

The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

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

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ✕ November 19, 2023

This Weekend's Liturgy

1st Reading Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

2nd Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday—Friday No Mass

Saturday 4pm Stella Maris for the people

Sunday 9am St. Anne's for Carla Reid

Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's for Raymond and Alice Doucette

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.

November 4 Lector: Paul Blacquiére

November 11 Lector: Faye Fyfe

November 18 Lector: Eileen Gauthier

November 25 Lector: Ronnie Blacquiére

December 2 Lector: Joan Doiron

Stella Maris Ministries

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Mary Blacquiére

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Vern Buote

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Margaret Goulding

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Louis Gallant

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Eric Blacquiére

St. Anne's Ministries

November

Lector: Jacinta Doiron

Ushers: Mike Doiron and John Doiron

Offertory

November 19 Ann Pratt

Eucharistic Minister: Savio Dias

November 26 Nick and Tamara McDonald

Diocese Notices

Our Lady of the Assumption Annual CWL Christmas Bazaar will be held at Assumption Parish Centre, 145 Stratford Road, on Saturday, December 2 from 10:30am - 12:30pm featuring Home Baked Goods, Jams, Jellies, Fudge, Crafts, Holly, Gift Basket Draws, Silent Auctions, and Gently-used Books, Puzzles, Jewelry, and Scarves. Free admission. Please bring your own shopping bags. There is sure to be something for everyone. Local shopping at its best!!

Stockings4LIFE – Joy for new moms this Christmas: PEI LIFE is calling for nominations for new PEI Power Moms! Any woman who had or adopted a baby in 2023 can be nominated to receive a Stocking4LIFE. We encourage and support those who have said yes to life as heroic examples for life. A new mom says yes in so many ways! Nominate your favorite new mom and tell us why she is the best. We will hand deliver a Christmas Stocking4LIFE to her. Nominations can be sent to nominations@peilife.org by December 10 and let us know how to contact her. Or see our webpage: Programs – PEI LIFE for more information. You may also call Pat at 902-894-5473. If you would like to donate to this campaign, so we can reach more women, please see our webpage.

As we welcome more newcomers into our parishes and communities, it can be helpful to expand our understanding of culture and the potential that it brings to our faith communities. Lisa Dollar, Immigrant & Refugee Services of PEI will make a presentation at St. Dunstan's Basilica, Friday, November 24, 2 pm in the K of C Room. All are welcome. For info, Gaye Garvey, St. Dunstan's CWL @902-218-3003.

World Youth Day at Home is coming! Join young people from across the Diocese on Sunday, November 26. We will have time for prayer, a talk by Ryan Mitchell (who spoke at Steubenville Atlantic 2023), a pilgrimage walk from UPEI to St. Dunstan's Basilica, and Mass with Bishop Joseph! For more information, including a schedule of events, visit: <https://youth.dioceseofcharlottetown.com/world-youth-day/>. RSVPs (on the website) are appreciated.

The Latin American Mission Program (LAMP) is presenting the 31st annual Daniel O'Hanley Memorial Lecture on Sunday, November 26 at 2pm at Our Lady of the Assumption Hall. The theme of the event is Colombia: Understanding the Structures of a Conflict. Similar structures are the basis of social and political conflicts in Canada and the current wars in Europe and the Middle East. The presenter is Reverend John Molina, who immigrated to Canada as a refugee from Colombia in 1999. He is a member of LAMP and currently serves as pastor of St. Simon and St. Jude Parish in Tignish. To register please email latinamericamissionprogram@gmail.com (Note: without the 'n' on "America") or call Marie Burge 902-894-4573. Please register before November 20. All are welcome.

Introduction to Carmelite Spirituality – December 14 - Immaculate Conception Parish, Richmond – starting at 7pm with Holy Mass followed by Veneration of a 1st Class relic of St. John of the Cross. After Mass there will 2 talks followed by a brief social with snacks and refreshments in the parish basement. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Monique Perry at 902-315-0528.

Join Fr Martin Carter for a reflection on The Spiritual Journey of Saint Augustine, Tuesday November 21, 7-8:15 pm at St Francis of Assisi Church, Cornwall.

Reserve Sunday December 10 for a Roast Turkey take-out Dinner. Tickets must be purchased in advance, either in person or by phone, from Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre, 67 Reaid Road, Stanley Bridge, 902-388-1952. Meals are to be picked up between 4 and 5:30 pm on December 10th at Our Lady of Hope. The cost is \$10 per meal, with all proceeds going to the local food bank. Thinking about an Advent act of charity? Purchase a few tickets to donate to people who cannot afford a meal! The last day to get tickets is Sunday December 3.

Last Weeks Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$1299.40

Indigenous Reconciliation: \$45.00

Stella Maris: \$690.00

Indigenous Reconciliation: \$50.00

St. Anne's: N/A

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

OUR PRAYER LIST

Vera Collister, Blake Culleton, Audrey Gallant, James (Lynn) Gallant, James Gallant Jr, Freda 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

Rose Gallant 902-963-3516

Have you been experiencing problems dealing with anxiety, loss, depression, separation, parenting or relationship issues? Counselling services are available through a project sponsored by The Living Well. If you would like to speak to a qualified social worker about these issues you can contact us through e-mail 20tlwp23@gmail.com or call 902 330-2028. All inquiries will be confidential.

Watch two new Advent series on FORMED to help you prepare for Christ's coming! Rooted: Rediscover the Jesse Tree This Advent - Hosted by Dr. Scott Hefelfinger, each seven-minute reflection helps Catholics apply Scripture to daily life using the Jesse Tree model traditionally practiced by families. Drawing Closer To God: A Catholic Art Show for Kids - Join art teacher Ms. Kim as she teaches children to draw different scenes from the Nativity story. As kids learn new art skills, they also begin to see the connections between the big picture of God's story and their place within it. To Learn more about these new series and to sign up for free visit <https://daily.formed.org/advent>.

Unit Notices

Fr. Albin Holiday: Fr. Albin will be away on holiday from November 13 through November 26. Fr. Brendon will be presiding over the weekend masses and there will be no daily masses offered during the period. If there is anything needing urgent attention, please contact the pastoral associate for your parish. Their contact information is listed in the bulletin.

Christmas Food Hampers: During this festive season, everyone should have the opportunity to enjoy a special Christmas meal. The Community Foodbank located in Stella Maris Church is again preparing Christmas food hampers for individuals and families. Anyone who is experiencing difficulty in making ends meet and would benefit from a hamper should contact the Food Pantry, Also if anyone is aware of an individual or family who is in need should contact Andre Lavoie at (902)963-2380 and provide a name so they can be contacted and included in this year's Christmas Food Hamper project.

Sister Cecile approached me, about the possibility of helping Patience's family in Cameroon, one more time. She shared the situation of Patience's family with me. While waiting to be hired for a decent paying position in a hospital, Marbel, a nurse, would like to open a small Pharmacy. \$3500.00 would allow her and the whole family to get organized and get a fresh start on life. Once again, Sister Cecile and the family would be very grateful for any assistance. "Only God can thank you". To donate please send check or cash to Art Buote, 2129 Church Rd. Rustico, COA1N0, or e-transfer at buote5613@gmail.com. Please use 'cecile' as pass word.

Knights of Columbus Unit Dinner: The next K of C unit dinner is on Saturday November 25 at 4:45pm in Stella Maris Parish Centre. The meal is smothered steak in mushroom gravy with potatoes and vegetables followed by dessert. Seating is on a first come first serve basis and entry is a good will offering. Proceeds from the dinner will be in support of PEI Life and other Life initiatives. Proceeds from the 50/50 draw are in support of the St. John Paul II women's group. We look forward to seeing you all at dinner.

St. Augustine's Notices

Community Christmas Concert: Reserve Sunday, December 10, 6:30pm if you enjoy hearing and seeing absolutely fantastic musical and dramatic talent!!! Community members will be putting forth their best effort to entertain you. There will be nut free fudge for sale as well. Funds raised will go towards maintenance of St. Augustine Parish property. We appreciate the Cymbria Lions Club for allowing us to use their wonderful, accessible facility. Admission will be \$15 per person.

Christmas Carol Sing: St. Augustine's Parish will host an evening of Christmas Carols and Nativity presentation on December 17 at 7pm. This will be an evening where all are encouraged to sing and participate. Good will offerings will be accepted at the door and funds raised will be given to a charity as an outreach project.

Christmas is just around the corner! We will start choir practice on Sunday, November 26 at 9:15 and will continue each following Sunday at the same time until Christmas. You don't need to know how to read music, you just need to enjoy singing for if you sing, you pray twice! I invite you to join us, young and old as we would love to have you lend your voice. Also if you play a musical instrument, please come and join too. Any questions, please call Phyllis Arsenault at 902-394-3862 or Janet Cox 902-314-8086

Stella Maris' Notices

Property and Finance Committee Meeting: This meeting will be held in the Hall of our Church on Wednesday November 22 at 7pm.

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.

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.

Cribbage Every Thursday at Cymbria Lions club at 7pm.

Join us for the 2nd Annual New Glasgow Gala on Saturday, November 25, 7pm-10pm at The Mill in New Glasgow. Live entertainment, silent auction and food by Chef Emily Wells. Tickets are \$50 each and e-transfers may be sent to newglasgowpei@gmail.com. All are welcome!

Sale of Hand Knit Slippers, Hats, Scarves, Socks, Cotton Dish Cloths, etc. Wednesday, November 22, (10:00 am-1:00 pm) Star of the Sea Club, North Rustico

Art Classes: The Rustico Bay Seniors Club will be having Art Classes November 9 to December 7. They will be from 1:00-3:30pm each Thursday. All supplies are provided. To register call Donalda at 902-963-3279 or 902-626-6926. Maximum 10. Beginners and experienced artists all welcome.

Coffeehouse: Every Wednesday from 1 to 3 pm, the Rustico Bay Seniors Centre will host a Coffeehouse (or Tea) Social. Bring any portable craft projects, or come and enjoy whatever games are onsite. This is a relaxed opportunity to gather. Call Jill, at 902-388-6107 with any questions.

Bingo: There will be a 50/50 bingo on Sunday, November 26 at 1:30pm at Cymbria lions club. Bring your dabbers.

Rustico Bay Club New Year's Dance is Sunday, December 31st at 9:00 to 12:15 with "Haché". Multitalented Laurie, Kaitlyn, lead guitarist George and drummer Bob 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

You are invited to enjoy the "Sounds of Christmas" concert at Central Queens United Church, Hunter River, on Sun., December 3 at 7pm. This seasonal performance will feature Kirk Neville, Bonnie LaFrance and friends. Come get an early start enjoying the spirit of Christmas in a wonderfully musical, stress free environment. Admission is \$12 at the door.