

Marriage Encounter Weekend: Plan to attend a very special two-day marriage enrichment. Saturday April 23 and Sunday April 24, 2016, at Crandall University, Moncton, NB (new format non-residential weekend). For more information contact Worldwide Marriage Encounter at renewmarriage@gmail.com or (902)892-2061 www.wwme.org

SDU Vacation Bible Camp: The SDU Board of Governors are accepting applications from students (18 and over) who are interested in working as camp counselors for the 2016 Vacation Bible Camp. The camp provides eight weeks of work from July 4-August 26. To obtain an application form email sdu@eastlink.ca or call 393-3441. Application forms are also available at the UPEI Chaplaincy Center.

Community Notices

AI-Anon Group Meeting: Tuesdays at 10 AM in the vestry of St. Augustine's Church. Call 902-894-3503 for more information.

Star of the Sea Seniors Club: Card party every Tuesday at 7:30p.m. Light lunch and 50/50 included. Everyone welcome. Cribbage is played at the club every Tuesday afternoon at 1pm. On Friday, April 1st The Club is holding a Spaghetti Dinner and Dance at the Seniors' Club. The event is open to the public, tickets are \$12.00 each and include the dinner and dancing to the Peters Brothers. Tickets are available from Debra Montgomery (902)963-3914. They will be available at the door but we advise buying them beforehand. Dinner is at 6pm, dancing starts at 8pm to 11pm. The date of the next monthly meeting is Wednesday, March 30th at 1:30 pm. The Star of the Sea Seniors' Drama Group are holding their annual variety show entertainment on Thursday, April 21st at 7pm at the Gulf Shore Consolidated School. Posters with more information will be available shortly.

Provincial Credit Union Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 6th at the North Rustico Lions Club. Meal at 6pm and Meeting to follow. Tickets are now on sale at Credit Unions in North Rustico. Charlottetown, Stratford and Montague. Get yours early as it usually sells out. Tickets are \$10 each.

Central Queens Soccer Club will be hosting 2 in person registration dates at Central Queens school, Sat. April 2nd 9:00-11:00 and again Thurs. April 7th 6:30-8:00, online registration will soon be open, note late fees of \$25 will apply after April 9th and \$50 late fee will apply after April 23 so register early. (www.cqsagoalline.ca) check out the website for info on Futsol program beginning April 7 for 6 weeks, and also Challenger Soccer Camp July 4-8th at the complex. We are looking for a vice president to complete our executive and in need of a tournament coordinator, please contact president@centralqueenssoccer.pe.ca if you can help out.

Auction Card Tournament: Sunday March 20, North Rustico Lions Club, 1:30pm. \$10.00 per team

All You Can Eat Buffet Brunch: Sunday March 27th, North Rustico Lions Club, 10am-1pm. Advance tickets adult \$14 kids \$10, At the door adults \$16 kids \$12. Children under 5 free. Proceeds for QEH equipment fund drive.

"Chair and Balance" Classes instructed by Michele Gallant: These classes help in building strength, co-ordination, flexibility and balance and are designed for older adults, who are beginners to exercising, who are recovering from surgeries or those with conditions that limit mobility such as Arthritis, Fibromyalgia, CP, MS, Parkinson, etc. Classes on Mondays and Fridays at 10:45am will begin at New London Community Center, on Monday, March 14th, 2016. Classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:15am will begin at Eternal Fitness, at the Cymbria Lions Club in Rustico, on Tuesday, March 29th, 2016. The fee for these classes is "by donation" (suggested fee is \$5 per class). **GoPEI is helping in sponsoring these classes, so that everyone can participate without concern for cost; so donate what you feel able to.** For further information contact: Michele at 902-626-9799 or magallant58@gmail.com

Thank You: We would like to thank everyone who came out to the benefit dance and a special thanks to the organizations that made it happen. Your kindness and support has been very much appreciated. Dwayne and Karen Stevenson and family



The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

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

Passion Sunday ✕ March 20, 2016

Schedule March 21 to March 27

Monday: 9am St. Augustine's—Stations of the Cross to follow Mass

Tuesday: 9am Stella Maris—for Vincent Blacquiére—Stations of the Cross to follow Mass

Wednesday: 9am St. Augustine's

Holy Thursday: 7pm Stella Maris followed by a vigil until 11 pm

Good Friday: 9:30am Morning Prayer and Way of the Cross—Stella Maris

Good Friday service: 1:30pm Stella Maris
4:00 pm St Augustine's

Holy Saturday: 8pm Stella Maris

Easter Sunday: 9am St. Anne's

10:30am St. Augustine's

Scheduled weekday Mass is cancelled for a funeral.

Confessions: Fr. Raj is available in the vestries after weekday masses for the sacrament of Reconciliation. All are encouraged to experience the Mercy and Love of the Ever Forgiving Father

Baptisms: Contact Fr. Raj for Baptismal Preparation.

Father Raj Santiago: Office: 902-963-2245
Cell: 902-393-0572

Pastoral Associates:

Jacinta Doiron 902-621-0638

Janet Doiron 902-963-3247

Marion Murphy 902-621-0725

Carol Probert 902-963-3089

Bulletin Announcements: Email bulletin notices to bulletins@jp2pastoralunit.com or call 902-886-2761. Deadline for weekly bulletins is Thurs. at 4pm

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Ann, Brian, Melanie, Parker, Sally, Steve, Ann Blais, Evan Clark, Bruce Crombie, Kathy Doiron (Inez), Victor Doiron, Nancy Doucette, Roger Emond, Brenda Gallant, Cecilia Gallant, Dale Gallant, Pearl Gallant, Sonny Gauthier, Mary Gillis, Rose Hennessey, Alice Hepp, Leo LeClair, Carol MacIsaac, Jen Marten, Alan Perry, Joe Perry, Leo Peters, Regis Peters, Allan Pound, Bernadette Proctor, Dane Simpson, Suzie Smith, Emeric Walsh, Dakota Wedge

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

Marion Murphy 902-621-0725

Angela Gallant 902-963-3438

Rose Gallant 902-963-3516

Fr. Raj Santiago 902-963-2245

Communion at Home: If you know of anyone who should be receiving communion at home because of inability to attend church, please contact one of the pastoral associates.

Hospital or Home Visits: If you have a family member or friend in the hospital, at home or other care facility who would like to see a priest please call Fr. Raj

Scent Free: Please avoid scented products in our churches. Some parishioners are strongly allergic to chemical fragrances.

From Pope Francis' Encyclical "Misericordiae Vultus" - "The Face of Mercy"

Pope Francis, for the Year of Mercy: "Judge not and you will not be judged; condemn not and you will not be condemned; forgive and you will be forgiven; give and it will be given you, in good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over into your lap. For the measure you give will be the measure you get back. Luke 6:37"



Youth Ministries CDG—LDG—YDG

The youth would like to thank the **Knights of Columbus** for supplying snacks at our last religion class.



Kindergarten—grade 9 Religion Class Schedule

April 3, 2016
April 17, 2016

“Mass as a Class” Schedule

April 23, 2016

CDG Schedule

April 15, 2016
May 27, 2016

First Communion will take place at St. Augustine’s on Sunday, May 1, 2016.

Confirmation will take place at St. Anne’s on Monday, April 25, 2016 at 7pm.

Atlantic Steubenville Conference

We are looking for interest in attending the Atlantic Steubenville Conference this summer, July 8-10 in Halifax. The weekend conference is open to high school students aged 14-18 (generally, those entering grade nine in the coming school year and this year's high school graduates). Please check out the site at <http://www.steubenville.ca/> for more information and let Louise (902-394-0681) know as soon as possible if you are interested in attending.

Unit Notices

Winter Storm Policy: At St. Augustine's Church, Mass is never cancelled due to weather. When school in Rustico is cancelled or delayed due to weather, the weekday Mass at Stella Maris or St. Anne's is cancelled. For Saturday evening Mass, a decision to cancel will be made by 1:30 PM. For St. Anne's Sunday morning Mass, the decision will be made by 7 AM. If Religious Education Classes are cancelled there will be an email sent out and a notice on the website. Call 902-963-2245 for information.

Year of Mercy: This week we turn to the Spiritual works of mercy. The first one is to Counsel the Doubtful. Has someone asked for your advice? Orient your response to Christ, who is the Way the Truth and the Life. Commit yourself to learning about the Catholic faith and share your understanding of the faith with others who welcome it, share your insights, knowledge and skills with others especially friends, fellow students or coworkers. Allow others to see God’s love revealed in your actions. Accompany a friend who is struggling with believing to join a parish group, or share a book you found useful in dealing with your friend’s faith concern. Encourage others to read good literature.

Food Bank: The Knights of Columbus is asking for your continued support for the food bank. Supplies are getting low as a number of families have been taking advantage of the service. Monetary or non perishable food items would be appreciated. We would like to thank everyone for your support.

The Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Day Ham and Scalloped Potatoes Dinner will take place on Sat., Mar. 19, from 5pm-7pm at Stella Maris Parish Center. Meal includes tea, coffee, and desserts. Cost will be by free will offering. There will be a 50-50 draw. Bring family and friends. Everyone welcome. Looking forward to a great turnout! We hope to see you there!

Volunteers Needed: There are many committees which help our parishes and Unit run smoothly. Some of these committees have openings for new members. If you have an extra bit of time and feel you want to help out in the operation of the parish or Unit please give your name, contact information and area where you would like to volunteer to Fr. Raj. Some areas where you could help are: property maintenance, finances, choir members, and helping plan our Masses and corporate board member. There are other areas as well and perhaps you have yet another area where you feel you could help make our parish/Unit a strong and vital faith

community. We are all blessed with talents. Please don't hesitate to share your talents.

Divine Mercy Novena begins this Friday, March 25th and ends on the first Sunday after Easter, April 3rd with a holy hour at 3pm at Stella Maris Church. There will be Novena prayers and divine mercy pictures. There are divine mercy messengers at the entrance of each of the 3 churches. This novena is to be said at 3pm every day.

Stella Maris Notices

Holy Thursday: Following mass there will be adoration until 11 p.m. Please sign the sheet at the back of the church in a time slot you wish to pray before the Blessed Sacrament.

St. Anne’s Notices

Ministries for March: Proclaimer: Charlene VanLeeuwen **Youth Proclaimer:** Katie VanLeeuwen **Eucharistic Minister:** Heather Doiron **Ushers/Ministers of Hospitality:** Chris Hayami, Joan Hayami **Offertory Families: March 20** Eugene & Florence Larkin, **March 27** Victor & Ella Mae Doiron

Diocese Notices

Come to the Mass of Chrism! On Monday evening, March 21st at 7pm at St. Dunstan's Basilica an integral part of our Holy Week tradition takes place with the blessing and consecration of Holy Oils. This celebration is presided by Bishop Richard Grecco and concelebrated with most priests of our diocese. At this ceremony, representatives of each parish receive from our Bishop the Holy Oils used throughout the year for the celebration of Baptism, Confirmation and the Sacrament of the Sick. For all of us this can be an excellent preparation to enter into the spirit of the Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday)

Inspiring Catholics: St. Paul's Parish in Summerside is incredibly excited to be a Host Site for the New Evangelization Summit - a conference that has been designed to inspire Catholics and help them live out their personal call to evangelize. Join over 5000 Catholics across North America on April 15/16, 2016 to hear from Dr. Peter Kreeft, Christopher West, Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa, Sherry Weddell, Angele Regnier, Michael Dopp,

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

St. Augustine’s Sunday, March 13: \$913.75

Share Lent: \$315.00

St. Anne’s Sunday, March 13: \$429.00

Development and Peace: \$1959.00

Stella Maris Sunday, March 13: \$932.00

Cemetery Fund: \$200.00

Development and Peace: \$240.00

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and others! Be inspired, receive formation, and connect with other Catholics. Contact Andrew Fisk at 902-303-0488 or michelleandrew7@hotmail.com for more information. NES summit website is www.newevangelization.ca

Tim Archer and Friends will be performing Friday, April 8th at 7:30 at St. Patrick's Church, Fort Augustus. This concert will feature 14 performers. Tickets sold at the door. Cost: \$15/each or \$25/two. Proceeds are for St. Patrick's CWL projects. Everyone welcome.

Protect the vulnerable and those who care for them! By June 2016, the Government of Canada is expected to pass legislation to legalize assisted suicide. I encourage everyone throughout the diocese to visit CanadiansforConscience.ca and support the Coalition for HealthCARE and Conscience. The coalition represents a group of like-minded partners, including 5,000 doctors across Canada, who are committed to protecting conscience rights for health practitioners and facilities. You can use this website to write directly to your Member of Parliament, respectfully expressing your concerns. Given the tight timelines for this legislation, please take action no later than April 1, 2016. (+Bishop Grecco)

National Catholic Mission 2016: “Merciful Like the Father” with Fr. Tom Rosica CSB will be broadcast during Holy Week on the following dates/times: Salt+Light TV: Part 1-Tuesday, March 22 at 9pm and Part 2: Wednesday, March 23rd at 1am; Vision TV: Part 1- Monday, March 21 at 7pm and Part 2 on Tuesday, March 22 at 11pm.