The Parables of Mercy: In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, join Fr. Martin Carter for a 3-week Scripture study for Lent on the parables of mercy in Luke's Gospel, in the MacKenzie Room (Thursday evening from 7.00 to 8.15 pm, February 25th and March 3rd and 10th) at St. Pius X. All material supplied and all are welcome.

Martha Spirituality Centre (902-367-3103 or srgemma@eastlink.ca) Lenten Retreat with Fr. Trevor Scott on Saturday, February 20 from 10 am -3:30pm followed by Mass. Cost is \$30 or \$50 a couple and people need to register before Feb. 18 or as long as spaces last. Reflecting on Healing in a Lenten Journey every Wednesday beginning Feb. 17 from 1:30-3:00pm until March 23. Cost \$30 for the 5 sessions. Led by Sr. Della Gaudet. Need to register.

Recent trip to India: Bishop Richard Grecco and Fr. Eric Dunn travelled to India to meet and thank the Bishops and Religious Superiors of the priests who are serving here in PEI. You can see pictures at www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com

**CWL Area Meeting for West Prince Councils is** on Tuesday March 8th at St. Anthony's Hall in Bloomfield starting at 7 pm. All Members Welcome to Attend!!

**CWL Area Meeting for East Prince Councils** is on Wednesday March 9th at St. Paul's Parish Centre in Summerside starting at 7 pm. All CWL Members are Welcome to Attend!!

## **Community Notices**

Al-Anon Group Meeting: Tuesdays at 10 AM in the vestry of St. Augustine's Church. Call 902-894 -3503 for more information.

Star of the Sea Seniors: Star of the Sea Seniors' Club has a card party every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Light lunch and 50/50 included. Everyone welcome. Cribbage is played at the club every Tuesday afternoon at 1 p.m.

Friends of the Farmers' Bank of Rustico Inc: The annual general meeting of the Friends will be held on March 8<sup>th</sup> at the Farmers' Bank starting at 7:00pm with a storm date of March 10<sup>th</sup>. The meeting agenda includes reports on 2015 activities, President's Report, Presentation of the Financial Statements, Election of Officers, an overview of 2016 objectives and refreshments. The Friends are in need of volunteers to help with the many activities throughout the season and several Board of Directors positions will be vacant. Please contact Theresa Gallant at (902)963 -2416 or Marlene White at (902)963-2997 if you are interested in volunteering. Your time and effort will be a great service to our community. For

Provincial Credit Union: Stella Maris Branch is having a food drive for our local food bank. Please drop off your non-perishable items at the credit union to support this very worthy cause in our communities.

summer employment opportunities, please visit the

Young Canada Works and Canada Summer Jobs

Websites and file your resumes.

Central Queen's Funeral Co-op Annual **Meeting** will be held at the Funeral Home, 2538 Glasgow Road, on Saturday, March 5, 2016 at 2:00pm. Open House from 1-2pm Refreshments following. Central Queen's Funeral Home has been providing high quality, lower cost funerals to the Central Queen's area since 1988. All welcome. 902-964-2886.

Cribbage at Cymbria Lions Club on Thursday February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

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# The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island



# Second Sunday of Lent February 21, 2016

## Schedule February 22 to February 28

Monday: 9am St. Augustine's - Stations of the

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Wednesday: 9am St. Augustine's - Stations of the

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Thursday: Priest's day off—No Mass

Friday: 9am Hope River-Stations of the Cross to

follow Mass

Saturday: 4pm Stella Maris- Mass for Colette

**Sunday:** 9am St. Anne's

10:30am St. Augustine's – Mass for Gerard

Blacquiere

Scheduled weekday Mass is cancelled for a funeral.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy for the Sick and Dying will be said following weekday Masses.

**Confessions:** Saturday at 10am in St. Augustine's Church. For additional times for confessions please call 902-963-2245.

**Baptisms: C**ontact Fr. Raj for Baptismal Preparation.

**Father Raj Santiago:** Office: 902-963-2245 Cell: 902-393-0572

**Pastoral Associates:** 

**Jacinta Doiron** 902-621-0638 **Janet Doiron** 902-963-3247 **Marion Murphy** 902-621-0725 **Carol Probert** 902-963-3089

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR

Ann, Brian, Melanie, Parker, Sally, Steve, Evan Clark, Bruce Crombie, Allen Cullen, Kathy Doiron (Inez), Victor Doiron, Nancy Doucette, Brenda Gallant, Cecilia Gallant, Pearl Gallant, Sonny Gauthier, Mary Gillis, Rose Hennessey, Leo LeClair, Alan Perry, Joe Perry, Leo Peters, Regis Peters, Allan Pound, Bernadette Proctor, Stephen Sampson, Dane Simpson, Suzie Smith, Emeric Walsh, Dakota Wedge

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

> Marion Murphy 902-621-0725 Angela Gallant 902-963-3438 **Rose Gallant** 902-963-3516 Fr. Raj Santiago 902-963-2245

**Bulletin Announcements:** Email bulletin notices to bulletins@jp2pastoralunit.com or call 902-886 -2761 (please leave a message if we aren't home). Deadline for weekly bulletins is Thursday at 4pm.

Communion at Home: If you know of anyone who should be receiving communion at home because of inability to attend church, please contact one of the pastoral associates.

Scent Free: Please avoid scented products in our churches. Some parishioners are strongly allergic to chemical fragrances.

From Pope Francis' Encyclical "Misericordiae Vultus" - "The Face of Mercy"

Pope Francis, for the Year of Mercy: "The temptation on the one hand, to focus exclusively on justice made us forget that this is only the first, albeit necessary and indispensable step. But the Church needs to go beyond and strive for a more important goal. On the other hand, sad to say, we must admit that the practice of mercy is waning in the wider culture." (MV#10)



# Youth Ministries CDG—LDG—YDG

The youth would like to thank the <u>St. John Paul II CWL</u> for supplying snacks at our last religion class.

Kindergarten—grade 9
Religion Class Schedule
February 21, 2016
March 6, 2016
March 13, 2016
April 3, 2016
April 17, 2016

"Mass as a Class" Schedule
February 28, 2016
April 24, 2016

**CDG Schedule** February 19, 2016 March 11, 2015 April 15, 2016 May 27, 2016

Important Information Confirmation will take place Monday, April 25, 2016 at 7pm in St. Anne's.

**First Communion** will take place Sunday, May 1, 2016 at St. Augustine's.

#### **Your 2015-2016 First Communion Class**







Connor Douglas



Lacey Gallant



Lydia McKenna

#### **Atlantic Steubenville Conference**

We are looking for interest in attending the Atlantic Steubenville Conference this summer, July 8-10 in Halifax. The weekend conference is open to high school students aged 14-18 (generally, those entering grade nine in the coming school year and this year's high school graduates). Please check out the site at http://www.steubenville.ca/ for more information and let Louise (902-394-0681) know as soon as possible if you are is interested in attending.

#### **Unit Notices**

Winter Storm Policy: At St. Augustine's Church, Mass is never cancelled due to weather. When school in Rustico is cancelled or delayed due to weather, the weekday Mass at Stella Maris or St. Anne's is cancelled. For Saturday evening Mass, a decision to cancel will be made by 1:30 PM. For St. Anne's Sunday morning Mass, the decision will be made by 7 AM. If Religious Education Classes are cancelled there will be an email sent out and a notice on the website. Call 902-963-2245 for information.

**Hospital or Home Visits:** If you have a family member or friend in the hospital, at home or other care facility who would like to see a priest please call Fr. Raj

**Day of Adoration** will be held on February 29 beginning after 9:00 am mass at St. Augustine. It is necessary to have two people present at all times until final prayers @ 4:00 pm. A sign up sheet will be at the back of the church. Please consider spending some time with our Lord and sign up today.

Reminder: CWL fees of \$20.00 are now due. Contact people: Ruth Gallant (902-963-2664), Annie Thomas (902-963-2187) or Yvonne Doucette (902-963-2037). Thanks.

Year of Mercy: What can we do to clothe the naked, which is the corporal work of mercy for this week Here are a few suggestions: Go through your closets and drawers and find good-condition clothes and shoes that you can give to agencies that sere the poor, make hats or turbans for chemo patients, mittens for children, prayer shawls for the elderly, pneumonia vests for babies in Africa, little hats for preemie babies, slippers for women in prison, baby blankets for the missions.

World Day of Prayer 2016 will be held at the New Glasgow Christian Church Friday March 4th at 7pm. This is an ecumenical service and the theme is "Receive Children, Receive Me". Everyone welcome and refreshments afterwards.

St. Augustine's Notices
St. Augustine's Parish Property And Finance
Meeting on Monday Feb. 22 at the Church.

#### **Stella Maris Notices**

Choir Practice: There will be a choir practices at Stella Maris Church on Mondays at 1:00 pm starting Monday February 8th. We are always looking for new members. Please come and join us as we prepare for Easter. Anne Kirk will be here to help direct us. Thank you for your generosity.

Annual Meeting - Property & Finance: The annual meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at 7:00 PM in the sacristy of our Church. Parishioner attendance would be appreciated. Property and Finance Committee Catholic Registers are available at the back of the Church at no cost to you. They have some very good articles on the Catholic faith. Please fell free to take one home.

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

St. Augustine's Sunday, Feb 14: \$716.95
Ash Wednesday: \$320.00
Cemetery Fund: \$100.00
St. Anne's Sunday, Feb 14: \$650.00
Ash Wednesday: \$100.00
Stella Maris Sunday, Feb 14: \$1080.00
Ash Wednesday: \$782.00

Thank You for Your Donations to Our Parishes! Please consider including your Parish in your will.

#### St. Anne's Notices

Ministries for February: Proclaimer: Rose Mary MacDonald Youth Proclaimer: Becca Wiegers Eucharistic Minister: Charlie Gallant Ushers/Ministers of Hospitality: Wilbert Gallant, Jacinta Doiron, Mike Doiron Offertory Families: Feb. 21 Dennis & Kathy Doiron, Feb. 28 Cory & Tammy Peters & Family

**Income Tax Receipts** for Sunday envelope users for 2015 are now available on the table near the altar. Please pick yours up. Thanks

#### **Diocese Notices**

Development and Peace invites you to its Annual Lenten Solidarity Workshop, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Sunday, March 6 at St. Pius X Church, Parkdale. Guest Speaker is a D&P partner, Professor Tor Lorapuu of the University of Jos, Nigeria who does great work with adults and youth for empowerment and change. Nigeria is the home base of BOKO Haram, considered the world's most dangerous terrorist group.

The Marriage Preparation Program: "A Decision to Love", being held on April 2nd is fully booked, so a second program will be held on Saturday, April 16, also at the Lakeview Loyalist Resort in Summerside. Presented by Ed and Marsha Ratelle, this one-day course begins at 9:00 AM and ends at 6:00 PM. The cost per couple is \$125.00. To register contact Marsha at marsharatelle@eastlink.ca or call (902) 436-6795.