

**The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit**  
*Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island*  
**20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠ August 20, 2023**

**This Weekend's Liturgy**

**1st Reading** Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

**2nd Reading** Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

**Gospel** Matthew 15:21-28

**Weekly Mass Schedule**

**Monday** 9am St. Anne's for Special Intention

**Tuesday** 9am St. Augustine's

**Wednesday** 9am Stella Maris

**Thursday** 9am St. Augustine's

**Friday** off

**Saturday** 4pm Stella Maris for Jeanette Gauthier

**Sunday** 9am St. Anne's for The People

**Sunday** 10:30am St. Augustine's Feast Day of Patron Saint Augustine

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

**Contact Information**

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**Our Bulletin** - [www.jp2pastoralunit.com/bulletins.php](http://www.jp2pastoralunit.com/bulletins.php)

**Diocese of Charlottetown** - [www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com](http://www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com)

**Local Knights of Columbus** - [www.kofc9025.com](http://www.kofc9025.com) and like us @ [www.facebook.com/kofcrustico](http://www.facebook.com/kofcrustico)

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

**Last Weeks Collections & Donations**

**St. Augustine's: \$980.80**

**Parish Appeal: \$830.00**

**Stella Maris: \$695.00**

**Special Collection: \$285.00**

**Special Collection so far: \$9785.00**

**St. Anne's: N/A**

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

**OUR PRAYER LIST**

Jenna Blanchard, Audrey Gallant, James Gallant Jr, Joe Peters, Dane Simpson, Suzie Smith

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

**Marion Murphy** 902-621-0725

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Be humble in this life, that God may raise you up in the next.

***St. Stephen of Hungary***

**Stella Maris Ministries**

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Carol Probert

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**St. Anne's Ministries**

**August**

Eucharistic Minister: Charlene VanLeeuwan

August 19 Lector: Judy Rowell

August 26 Lector: Eileen Gauthier

Lector: Marion Murphy

Ushers: Tim and Joanne Callahan

**Diocese Notices**

**Synodal Process:** Pope Francis officially launched the synodal process on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October, 2021 at the Vatican because he desires to hear the voice of the entire church. Synodality means walking the same road together and is about listening carefully to the Holy Spirit, the "Spirit of Truth" (John 14:17), realizing that everyone has something to learn. On Saturday, September 16 at the Martha Spirituality Centre at 45 Great George St., Charlottetown, Nancy Murphy and Sister Joan Campbell will facilitate a time of reflection on the biblical roots of the synodal process as well as our hopes and desires for our beloved Church. Time: 10 am to 3 pm. Cost \$25. Please bring a bag lunch. To register email Sister Joan at [drjoancsm@gmail.com](mailto:drjoancsm@gmail.com)

**Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College** is a faithfully Catholic liberal arts college in Barry's Bay, Ontario, offering a three-year Bachelor of Catholic Studies degree. Small class sizes and a strong academic program set students up for success in the classroom and in all future pursuits. Faculty take their Catholic faith seriously and profess an oath of fidelity to the Magisterium of the Church. A vibrant campus life, men's and women's residence houses, and ample spiritual opportunities create a Catholic culture that forms the whole person. Students build life-long friendships, and often discern their vocations. The tuition is affordable, and financial aid is available. There are still spots available for 2023-2024! Please visit [www.seatofwisdom.ca](http://www.seatofwisdom.ca).

**Unit Notices**

**Prayer List For The Bulletin:** In order to ensure prayer list is always maintained and kept up to date, the names will be updated on a monthly basis. Effective immediately, at the beginning of every month, all names will be removed and if family would like to have the names of loved ones reinstated for the next month, they will be required to call advising to have the names added back to the list. Please refer to the bulletin for the contact names and phone numbers. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

**Receive Communion at Home:** If you know of someone who is not able to attend mass but would like to receive communion, please call Carol at 902-963-3089. If you have a pyx that isn't being used, please return it to the church.

**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. 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.

**Foodbank:** The Knights of Columbus council #9025 would like to inform our parishioners and the community that operational control and finances of the foodbank have been turned over to Stella Maris Parish. Our K of C council is not a registered charitable entity and this change will let the foodbank take full advantage of the benefits that the charitable status of Stella Maris Parish will allow. We also hope to encourage more community involvement. The regular friendly faces will not change as the Knights of Columbus continue to support the foodbank through volunteerism and outreach, but operational decisions and finances are under the direction of the property and finance committee of Stella Maris Church. We believe that this change will ensure the long term viability of the foodbank and encourage its growth. We trust that you will continue to support this great community project. Donations to the foodbank should be made out to "Stella Maris Foodbank" and charitable receipts will be issued by Stella Maris Parish for tax purposes.

**Helping Hands:** The Knights of Columbus 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 re-pairs. If you need help please call Genny Gallant 902-360-2067. She will refer your name and request to a member of the Knights.

**Allergies:** As a number of our parishioners are severely sensitive or have allergies to aromatic scents, we would like to ask to please refrain from wearing perfumes or showering/bathing in strong soaps or bath oils before attending services. It would be most helpful to those who are unable to attend Mass under these circumstances.

**Feedback, Fresh Ideas, Comments:** I really hope everyone had and continues to have a wonderful, relaxing summer. We are looking for feedback and all your wonderful ideas about how, where, when faith formation can be improved in our Pastoral Unit. We want to include ALL parishioners, young, teens, young married couples, older married couples, retired people, single people...as I said ALL people. Please send your ideas to amvessey@gmail.com or call me at 902-964-3442. Leave a message if I'm not home and I will return your call. We would LOVE to have a lot of comments to read because we want to help everyone on their faith formation journey. Thank you. *Anne-Marie Vessey Religion Coordinator for St. JPLL Pastoral Unit*

**Cemetery Sunday:** As a church community, we will be honoring our ancestors, our heritage and our dearly departed family members by celebrating our Sunday Mass in each of our parish cemeteries. St. Anne Sunday August 27, 9am. St Augustine Sunday September 3, 10:30am. Stella Maris TBA. Weather permitting. We ask all parishioners to bring a chair for the mass. Come, give thanks, praise God and Celebrate. Flowers will be distributed after mass to be placed at the graves of loved ones.

**St. Mary's (Hunter River) Cemetery Sunday:** There will be a service of prayer and song at St. Mary's Cemetery, Hunter River on Sunday, September 10 at 1pm. All are welcome. Please pass this invitation along to anyone you know who may have friends or family members in the cemetery or former parishioners of St Mary's of the People.

#### 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

**Funeral Receptions:** When there is a funeral reception, it will take precedence over any other hall bookings, which will have to be rescheduled.

**Mass at Villa Marguerite:** Every third Wednesday of the month, mass will be celebrated at 9:30 am at Villa Marguerite in place of the 9:00am at Stella Maris.

#### St. Anne's Notices

**Live Streaming Mass Online:** You can find it at [https://www.facebook.com/stannespei/live\\_videos](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.

**Cemetery Mass:** On August 27, 9am Mass will be offered outdoors, in the cemetery, weather permitting. Please bring your lawn chairs. If it is raining, the liturgy of the Mass will take place in the Church. Flowers will be distributed after mass to be placed at the graves of loved ones.

#### St. Augustine's Notices

**Parish Tradition:** Every family has birthday/anniversary traditions that have been passed down from generations. Likewise, we at St. Augustine's parish enjoy the beautiful tradition of singing 'Happy Birthday/Happy Anniversary' to our parishioners prior to our recessional hymn. We invite you to let us know when you or a family member of friend is (or will be) celebrating a special occasion and would appreciate being honoured with the singing of the special song. Simply write the person's name on a piece of paper prior to coming to Church and give it to one of the ushers upon entrance. The ushers will then give the name(s) to the choir director for the singing of the song that day.

**E-transfer:** St. Augustine's is now set up to receive e-transfers to st.augustines2190@gmail.com. If you choose to use this format, please include your Full Name, address, phone number and preferably an email address in the message field. If you are an envelope user, please provide it as well. Receipts will be issued for donations of \$20 or more.

**Feast Day:** On Sunday, August 27 St. Augustine's will celebrate the feast day of our patron, St. Augustine. There will be refreshments and fellowship following mass.

#### Community Notices

**Star of the Sea Seniors Club, North Rustico:** Anyone wishing to get out can join our stitch group for coffee & chat at 9:30 on Wednesdays all summer. All welcome.; Card Parties (7PM Tues); Stitch Group (9:30Wed); Mat & Chair Yoga, call Paula 782-234-5845; Rentals, call Paula 782-234-5845. Tickets available for ongoing Lottery. Next Lottery (Quilt, & Gift Basket) has begun. Thanks to all for your support.

**Dance:** 50's and 60's Music with Kelly Buote, an accomplished Musician and Vocalist. August 26. 8-10 Star of the Sea Club, North Rustico. Bar Service, 50/50. 19 & over Welcome. Admission \$ 10.

**Cymbria Lions Ceilidhs:** August 20 cancelled due to scheduling conflict. August 27 Johnny Ross and Peggy Clinton. Doors open 6:30pm Shows start 7:30pm. Admission \$15 Children \$5.

**Celebration:** Karen, Lori and Rae-Anne would like to invite you to help them celebrate with best wishes their parents Barry and Marie Doiron's 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Sunday, August 20 at Rustico Bay Seniors Club starting at 3pm. Hope to see you then.

**Rustico Bay Ceilidhs and Dance:** On Saturday, August 19, at 8pm with "Still Rocking". Don't miss this multi-talented group consisting of Brian Knox, Brian Blaquiere, David Moore and Terry Dunsford. Doors open at 7:15. Bar service, 50/50. 19 and over. Admission \$12 at the door. Located at 2104 Church Rd. in Rustico.

### Memorial Mass Request

Dear Father:

Please have a Mass offered for the repose of the soul of: \_\_\_\_\_

At \_\_\_\_\_ church. Preferred date: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_ (please reserve well in advance)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Offering enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please place this stub along with your offering in an envelope and place it in the Sunday collection or give it to the priest. (The customary stipend for masses is \$10)