The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

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

4th Sunday of Advent ■ December 18, 2022

This Weekend's Liturgy 1st Reading Isaiah 7:10-14 **2nd Reading** Romans 1:1-7 Gospel Matthew 1:18-24

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday 9am St. Anne's for Souls in Purgatory

Monday 7pm Stella Maris Sacrament of Reconciliation (2nd Rite)

Tuesday 7pm St. Augustine's for Souls in Purgatory Wednesday 9am Stella Maris for Mary MacKinnon

Thursday 9am St. Augustine's

Friday No Mass

Saturday 6pm Stella Maris for Al Bourgeois

Saturday 8pm St. Anne's for the people

Saturday 10pm St. Augustine's for Glen Ford

Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's Leah Mary Gallant

If there is a funeral at the parish where daily mass is offered, then mass at that parish will be cancelled on that day.

Confessions will be offered after the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday weekly masses;

St. Anne's – Monday @ 9:30 am St. Augustine's – Tuesday @ 7:30 pm Stella Maris – Wednesday @ 9:30 am

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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' Ministries

Dec 17 Lector: Vern Buote Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Faye Fyfe Dec 24 Lector: Eileen Gauthier Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Lorraine Lemay Dec 31 Lector: Faye Fyfe Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Joan Doiron

St. Anne's Ministries Eucharistic Minister: Jacinta Doiron Lector: Rosemary MacDonald

It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you.

St. Teresa of Calcutta

Diocese Notices

Behold the Lamb of God: A retreat on our Lord's Eucharistic presence at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre. Father Andrew Handrahan will lead this retreat the weekend of January 20-22, reflecting on the Lord's presence among us in the Eucharist and our response to this sacred gift of the Lord to His Church. To register, please call 902-621-2385 or 902-388-1952. The cost for the weekend is \$195 for single registrants and \$295 for couples. Arrival time is 6 to 6:30 pm on Friday, retreat begins promptly at 7.

Unit Notices

Knights of Columbus 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.

Sister Cecile shared with family that she would like to continue helping the following students this year. Blessing and Sandra (nursing), David's two daughters, (small business), Christopher in middle school and Lesly (Lab technician). She is confident that the many other students/families you assisted in the past are at a level where they can earn a normal, simple life and move forward on their own. Our goals this year is to raise \$4000.00. To donate, e-transfer to: buote 5613@gmail.com or mail to: Buote Mission Fund, 2129 Church Rd, (Rte. 243) Rustico, PE COA1NO. All checks to: Buote Mission Fund. Donations will also be accepted at Provincial Credit Union, Stella Maris Branch, North Rustico. Thank you for your generosity.

Mass Stipends: It is diocesan policy that only one intention is offered per mass. It is suggested that you reserve well in advance of your chosen date as we are already booking into February of 2023. Every effort is made to respond to your request and we apologize in advance if mass needs to be celebrated on an alternate date. When requesting memorial masses, it would also help to specify the church where the mass will be celebrated.

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.

Last Weeks Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$1183.35 Stella Maris: \$917.00 Donation: \$500.00 St. Anne's: \$498.00

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, Steve Callaghan, Doug Collister, John Dawson, Curt Evans, Albert Gallant, Gayelene Gallant, James Gallant, Pat and Wally Gallant, Nicky Garland, Rilly Gauthier, Vic Greenwood, Randy Johnston, Paul LeBlanc, Gert LeClair, Naomi (age 15), Darlene MacGregor, Monique MacLeod, Brad McBride, Desi Nantes, Bernadette Nelson, Joe Peters, Bernice Sheehan, Dane Simpson, Susie Smith, Emeric Walsh, Pauline Walsh 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

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

Christmas is coming! We would like to have a full choir for our Christmas celebrations. We will be having: 1 hour practices on December 18 in Stella Maris Church. The times of the practices are from 1pm to 2pm. Please come, join us and help celebrate this beautiful feast. Thank you in advance for your time and generosity. Sister Phyllis

The Memorial Tree is already in place at Stella Maris Church. Anyone who would like to remember their loved ones in this way please give the names of your loved ones to be remembered to Sister Phyllis. Your donations to this will be used for needs in our Stella Maris Church. Thank you.

2023 Envelopes: New Envelopes are now available at the back of the church. If you have not received a set of envelopes in the past and wish to receive them, please contact Peter Gallant (902-963-2560) or Norman Gallant (902-963-2416).

Stella Maris Church: Our Church will be opened during the following hours: 4pm Mass on Saturdays and 9am Mass on Wednesdays. Also, our Church will be open during the food-bank hours which are as follows: Mondays & Fridays - 10am to Noon; Wednesdays - 3pm to 5pm. Of course, our Church will be open for any other occasions such as weddings, funerals, baptisms, etc.

St. Augustine's Notices

French Reading: Every second Sunday of the month, the second reading of the Mass will be proclaimed in the French language.

Once again, for the Advent season we will be doing the Hat and Mitten Tree. Mittens, hats, socks, etc to provide warmth to those who need it. With the world the way it is and the prices of necessities, we are also hanging stockings on the tree. Please take one, Fill it and label it Man, Woman, child, teenager etc. Take it back, rehang it and Make someone happy and Spread Gods Love around this Christmas. Put Christ back in Christmas.

Christmas Carol Sing!!! Come sing with us and listen to others sing at St. Augustine's Church at 6:30 on December 18. This was very well received last year and really allows us to slow down and appreciate Christmas as Jesus' birth-day! Admission will be \$10 each with discretion used for family admission. Please come out and join in on the music. St. Augustine said, "To sing is to pray twice."

The 2023 envelopes are available for pick up at the back of the church. Envelope numbers have changed for a few of you, so please pay attention when collecting them. If you require envelopes or there are none assigned to you, please take a blank set and record your information on the envelope and we will process it accordingly.

St. Anne's Notices

Sunday envelopes for 2023 are now available. Please pick yours up at the entrance of the church that you usually use on Sundays. Please put your name on them for the first few weeks. Any questions, call Inez at 626-7032.

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

WIFI Available: St. Anne's is wifi accessible. Please feel free to use our network while at our church.

Community Notices

Star of the Sea Seniors Club, North Rustico: Activities: Card Party, 7pm Tues; Stitch Group, 9:30 Wed; Coffee Break will stop until the new year. For Club Rentals call Paula 782-234-5845. Mat Yoga (Monday), Chair Yoga (Friday) please call Paula 782-234-5845. Clogging. Mondays 1:30.

Cribbage every Thursday at 7pm at Cymbria Lions Club.

The Cymbria Lions would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, all the best.

Rustico Bay Club New Year's Dance is Saturday, December 31 at 9:00 to 12:15 with "Haché". Multitalented 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. A delicious lunch will be served at break. Bar service. 19 and over. Tickets are \$25 each by calling Bernice at 902-621-0199. Located at 2104 Church Road in Rustico.

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