

# The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent ♥ March 6, 2022

# This Weekend's Liturgy

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Deuteronomy 26.4-10
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Romans 10.8-13
Gospel Luke 4.1-13

## Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday No Mass Tuesday 7pm St. Augustine's Wednesday 9am Stella Maris Thursday 9am St. Augustine's for Victor Doiron Friday 9am St. Anne's Saturday 4pm Stella Maris Sunday 9am St. Anne's Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's for Evan Clark

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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: \$1701.00 Stella Maris: \$595.00 St. Anne's: \$880.00 Candles: \$57.00 Thank You for Your Donations to Cur Parishes! Flease consider including your Parish in your will.

#### **OUR PRAYER LIST**

Brian, Evan, Grace, John, Laura, Theresa, Trinity, Steve Callaghan, Doug Collister, Garner Collister, Dennis Doiron, Albert Gallant, Gayelene Gallant, James Darren 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, Emeric Walsh To have a name added or removed from the prayer line please contact

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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		
March 5	Joan Gallant	March 26	Joan Doiron	
March 12	Eileen Gauthier	April 2	Paul Blacquiere	
March 19	Andre Lavoie	April 9	Ronnie Blacquiere	
<b>St. Anne's Ministries</b> March—Lector: Tammy Peters, Eucharistic Minister: Rosemary MacDonald				
St. Augustine's Lectors				
March 6 Lori Doucette		March 20 At	March 20 Anne Marie Vessey	
March 13 Della Cormier-Smith		March 27 Be	March 27 Betty Doucette	

# We must make our homes centres of compassion and forgive endlessly. *St. Teresa of Kolkata*

## **Diocesan Notices**

**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.

#### **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.

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.

**The Best Lent Ever:** The K of C would like you to join them in a series of 40 daily reflections from Dynamic Catholic called "The Best Lent Ever". You can access from our website main page at www.kofc9025.com.

**First Communion and Reconciliation:** If you have a child aged 7 or older who wishes to receive the Holy Eucharist please contact me (Anne-Marie Vessey at 964-3442) and we will arrange a suitable time for instruction.

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

Way of the Cross: There will be the Way of the Cross every Sunday before Mass starting March 13.

#### **Community Notices**

**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 PEI Summer Music Academy** is a high quality summer music program that focuses on celebrating the creative arts, with a focus on music. This camp was created to provide an affordable and accessible summer camp option for families who love music and the creative arts. The PEI Summer Music Academy offers days filled with group singing, music games, ukulele instruction, and learning about different musical instruments. Students are exposed to visual art activities, organized active and outdoor play, as well as daily group lessons in musical theatre. At the end of each week, students demonstrate their newfound skills with a featured Friday afternoon Showcase Performance. Open to students ages 5-14, the 2022 program has added an additional week! Join us Monday July 11 - Friday July 15 and/or Monday, July 18- Friday, July 22 for camp located at the beautiful Mount Academy, a premier private school in Charlottetown. Students are guaranteed to enjoy fun-filled days of music-making as well as creative and active play in an environment that allows each student to shine! Spaces are limited - be sure to register early! Visit peisummermusic.ca/camp-counsellors for more information and online registration. The PEI Summer Music Academy will also be hiring camp counsellors, full or part time hours are available. Please visit https://www.peisummermusic.ca/camp-counsellors for more information and to apply.

**Star of the Sea Seniors Club, North Rustico:** Activities: Coffee Break, 10am Tues; Card Party, 7pm Tues; Stitch Group, 9:30 Wed. Monthly Meeting, March 30,at 1:30. Also : St. Paddy's Day "Gathering Members" Musical Entertainment Night for Members, Past Members, and Potential Members. Free Admission, Thursday, March 17, at 7pm. At The Seniors Club, North Rustico. Music, Lunch, Bar, 50/50. To attend this event, please call Rose at 963-3516 (limited seating) Masks necessary.

**Senior Bowling League:** Every Thursday at North Rustico Lions Club starting at 1pm. Everyone welcome. Contact Estelle at 902-963-3599 to register or for more information.

## The Word This Week

#### "Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness and was tempted there."

As with each First Sunday of Lent the Gospel tells of Jesus temptation in the wilderness; as we begin the journey of Lent, during which we will consider our lives as members of the Church, we look to the example of Jesus when it comes to dealing with temptation. Choosing to follow God's path is the first characteristic of the Christian: this is underlined in the two other readings, which outline the two" creeds" or statements of belief - one of Israel and one of the Christian. Both of them emphasise "believing in the heart and confessing with the lips": both creeds underline the Salvation that God has achieved - for Israel it was freedom from Egypt, for the Christian freedom from death in Jesus.