

## The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ♥ August 22, 2021

## This Weekend's Liturgy

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** Joshua 24:1-2; 15-18 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ephesians 5:21-32 Gospel John 6:60-69

## Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday No Mass Tuesday No Mass (funeral for Raye Jonah) Wednesday 3:30pm Stella Maris Thanksgiving Mass Thursday 9am St. Augustine's Friday 9am St. Anne's Saturday 4pm Stella Maris for Aneas Trainor Sunday 9am St. Anne's Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's

## **Contact Information**

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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 Diocese of Charlottetown - www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com

Last Weeks Collections & Donations St. Augustine's: \$880.25 Parish Appeal: \$1198.25 Parish Appeal to date: \$6017.45 St. Anne's: \$675.00 Stella Maris: \$490.00 **Special Collection: \$250.00** Special Collection so far: \$11,870.00 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 Blacquiere, Steve Callaghan, Dennis Doiron, Roy Doiron, Beatrice Doucette, Edie Doucette, Tyrel Doucette, Albert Gallant, Gayelene Gallant., Pauline Gallant, Nicky Garland, Vic Greenwood, 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 Marion Murphy 902-621-0725 Angela Gallant 902-393-0960 **Rose Gallant** 902-963-3516 Fr. Raj Santiago 902-393-0572

Local Knights of Columbus - www.kofc9025.com and like us @ www.facebook.com/kofcrustico Bulletin Announcements: Email notices to bulletins@jp2pastoralunit.com or call Francis @ 902-886-2761. Deadline for weekly bulletin is Thurs. at 4pm.

When we serve the poor and the sick, we serve Jesus. We must not fail to help our neighbours, because in them we serve Jesus. St. Rose of Lima

## St. Augustine's Lectors

August 22 Anne Arsenault

August 21 Eileen Gauthier

August 29 Art Buote **Stella Maris' Lectors** 

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 endeavor to live lives of faith like Peter trusting in God no matter how difficult things are. We pray to the Lord.

For all politicians to keep our country's Christian foundation in mind as they go about campaigning. We pray to the Lord.

For all of us to listen to and act on the words of the second reading..."Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another as God in Christ has forgiven you". We pray to the Lord.

For all families as they celebrate being together and having each other to lean on. May they appreciate all the blessings bestowed on them by God. We pray to the Lord.

In the current situation respecting the church's history with the indigenous community, there is much need for an open approach to understanding and forgiveness. This can only be achieved with honest communication and prayerful reflection. We pray that we be given the wisdom, strength and charity required to effectively listen and dialogue with the indigenous community so that we can be jointly dedicated to effective faith filled sharing and meaningful joint action. We pray to the Lord.

For all who are experiencing health challenges including Mike Gauthier, Jake Doucette. May they have faith, hope and courage facing their challenges. 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**

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

It's that time again!!! We are in need of willing people to help with the religion classes in our Pastoral Unit. If you would like to be the second person in the class to assist the teacher or if you would like to be the teacher, please contact either Fr. Raj or myself, Anne-Marie Vessey (902-964-3442) or email me at amvessey@gmail.com. IF WE WANT OUR CHILDREN TO HAVE A STRONG FAITH TO HELP THEM COPE WITH LIFE'S CHALLENGES WE NEED TO TEACH THEM.

#### 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

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

#### St. Augustine's Notices

**St. Augustine's parish** now accepts online donations at 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 at 7:30pm.

**Cymbria Lions August Ceilidhs:** 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 magda-lena.mahlstedt@gmail.com or call/text 902-393-7257 if you are interested or know someone who is.

**Yard Sale:** Central Queens United Church, Hunter River, is holding a fundraising yard sale on Sat., Aug. 28 from 8am - 1pm. A variety of goods to browse through as well as crafts and baked goods. Come early and enjoy the best selection. For more information contact Lois at 902-621-0669 or Velda at 902-964-2210.

**Kitchen Party:** Thursday, August 26, 7-9pm, at Star of the Sea Club, North Rustico. Featuring Brian Knox, Brian Blacquiere, Ian Hunter with Special Guests Terry Dunsford and Jimmy Platts. Talent from the floor also welcome. Come and enjoy an evening of great music.

**Rustico Bay Club Ceilidh:** We are excited to welcome back multitalented singer/songwriter Mike Lonergan who will be joining Kaitlyn Gallant on Saturday, August 29 at 8pm. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. Dancing is permitted between partners and close contacts. Bar service is available. Wheelchair accessible. Admission \$10.

**Day Trip:** Rustico Bay Seniors' Club has planned a day trip for seniors on Thursday, September 9 beginning at 9am and returning at 4pm. All over 50 are eligible and must register before September 2. Cost is \$15 for members \$20 non-members which includes lunch and all entry fees to attractions. Maximum 24 people. To register, call Art at 902-963-2615 / 902-314-6277.

# "Whom shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life."

Failure, rejection and isolation: these are the themes of today's remarkable Gospel - but they are not all. In the face of them we see persever-ance, fidelity and trust. Above all there is an adherence to the truth that is truly amazing. Jesus speaks the truth to all who will listen, and if they find that truth "intolerable" they are free to leave, just as they are free to believe. No one who reads this passage could accuse Jesus of being interested in fame or fortune or the simple accumulation of followers. He didn't play the 'numbers game'. Even more amazing is that when his followers seem to be down to their lowest ebb, he turns to the Twelve and gives them freedom to go as well. Peter's reply, when he speaks of their belief, is the only answer that matters; it is spirit and life that replies, not the flesh, which has nothing to offer.

<ul> <li><i>Keeping in Contact</i></li> <li>We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the unit. We thank God that you are with us. If we may assist you, please fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket.</li> <li>New parishioner.</li> <li>I am home bound and would like someone to visit me.</li> <li>I am going to be in hospital, please call on me.</li> </ul>	
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