

# The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

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

## Divine Mercy Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter ✠ April 7, 2024

### This Weekend's Liturgy

**1st Reading** Acts 4:32-35

**2nd Reading** 1 John 5:1-6

**Gospel** John 20:19-31

### Weekly Mass Schedule

**Monday** No Mass

**Tuesday** 7pm St. Augustine's

**Wednesday** 9am Stella Maris

**Thursday** 9am St. Augustine's

**Friday** 9am St. Anne's

**Saturday** 4 pm Stella Maris

**Sunday** 9:00 am St. Anne's for the people

**Sunday** 10:30am St. Augustine's for Shane Arsenault

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, Stacey Deveaux, Audrey Gallant, James (Lynn) Gallant, James Gallant Jr, Michael Clarence Gallant, Dorena Hall, Freda 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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### Last Weeks Collections & Donations

**St. Augustine's: Good Friday: \$585.00**

**Development & Peace: \$480.00**

**March 31: \$1218.00**

**Stella Maris: Good Friday \$1200.00**

**March 31: \$715.00**

**St. Anne's: Good Friday \$856.00**

**March 30: \$989.00**

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

### Stella Maris Ministries

April 6 Lector: Joan Doiron

April 13 Lector: Joan Gallant

April 20 Lector: Eileen Gauthier

April 27 Lector: Ronnie Blacquièr

May 4 Lector: Joan Doiron

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Louis Gallant

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Marg Goulding

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Mary Blacquièr

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Estelle Bourgeois

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Eric Blacquièr

### St. Anne's Ministries

#### April

Lector: Charlene Vanleeuwen

Ushers: Donnie Doiron, Wilbert Reid and Jacob Croken

Offertory

April 7 Ces Turcotte

Eucharistic Minister: Jacinta Doiron

### **Easter message from the Pastor:**

At Easter, we commemorate, and we celebrate that Jesus did come back to life from the grave. It is true, "God is good and by raising Jesus from death, he has given us new life and hope that he lives on". (1 Peter, 1, 3-4).

May we truly recognize the Lord in our midst. Truly he is risen! Alleluia!

La fête de Pâques qui est la plus grande fête de l'année est par excellence la fête de la vie. Pensons – y un peu; Jésus, qui était mort retrouve la vie en mieux et pour toujours. C'est certainement la plus grande nouvelle de tous les temps. Oui, ce jour est un jour de joie! Alleluia!

Joyeuses Pâques

Happy Easter

Fr. Albin Arsenault

### **Diocese Notices**

**Earth Day Concert:** Pope Francis has reminded us that Saint Francis of Assisi describes Earth, our common home, as a sister with whom we share our life. On Monday April 22, there will be an Earth Day concert at 7pm in the Chapel at The Mount Continuing Care Community (141 Mount Edward Road, Charlottetown). All are welcome. Freewill offerings to support Spirituality Centre programs will be accepted.

**PEI Life Association** is holding its annual baby bottle campaign, Change4LIFE, from April 7 to May 12, to promote life on PEI. Join us in helping advance the beauty of life on PEI. Change4LIFE is one of many ways that PEI Life aims to help the most vulnerable on PEI and make changes for life! There are two ways to support: Online option as an individual or as a team is via: [www.peilife.org](http://www.peilife.org) – click donate, or by taking a bottle from the back of the church. Take a bottle, sign up bottle number and your name, fill the bottle, and return it on Sunday, May 12, Mother's Day. Questions: Call Pat at 902-894-5473 or email [office@peilife.org](mailto:office@peilife.org)

**Medication Basics:** Building Immunity and Preserving Health - Come and learn from Pharmacist, Nathan Comeau, about understanding the risks associated with vaccinations and their outcomes as well as overcoming some challenges and promoting vaccine uptake. In addition, he will spend time discussing medication basics, providing tips and tricks and will offer time for questions you may have. This session, at The Living Well, 96 Patterson is on April 10, 1:30-3:30. A break with a snack is provided. To register email [rmd17csm@gmail.com](mailto:rmd17csm@gmail.com). We are scent free. There is no charge for this session however, you are welcome to bring a food item for our monthly in-house Food Bank.

**Our Lady of Gaudalupe Silver Rose Prayer Service:** Below are this year's participating parishes, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. You are invited to come and pray in any of these rosary-centered prayer services promoting the respect for life and honoring Our Lady of Gaudalupe. Tuesday, April 9 St. Pius X, Charlottetown 7 pm Mass followed by Silver Rose; Wednesday, April 10 St. Paul, Summerside 6:30 pm followed by Mass; Thursday, April 11 St. Simon & St. Jude, Tignish 6:15 pm followed by Mass; Saturday, April 13 Basilica, Charlottetown 4 pm Mass followed by Silver Rose.

## Unit Notices

**The next meeting of the Saint Paul II Ladies group** will be held on Tuesday April 9 at 12 noon in Stella Maris Church. Lunch will be served and there will be a spiritual program. Guest speaker will be Sandra MacNevin, the executive director of Lennon House. Everyone is welcome. For more information call Mary Blacquiere at 213-2083.

**The Knights of Columbus (KofC)** service group of our John Paul II Pastoral Unit has a number of books obtained through the Dynamic Catholic group. The KofC would like to make copies of these books available for borrowing to each of our three parishes. Therefore, we are setting up a mini-library at the back of each of the three churches, along with sign-up sheets to help keep track of the books. There is no fixed borrowing length of time, but we would hope that borrowers would return the book after a month or so, allowing other parishioners to borrow the book. Enjoy!

**Divine Mercy Hour of Prayer:** This prayer service will be held at 3pm on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7 at Stella Maris.

## St. Augustine's Notices

**E-transfer:** St. Augustine's is now set up to receive e-transfers to [st.augustines2190@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## 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)

**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)

**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.

**Thank You:** The family of the late Ann Pratt wish to thank everyone for their prayers, gifts of food, visits and support. Special thanks to Father Albin for his spiritual care to Ann and her family, to those who served and participated in the funeral liturgy, to Lara Diaz and Trish Blanchard for the beautiful music, for those who prepared and provided for the reception, to Rosemary and the CQFH for their special care and attention, and to Marion Murphy for the prayer service. We thank the staff of the QEH, Dr. Lecours, Kathy Hughes and the home care team, and to those who made donations to Hospice PEI in Ann's memory. Thank you, *Jim, Connor and Chantale*

## 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](mailto: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*

## 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. Seniors Lottery is in full swing. Winners Choice of a painting 16 by 20 or a hand crafted quilt 72 by 85. Tickets 3 for \$ 5.00. Contact Eleanor 902-330-3134.

**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.

**Intro to Social Dance:** We will be offering one final 4-week session of Intro to Social Dance prior to summer. As previously mentioned, we will be focusing on the Cha Cha. As with our two previous sessions, we will hold the classes on Monday evening at the Rustico Bay Seniors Club. If numbers warrant we will have a 7-8 group and an 8-9 group. We will start on Monday April 15 which means that we will conclude before the May long weekend. Cost is \$10 pp. Please call Peter McDougall if interested at (782) 377-2456 or email [pmcdouga@unb.ca](mailto:pmcdouga@unb.ca).

**Seniors Luncheon:** The Rural Municipality of Hunter River is pleased to be hosting a series of free luncheons for seniors at the Hunter River Community Centre, 19816 Route 2. The first of these luncheons will be held on Thursday, April 11 at noon. Corn chowder, homemade biscuits and dessert will be served. Pre-registration is required no later than noon on Tuesday, April 9 and can be done by calling 902-621-2170 or emailing [admin.hunter.river@gmail.com](mailto:admin.hunter.river@gmail.com).

**50/50 Bingo** at Cymbria Lions Club Sunday April 7 at 1:30pm. Bring your dabbers.

## 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)