



The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit
Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island
3rd Sunday of Advent ✕ December 12, 2021

This Weekend's Liturgy

1st Reading Zephaniah 3.14-18a

2nd Reading Philippians 4.4-7

Gospel Luke 3.10-18

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday No Mass

Tuesday 7pm St. Augustine's

Wednesday 9am Stella Maris for Al Bourgeois

Thursday 9am St. Augustine's

Friday 9am St. Anne's

Saturday 4pm Stella Maris for Sarah, Urbain, Helene and Marcel Doiron

Sunday 9am St. Anne's

Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's

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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

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.

Stella Maris' Lectors

December 11 Vern Buote

December 18

Karen Gallant

St. Augustine's Lectors

December 12 Betty Doucette

December 25 James Donnelly

December 19 Chris DesRoches

December 29 Della Cormier Smith

December 24 Anne Arsenault

St. Anne's Ministries

December—Lector: Michael King, Eucharistic Minister: Savio Dias

Mankind is a great, immense family. This is proved by what we feel in our hearts at Christmas.
St. John XXIII

Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses:

4:30 pm and 7pm Stella Maris (by reservation, call Lorraine Lemay 360-2060)

7 pm St. Anne's

10 pm St. Augustine's

Christmas Day 10:30 am St. Augustine (there is no Saturday Evening mass at Stella Maris)

New Year's Day 10:30 am St. Augustine (there is no Saturday Evening mass at Stella Maris)

Diocesan Notices

Knights of Columbus film, St. Joseph: Our Spiritual Father – now available online at no cost to help maintain and nurture devotions to St. Joseph. A Providential renewal has come upon the Church with respect to understanding and praying to St. Joseph. To help the faithful in continuing their devotion to St. Joseph, the Knights of Columbus is offering its newest film, St. Joseph: Our Spiritual Father, for all to watch – at no cost. Since its launch, the film has received raving reviews and is rich in inspiring testimonials, including these powerful words from Most Rev. James Wall, Bishop of Gallup, New Mexico, “If you have a devotion to St. Joseph, strengthen that devotion. If you don't, you should have one,” and these from Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly, “The example of St. Joseph teaches us that we really find ourselves when we live for others.” Visit www.kofc.org/stjoseph to watch the film or learn more. Know someone who could benefit from joining the Order? Visit or share kofc.org/joinus for details.

Synod 2021-2023: The word ‘Synod’ comes from two Greek words: “syn” meaning with/together and “odos” meaning way/path/road. So literally, ‘synod’ means journeying together. With this Synod process, the Church is practicing how we journey together in faith.

A new book entitled Historic St. Mary's: A Brief Account of Three Indian River Churches, 1814-2020 is available for the purchase price of \$20. Anyone interested may request a copy from the author, Indian River native Bertha Campbell, at bertha.campbell@gmail.com or by phoning 902-439-3297.

Save the date! Teen Encounter is hosting a Retreat Day for Alumni on Saturday, January 29 at St. Paul's Parish in Summerside. Expect talks, Adoration, and music. More details and registration will be available in January. Note that this event will follow all CPHO Policies.

Last Weeks Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$694.85

St. Anne's: \$799.00

Stella Maris: \$770.00

Special Collection: \$300.00

*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,
 Trinity, Camilla Arsenault, Mikayla
 Blacquiére, Steve Callaghan, Doug Collister,
 Roy Doiron, Beatrice Doucette, Edie
 Doucette, Albert Gallant, Gayelene Gallant,
 James Darren Gallant, Pauline Gallant, Nicky
 Garland, Vic Greenwood, Paul LeBlanc,
 Naomi (age 14), Darlene MacGregor,
 Monique MacLeod, Brad McBride, Carolyn
 Nantes, Desi Nantes, Bernadette Nelson,
 Terry Perry, 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 902-916-1074

Please keep our Island potato farmers and their families in your daily prayers as they deal with the Canadian government's decision to impose a ban on their exports to the U.S. Pray for support for the workers impacted by this decision and a quick resolution to the situation.

Unit Notices

KofC Food Pantry: The hours of operation for the food pantry at Stella Maris Church are Monday and Friday: 10am to 12 noon and Wednesday: 3pm to 5pm. Food items can be dropped off during operating hours or also at the North Rustico Home Hardware during store hours. If you require assistance outside of these hours, please contact Donnie Blacquiere at 902-569-8536. Visit our website at www.kofc9025.com for more information.

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.

Our Website: Please take a moment and check out our website, www.jp2pastoralunit.com. We are looking for suggestions to make the website more useful for our parishioners. If you have any ideas/content for the site or if you'd like to help take care of the site please contact us at website@jp2pastoralunit.com.

Provincial Dental Care Program: There has been a Provincial Dental Care Program announced for all islanders. It helps with the cost of dentistry based on your income. There are some application forms at the entrances of each church with information about who & how it could benefit your family.

From the desk of Rose Gallant: I will be away from Dec. 13 to Jan. 7. If you wish to request prayers for the prayer line, please contact Faye Fyfe at 902-963-2144. Thank you. Have a safe and Merry Christmas!

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank our parishioners and friends for the tremendous support over the past year. May the peace and blessings of Christmas be yours and may the coming year be filled with happiness. God bless you all.

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 Online: You can find it at https://www.facebook.com/stannespei/live_videos

Sharing Table items: For December the suggestion is a Christmas card for an international student at the university. Maybe a small monetary donation could be included.

Sunday envelopes for 2022 are now available. Please pick yours up at the entrance that you usually use for Sunday Mass. Remember to put your name on them for the first few weeks. Anyone who has not used envelopes before, but wishes to do so may pick up a set of envelopes there as well. Any questions, see Kathy after Mass.

Choir Practice: St. Anne's Christmas choir practice Monday, December 13 at 10am.

Mass Intention: Today's mass is being said for Lena Quinn, sister of Yvonne and Louise Larkin who passed away this past week.

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

Stella Maris Church will no longer be open on a daily basis. It will be open for Mass & scheduled events as well as during Food Bank hours (Monday & Friday 10 am to noon & Wednesday 3 pm to 5 pm)

Church Cleaning: It's that time of year again for cleaning the church for our Christmas celebrations. We invite all that are able to come out on December 14 at 9 am to help get the job done. Many hands make light work. Hope to see you there. Thanks in advance.

Choir Practice for Christmas Masses at Stella Maris: There will be choir practices before the Masses on Saturday Dec. 11 and again on Saturday Dec.18 at 3pm sharp. Anyone who would like to sing in the choir for either the 4:30 Mass or the 7:00 pm Mass on Christmas Eve is welcome to join us. we will be singing the old favorite Christmas Carols. Thank you in advance for your generosity and help. It is much appreciated. Keep safe and Advent blessings to all.

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.

Christmas Carol Sing!!! Come one, come all to our fundraiser featuring local talent - young and old!!! December 12 starting at 6:30pm at St. Augustine's. Vax passes and masks are required as per health guidelines. Cost is \$15

Community Notices

Michele's Chair & Balance classes will be at the North Rustico Lions Club. The classes will run on Tuesdays & Thursdays at 2pm. This program is designed for older adults just beginning to get into fitness & for those with mobility challenges resulting from such conditions as Arthritis, Fibromyalgia, Osteoporosis, Cerebral Palsy, Parkinson's, etc.. Fee is by donation. For more info Michele Gallant at 902-626-9799 or magallant58@gmail.com.

Crib is at Cymbria Lions Club on Thursday at 7pm. Vax pass and mask required.

"Coffe Break" Every Tuesday from 10-11am at the Star of the Sea Club, North Rustico. Take a break, coffee, tea, and have a chat. Clogging every Monday at 1:30pm. Everyone Welcome.

Rustico Bay Club: Card games Monday at 7pm. 50/50 and \$100 in prizes. Yoga with Leone Curtis every Monday and Wednesday from 9:30 - 10:30. \$5/class. Vax pass. Help with technology every Saturday at 9am.

Rustico Bay New Year's Eve Ceilidh and Dance. December 31, 9pm to 12:15am. Limited number of tickets on sale at \$20. Lunch served. Call Bernice at 902-621-0199.

Carol Service: Central Queens United Church, Hunter River, invites the public to attend our Carol Service on Sunday, Dec. 19 at 7:00 p.m. Admission: a good will offering. Covid-19 rules for churches will apply. Please contact Velda at 902-964-2210 to reserve a space.