

The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit
Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠ August 27, 2023

This Weekend's Liturgy

1st Reading Isaiah 22:19-23

2nd Reading Romans 11:33-36

Gospel Matthew 16:13-20

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday 9am St. Anne's

Tuesday 9am St. Augustine's

Wednesday 9am Stella Maris

Thursday 9am St. Augustine's for Andrew Donnelly

Friday off

Saturday 4pm Stella Maris for the people

Sunday 9am St. Anne's for Patricia Norman

Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's for Edward Gallant Family

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

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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.

Last Weeks Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$1560.80

Parish Appeal: \$820.00

Parish Appeal to date: \$7384.72

Stella Maris: \$940.00

St. Anne's: August 13: \$949.00

August 20: \$749.00

*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

Angela Gallant 902-393-0960

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All love is not friendship: for we may love without being loved. Then love but not friendship exists. Friendship is a mutual love, and unless it is mutual, it is not friendship. *St Francis de Sales*

August 26 Lector: Eileen Gauthier

Stella Maris Ministries

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Faye Fyfe

St. Anne's Ministries

August

Lector: Marion Murphy

Ushers: Tim and Joanne Callahan

Eucharistic Minister: Charlene VanLeeuwan

Diocese Notices

The Martha Spirituality Centre is offering the following programs this Fall: Christian Meditation, the prayer of the heart, opens us to the presence of God in the silence and stillness of the present moment. Sessions will be held on Zoom on Tuesdays from September 12 to December 12 from 7-8 pm. No fee for this program. To register, contact karenযোগেই@gmail.com. Lectio Divina (divine reading) is a contemplative praying of Scripture. Participants will meet with Sister Joan on Zoom every Thursday, from September 14 to November 30 from 10:30-11:45 a.m. to listen to and reflect upon the upcoming Sunday Gospel. No fee. To register contact Sister Joan at drjoancsm@gmail.com

The Pilgrimage to the Canadian Martyrs at St. Peter's Church, Seven Mile Bay will take place on Saturday, September 23 for pro-life intentions. The Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Women's League are partnering on this event. Rosary will be said at 10:00am followed by Mass at 10:30am. A collection will be taken up for PEI Life. There will be light refreshments served afterwards. All are welcome!

Synodal Process: Pope Francis officially launched the synodal process on the 10th 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

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.

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.

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. JPII Pastoral Unit*

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

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

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.

Cemetery Sunday Sept. 3: Weather permitting, we will be honoring our ancestors, our heritage and our dearly departed family members by celebrating our Sunday 10:30 Mass outdoors adjacent to the cemetery. We ask all parishioners to bring a lawn 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. Should the weather fail to cooperate, the liturgy will be held in the Church as usual.

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 Paula782-234-5845; 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 27 Johnny Ross and Peggy Clinton. Doors open 6:30pm Shows start 7:30pm. Admission \$15 Children \$5.

Rustico Bay Ceilidhs and Dance: On Saturday, September 2, 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.

Thank You: We would like to thank each and everyone who took the time to come and help us celebrate our 50th. Your presence and best wishes meant so much to us both and our family. We are blessed to have such wonderful family and friends! *Barry and Marie Doiron*

Open House at Farmers Bank of Rustico & Doucet House Museums, Sunday, Aug 27, 2-5pm. We will have guides throughout our sites to explain our Restoration & Improvements Project carried out over the past 2-1/2 years. More info call Arnold 902-628-3131.

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)