#### **Community Notices**

Al-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 7:30pm. Light lunch and 50/50 included. Everyone welcome.

Wellness Expo: The Gulf Shore Community Health Board will be hosting a free Wellness EXPO at the North Rustico Lions Club on Wednesday May 18<sup>th</sup> from 1-4pm. This event is sponsored by Murphy's Pharmacy and open to all. Come on out and visit our many great exhibitors, along with a chance to win some great door prizes.

BBQ Fundraiser: On May 15 from 11:30-1:30 the Cymbria Lioness and Lions will be hosting a BBQ Fundraiser on the grounds of the Cymbria Lions Club. The costs will be \$3.00 for a hot dog and a drink, donations will also be accepted. This event will take place rain or shine . Proceeds are going to help support two local Jr High School students who will be representing PEI in the Global Finals for "Destination Imagination" at the University of Tennessee later in May. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

House Concert: The Chris Field Trio will perform at Marcel and Simone Buote's home on Saturday, May 14 at 8pm. This very talented trio features Chris on vocals/guitar, Wayne Dunsford on electric bass/backing vocals and Matt Bridges on drums. The focus of the trio is a mix of good

### Keeping in Contact...

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the unit. We thank God that you are with us. If we may assist you, please fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket.

□ New parishioner.

□ I am home bound and would like someone to visit me.

I am going to be in hospital, please call on me.

 Name:
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 Address:
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time blues, originals and funk. Join us to share great music, a great atmosphere and good food. Brings snacks and BYOB. Admission is \$15

Festival of Small Halls-Thursday June 23rd at 7:30pm.at the Cymbria Lions Club. Scottish Invasion featuring -- The Paul McKenna Band (Scotland), Ben Miller & Anita MacDonald (Cape Breton) accompanied by Zakk Cormier (P.E.I.) & Tyson Chen (Ontario), Nick VanOuwerkerk (P.E.I.) also accompanied by Zakk Cormier (P.E.I.) and also Special Guest:College of Piping Highland Dancers (P.E.I.) Tickets :\$25.00 available at Gallants Irving and the Cymbria Lions Club. Buy early so you are not disappointed.

Rustico Bay Club: Meeting for members will be held on Monday May 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:30. Card party Monday at 7:30 Dance at the Rustico Bay Club on Sat. May 14<sup>th</sup>. Music by Country Steel

Concert: Don't forget to attend The Men of the Harvest Choir Concert at Central Queens United Church, Hunter River, on Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. This mens' multi-denominational harmony group is a "must see and hear", singing old favourites and contemporary songs familiar to all. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased from Harvey at 902-964-2707 or Kim at 902-964-2929 or at the door. Light refreshments will be served.

The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island

## Ascension of the Lord <sup>I</sup>May 8, 2016

#### Schedule May 9 to May 15

Monday: 9am St. Augustine's Tuesday: 9am Stella Maris for Len Baker Wednesday: 9am St. Augustine's **Thursday**: Priest's day off—no mass Friday: 9am St. Anne's Saturday: 6pm Stella Maris Sunday:9am St. Anne's for Victor Doiron 10:30am St. Augustine's Scheduled weekday Mass is cancelled for a funeral.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy for the Sick and Dying will be said following weekday Masses.

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.

Office: 902-963-2245 Father Raj Santiago: 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, Debbie, Melanie, Parker, Sally, Steve, Herbie Blacquiere, Ann Blais, Peter Buote, Sue Casey, Evan Clark, John DeLima, Kathy Doiron (Inez), John Doucette, Nancy Doucette, Roger Emond, Audrey Gallant, Brenda Gallant, Cathy Gallant, Cathy C Gallant, Cecilia Gallant, Dale Gallant, Pearl Gallant, Jeanette Gauthier, Sonny Gauthier, Mary Gillis, Rose Hennessey, Alice Hepp, Leo LeClair, Paul MacDonald, Carol MacIsaac, Jen Marten, Alan Perry, Joe Perry, 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:** "It (mercy) will be a way to re-awaken our conscience, too often grown dull in the face of poverty." (MV#15)

Phone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell:



# Youth Ministries CDG—LDG—YDG



A big heartfelt thank you to all who generously provided snacks to the religion program throughout the year. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. It enables the program to be successful, showing the youth that there are many caring people among them in their community.

#### **Donations were provided by:**

Georgina & the late Vincent Blacquiere, Fitzgerald & Snow, Cymbria Lionettes, St Augustine & St Anne's Property & Finance, North Rustico & Cymbria Lions, Stella Maris Provincial Credit Union, North Rustico Fire Department, St Augustine's Choir, Conseil Acadien de Rustico, John Paul II CWL, Knights of Columbus, Stella Maris Parish.

Eric Blacquiere

Snack Coordinator

#### **Unit Notices**

Year of Mercy: The seventh and final spiritual work of mercy is to pray for the living and the dead. Prayer is one of the most powerful ways we can support others. Joining together in prayer for the living and the dead entrusts us all into God's care. Request a mass intention for a friend or family member who is going through a difficult time, and for one who has passed away. Keep a book of prayer intentions. writing down the names of those you are keeping in your prayers. Through prayer, entrust your cares and concerns for those around you to God. During the day, when you think of someone, say a quick silent prayer for them.

**Blessing of Little Children:** Children who accompany their parents at Communion time are invited to wait for a blessing from Father and the other Eucharistic Ministers in all 3 parishes.

**Unit Pastoral Council Meeting:** Tuesday May 10<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm at Fr. Raj's House

May meeting of John Paul 2 CWL will be held on Tuesday May 17 @ Stella Maris at 1pm. Roll call will be answered with a scripture quote...all ladies welcome!

### Stella Maris' Notices

**During the month of May** we will say the rosary fifteen minutes before Mass on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

#### St. Anne's Notices

Ministries for May: Proclaimer: Ray Murphy Youth Proclaimer: Rebecca Wiegers Eucharistic Minister: Marina Doiron Ushers/Ministers of Hospitality: Ron Doiron, Inez Doiron and Paula Doiron Offertory Families: May 8 Phyllis Reid, May 15 Chris & Lori-Ann MacFarlane, May 22 Randy & Shannon Johnston, May 29 Alethea Mullally

**Plants for St. Anne's Church:** If you are interested in donating a plant in memory of a loved one or money to go towards the purchase of some plants, please speak with Marina Doiron. The Pastoral Council is looking to decorate the alter with plants over the summer months. Much continued thanks is expressed to Gemma as she continues to ensure our alter is blessed with the richness of beauty.

**St. Anne's Cemetery** clean up Day Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> at 8am. Many hands make light work. Thanks! *The Cemetery Committee*.

**St. Augustine's Notices Appreciation Luncheon:** There will be an Appreciation Luncheon for all choir members past and present on May 29<sup>th</sup> at the Cymbria Lions Club after mass. If you are or have been or have had a family member in the St. Augustine's Choir, please sign the list at the back of the church.

#### **Diocese Notices**

The responsibility to protect one another's life: The teaching of the Catholic Church and the stance of the Catholic Bishops of Canada affirm the sacredness and dignity of human life. Suicide and euthanasia are contrary to the most profound natural inclination of each human being to live and preserve life. Furthermore, they fundamental responsibility that contradict the human beings have to protect one another and to enhance the quality of health and social care which every human life deserves, from conception to natural death. To learn more about physicianassisted suicide, visit http://www.cccb.ca/site/eng/ media-room/euthanasia-and-assisted-suicide/4463campaigns-against-physician-assisted-suicide.

**Celebrating our Diocesan Heritage:** All are invited to honor our diocesan patron saint on the Feast Day of Saint Dunstan with a special Mass at 7:00pm on Thursday, May 19 at the Basilica in Charlottetown. A reception will follow Mass in the church basement.

**The next Teen Encounter Weekend** will be May 13-15th at Belcourt Centre in South Rustico. To register, please visit: dioceseofcharlottetown.com/ teen-encounter-registration/

Martha Spirituality Centre: to register, call 902-367-3103 or srgemma@eastlink.ca. Women's Spring Retreat Day with Rev. Amanda Henderson -Bolton, minister at St. James Presbyterian Church, on Saturday, May 14, 10 am-3pm. Her theme is Spring Renewal: Healthy Spiritual Practices. Cost is \$30. Limited to 30 women. Men's Retreat Day with Fr. Bill Brennan, pastor of St. Dunstan's Parish in Fredericton, on Saturday, May 28, 10am-3pm. Cost \$30. Limited to 30 men.

Free food safety courses for volunteers: Persons interested need to register early at

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS St. Augustine's Sunday, May 1 \$ St. Anne's Sunday, May 1: \$553.00 Pope's Pastoral Works: \$253.00 Stella Maris Sunday, May 1: \$780.00 Papal Charities: \$205.00 Education of Seminarians: \$145.00 Thank You for Your Donations to Our Parishes! Please consider including your Parish in your will.

envhealth@ihis.org to ensure available seating. Locations and times are as follow: Dundas Plowing Match Hall: Thursday morning May 26, 9 am-noon. Trinity United Church, Charlottetown: Wednesday evening May 25, 6–9pm. Slemon Park (Summerside area) Thursday morning May 26, 9am-noon. St. Anthony Legion (Bloomfield area) Tuesday evening May 24, 6-9pm.

**Divine Inner Healing Retreat:** May 27-29 with Fr. Joby Kachappilly, VC, in Antigonish, NS. For more information: Cathy at mcmacdougall@hotmail.com or 902-863-1560.

**Family Retreats** are a great chance to spend some quality time with your own and to meet other Catholic families. The Thursday evening thru Sunday Retreats are held at Kolbe Retreat Center in Grand River PEI. The \$250 registration fee covers all food and lodging for your whole family. There are six retreats scheduled for this summer: June 30 - July 3, July 14-17, July 21-24, Aug. 4-7, Aug. 18-21 and Aug. 25-28. Space is limited so please register early. For more information visit www.hfmpei.com call 902-854-2719 or e-mail info@hfmpei.com.

Annual Diocesan Scripture Institute: July 4-7 at St. Pius X, with Rev. Normand Bonneau, OMI presenting on The Letters of St. Paul. Watch for brochures in your parish or see www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com

**CNIB Volunteers:** Are you interested in lending a hand – and eyes – for a couple of hours a week to help a person living with vision loss in Charlottetown? Email jeff.deviller@cnib.ca for more information!