

The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

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

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠ March 2, 2025

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday 9am St. Anne's
Tuesday 9am Stella Maris Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesday 7pm St. Augustine's for special intentions
Wednesday 4pm Stella Maris Ash Wednesday
Wednesday 6pm St. Anne's Ash Wednesday
Wednesday 8pm St. Augustine's Ash Wednesday
Thursday 9am St. Augustine's
Friday 9am St. Anne's
Friday 1:30pm St. Anne's - World Day of Prayer
Saturday 8:30am Stella Maris Knights of Columbus
Saturday 4 pm Stella Maris for special intention
Sunday 9:00 am St. Anne's for the people
Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's for Brian Gallant
If there is a funeral at the parish where daily mass is offered, then mass at that parish will be cancelled on that day.

Contact Information

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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.

March 1	Karen Lavoie	March 5	Vern Buote	March 8	Andre Lavoie
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Stella Maris Ministries
St. Anne's Ministries
March

Lector: Heather Doiron Eucharistic Minister: Sam Vail

Ushers: Mike Doiron and John Doiron

Gifts to the Altar

March 2	Janet Pineau	March 9	Anna Farrar
March 16	Gemma Reid & Kathy Doiron	March 23	Eugene & Florence Larkin
March 30	First Communion Children		

Diocese Notices

Martha Spirituality Centre offering: Jesus: Model of Healing and Forgiveness. During Lent, Sister Joan Campbell will offer four Zoom sessions featuring Jesus as the model of healing and forgiveness for his disciples. Dates: Monday March 10, 17, 24 and 31. Time: 6:30-7:45pm. Suggested Fee: \$25. To register contact Sister Joan at drjoanesm@gmail.com.

Martha Spirituality Centre offering: Retreat: Saturday, March 29 at the Spirituality Centre from 10am to 3pm. Topic: Growing in Spiritual Maturity. There are moments in life that change everything. Dr. Beverly Musgrave will guide participants in exploring aspects of psycho spiritual maturity that help to navigate such times and contribute to a deeper and more meaningful spiritual life. Bring a bag lunch. Coffee and tea provided. To register email Gail MacPhee at gail.spiritualitycentre@gmail.com. Suggested fee \$30. For payment details email Sister Joan at drjoanesm@gmail.com.

Development and Peace-Caritas Canada invites us to continue to live the Gospels during Lent, through our solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the Global South who work against the root causes of injustice and poverty. Our Lenten sacrifices, donations, and our commitment helps them to achieve self-determination, enabling their communities to live in dignity.

The Martha Spirituality Centre is offering an Indigenous Teachings Book Study on Zoom: Monday, March 3: "My Conversations With Canadians" by Lee Maracle, 3:00 - 4:30 pm Online. Facilitated by Donna McGreal. To Register and receive Zoom link, email: concernedlaycatholics@gmail.com.

May 16- 26, 2025: Pilgrimage to Medjugorje with Hector Caissie and 2 accompanying priests, Fr. Carlos & Fr. Legendre. Cost of \$3770 includes all airport taxes, security, fuel surcharges, airfare from the Moncton/Halifax, (twin or triple) accommodation, daily breakfast & dinner and experienced local guide. (Optional single room supplement, \$250/p.) INFO: Hector Caissie at hectorcaissie@gmail.com or 506-857-2295.

Lenten Study on Prayer: You are invited to join Fr. Martin Carter for three reflections: The Life of Prayer, The Battle of Prayer, The Lord's Prayer. The reflections will be given (from 7-8:15 pm) at two locations: St. Theresa, Morell (Monday, March 10, 17, 24) and St. Pius X, Charlottetown (Thursday, March 6, 13, 20). All are welcome.

Ash Wednesday Special Collection: This year's Ash Wednesday Collection will be for men's and women's shelters and the bishop's charities.

Unit Notices

Ash Wednesday March 5 Mass schedule: 4:00 pm Stella Maris, 6:00 pm St. Anne, 8:00pm St. Augustine's

Jubilee Year Happenings for St. John Paul II Pastoral Unit: The unit, with the support Fr. Albin and Sam Vail will be offering Eucharistic Adoration services on a weekly basis for the duration of the Jubilee Year. The services will run on Tuesdays. The schedule for the month of March at Stella Maris is as follows: March 4, 11 & 18 at 9:00am, March 25 at 7pm. If you have difficulty with transportation, please contact David Gallant at 902-963-3697.

Last Weeks Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$1016.00

Stella Maris: N/A

St. Anne's: \$765.00

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

OUR PRAYER LIST

Amelia, Giselle (Buote), Theresa Blacquiery, Kim Coles, Stacey Deveaux, Lou Doiron, Nicole Doiron, 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, Dane Simpson, Suzie Smith, Dwayne Williams

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

Family Faith Formation: We try hard to keep to a regular schedule. However, school breaks and holidays sometime force us to have our faith formation gathering on a different date. If weather and road conditions force us to cancel, an email will be sent out between 7 and 7:30am of the gathering Sunday. Here are the dates for the remainder of the year, March 9, April 13, May 25 and June 15. As always, the gatherings happen at 10am at St. Anne's Church in Hope River. All children, parents and other interested people are more than welcome to attend.

Lenten Coffee House and Prayer Study: Beginning Monday, March 3, our pastoral unit will be hosting a Coffee House at the Rustico Bay Seniors Club from 7:00pm to 8:30pm and will run every Monday for the 7 weeks of Lent, finishing on April 14. The evening will allow for socialization over Coffee, tea and treats followed by a video presentation of "The Prayer Course". The course is a video series by Pete Greig that discusses and dives deep into the "Lords Prayer" which was Jesus' response to the disciples when they asked him "Lord, teach us how to pray". This course will teach us how to pray as Jesus wanted us to. This is an opportunity to deepen your prayer life, whether you are new to the faith or have been a Christian for many years. The course is open to anyone with an interest in attending. Registration at 7:00pm.

World Day of Prayer: St. Anne's, Friday, March 7 at 1:30pm. World Day of Prayer celebrated each year is an ecumenical service developed by different countries and denominations. It brings awareness of the customs and concerns of the people of that area. All join in their prayers for Justice and Peace. After the time of worship through sharing of the Word, prayer and music fellowship continues in the side chapel with muffins and tea. Hope to see you all there.

Way of the Cross: During Lent the Way of the Cross will be held each week in our parishes. Stella Maris Friday at 10:30am. St. Anne's Monday after mass. St. Augustine's Sunday at 9:45am.

The next meeting of the Knights of Columbus is on March 8 commencing at 8:30am with Mass in the sacristy of Stella Maris church followed by breakfast at 9am & the business meeting at 9:30. All men of good faith are welcome.

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.

Volunteers: If you or anyone in your family would like to volunteer for a church ministry we would love to hear from you! This includes lectors (French and/or English), ministers of the Eucharist, altar servers (adult and youth are welcome), choir members, greeters, and ushers. If you are unsure what to do, training can be provided. We are also in need of people willing to be trained on preparing the altar for Mass as well as being adult altar servers. Perhaps you are new to our parish or perhaps you just want to get more involved. Please call Anne-Marie Vessey at 902-964-3442. Being involved is the BEST way to get to know your parish family!

St. Anne's Notices

WIFI Available: St. Anne's is wifi accessible. Please feel free to use our network while at our church.

Walk Down Memories Lane: Our website with the video we took last fall and the photos submitted by parishioners and former parishioners is now live. You can view the video and photos at <https://stannespei.com>

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

Rosary: St. Anne's parish will be reciting the rosary at 8:30am on the last Sunday of each month.

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

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*

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.

Bingo: There's a 50/50 bingo at Cymbria Lions club Sunday March 2 at 130 pm. Bring your dabbers.

Community Yoga and Meditation Classes at the Star of the Sea Club: Mondays: Mat Yoga 10am. Mondays: Mindful Breathing Meditation 11:30am. Friday: Chair Yoga 10am. Contact: Paula Smith 1-782-234-5845 or itsallyogarith@gmail.com.

St Patrick's Potluck & Games Night: Friday, March 14. 5pm Potluck followed by Fun & Games. Star of the Sea Club, North Rustico. Cash bar. 19 & over Welcome

Rustico Bay Club Ceilidh and Dance with Kelly Buote on Saturday, March 8 at 8pm. Kelly, an accomplished musician and vocalist will entertain you with a bit of everything, from rock and roll and some of your country favorites. Doors open at 7:15pm. At 2104 Church Rd. in Rustico. Admission \$12.

Come join us at the Rustico Bay Seniors Center (55+) Coffee House Social each week on Wednesday 1 to 3 pm. We socialize, play games/cards, and some bring knitting projects with them/. other crafts. Love to see you this 2025!

Next Wednesday, March 5, Art Buote will demonstrate Stained Glass at the Coffee House Social. Come and see the beautiful projects that are created with Stained Glass.

Auction will be held at the Rustico Bay Seniors Club each Monday at 1pm. All card players are invited to attend. You do not need to bring a partner. Cost \$5 per person and there's a 50/50. For more information, please call Marina at 902-626-5688.

Join a Ukulele Music Class at the Rustico Bay Seniors Club starting Wednesday March 19, 3:30-4:30. Hazel St. Amand, former Central Queens teacher, will be the instructor. Bring your ukulele. Bring a music stand if you have one. Cost: \$5. Please contact Marina Doiron at 902-626-5688 if you have questions.