

The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

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

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠ September 10, 2023

This Weekend's Liturgy

1st Reading Ezekiel 33:7-9

2nd Reading Romans 13:8-10

Gospel Matthew 18:15-20

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday St. Anne's for a special intention

Tuesday 9am St. Augustine's

Wednesday 9am Stella Maris for Ronnie Gallant

Thursday 9am St. Augustine's

Friday off

Saturday 4pm Stella Maris for special intention

Sunday 9am St. Anne's

Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's for the people

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: \$817.65

Parish Appeal: \$1084.00

Parish Appeal to date: \$11,260.00

Stella Maris: \$925.00

St. Anne's: \$817.00

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

OUR PRAYER LIST

Audrey Gallant, James Gallant Jr, Freda Peters, 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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It is better for one to be silent and be a Christian than to talk and not be one.

It is good to teach, if the one who speaks also acts. *St. Ignatius of Antioch*

Stella Maris Ministries

September 9 Lector: Terry Crawford

September 16 Lector: Joan Gallant

September 23 Lector: Faye Fyfe

September 30 Lector: Eileen Gauthier

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Carol Probert

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St. Anne's Ministries

September

Lector: Heather Doiron

Ushers: Inez and Paula Doiron

Eucharistic Minister: Jacinta Doiron

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

Young Adult Leadership Team. Are you a young adult (18-25) who is interested in growing in their faith, and helping lead retreats across the Diocese? The Young Adult Leadership Team travels the diocese leading retreats, and gathers regularly for faith-building and community. The first meeting is an overnight retreat, September 22-23 at the Marguerite Bourgeoys Centre. For more information about the Leadership Team and to register for the Retreat, visit: <https://youth.dioceseofcharlottetown.com/young-adult-leadership-team/>

Unit Notices

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.

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.

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.

The Saint John Paul II ladies group will be having its first meeting of the fall on September 19 at 12 noon at Stella Maris. Everyone welcome. For any information call Mary Blacquiere at 213-2083. A light lunch will be served.

School is Beginning! We all know that beginning a new school year can be stressful for many different reasons. Students, teachers, bus drivers, school secretaries, school janitors all come from a different place of concern and perhaps anxiety. Having faith does help. On September 10 in St. Augustine and St. Anne's parishes the previously mentioned people will be called forward after Communion for a special blessing to help get the new year off well. The same will happen in Stella Maris on September 16 at the 4pm Mass. This is for students of all ages and all schools as well as all teachers and support staff. The St. John Paul II Pastoral Unit wants to support our schools in any way we can.

Registration!!! So, your child is registered for a few after school activities. Now he/she/the family needs to be registered for the Family Faith Formation program. Just go to jp2youthministries.com and follow the drop down menu. It is very user friendly. We gather on the first Sunday of the month from 10:00 - 11:30 at St. Anne's church. Please call me or email me if you have any questions. Phone # is 902-964-3442, email is amvessey@gmail.com. *Anne-Marie Vessey - religion coordinator*

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.

Property and Finance Committee Meeting: This meeting will be held on September 13 at 7pm in the Hall of our Church.

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.

Property and Finance meeting: The next meeting of the property and finance committee will be held at 7:30 pm on Sept. 12 in St. Monica's Chapel.

Parish Appeal: We are most thankful to those who have already donated to our parish appeal. We have received \$11,260 to date. Don't worry, you still have time to contribute. Our historic Church property requires continuous upkeep and maintenance. Our regular Sunday collections are not sufficient enough to cover these expenses. This means that, occasionally, we need to solicit additional donations from our parishioners, visitors and community members so that funds are available for this purpose. This year's appeal hopes to address a number of outstanding items required to maintain our centuries old historic property. The appeal letters are available at the rear of the Church and have also been mailed to all household in Rustico to Hunter River and Oyster Bed Bridge areas. The letter explains the projects requiring funding and return envelopes are provided. We would respectfully ask that you be as generous as your means allow. God Bless you. *James Donnelly / on behalf of Fr. Albin and the Property & Finance Committee*

Community Notices

Star of the Sea Seniors Club, North Rustico: 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. Coffee Break every Tuesday, 10am-11am, All welcome. Thanks to all for your support.

This is my story, this is my song. Finding peace through the storms of life. A ministry of music, hope and encouragement. Presented by Chris Gallant (pastor and funeral director). Eliyahu Wellness Centre, North Rustico (Hospitality Room). Sundays, September 10, 17 & 24. 3pm each day, refreshments to follow. Free Admission, everyone welcome!

North Rustico Seniors Club Lottery: 1st Prize. Handcrafted Quilt, 2nd Prize. Gift Basket, a value over \$200. Draw September 15. To purchase tickets(3 for \$5) please call Eleanor 902-330-3134. Thank you for your support.

Michele's Chair and Balance Fitness: Classes are resuming for the fall! I will be having a class in Stanley Bridge at the Women's Institute Building beginning in early October on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30. Also, I have a class at the Eternal Fitness Gym in the Cymbria Lions Club, in South Rustico, on Wednesdays at 1:00pm, beginning September 20. This class at the gym, will be a circuit format done with the gym equipment. Please sign up by email- magallant58@gmail.com or call 902-626-9799. Stay healthy and active by continuing to move, while having fun and laughs.

Rustico Bay Seniors: The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 9 at the club at 7pm. All members are invited to attend.

There will be a Memorial Service for Toni Quigley, formerly a parishioner at John Paul II., at Buffalo Hills Terrace on September 24 at 5 pm.

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)