

# The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

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

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠ January 28, 2024

### This Weekend's Liturgy

1st Reading Deuteronomy 18:15-20

2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Gospel Mark 1:21-28

### Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday 9am St. Anne's

Tuesday 7pm St. Augustine's

Wednesday 9am Stella Maris

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Friday No Mass

Saturday 4pm Stella Maris for Derrick Blacquiere

Sunday 9am St. Anne's for the people

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

### Last Weeks Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$1022.80

Stella Maris: \$585.00

St. Anne's: \$635.00 Jan. 21

\$763.00 Jan. 14

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

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 PRAYER LIST

Giselle (Buote), Kim Coles, Vera Collister, Blake Culleton, Audrey Gallant, James (Lynn) Gallant, James Gallant Jr, Dorena Hall, Freda Peters, Dane Simpson, Suzie Smith

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

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It is most important that you choose a career with care, so that you may really follow the vocation that God has destined for you. No day should pass without some prayer to this end, often repeat with St. Paul: "Lord, what will you have me do?"

*St. John Bosco*

### Stella Maris Ministries

January 27 Lector: Joan Doiron

February 3 Lector: Joan Gallant

February 10 Lector: Vern Buote

February 17 Lector: Ronnie Blacquiere

February 24 Lector: Andre Lavoie

March 2 Lector: Karen Lavoie

March 9 Lector: Paul Blacquiere

March 16 Lector: Eileen Gauthier

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Vern Buote

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Faye Fyfe

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Mary Blacquiere

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Margaret Goulding

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Estelle Bourgeois

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Louis Gallant

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Carol Probert

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Eric Blacquiere

### St. Anne's Ministries

#### January

Lector: Tammy Peters

Ushers: Mike Doiron and Wilbert Reid

Offertory

January 28 Inez and Paula Doiron

Eucharistic Minister: Marina Doiron

### Diocese Notices

**Huge Flea Market/ Bake Sale:** Come to Assumption Parish Centre at 145 Stratford Road in Stratford on Saturday, January 27, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm for a Huge Flea Market/ Bake Sale! Good used small appliances, small pieces of furniture, clothing, books, puzzles, toys, household or garage items, home-baked goods. Tickets on silent auctions and lotteries. Proceeds in support of Assumption Parish. Tea & coffee available. Free admission. Everyone is welcome.

**Pilgrimage to Medjugorje** with Spiritual Director Father Mark Cherry May 18 to May 30; Space and time are limited, please book as soon as possible to ensure you secure your seat - Package Price - \$3499 per person, tax incl. from Halifax Int. Airport (single supplement \$300 if space is available) (\$600 non-refundable Deposit Due January 24, with balance due April 8) Package includes return airfare from Halifax, NS, ground travel to and from airport in Europe, hotel accommodations and much more! For itinerary details, please call Group Leader Rhonda-Lynn Clarke at 1 902 448 3660. To make your deposit and secure your seat with us please call, Karen Withers at Maritime Travel 1 902 435 0220 Before January 24.

**Candlemas Day:** In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day for women and men in consecrated life. This global celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day; the day candles may be blessed, symbolizing Christ, who is the light of the world. So, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. In the Church, the religious sisters, brothers, and priests stand as a rich testimony to the blessings and grace God bestows upon those who have embraced the consecrated life. In our diocese, we have been blessed with religious communities who have dedicated their lives in ministry, prayer and community to the Church and have been part of our diocese for over 150 years. This year, in a spirit of gratitude for their presence, ministry and apostolate in the diocese, we want to acknowledge that commitment in a Diocesan Celebration of Consecrated Life, Friday February 2. Bishop Joseph will celebrate a Mass at Holy Redeemer Church at 7pm. All the faithful are invited to join us. This celebration will give the entire diocese an opportunity to offer gratitude for the fidelity and joy religious live out, even in the midst of hardships and life's many challenges. Also, it will give us an opportunity to express our appreciation for the witness of their lives, their prayers, and their work on behalf of the Body of Christ here in the Diocese. We are also invited in a special way to pray for vocations to the consecrated life so that religious communities will continue to be the bright light that they are to all of us.

**Join the "Embrace Discovery"** online Pre-Lenten Retreat for men on Wednesday February 7, 1pm to 4pm. Hosted by Dr. Wayne Short, the retreat will explore self-care through active listening, silent reflection, and sharing. Suggested fee \$20, For registration contact Sister Joan at drjoancsm@gmail.com. For other queries and the retreat guide, contact Wayne at mcast709@gmail.com.

**Dr. Joan Campbell, CSM** is offering a Lenten Scripture Series on Zoom entitled "Living Discipleship." The four sessions include: the Call, the Values, the Mission, and the Destiny of Disciples. Zoom sessions are from 6:30 to 7:45 pm on Wednesday February 21 & 28 and then on March 20 & 27. Suggested Fee \$25. To register contact Sister Joan at drjoancsm@gmail.com.

**Steubenville Atlantic is coming!** Talks, friends, fun! Join youth from across the Maritimes at Steubenville Atlantic, a dynamic youth conference hosted at Dalhousie University, July 5-7. This year's theme is Illuminate (Jn 1:5)! Registration is open for youth in grades 9-12. The cost \$250. For more information contact your parish group leader, or visit <https://youth.dioceseofcharlottetown.com/steubenville-atlantic/>

**Have you been experiencing problems** dealing with anxiety, loss, depression, separation, parenting or relationship issues? Free 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.

### Unit Notices

**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.

**Family Faith Formation:** For those families who are interested in participating, we have changed our meeting Sundays from the first Sunday of the month to the third Sunday of the month. Our next gatherings will happen on February 18 and March 17. As always all are welcome. We start at 10am and end at 11:30 and we are in the Bolger Room which is behind the altar at St. Anne's in Hope River.

**Instruction for First Holy Communion:** We will be beginning instruction specifically aimed at receiving the Eucharist for the first time very soon. If you have a child (7 years old or older) who would like to make their first Communion please make sure to register your child by going to [jp2pastoralunit.ca](http://jp2pastoralunit.ca) and follow the menu to accomplish the registration or call Anne-Marie, at 902 964 3442.

**Knights of Columbus Unit Dinner:** The next K of C unit dinner is on Saturday January 27 at 4:45pm in Stella Maris Parish Centre. The meal is roast pork with potatoes, vegetables and gravy 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 KofC council and community activities. 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.

**The Saint John Paul II ladies group** will be holding their next meeting at 12 noon on February 13. We will have a program and lunch. Everyone welcome any questions please call Mary Blacquiere at 213-2083

**Thanks! Thanks! Thanks!** I want you to know what an awesome send off party you gave me. Your very kind words, flowers, gifts, cards and best wishes were all so much appreciated. I feel too loved! Thanks a million times over! YOU gave me so much more than I ever gave you. My memories of Stella Maris and John Paul II Unit will forever be cherished in my heart. My times with you will be missed greatly but you can expect to see me every chance I get to go your way. Love, hugs, prayers & blessings galore to every one of you. You are all so precious and so much loved!  
*Sister Phyllis*

### St. Augustine's Notices

**Tax receipts:** The tax receipts for 2023 are available in envelopes at the back of the Church. Any envelopes that remain after Feb. 11th will be mailed if the appropriate mailing information has been provided. If you're your envelope does not have mailing information, please leave a message at the parish office 902-201-0790 with your envelope number and address particulars.

### 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)

### Community Notices

**Star of the Sea Seniors Club:** Coffee Break, Tuesdays (10-11). The Stitch Group, Wednesdays, (9:30).

**Cribbage** Every Thursday at Cymbria Lions club at 7pm.

**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.

**Cymbria Lions Ladies Branch** is pleased to be hosting the Valentine's Luncheon, in support of the Heart and Stroke Foundation this February, 11 (Sunday) at the Rustico Bay Seniors Club. Tickets can be ordered, by calling Jill 902-388-6107 or Donalda 902 963 3279. Two seatings 11:45am or 1pm; \$10 per person, \$5 under 12. Raffle tickets will be sold for \$2 each or 3 for \$5 for chances to win cakes, gift baskets, just in time for Valentine's Day!

**Star of the Sea Seniors Club Annual Meeting** on Wednesday January 31 at 1:30. Guest Speaker, Wendy McGrath, Senior Services Specialist from Service Canada.

**Free Supper:** On Friday February 2, the Conseil acadien de Rustico will be serving up a free French crêpes and sausages supper to celebrate the Chandeleur. Meal starts at 5pm, there will be tea/coffee and juice. To help us prepare please register by e-mail "info@conseilacadienrustico.org" or call 902-963-3252. See you there!

### 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)