lock down or in red level of regulations in the fight against Covid-10. May they remember to pray for support and feel secure knowing we are also praying for them. We pray to the Lord.

For faith as strong as the disciples had so that we are not scared to follow God in our daily lives. We need to be present day disciples and practice our faith. We pray to the Lord.

For all who are unwell. May they have faith, courage and hope when facing their health challenges. We include Gloria Walsh. *We pray to the Lord*.

For all who have died including Edmond Gallant, Denis Gallant, Francis and Bertha Blanchard. May they be welcomed into God's loving embrace. We pray to the Lord.

## **Diocese Notices**

The Diocese of Charlottetown Priest's Benevolent Fund: The priests of the diocese thank each and every one for your generosity through the recent fundraising project. This fundraising drive began in 2013 and was completed this past year. Some have even continued support beyond the completion of the official drive while others may plan to do so upon their death. The total amount pledged was \$5,108,863. \$154,780 of that amount was cancelled, leaving \$4,954,083. The amount collected is \$4,029,983 with \$81,419 still to come from Saint Dunstan's University Board. The generosity of Laity, Religious and Clergy make it possible for our retired priests to live out their last years in dignity and peace. For all of this your priests say thanks and assure you of their continued prayers and limited service in their retiring years. The priests thank those Catholic organizations who participated by making contributions to the Fund and express their appreciation to George Morrison and Mary Roche for their service in administering the Fund.

Martha Spirituality Centre (srgemma@eastlink.ca) by Zoom: a) For Women; Book study of "On the Brink of Everything: Grace, Gravity and Getting Old" by Parker Palmer. Feb. 7 and 22, March 8 and 22 from 6:30-8:00 pm. Register with facilitator lynndelong284@gmail.com to find out about text and cost. b) Book study of "The Universal Christ" by Richard Rohr on 9 Tuesdays from 1:00-2:30 pm beginning Feb. 16 and continuing every second Tuesday until late May. Register with srgemma@eastlink.ca to find out about text and cost. c) Benevolent Video Series with presentations by Richard Rohr, Ilia Delio and Rob Bell, who through Scripture, science and human experience will explore the wonderful universe we live in and God Creator of all life. Sessions are on Wednesdays of Jan. 27, Feb. 3, 10 and 17 from 2:00-3:30 pm Register with facilitator leagil4533@gmail.com

#### **Unit Notices**

**Helping Hands:** The Knights of Columbus Council 9025, are undertaking a Program to assist seniors in the John Paul II 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.

**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.

**CWL Dues:** The dues for the 2021 year must be paid by the end of February. The dues are still \$20 for this year. Members can place them in the collection box or call Ruth Gallant at 963-2664. Hopefully we will be able to have a meeting soon.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: This week is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme is "Abide in my Love and You Shall Bear Fruit". Scripture reading is John 15:5-9. Since we cannot do justice to a meeting with our fellow Christian churches, let us at least, in our own way, celebrate as suggested by the theme and gospel reading - praying for unity as we cope with covid-19. Let us all pray for one another.

The next K of C parish dinner is tentatively scheduled for January 30 as long as the guidance regarding gathering conditions from the department of health are unchanged. Please check our website at www.kofc9025.com for updates. We will be serving ham and scalloped potato dinner with vegetables followed by desert. Coffee and tea will also be served. Seating will be on a first come first served basis and all department of health guidelines will be in effect. Admission is a good will offering.

### 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/

#### Stella Maris' Notices

**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.

**Michele's Chair and Balance Fitness:** Michele's Chair and Balance classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1:15pm at the North Rustico Lions Club, beginning Tuesday, Jan. 19. Mask are required as you enter and leave the facility. Sanitized equipment is available, but you are encouraged to bring your own. These classes are sponsored by Central Region Sports and Recreation Corporation and the fee will be by donation. We will use towels for the first class. A special thanks to the North Rustico Lions Club for providing this space in service to their community. You can contact Michele to register at magallant58@gmail.com or call 902-626-9799.

**Rustico Bay Club Ceilidh** hosted by Katlyn Gallant and Lori Dempster is Saturday January 30 at 8pm with special guest, Allison Blacquiere. Doors open at 7:15. Bar service, 50/50. 19 and over. Covid restrictions at that time will be in effect.

**Rustico Bay Club Subtle Yoga with Paula** is every Monday and Wednesday at 10:30 am. Minimum donation is \$5 at the door. Covid restrictions at that time will be in effect.

**Rustico Bay Club Help with Technology** is every Sat. at 9am to 10:30 am. Covid restrictions at that time will be in effect.

Rustico Bay Club Auction is Monday at 7pm. Good prizes. Covid restrictions at that time will be in effect.

## The Word This Week

Where does Jesus begin his ministry? Where John the Baptist left off - preaching a message of repentance, of change, to welcome the new Kingdom of God. There is a simplicity about this message, which is not compromised by any-thing – today's Gospel has these simple words from Jesus, and then the story of his calling more disciples to follow him and share in the work of spreading this message. Repentance has had something of a bad press - we tend to think of it as an old-fashioned concept. But every age needs to hear this call: to look at what we do and say and assume, and realise that there are such things as right and wrong, and that sometimes we follow the wrong path. To follow Jesus, and to accept the Kingdom of God, demands that we make a radical choice, which might well change our lives.