



# The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

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

## 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠ August 1, 2021

### This Weekend's Liturgy

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Gospel John 6:24-35

### Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday No Mass

Tuesday 7pm St. Augustine's

Wednesday 9am Stella Maris

Thursday 9am St. Augustine's

Friday 9am St. Anne's

Saturday 4pm Stella Maris for Joseph Ferdinand Gallant

Sunday 9am St. Anne's

Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's for Edwin Gallant

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Mass Requests: Contact Fr. Raj for all Mass requests

Baptisms: Contact Fr. Raj for Baptismal Preparation.

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

Diocese of Charlottetown - [www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com](http://www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com)

Local Knights of Columbus - [www.kofc9025.com](http://www.kofc9025.com) and like us @ [www.facebook.com/kofcrustico](http://www.facebook.com/kofcrustico)

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.

### Last Weeks Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$862.55

Special Collection: \$1170.00

St. Anne's: \$650.00

Stella Maris: \$490.00

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

### OUR PRAYER LIST

A youth (brain tumor rehab), Brian, Evan, Grace, John, Laura, Theresa, Mikayla Blacquiére, Steve Callaghan, Dennis Doiron, Roy Doiron, Beatrice Doucette, Edie Doucette, Tyrel Doucette, Albert Gallant, Gayelene Gallant., Pauline Gallant, Nicky Garland, Vic Greenwood, Anne Kirk, Paul LeBlanc, Naomi (age 14), Darlene MacGregor, Monique MacLeod, Brad McBride, Carolyn Nantes, Bernadette Nelson, Joe Peters, Bernice Sheehan, Dane Simpson, Susie Smith, Shelley Thomas  
To have a name added or removed from the prayer line please contact

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Every morning you put on your clothes to cover your nakedness and to protect your body from inclement weather; Why don't you also clothe your soul with the garment of faith? Remember each morning the truths of your creed, *and look at yourself in the mirror of faith.* *St. Augustine*

### St. Augustine's Lectors

August 1 James Donnelly  
August 8 Betty Doucette  
August 15 Chris DesRoches

August 22 Anne Arsenault  
August 29 Art Buote

### Stella Maris' Lectors

July 31 Vern Buote  
August 7 Karen Gallant  
August 14 Joan Doiron

August 21 Eileen Gauthier  
August 28 Joan Doiron

### St. Anne's Ministries

August—Lector: Lara Dias, Eucharistic Minister: Savio Dias

### Prayers of the Faithful

For Pope Francis, Fr. Brian MacDougall - Diocesan Administrator, Fr. Raj, all priests, religious and lay leaders as they work with their congregation to learn to surrender and to trust in God's divine mercy. *We pray to the lord.*

For all politicians as they work for the true good of all people. *We pray to the Lord.*

For us as we work to have faith in God so our words, thoughts and actions are based on our own personal experience of God. *We pray to the Lord.*

For Hugh Gerard Gallant who will be baptized today. May he grow up learning that God loves him and will always help when called upon. *We pray to the Lord.*

For all citizens of the world who are suffering because of the weather, fires, and rising covid numbers. *We pray to the Lord.*

We pray that our faith community will grow in its openness and outreach to all communities and nationalities, including aboriginal peoples, and that through our renewed openness we may build even stronger relationships anchored in faith, hope and charity. *We pray to the Lord.*

For all who are experiencing health challenges including Jake Doucette, Mike Gauthier. May they have faith, courage and hope knowing we are praying for them. *We pray to the Lord.*

For all who have died including Bernice Gauthier, William Nicholson. May they be welcomed into God's loving embrace. *We pray to the Lord.*

### Diocesan Notices

**Gospel Show:** There will be a Gospel Show held on Sunday, August 29 at Immaculate Conception Church, Palmer Road. A portion of ticket sales will be donated to Cursillo PEI. To purchase a \$25 ticket please email [chadmatthews2@outlook.com](mailto:chadmatthews2@outlook.com) or call Chad at (902) 853-5443. Thank you for your support!

**We are hiring!** St Simon and St Jude Parish in Tignish is looking for a Parish Coordinator of Catechetics and Youth Ministry. Under the general direction of the Pastor, the Parish Coordinator of Catechetics and Youth Ministry is responsible for the planning, implementation, and delivery of the Catechetical Program for the Parish in general and to minister to the spiritual needs of the youth of our Community. This is a 40-hours a week x 10 months a year position. The candidate should be a fully initiated and practicing Catholic. A degree/certificate and/or experience in catechesis or youth ministry would be an asset. Must provide a Criminal Record Check from the police. A valid driver's license is required and an automobile will be a condition of employment. For a job description and more information, contact our parish office 902-882-2049 or at [st.simonandjude@pei.aibn.com](mailto:st.simonandjude@pei.aibn.com).

**SDU Bursary:** Students attending a post-secondary institution are reminded that the deadline to submit an application and transcript in order to be eligible to receive an SDU Board of Governors Bursary is August 31. Application forms are available on the St. Dunstan's website at [www.saintdunstansuniversity.ca](http://www.saintdunstansuniversity.ca).

#### 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 Genny Gallant 902-360-2067. She will refer your name and request to a member of the Knights of Columbus.

**Knights of Columbus Food Pantry:** The Knights of Columbus, Fr. J.D. McNeill council would like to advise the community of recent changes to the operation of the food pantry at Stella Maris Church. The pantry is changing its service delivery model from a drop in, honor system model to a volunteer staff model with the following hours of operation; Monday and Friday 10am until 12pm and Wednesdays from 3pm to 5pm. A volunteer staff member will be present to assist patrons during this time with their needs. If there is an urgent need outside of these hours, please contact Donald Blacquiere at 902-569-8536 for assistance. We have been able to continue operations during the pandemic due to tremendous community support and from special government grants which have now come to an end. We are in need of donations of food items as well as monetary support. Food items can be dropped off inside the entry to Stella Maris Church any time during the day and we would also welcome any monetary support. Further information in this regard can be found on our webpage at [www.kofc9025.com](http://www.kofc9025.com)

#### 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:** We will be live streaming our Sunday Morning mass on Facebook. You can find it at [https://www.facebook.com/stannespei/live\\_videos](https://www.facebook.com/stannespei/live_videos)

**Sharing Table items** will be donated to the local food bank.

#### 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](mailto:paul.blacquiere@pei.sympatico.ca)

#### St. Augustine's Notices

**St. Augustine's parish** now accepts online donations at [www.donatetostaugustines.ca](http://www.donatetostaugustines.ca). You can select 3 fund options from the drop down menu. A tax receipt will be issued automatically. Thank you for your support.

#### Community Notices

**Mary & The Country Gents** are back at the Brackley Beach Hall every Tuesday evening, starting June 29, at 7:30pm.

**Cymbria Lions July Ceilidhs:** Aug. 1 Fiddlers Sons, Aug. 8 Mike & Shane Pendergast, Aug. 15 Fiddlers Sons, Aug. 22 Tip-ER-Back, Aug. 29 Ross Family. Doors open 6:30 Canteen Service, 50/50. \$15 adults Children \$5.

**Babysitter needed:** Looking for childcare help for Daria (3 months) and Fitz (6 years), approximately 2 half-days per week, and perhaps the occasional evening, at our home in Brackley Beach. Please email me at [magdalena.mahlstedt@gmail.com](mailto:magdalenamahlstedt@gmail.com) or call/text 902-393-7257 if you are interested or know someone who is.

**Rustico Bay Ceilidhs:** On Saturday, July 31, at 8pm with musical group, "Haché". Laurie, Kaitlyn, lead guitarist George and drummer Mitch perform songs of various musical genres, with an emphasis on old country, rock and roll and music of the Maritimes. Doors open at 7:15. Bar service, 50/50. 19 and over. Admission \$10 at the door.

**Family Serenity Garden:** I am writing on behalf of the Central Queen's funeral Co-op to bring to your attention the desire to create a Family Serenity Garden at the funeral home for the families we have the honour of serving. Covid-19 has brought many challenges when it comes to gathering limits and the need to once again feel comfortable in a larger public setting as restrictions ease. This space, when created will be a private garden area for families to step aside from visiting hours in an outdoor space of reflection. As a Co-op, we understand the importance of community involvement, and we are reaching out to see if you would be interested in making a donation toward this endeavour. I would be glad to speak further about different options of supporting this project if you so desire. Chris Gallant, Managing Funeral Director, Central Queen's Funeral Home, 902-964-2886.

**Celebrate of Life:** Please join us as we celebrate the life of Marilyn Hughes, daughter of Margaret and Francis Gauthier at the North Rustico Boardwalk, Gazebo, Saturday August 7 at 11:30 -1:00. (If raining it will be held at the Star of the Sea Seniors, North Rustico.)

**"He who comes to me never be hungry. He who believes in me will never thirst."**

We continue reading from John 6: this is the aftermath of the miracle, and we see the beginnings of a misunderstanding that will develop over the next four weeks. People have seen the miracle, but not the message: they have seen the sign, but not what it points towards. The bread that was given is a sign of the Bread of Life, which is the teaching, the words and the very person of Jesus, as the revelation of the Father. His mission is to draw people back to his Father, to found a New Covenant or relationship. As the weeks go by, we will see that the people's hunger is simply for spectacle and miracle, not for the much harder teaching of living nourished by God's word and the presence of his only Son. For us, the People of the New Covenant, these passages must make us think of how we receive the Lord in the Eucharist. Are we nourished by his presence, so that all the hunger and thirst of our lives is answered by the One who is the Bread of Life?