

The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit
Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island
Third Sunday of Advent ❖ December 15, 2024

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday 9am St. Anne's for Eleanor Larkin Rander
Monday 7pm Stella Maris Second Rite of Reconciliation
Tuesday 7pm St. Augustine's
Wednesday 9:30am Villa Marguerite
Thursday 9am St. Augustine's
Friday no mass
Saturday 4 pm Stella Maris for the people
Sunday 9:00 am St. Anne's Eleanor Larkin Ranger
Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's for Glen Ford
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 Bulletin - www.jp2pastoralunit.com/bulletins.php

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.

December 14 Andre Lavoie

December 24 Faye Fyfe

January 4 Joan Doiron

Stella Maris Ministries

December 21 Paul Blacquiére

December 28 Ronnie Blacquiére

January 11 Karen Lavoie

St. Anne's Ministries

December

Eucharistic Minister: Sam Vail

Lector: Charlene Vanleeuwen

Ushers: Mike Doiron and Leonard Peters

Gifts to the Altar

December 15 Phyllis & Tom Reid

December 22 Aletha Gallant

December 29 Clifford & Michelle Proctor

Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24-6pm: Stella Maris

December 24-8pm: St. Anne's

December 24-10pm: St. Augustine's

December 25-10:30am: St. Augustine's

Diocese Notices

Journey Through Bethlehem: Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Stratford will be having a Journey Through Bethlehem Drive Through event on the Parish Property December 20 and 21. This event will begin at 6pm and continue until 8pm each evening and all parishes across the Island are invited to join us in celebrating the true meaning of Christmas.

Gloria! Christmas at the Basilica: This year's Christmas concert at St. Dunstan's Basilica will feature John Rutter's "Gloria" as well as the popular cantata "The Wonders of His Love", performed by 45 voices and accompanied by a 38 piece orchestra, all under the direction of Leo Marchildon. Tuesday December 17 at 7 pm, admission by donation.

Make Christmas come alive as you join in on the annual Old Fashioned Christmas Tea on Sunday December 15 from 1pm to 4:30pm at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Center. Everyone is welcome. See You There!

Ordinary Year of Jubilee: Pope Francis announced that 2025 will be an Ordinary Year of Jubilee, with the theme being "Pilgrims of Hope." Join Bishop Joseph Dabrowski for Mass to open the Jubilee Year in our Diocese on Sunday, December 29 at 5pm at St. Dunstan's Basilica. A light reception will follow. More details about events celebrating the Jubilee in our Diocese are forthcoming.

The celebration of light at the Martha Spirituality Centre, previously booked for 7pm on Tuesday, December 17, has been changed to 7pm on Sunday, December 15. All are welcome. If you have already registered, kindly let Sister Joan know whether or not you will be able to attend on the 15. New registrations are still welcome. Email Sister Joan at drjoancsm@gmail.com.

Catholic Women's League Membership Contest 2025: Every CWL council on PEI is encouraged to sign up new members! The council with the largest increase (%) in new members for 2025 will receive up to 5 free registrations for their council members to attend the provincial convention in May. Also, each new member will have their name entered into a draw for a prize. Every council has the same opportunity. As we approach the Jubilee of 2025 let's reach out to all Catholic women and offer the sisterhood of love and support that characterizes this great Canadian Catholic women's organization. Please reach out to Cheryl Boom, PEI Provincial Council VP, for any questions at 780-982-0724.

Unit Notices

Stella Maris Community Foodbank: The hours of operation for the food pantry at Stella Maris Church are Monday and Friday: 10am to 12 noon and Wednesday: 3pm to 5pm. Food items can be dropped off during operating hours or also at the North Rustico Home Hardware during store hours. If you require assistance outside of these hours, please contact Donnie Blacquiére at 902-569-8536.

Last Weeks Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$777.25

Stella Maris: \$790.00

St. Anne's: \$795.00

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

OUR PRAYER LIST

Ali, Giselle (Buote), Kim Coles, Stacey Deveaux, Shirley Doiron, Audrey Gallant, James (Lynn) Gallant, James Gallant Jr, Jonathan Gallant, Todd Gallant, Nicky Garland, Lisa MacFadden, Rosie Pangman (Gallant), Freda Peters, Annette Pettit, Jennifer Pitre, Ben Powell, Arvilla Roche, Dane Simpson, Suzie Smith

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

Marion Murphy 902-621-0725

Angela Gallant 902-393-0960

Rose Gallant 902-963-3516

The Family Faith Formation gatherings happen on the 3rd Sunday of the month at St. Anne's after the 9am Mass. If your child is ready to receive instruction for First Holy Communion (7 years of age) or Confirmation (grade 9) you can register them at this address as well. Call Anne-Marie Vessey at 902-964-3442 for more info.

All are invited for a Christmas House Tour of the Parish Rectory at St. Augustine's in South Rustico on Sunday, December 15 from 1 to 4pm. Good Will Offerings accepted at the door will be used for pastoral programs.

2nd Rite of reconciliation – December 16, 7pm Stella Maris

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.

Mass Stipends: It is diocesan policy that only one intention is offered per mass. It is suggested that you reserve well in advance of your chosen date. Every effort is made to respond to your request and we apologize in advance if mass needs to be celebrated on an alternate date. When requesting memorial masses, it would also help to specify the church where the mass will be celebrated.

St. Augustine's Notices

Catholic Register - Many of you may have seen copies of the Catholic Register on display at the church entrances. Reading this Catholic newspaper is a great way to be informed about happenings in our Church. There are lots of articles about the Church in different parts of the world and information about our faith at different stages of our life (bullying, marriage etc). We have a parish subscription and a new paper is available every week. Please feel free to take a copy home and enjoy reading and learning at your leisure.

Cancelled!!! The Christmas Carol Sing which was to be held on December 22 at St. Augustine's has been cancelled.

St. Anne's Notices

Live Streaming Mass Online: You can find it at https://www.facebook.com/stannespei/live_videos

St. Anne's Choir Practice: there will be choir practice for Christmas after Mass on December 8 and 15.

Sunday envelopes for 2025 are now available at the entrance of the church. Please put your names and address on the first couple of weekends. Anyone not using envelopes and wishing to do so get in touch with Inez at 902-626-7032.

Stella Maris

Church Opening: Our church will be open during the following hours from now until May, 2025: 4pm mass on Saturdays and 9am mass on Wednesdays. Also, our Church will be open during food-bank hours as follows: Mondays and Fridays - 10am to noon; Wednesdays - 3pm to 5pm. Of course, our Church will also be open for any other occasions such as weddings, funerals, baptisms, etc. *Property and Finance Committee*

Christmas Memorial Tree: Once again, we will have a memorial tree. If you wish to make a donation to have a departed loved one's name added to the tree, see Lorraine Lemay.

Choir Practice: From Janet Coathup: If you are interested in joining the choir for Christmas, there will be a practice in the church on Sunday December 15 at 1pm. Would love to see a good turn out.

2025 envelopes: New envelopes are now available at the back of the church. If you have not received a set of envelopes in the past and wish to receive them, please contact Peter Gallant at 902-963-2460.

Community Notices

Star of the Sea Seniors Club: Coffee Break (10-11) every Tuesday. Stitch Group on Wednesdays 9:30 all year. For Club Rentals, please call Lorraine LeMay 902-360-2060.

The Cymbria Lions Club (2184 Church Road) is now designated by the provincial government as a reception centre. During times of an emergency when services are lost (think Hurricane Fiona), the club will offer warmth, water, wifi, and other services. For more info, please email info@cymbrialionsclub or call 902-963-2166.

Cribbage at Cymbria Lions club is on Thursday at 7pm. \$10 per person and bring a partner.

Christmas Carol Concert: Central Queens United Church is pleased to host a Christmas Carol Concert on Sunday, December 22 at 7pm. The concert will be presented by Central Queens Musical Friends with featured performers; Ellen Davis, Jodi Whitlock, Braiden Campbell, Wade Campbell, Chris DeRoche, as well as other visiting musical guests. Admission will be a free-will offering. Come and enjoy this special evening filled with musical talent and seasonal favourites.

Auction at the Rustico Bay Seniors Club is cancelled until after New Year's.

Yoga classes available at the Star of the Sea Club for December 2024: Mondays: Mat Yoga 10am. Mondays: Mindful Breathing 11:30am. Friday: Chair Yoga 10am. Last classes for the year, the week of December 16 & 20. Classes resume, January 10, 2025. Everyone welcome Contact Paula for further details 782-234-5845.

You Could Save a Life: Give Blood, call 1-800-236-6283 for appointment.

Helping Hands Al-Anon Group will be celebrating their 47th Anniversary on Sunday afternoon at 2pm on December 15 at St. Pius X Church basement, MacKenzie Room. 106 St. Peter's Road, There will be a AA and Al-Anon speaker. A light lunch will be served. All are welcome to attend.

The New Year's Eve Dance at the Rustico Bay Seniors Club is on December 31 (9:00pm -12:15am). Music by Hache. Lunch will be served. Tickets, \$25, can be purchased by contacting Bernice Doucette at 902-621-0199. Come and celebrate the New Year.

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)