

the rest of us! We are never too old to learn new things!!!! This is for everyone, young and old alike! *Audrey Gallant, Anne-Marie Vessey*

Diocese Notices

Development and Peace-Caritas Canada is still running the special collection for the 600,000 Rohingya refugees forced to flee Myanmar (formerly Burma). Parishioners who wish to contribute to this much-needed fund can donate at your parish any time between now and Dec. 17. For cheques made out to your parish, please memo as "Rohingya Refugee Fund" and add your parish envelope number. For more information: www.dev.org

Thank you from the Priests' Benevolent Fund would like to express a sincere thank you to all those who make contributions to the Priest's Benevolent Fund pledge campaign. If you require a tax receipt for 2017 contributions, cheques must be dated by Dec 31, 2017. Questions please contact Mary Roche at (902) 892-5510.

The PEI Right to Life Association is having a Christmas Open House Event! In appreciation of the many volunteers and supporters of PEI Right to Life and our efforts to uphold and promote the inherent dignity of each and every human person from conception to natural death we invite all to attend. Please come and join us on Thursday, Dec. 14, from 2-5pm at our office 209 A Queen Street, Charlottetown. For more information: 902-894-5473.

Community Notices

Children's Wish Kids Christmas Fun Afternoon: There will be a kids prize bingo, colouring pages, cookie decorating and a special visit from Santa. All proceeds go to the Children's Wish to help grant a child a wish. Sunday, Dec. 3 at North Rustico Lion's Club from 1pm -3:30pm. Admission \$5 a person.

Rosewood Residents Annual Christmas Party: Dec. 09, 2017. 2pm. Entertainment and buffet. Everyone welcome.

Christmas Get Together: Please reserve Sunday, Dec 16 from 2 to 4pm for the Annual Bob Doucette Christmas get-together at the Farmers Bank. There will be sleigh rides or wagon rides, cider, cookies and Santa Claus. Bring the children for a fun time. Compliments of the Friends of the Farmers Bank and the Cymbria Lions Club.

Guest Speaker: On Dec. 12 at 7pm the Hunter River Lions Club has invited Cpl. Andy Cook from the RCMP. He will be speaking on drug trends on PEI. Everyone welcome.

Al-Anon Group Meeting: Tues. at 10am in the vestry of St. Augustine's Church. In the event of a morning funeral at St. Augustine's, meeting will be held at 1pm. Call 902-894-3503 for more information.

Crib at Cymbria Lions club Dec. 7 at 7pm.

Smiths Christmas Trees Customer Appreciation Days: Dec. 9, 10, 16 and 17 (two weekends). U-cut or Pre-cut balsam fir Christmas Trees, farm fresh hand crafted wreaths, pine and fir boughs. Free hot chocolate, cookies and other surprises. Bring your camera!! We have tons of photo ops and props! Two photo booths. Car and tricycle with baby Christmas tree (perfect for toddlers and babies). 300 Toronto Rd, Mayfield, 902-963-2545.

Rustico Bay Club: Auction card play Mon., Dec. 4. at 7:30pm. Christmas Dance on Sat Dec. 9 at 8pm. New Year's Dance on Dec 31 at 8pm. Music by Country Steel. Tickets for New Year's Dance available from Mark at 964-2674, Margaret at 963-2003 or Bernice at 621-0199 at \$12.50 each. Come and enjoy a great evening of music and dancing!!

Marché de Noel: Saturday Dec. 9, visit the Marché de Noel (Christmas Craft Fair) at the Centre acadien Grand-Rustico. Doors open from 10am until 3pm. There will be prizes, lunch options and many local vendors. www.conseilacadien.com



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

First Sunday of Advent ✕ December 3, 2017

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday: No Mass
Tuesday: 9am at Villa for Fr. Clifford Murphy and Cicely Gallant
Wednesday: 9am St. Augustine's for John Morell
Thursday: 9am St. Augustine's
Friday: 9am Rosewood for George Vernon Gallant, Vincent Blacquiére
Saturday: 4pm Stella Maris for Ronnie Gallant
Sunday: 9am St. Anne's
Sunday: 10:30am St. Augustine's for Margaret Gallant

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Pastoral Associates:

Jacinta Doiron 902-621-0638
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Marion Murphy 902-621-0725
Carol Probert 902-963-3089

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

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

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Alan, Ann, Brian, Debbie, Dorothy, Evan, Graham, Joan, Melanie, Parker, Steve, Steven, Georgina Blacquiére, Ann Blais, Mae Bolger, Cecile Buote, Clarence Buote, Peter Buote, Lyman Burrows, Ashley Cook, Shirley Coughlin, Lisa Delaney, (Inez), David Doiron, Kenny Doiron, John Doucette, Tyrell Doucette, Steven Ellworth, Art Gallant, Audrey Gallant, Brian Gallant, Cathy Gallant, Dale Gallant, Fr. Floyd Gallant, Gail Gallant, Teresa M. Gallant, Sonny Gauthier, Arlene & Clint Harper, Rose Hennessey, Beverly Lannon, Leo LeClair, Jen Marten, Nancy McAdam, Alexa McAllister, Pearl Murphy, Norman Peters, Regis Peters, Zeta Peters, Tom Pettit, Sheldon Pineau, Bernadette Proctor, Dane Simpson, Suzie Smith, Shelley Thomas, Betty Walsh, Pauline Walsh, Emeric Walsh, Dakota Wedge, Shane Wilson

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

Baptisms: Contact Fr. Raj for Baptismal Preparation.

Last Week's Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's Sunday: \$821.00
Rohingya Refugees of Myanmar: \$198.00
St. Anne's Sunday: \$434.00
Rohingya Refugees of Myanmar: \$185.00
Donation (Cemetery Fund): \$1000.00
Stella Maris Saturday: \$950.00
Donation (Cemetery Fund): \$100.00

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



Youth Ministries CDG—LDG—YDG

www.jp2youthministries.com



LDG and YDG
December 3, 2017
January 14, 2018
January 28, 2018
February 11, 2018
February 25, 2018

March 11, 2018
March 18, 2018
April 15, 2018
April 22, 2018

Mass as a Class
December 17 St. Augustine's
January 7 St. Augustine's
February 4 St. Augustine's
March 4 St. Augustine's
April 8 St. Augustine's
April 28 Stella Maris

Strengthening the Caring Community

The Diocese of Charlottetown is dedicated to strengthening its caring communities. It is the policy of the diocese to screen all Parish Volunteer Ministry Positions. So it is mandatory to have the police criminal check certificate to all those who are involved with vulnerable ministries. The certificate is good for 6 years. So if any of you have not gotten your police criminal check certificate or have not gotten it in six years, please try to get it done as soon as possible please! (All those who volunteering in the *Religion Class*, *Finance committee member*, All those who *count money*, all the *members of the corporations*, those who *take communion to others homes*, *Lay Pastoral Associates* and those who *have the Church Keys*)

Unit Notices

Scent Free: Please avoid scented products in our churches. Some parishioners are strongly allergic to chemical fragrances.

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

Christmas Schedule: Saturday, Dec. 23 Evening 4pm Mass at Stella Maris. Sunday, Dec. 24 4pm at St. Anne's 7pm Stella Maris and 10pm St. Augustine. Monday, Dec. 25 at 10:30am St. Augustine's

Our Lady of Guadalupe is the patroness of unborn children. Her feast day is Tues., Dec. 12. Everyone is encouraged to make a novena for the protection of unborn babies by saying

the following prayer each day for the nine days leading up to her feast day, beginning on Mon., Dec. 4: Virgin of Guadalupe, patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. Help expectant parents to welcome from God the priceless gift of their child's life. Console parents who have lost that gift through abortion, and lead them to forgiveness and healing through the Divine mercy of your Son. Teach us to cherish and care for family and friends until God calls them home. Help us never to see others as burdens. Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is love and mercy itself. Amen

CWL Tea reminder on Tues. Dec 5 @12pm @ Rustico Bay Seniors Club. If you need a drive call Joan 963-2559.

Stella Maris' Notices

Mitten Tree is set up for anyone who would like to donate hats, mittens, scarves or socks. These items will be delivered the week of the 17th. Some of these items will be put in the room with the non-perishable items. Thanks for all donations as they are very much appreciated. We already had 2 generous donations of mitts which were enough to give to the daycare and kindergarten at Gulf Shore school.

Defibrillator Training: Training on the use of the defibrillator will take place as soon as we know the number of parishioners wishing to participate in the training. Names should be given ASAP to Norman Gallant or Andre Lavoie as this training must happen in the very near future. *Property & Finance Committee*

Thank You: As everyone has noticed, the top roof on the south side of our Church has had new shingles installed. Also, repairs to the Chimney to prevent leakage will be done ASAP. These repairs will include a membrane being put over the chimney and new flashing. We would like to thank everyone who has so generously donated to our Annual Collection and, as well, all of you who generously support our Church on a weekly basis. It is through your generosity that our Church Building can be kept in good shape. Thank You Again. *Property & Finance Committee*

Church Cleaning & Decorating for Christmas: It is that time of year once again. Please put Wed., Dec. 13, 2017 at 9am on your calendar to help clean our Church. Sr. Phyllis would also like to decorate the Church for Christmas at the same time. It will take, at the most, a couple of hours out of your day. Looking forward to seeing many parishioners join us to clean and decorate our Church. In case of a storm, the storm date will be Thurs., Dec. 14. Thank you. *Property & Finance Committee*

St. Anne's Notices

Ministries for December: Proclaimer: Lori Ann MacFarlane **Youth Proclaimer:** Rebecca Wieggers **Eucharistic Minister:** Marion Murphy **Ushers/Ministers of Hospitality:** Dennis Doiron, Mike Doiron, Jacinta Doiron **Offeratory Dec 10** Frank Doiron, **Dec 17** Ron & Nancy McKinnon & Family, **Dec 24** Wilbert & Brenda Reid, **Dec 31** Marina Doiron

Saint Nicholas Boxes will be packed on Sunday, Dec. 10 after Mass. You may leave your donations of baked goods, fruit, etc. in the Bolger Room before or after Mass that day. Thank you for your continued support of this very important project. May God bless you all.

St. Augustine's Notices

Old Church Windows: Anyone wanting one of the old church windows, for free, from St. Augustine's is asked to take the window before Dec. 11. They have been placed beside the barn which is behind the church. They will not be available after Dec. 11. *St. Augustine's Property & Finance Committee*

Christmas at St. Augustine's: The place to be on Dec. 3 is Cymbria Lion's Club!!!! Come from 1:00 - 4:30 to see how craft people in our area can help you with your Christmas shopping. They will be there waiting to serve you until 4:30. Come at 6pm for our Community Christmas Concert!!! LOTS of laughs, dancing and singing. At intermission we'll sell you some nut-free fudge, 50/50 tickets and we'll have a live cake auction. We'll close the concert with the Nativity. Admission for the concert is \$10/person, \$5 if you are 10 and younger or \$25 for your whole family! All proceeds go to St. Augustine's Church *Joan, Anne-Marie, Audrey*

Dominoes, Sequence, Qwirkle, Cards, Crokinole: Please join us on Wednesdays from 1 - 4 in St. Monica's Chapel at St. Augustine's. If you have a game which you enjoy playing please bring it along to teach to