



The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

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

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠ February 27, 2022

This Weekend's Liturgy

1st Reading Sirach 27.4-7

2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 15.54-58

Gospel Luke 6.39-45

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday-Tuesday No Mass

Wednesday (Ash Wednesday) 9am Stella Maris

Wednesday (Ash Wednesday) 7pm St. Augustine's

Thursday 9am St. Augustine's for Margaret Blacquiere

Friday 9am St. Anne's

Saturday 4pm Stella Maris for Marie Gallant

Sunday 9am St. Anne's

Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's for Margaret Blacquiere

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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/koferustico

Bulletin Announcements: Email notices to bulletins@jp2pastoralunit.com or call Francis @ 902-886-2761. Deadline for weekly bulletin is Thurs. at 4pm.

St. Augustine's Lectors

February 27 Gerarda Gallant

Stella Maris' Lectors

February 26 Paul Blacquiere

St. Anne's Ministries

February—Lector: Jacinta Doiron, Eucharistic Minister: Marina Doiron

Prayer joined to sacrifice constitutes the most powerful force in human history.

St. John Paul II

Diocesan Notices

On Shrove Tuesday at 2pm, Divine Renovation is hosting its biggest live event ever with Bishop Robert Barron, Nicky Gumbel, and Fr. James Mallon: *What Is God Saying to The Church?* March 2022 marks two years since the pandemic hit much of the world. What is God saying to the Church throughout the last two years? What have we learned? What should be our focus moving forward? As we slowly emerge into a post-pandemic world, mission-minded parish leaders know we have an incredible opportunity to recommit our energies to finding bold and new ways to evangelize. But there are important questions many are wrestling with: What is the most urgent call for the Church? What have the past two years revealed about the Church and how she is fulfilling her mission? What are we being called to repent of, to turn from, and to turn towards? Together with Alpha, Divine Renovation is gathering today's leaders in mission and evangelization in this free online event so you can gain valuable insights for your role as a parish leader. Your parish can also host a watch party at any time with the recorded event. DR is providing a FREE support pack including a how-to guide, a suggested program, and promotion resources you can use for your bulletin, newsletter, website, social media, etc. Find out more here: www.divinerenovation.org/what-is-god-saying-event.

Registration is OPEN for the Teen Encounter Alumni Retreat! Join us on Saturday, March 12 at St. Paul's Parish in Summerside from 2:00pm-9:30pm. We'll have talks, Adoration, and music. More details and registration are available at: <https://youth.dioceseofcharlottetown.com/teen-encounter/>. Registration closes on Monday, March 7th, and all CPHO Guidelines will be followed.

People and Planet First Campaign: As we prepare for Lent, Development and Peace-Caritas Canada invites you to join our People and Planet First Campaign that calls you to support our sisters and brothers in the Global South in defending their rights and the rights of the planet. Please donate generously to the Share Lent Campaign, read the Mini-Magazine to keep informed and sign the petition for strong laws to control Canadian corporations' behavior abroad. Contact devp.org/act to sign the petition or to donate online.

Synod 2021-2023 Update: The Synod process is still underway in our Diocese, and it's not too late to participate! Lent is a wonderful time to gather for listening and sharing about your faith journey. Details and suggestions for hosting a Synod conversation with your group is available on the Diocesan website. For more information on the Synod visit the Diocesan website: <https://dioceseofcharlottetown.com/synod-of-bishops-for-a-synodal-church/>. Feedback from parishes and groups can be sent to the Diocese, and is due on Tuesday, May 31.

Last Weeks Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$285.00

Stella Maris: February 12: \$1325.00

February 19: \$970.00

St. Anne's: \$502.00

*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, Mikayla Blacquiere, Steve Callaghan, Doug Collister, Garner Collister, Dennis Doiron, Roy Doiron, Beatrice Doucette, Edie Doucette, Albert Gallant, Gayelene Gallant, James Darren Gallant, Pauline Gallant, Nicky Garland, Rilly Gauthier, Vic Greenwood, Rose Hennessey, Paul LeBlanc, Naomi (age 15), Darlene MacGregor, Monique MacLeod, Brad McBride, Carolyn Nantes, Desi Nantes, Bernadette Nelson, Terry Perry, Joe Peters, Bernice Sheehan, Dane Simpson, Susie Smith, Shelley Thomas, Emeric Walsh

To have a name added or removed from the prayer line please contact

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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.

The KofC invite you to join them in daily prayer and meditation through a 3 minute retreat available on their home page at www.kofc9025.com. Click on Retreat button and enjoy!

Ladies Group Meeting: The Saint John Paul II Ladies Group will meet on Tuesday, March 1 at Stella Maris, beginning with lunch at noon. Father Brendon will give us a short talk on Lent, followed by our meeting and a fun social afternoon. All ladies welcome.

Unit Pastoral Council Meeting: Tuesday March 8 after evening Mass at Fr. Raj's home.

World Day of Prayer 2022: Please join us for World Day of Prayer, a prayer movement that invites us to enrich our faith experience with the experience of Christians from other countries and cultures and to bring hope to women touched by injustice. This year the service was written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of England, Wales and Northern Ireland. The World Day of Prayer 2022 Service Video can be viewed on the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada's website <https://wicc.org> and click on "World Day of Prayer 2022 Service Video". For 2022, people are encouraged to donate to World Day of Prayer: through the WICC website: <https://wicc.org/donations/> or by mailing a cheque directly to the WICC office: WICC, 47 Queens Park Cr E, Toronto, ON M5S 2C3. Be sure to include your mailing address so we can send a tax receipt.

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

The Annual General Property and Finance Committee for St. Anne's will be held on Sunday, March 6 at 2pm at St. Anne's church. We welcome all to come out to this meeting to get an update on finance and property issues, ask any questions you may have, and provide comments to the Committee. We welcome input from parishioners to help guide our work throughout the year. We are also looking for new committee members as we have some members who will be going off the committee after several years of serving in this capacity. If you are able to help the parish in this regard, please contact Heather Doiron at 902-393-0868, Fr. Raj or any of the committee members.

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)

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.

The annual parish meeting for St. Augustine's will be held on February. 27 after 10:30 mass. Please plan to attend.

The following schedule is for counting the Sunday offering. February 27 – Barry/James. March 6 & 13 – Linda/James. March 20 & 27 – Colleen/James. April 3 & 10 – Gerarda/James. April 17 & 24 – Peggy/James.

Community Notices

Star of the Sea Seniors Club , North Rustico: Activities: Coffee Break, 10am on Tuesday ; Card Party, 7pm on Tuesday ; Stitch Group, 9:30am on Wednesday. These activities will take place every week. Seniors Monthly and Annual Meeting on Wednesday, February 23, at 1:30pm. Covid Restrictions will be in place. Vax Pass, Masks, etc.

Rustico Bay Seniors members only supper and life membership awards will be held on Tuesday, March 8 starting at 4:30 at Cymbria Lions Club. If you have any questions, please call Bernice at 902-621-0199.

Rustico Bay Ceilidhs, Yoga and auction: Yoga with Leone Curtis on Mondays at 9:30am and Wednesdays at 1pm. \$5/class. Ceilidhs welcoming back Haché will resume on Saturday, March 5 at 8pm. Both these activities will take place at Star of the Sea Seniors. Auction will resume when our club reopens. Covid-19 restrictions will apply.

The Central Queen's Funeral Co-op Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 26 at the funeral home, 2538 Glasgow Road. Open House from 1-2pm. Meeting to begin at 2pm. Everyone welcome. 902-964-2886. Storm date will be Saturday, April 2 at 2pm.

Cribbage every Thursday at 7pm at Cymbria Lions Club.

The Word This Week

We have many sayings about results being more important than promises, such as “the proof of the pudding is in the eating”. Today's scripture readings are all about this – the ways in which our words and actions will reveal who we truly are. There is a wonderful mosaic of poetic wisdom in the readings this Sunday – images and parables and similes that can sit in our heads and hearts, and make us think about the sort of people we are, and the words we use and the fruits we produce by them. And we should pray that we will always produce good, sound fruit, so that we may keep on working at the Lord's work always, and so share in Christ's victory over death itself.

