

The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit
Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island
5th Sunday of Lent ☩ March 17, 2024

This Weekend's Liturgy

1st Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34

2nd Reading Hebrews 5:7-9

Gospel John 12:20-33

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday 9am St. Anne's

Tuesday 7pm St. Augustine's

Wednesday 9:30am Villa Marguerite

Wednesday 7pm Stella Maris 2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Thursday 9am St. Augustine's for Pauline & Leslie Trainor

Friday No Mass

Saturday 4pm Stella Maris

Sunday 9am St. Anne's for Fred Doiron

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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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.

OUR PRAYER LIST

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

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

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Last Weeks Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$846.00

Stella Maris: N/A

St. Anne's: \$552.00

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

Stella Maris Ministries

March 16	Lector: Eileen Gauthier	Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Eric Blacquiere
March 23	Lector: Faye Fyfe	Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Vern Buote
March 28	Lector: Eileen Gauthier	Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Joan Doiron
March 29	Lector: Faye Fyfe	Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Carol Probert
March 31	Lector: Vern Buote	Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Faye Fyfe
April 6	Lector: Joan Doiron	Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Louis Gallant
April 13	Lector: Joan Gallant	Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Marg Goulding
April 20	Lector: Eileen Gauthier	Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Mary Blacquiere
April 27	Lector: Ronnie Blacquiere	Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Estelle Bourgeois
May 4	Lector: Joan Doiron	Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Eric Blacquiere

St. Anne's Ministries

March

Lector: Rosemary MacDonald Eucharistic Minister: Savio Dias
Ushers: Inez and Paula Doiron

Offertory

March 17 First Communion Class March 24 Kathy Doiron and Gemma Reid

March 31 Florence and Eugene Larkin

Holy Week/Easter Schedule

March 28 - Holy Thursday
4:00 pm Stella Maris 6:00 pm St. Anne's 8:00 pm St. Augustine's

March 29 - Good Friday
1:00 pm Stella Maris 3:00 pm St. Anne's

March 30 - Easter Vigil
8:30 pm St. Anne's

March 31 - Easter Sunday
9:00 am Stella Maris 10:30 am St. Augustine's

Diocese Notices

From Bishop Dabrowski's office - New Executive Assistant to the Bishop - It is our pleasure to announce that Ms. Sandra Bourque is the successful candidate for the role of Executive Assistant to the Bishop. She will begin effective March 18. Sandra brings a wealth of experience to this role including as an executive assistant and most recently as a parish catechetical coordinator. We are confident she will be a great addition to our team. Please join us in welcoming Sandra. Mrs. Jennifer Scott will continue in her role as Diocesan Receptionist. We are very grateful to Jennifer for assuming various tasks of an executive assistant for the last 8 months in addition to fulfilling her regular responsibilities.

New Clergy Announcement: We are pleased to introduce two priests from the Society of Divine Vocations in Nigeria who arrived last week to work in our diocese. The Vocationist Congregation's main charism is "identifying and fostering vocations to priesthood and religious life, especially among the less privileged". Their work is to help those they serve discern properly and answer the call of God in their life. For their first few months here, Fr. Benedict Olelewe, sdv is assigned to Our Lady of the Assumption, Stratford and St. Joachim, Vernon River, and Fr. Francis Sohe, sdv is assigned to St. Simon and St. Jude, Tignish. Welcome to our diocese!

This Year's Mass of Chrism will be celebrated at St. Dunstan's Basilica on Monday March 25 at 7 pm. Reception to follow in Glastonbury Hall (downstairs from main church) All are invited!

Those wishing to join the Diocesan Choir for the Mass of Chrism at St. Dunstan's Basilica on Monday March 25 at 7 pm are invited to rehearse Monday March 18 at 6:30. This special rehearsal will be held in the Boardroom of the St. Dunstan's University Building, located to the left of the Basilica and up the main centre stairs from Great George Street, Charlottetown. For more information please contact Basilica music director Leo Marchildon at leomarchildon88@gmail.com.

Retreat Day on The Beatitudes: On Saturday, April 6, Sister Joan Campbell is offering a retreat on the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12). The retreat will be held at the Spirituality Centre from 10 am - 3 pm. Tea and coffee will be provided. Please bring a bag lunch. Suggested Fee is \$25. Register with drjoancsm@gmail.com. For more information on our programs please visit www.pei-marthas.ca or search The Sisters of Saint Martha of PEI once you are in Facebook.

Development and Peace Solidarity Sunday workshop, 2pm – 4pm, March 17, MacKenzie Room, St. Pius Church, Parkdale. Speakers: Adah Ogbe, Struggles of Small Farmers in the Global South and Joe Gunn, Spirituality of Solidarity. Sharing table. Please give generously to the Share Lent collection.

Marriage Prep Course offerings: Getting married in the Catholic Church this year? You will need to attend a marriage prep course. Heart-of-the-Matter Marriage Preparation Course is being offered on two occasions: April 19/20 and July 5/6. If you wish to attend or would like more information, please reach out to Pat Wiedemer at patria.wiedemer@outlook.com or call 902-393-6047. Both courses start Friday evening and go all day Saturday. They are held at St Francis of Assisi Church in Cornwall. Registration required.

Unit Notices

Lenten Reconciliation service: A service of the 2nd rite of reconciliation will be held on March 20 at 7pm in Stella Maris sacristy.

Knights of Columbus Unit Dinner: The next K of C unit dinner is on Saturday March 23 at 4:45pm in Stella Maris Parish Centre. The meal is pork chip 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 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.

St. Augustine's Notices

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.

Lay directors St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Parish Inc.: The nomination period for lay directors for St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Parish Inc. is now closed.

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.

Need Assistance? St Anne's pastoral council would like to offer to help anyone who doesn't drive at night but would like to get to evening mass, or doesn't drive on bad roads but would still like to get to mass on Sunday, or would like an arm to take a hold of to get from their vehicle when the parking lot is icy/snowy to the door. We would love to help in any way to allow our church community to attend mass. You can contact Monica Simpson (902-213-1486) Jacinta Doiron (902-213—0271) Tim Callahan (902-388-4169)

Lay directors St. Anne's Roman Catholic Parish Inc.: The 3-year term of lay directors of the Parish Corporation have expired. If there are any parishioners interested in standing for election, please let Fr. Albin know before March 25 when nominations close.

Generator: St. Anne's was gifted a small generator after Fiona, (government gave to fire depts. and they gave to us) if you find yourself in need of a generator please contact Leonard Peters at 902-393-0427 to make arrangements to borrow our generator.

Stella Maris

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.

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

Anyone visiting cemetery should proceed with caution, I would expect repairs to grave sites would not be complete until middle of May. Ground may look solid but graves do cave in and could cause serious fall. *Cemetery caretaker Ronnie*

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Community Notices

Star of the Sea Seniors Club: Coffee Break, Tuesdays (10-11). The Stitch Group, Wednesdays, (9:30). For Club Rentals, please call Estelle 963-3599.

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.

Rustico Bay Ceilidh and Dance: On Saturday, March 23 at 8pm with "Haché". They will play some of your country favorites as well a variety of rock and roll and music of the Maritimes. Doors open at 7:15. Bar service, 50/50. 19 and over. Admission \$12 at the door.

Fundraising Supper: Traditional Fishcakes & Beans & Cornbread. Homemade Ice Cream & Dessert. \$20. Friday, March 22 at 6pm. Hosted by Farmers Bank Museum in multi-purpose room at École Saint-Augustin, 2244 Church Rd. Proceeds towards major elevator repairs at the museum. Call 902-628-3131 or email: rusticofarmersbank@gmail.com