The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

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

Second Sunday of Lent March 16, 2025

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday 9am St. Anne's

Tuesday 9am Stella Maris Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 7pm St. Augustine's

Wednesday 9:30am Villa Marguerite

Thursday 9am St. Augustine's

Friday 9am St. Anne's for Anne Pratt Saturday 4 pm Stella Maris for the people

Sunday 9:00 am St. Anne's for Ann Pratt

Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's for John and Pat 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.

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Diocese of Charlottetown - www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com

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Bulletin Announcements: Email notices to bulletins@jp2pastoralunit.com or call Francis @ 902-886-2761. Deadline for weekly bulletin is Thurs. at 4pm.

Stella Maris Ministries

Paul Blacquiere March 22 Ronnie Blacquiere March 29 Karen Lavoie March 15 April 5 Joan Gallant April 12 Eileen Gauthier April 17 Faye Fyfe April 19 April 18 Vern Buote April 26 Joan Doiron Lorraine Lemay May 3 Andre Lavoie

St. Anne's Ministries March

Lector: Heather Doiron Eucharistic Minister: Sam Vail Ushers: Mike Doiron and John Doiron

Gifts to the Altar

March 16 Gemma Reid & Kathy Doiron March 23 Eugene & Florence Larkin

March 30 First Communion Children

Diocese Notices

You are invited to join us on Saturday, April 5 from 10am—3pm at the Martha Spirituality Centre for a day of exploring how Spirit-led conversation can help us listen to one another with attentiveness and compassion amid the uncertainties of our time. The session will be facilitated by Julia Donahoe-MacDougald, Michelle Mahoney and Roseanne Macdonald, members of the P.E.I. Local of the Atlantic Association of the Spiritual Exercises Apostolate. To register, email: gail.spiritualitycentre@gmail.com by March 31. Fee is \$25. Tea and coffee will be available, but please bring a bag lunch.

The Chosen Bible Study: Come spend Wednesday evenings during Lent to watch Season One episodes of 'The Chosen', a popular drama TV series on the life of Jesus and his disciples. This is suitable for people 14 years and up. - Wednesday, March 12, 19, 26 and April 2, 9. - 7:00 pm - Glastonbury Hall, St. Dunstan's Basilica. Sponsored by Council 824 of KofC. For more information, call Don at 902 566-4337.

Development and Peace-Caritas Canada asks you to give generously to the Share Lent Collection in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the Global South who face the injustice of insurmountable debt for which they are not responsible. Last year, Canadian Catholics gave \$9.9 million for 74 projects in 34 countries.

The Healing Power of Trees: We believe that we are keepers of a way of life that is in harmony with Earth, our common home that is to be valued and protected (from the Mission of The Living Well). This session, facilitated by Gillian Nichol, focuses on the harmony between ourselves and the trees around us. Through photos, quotes, poetry and music we will look at the beauty and essence of trees with the many gifts and life lessons they offer us. This session, at The Living Well, 96 Patterson Drive, is on March 19, 1:30-3:30. A break with a snack is provided. To register email 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.

Unit Notices

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, 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: 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.

Last Weeks Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$973.80 Ash Wednesday: \$353.00 Stella Maris: \$650.00 Ash Wednesday: \$510.00 Donation: \$200.00

St. Anne's: \$794.00 Ash Wednesday: 550.00

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

Our Prayer list

Adrie, Giselle (Buote), 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, 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 **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 18 at 9:00am, March 25 at 7pm. If you have difficulty with transportation, please contact David Gallant at 902-963-3697.

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.

Baby Bottle Campaign: PEI Life Association is holding its annual baby bottle campaign, Change 4 Life, from March 9 to April 13, to promote LIFE on PEI. Join us in helping advance the beauty of LIFE on PEI. Take a bottle at the back of the church, sign up bottle number and your name plus phone number put what you can in the bottle and return it on by Sunday April 13. There will be bottles at the entrance of our 3 churches.

Unit Property and Finance Committee Meeting: This meeting will be held in the Sacristy of Stella Maris Church on Wednesday, March 19 at 7pm.

Day of Confessions: On March 28, we will celebrate the Day of Confessions across our diocese in all parishes/parish units. The season of Lent is a time to be renewed and to be reconciled with our merciful and loving God. An important part of the Jubilee Year and our Lenten call to personal holiness is the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As Pope Francis reminds us, "Confession is where we encounter Jesus." In an effort to highlight this important part of our Lenten journey, one church in each parish unit across the Diocese of Charlottetown will have priests available to hear confessions throughout the day. Since Fr. Albin refers to St. Augustine's parish rectory as the "Cleopus Residence" (a disciple on the road to Emmaus), he will be entirely committed to hearing confessions in the rectory and dedicating himself in prayer from 8am to 8pm on March 28. Please ring the rectory door-bell for admittance. Our parish website (https://jp2pastoralunit.com) lists the details of our parish confession time and location. For more info about the Day of Confessions, please visit the Diocesan website at: https://dioceseofcharlottetown.com/

Knights of Columbus Unit Dinner: The next K of C unit dinner is on Saturday March 22 at 4:45pm in Stella Maris Parish Centre. The meal is ham and scalloped potatoes with 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 our faith in action programs. 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

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*

Property and Finance Committee Meeting: This meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 25 at 7pm in the Sacristy of our Church.

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.

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 itsall-yogaright@gmail.com.

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!

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.

Rustico Bay Club Ceilidh: Saturday, March 22, at 8pm, Ceilidh and dance welcomes fiddler Louise and guitarist / vocalist Jonathan and base player Shane Arsenault to their stage. Doors open at 7:15. Admission (\$12) is at the door. 19 and over event. We are at 2104 Church Rd. (Rte 243) in Rustico.

Multi Family Flea Market: Saturday, March 22 (9am-3pm). Star of the Sea Club, North Rustico. Something for Everyone.

Dance: Saturday, March 29 (8-10pm). Music by Crow Black Chicken. Star of the Sea Club, North Rustico. Cash Bar. 50/50 Draw. Admission \$ 10. 19 & over Welcome