

The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit
Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island
Fifth Sunday of Easter ✠ May 18, 2025

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday priest annual retreat-No Mass
Saturday 4pm Stella Maris for Regina Blacquiére
Sunday 9:00 am St. Anne's for Wilbert Gallant
Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's
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.

Stella Maris Lectors					
May 17	Faye Fyfe	May 24	Andre Lavoie	May 31	Karen Lavoie
June 7	Vern Buote	June 14	Paul Blacquiere	June 21	Joan Doiron
June 28	Joan Gallant	July 5	Eileen Gauthier		
St. Anne's Ministries					
May					
Lector:	Rosemary MacDonald	Eucharistic Minister:		Sam Vail	
Ushers:	Leonard Peters and Donnie Doiron				
Gifts to the Altar					
May 18	Phyllis Reid	May 25	Aletha Gallant		

Diocese Notices

Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College invites you to attend our Veritas Summer Program, which is being held for the first time this summer! Two sessions will be offered - one from June 29 to July 5, and another from July 20 to 26. This opportunity is open to high school students going into grades 11 or 12, as well as to recent high school graduates. Each morning, students will engage with the Liberal Arts and the great texts of our Catholic Tradition, participating in lectures and Socratic-style seminars which will be guided by our faculty. In the afternoons, students will be able to explore the beautiful Madawaska Valley through canoeing, hiking, swimming, sports, and more! The week will conclude with an overnight camping excursion. A free shuttle van will be sent to the Ottawa airport to pick up and drop off out-of-province students. Registration is still open, at <https://www.seatofwisdom.ca/veritas-summer-program-registration/>, with limited spots available. For more information and for inquiries, contact summerprogram@seatofwisdom.ca.

Catholic Men's Leadership Retreat - St. Joseph Our Model and Guide to Virtuous Leadership: Join us for a weekend of fellowship and prayer as we contemplate how St. Joseph can help us grow in virtue and make us more effective leaders in our homes, parishes and community. Open to Men ages 18 and up. Guest speaker is Michael J. Donnelly, CEO of the Donnelly Group. Date: June 20 – June 21 | Location: Our Lady of Hope Retreat Center | Cost: \$50 (boarding and food). Please contact Brady Grant at bradygrant74@gmail.com to register. Sponsored and hosted by the Knights of Columbus – State Council.

This coming June 5 will mark 40 days since the tragedy at the Lapu Lapu cultural festival at Vancouver. Following with the tradition of the Philippines, Holy Redeemer Church Charlottetown is organising a 40th Memorial Mass at 7pm. Please join us in praying for the souls of all the victims as well as for their grieving family members on Thursday 5 June, 7pm at Holy Redeemer Church, Charlottetown.

Did you know God gives you spiritual gifts to help you be a more effective witness to your faith in your everyday life? A team from the Catherine of Siena Institute will offer the introductory Called & Gifted workshop on Saturday, May 24 from 9am-3pm at St. Paul's Parish in Summerside. If you wonder how you are called to be a channel of His love and provision in your family, workplace, and community, come and begin to discover your unique mission in life. Everyone is invited to participate. To register or find out more, contact Sheila McKenzie at 902-303-4875/ Sheila.trainor@gmail.com Lunch included!

The Sherlock Lecture: a free public lecture open to all. Pope Francis' biographer, Austen Ivereigh, will join virtually to share on the 'Heart of Pope Francis', on Tuesday, May 27 at 7pm in UPEI's McDougall Hall, Room 242. The Sherlock Lecture is hosted in conjunction with the Canadian Catholic Campus Ministry National Conference being hosted by the UPEI Chaplaincy Centre.

Verso L'Alto is a new Catholic young adults group named after the favourite saying of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, Patron of Young Catholics. It means "To the heights!" Being an avid mountain climber and devout Catholic, Frassati reached the peaks of the earth and of the spiritual life before his death at age 24. We are meeting at Saint Dunstan's Basilica on Thursday nights at 7:30 in the Knight's Room (Dorchester street entrance to Our Father's Adoration Chapel) starting May 22. Open to anyone aged 18 and up, this group will be a great source for discussion, friendship, action, and prayer. Please come and check it out if you want to meet some great Catholics your age!

Last Weeks Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's: \$1363.05
Special Donation: \$2000.00
Stella Maris: \$620.00
St. Anne's: May 4: \$1033.00
May 11: \$694.00
Education of Seminarians: \$390.00
Thank You for Your Donations to Our Parishes!
Please consider including your Parish in your will.

OUR PRAYER LIST

Nicole and Max, David Blanchard, Lou Doiron, Nicole Doiron, Wayne Doiron, Derrick Gauthier, Susie Smith, Dane Simpson, Dwayne Williams and all who have cancer
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

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. Here are the dates for the remainder of the year, 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.

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 May at St. Augustine’s is as follows: May 20 at 9am, May 27 at 7pm. If you have difficulty with transportation, please contact David Gallant at 902-963-3697.

Prayer List For The Bulletin: In order to ensure prayer list is always maintained and kept up to date, the names will be updated on a monthly basis. Effective immediately, at the beginning of every month, all names will be removed and if family would like to have the names of loved ones reinstated for the next month, they will be required to call advising to have the names added back to the list. Please refer to the bulletin for the contact names and phone numbers. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Volunteer’s appreciation night: In the 5th month of the Jubilee Year, our Pastoral unit takes an opportunity to honour and show appreciation to the numerous volunteers and their spouses on Friday, May 30 at 7:30pm in the basement of the Stella Maris Church in North Rustico. The program will include a brief prayer service, a 20-minute reflection entitled, “Strengthening Our Community - Living Out Our Baptismal Call” (by Kerry Moore of St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Cornwall). Music will be provided by Louise Arsenault and 3 other musicians and there will be a lunch. A parish is alive; thanks to active parishioners, reaching out, sharing their faith, gifts, and talents. A good evening - so well deserved.

Thank You: We the family of James (Lynn) Gallant wish to offer our sincere thanks to all who helped in any way during the difficult time of James’s passing. To all who visited with food, flowers, cards, and words of condolences. Your kindness meant so much to our family. God bless all of you . With much love, *Audrey and family*.

Funeral Mass for Celeste (Gallant) Routhier will take place at St. Augustine's on June 4 at 10:30am. There will be a reception after in the basement at Stella Maris. Everyone welcome.

St. Anne’s Notices

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.

Prayers of the Faithful: In order to keep our weekly Prayers of the Faithful prayer list current and concise, those individuals who have asked for /and are in need of our prayers on a long term/on going basis will be asked to have their name printed in the bulletin. The Prayers of the Faithful will include all people on our prayer list in the bulletin and anyone who has a sudden illness/situation. The names will be updated on a monthly basis, please see the bulletin for contact names to have someone added to the prayer list on the bulletin. We are always happy and willing to pray for anyone who needs some extra strength.

Stella Maris

Annual Lobster Dinner: Stella Maris is hosting our annual lobster dinner on Saturday May 24. There is a choice of lobster or ham. Meal includes potato salad, cole slaw and dessert at a cost of \$25. Take out (pick up between 2:30 and 3:30) and eat in (5:00pm) is available. Deadline for reservations is Wed, May 21. To reserve your dinner, please call: Alana Gauthier at (902)940-7478 or Cathy Peters at (902)963- 2760.

Stella Maris Church: Our Church will be open daily from Monday to Saturday from 10am to 4pm beginning May 12 until the middle of September.

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.

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!

ALS society of PEI is looking for anyone that may like to volunteer, meetings are approximately once a month. For further information contact either 902-439-1600 or email als.society.pei@gmail.com

Hot Roast Beef Supper: Central Queens United Church invites the public to our annual Spring Hot Roast Beef Take-out Supper on Saturday, June 7. A generous serving of tender roast beef with all the delicious trimmings as well as a tasty dessert. Three take-out times: 3:30, 4:30 and 5:30 pm. Cost: \$20/adult, \$7/ youth (6-12 yrs. of age) and free for children 5 years and under. For tickets contact Debbie at 902-964-2882 or Lois at 902-621-0669. Note: Tickets will be collected at diners’ vehicles and suppers delivered back to their cars in church parking lot. Bon appetite!

Flea Market: Saturday, June 7(9am-2pm). Star of the Sea Club, North Rustico. To book a table, call Genny Gallant@ 902-360-2067 Cut off date to book is June 5 Also, Seniors will host a Baked Goods & New/Used Items Table (Accepting Donations) Something for Everyone!!

Summer Job at Farmers' Bank Museum: June 16 - Aug 31, 2025 / 11 weeks @ \$17/hr. Students will assist in day-to-day operation of the museum. Duties include welcoming visitors, front desk, admissions & gift shop; interpreting Acadian culture; guided tours; bilingual; work in museum uniform or period clothing; help with events & demonstrations; help in the gardens, etc. Please call 902-628-3131 or email: rusticofarmersbank@gmail.com

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)