

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

Charlottetown Legion Choir presents Vivaldi's Gloria and songs from Christmas past, in Charlottetown on Tuesday, Dec. 12 at Trinity United Church, Richmond St. and in Kensington on Saturday Dec. 16 at Kensington United Church. Both concerts are at 7pm. Reception and Refreshments to follow. Tickets are \$10; \$8 for Veterans and Students. Everyone is welcome.

Martha Spirituality Centre (902-367-3103 or srgemma@eastlink.ca) Annual Advent Service of Light on Tues., Dec. 12 at 7pm. All welcome. Donations accepted for the Upper Room.

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

Christmas Get Together: Please reserve Sunday, Dec 17 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.

Smiths Christmas Trees Customer Appreciation Days: Dec. 9, 10, 16 and 17. 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 tri-cycle with baby Christmas tree (perfect for toddlers and babies). 300 Toronto Rd, Mayfield, 902-963-2545.

Central Queens United Church Concert: Sun., Dec. 10, 7:30pm. Phase II and Friends "Christmas in the Country" concert. Join this popular and very talented group of performers as they sing traditional and not so familiar seasonal Christmas songs. Featured performers include Blaine Murphy, Johnny McGarry, Ed Young, Gerry Hickey, Pat King, Jeannie Campbell and Keila Glydon. Admission is \$10 at the door with light refreshments served.

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.

Star of the Sea Seniors: Cribbage has now finished for 2017 and will start again on Tuesday January 2 at 1pm. See you then!

Rustico Bay Club: Card play Dec. 11 and 18 at 7:30pm. Christmas Dance on Dec. 9 at 8pm. New Year's Dance on Dec. 31 at 8pm. Tickets (\$12.50 ea) available from Bernice at 621-0199, Margaret at 963-2003 or Mark at 964-2674.

Auction at Cymbria Lions Club Thursday Dec. 14 at 7pm.



The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit *Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island* **Second Sunday of Advent ✨ December 10, 2017**

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: 9am at Stella Maris

Wednesday: 9am St. Augustine's

Thursday: 9am St. Augustine's

Friday: 9am St. Anne's

Saturday: 4pm Stella Maris for Jim, Sarah, Urbain, Helen and Marcel Doiron. For Mary MacKinnon, Donald Doucette, Mary Gillis and Al Bourgeois

Sunday: 9am St. Anne's

Sunday: 10:30am St. Augustine's for Herold Doucette and Urban Christopher Gallant

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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

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Alan, Ann, Brian, Debbie, Dorothy, Evan, Graham, Joan, Melanie, Parker, Steve, Steven, Georgina Blacquiere, 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

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Fr. Raj Santiago 902-963-2245

Baptisms: Contact Fr. Raj for Baptismal Preparation.

Last Week's Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's Sunday: \$877.60

Christmas Concert/craft sale: \$2320.25

St. Anne's Sunday: \$725.00

Cemetery Fund: \$30.00

Stella Maris Saturday: \$780.00

Donation (Lionettes) Flowers: \$100.00

Cemetery Fund: \$50.00

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



Youth Ministries

CDG—LDG—YDG

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LDG and YDG
 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 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.

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

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

Fundraiser for Sister Cecile a successful event: The fundraiser for Sister Cecile's work in Kumbo has surpassed all expectations by raising over \$10,700. Your generosity will

help some of the most destitute in Kumbo, Africa & give them the opportunity to live in dignity. On behalf of Sister Cecile & all the organizers, we express our gratitude for your generosity. We would like to acknowledge the efforts of Kathy & Halo Gallant in bringing in over \$1300 from the bottle and can collection. As well, we thank the musicians who donated their time & talent, all those who donated prizes, brought food & helped in many ways. The people of Kumbo are a faith filled people & as we bring joy & aid to them they continue to pray for each & every one of us. Thank you again for your generosity & support. May God bless all of you. Merry Christmas.

Reconciliation service for our unit will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 12 at Stella Maris, at 6:30pm.

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 day-care and kindergarten at Gulf Shore school.

Memorial Tree: Once again we have the opportunity to remember our deceased loved ones by placing a bow on the Memorial Tree at the front of the church. If you wish to do so you may make a donation and give the name or names of the loved ones to Sister Phyllis. The donations will be used for our church needs.

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*

Thank You: Thank you to the parishioners who once again put wreaths and pots containing branches and dried berries for the Christmas season at the front entrance of our Church. *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 **Offer-tory 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.

Sunday Envelopes for 2018 are now available on the table near the altar. Please remember to put your name on them for the first few weeks. Anyone not presently using envelopes, but wishing to do so, may pick up a blank set or see Kathy Doiron after Mass.

Christmas Dinner: We will not cook a Christmas Dinner at the church this year. In it's place, we will take a dinner to your home if you do not have some place to go. Call Jacinta or Marion to place your order.

Choir Practice: Tuesday, Dec. 12 10:30am to prepare for Christmas. We would appreciate new members to join us.

St. Augustine's Notices

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 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*

Thanks! - Thank you to everyone who helped make the Christmas Concert and Craft Fair a success!!! We raised over \$2000 for the parish! A special thank you to the Cymbria Lion's Club for generously allowing us to use their lovely facility. *Joan, Audrey, Anne-Marie, Phyllis and Delma*

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