

we are praying will be cleared to travel in early 2016. That particular sponsorship has been in process for almost four years! This is very good news!! Please continue to pray for all refugees and help us welcome those that will be received as permanent residents to Prince Edward Island. We wish to express our most heartfelt gratitude for all of the support Islanders have provided to the Diocese over the last several months. Please continue to discern how you can help any and all vulnerable populations of refugees. Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and the happiest and most blessed New Year. - Susan Nye-Brothers, Refugee Sponsorship Coordinator

The Catholic Centre will be closed from December 24 to January 4.

The Annual General Retreat at Belcourt Centre in South Rustico will be held January 22-24, 2016, led by Fr. Danny Wilson. The theme will be **"God's Mercy"**. To register please call 902-963-2877 or e-mail belcourtlodge@gmail.com

Marriage Survey: Would you like to help strengthen marriages in our Diocese? Please consider completing (before February 1, 2016) a 25-minute, anonymous, on-line marriage survey that will be used by doctoral student and clinical counsellor, Stephen Mawhinney, for research in his doctoral thesis. Type in the link, read the opening page and complete the survey, submitting your results at the end. www.surveymonkey.com/r/diocesemarriagesurvey

Check out the Diocesan Website: dioceseofcharlottetown.com for several news items in our diocese including the recently held **Advent/Christmas Dinner for Retired**

Priests (with photos), the Holy Door/Jubilee Year of Mercy, Resettling of Syrian Refugees and the 2016 Confirmation Schedule.

Join Seniors College for an exciting winter of great courses - Art courses are open in Charlottetown and Montague; Writing, History, Literature and Spanish 2 in Summerside and Charlottetown; and Beginning Computer in Montague. View courses and register on-line at seniorscollege.ca or call 902-894-2867. Classes begin the week of January 4th.

Community Notices

Al-Anon Group Meeting: Tuesdays at 10 AM in the vestry of St. Augustine's Church. Call 902-894-3503 for more information.

90th Birthday Celebration: The family of Edna Sampson would like to invite you to help celebrate her 90th birthday on Saturday, January 2, 2016, immediately following the 4 pm Mass from 5 pm - 7pm. We will have open house at her home, 123 Churchill Ave, North Rustico. Best Wishes Only, please.

North Rustico Choral Group practice will resume on Tuesday, January 5, 2016

"Chair and Balance" Classes: GoPEI is sponsoring a 6 week session of the "Chair and Balance" fitness program instructed by Michele Gallant. It will be once a week on Friday mornings from 10:30-11:15, beginning Friday, January 15th, 2016 at the North Rustico Senior's Club. FREE to all participants! A great way to start off a new year!



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

Epiphany of the Lord ✕ January 3, 2016

Schedule January 4 to January 10

Monday: Stella Maris - funeral

Tuesday: 9am St. Augustine's - Lucy LeClair

Wednesday: 9am St. Augustine's

Thursday: No Mass

Friday: No Mass

Saturday: 4pm Stella Maris

Sunday: 9am St. Anne's

10:30am St. Augustine's

Scheduled weekday Mass is cancelled for a funeral.

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

Confessions: Saturday at 10am in St. Augustine's Church. For additional times for confessions please call 902-963-2245.

Baptisms: Contact Fr. Raj for Baptismal Preparation.

Father Raj Santiago: Office: 902-963-2245
Cell: 902-393-0572

Pastoral Associates:

Jacinta Doiron 902-621-0638

Janet Doiron 902-963-3247

Marion Murphy 902-621-0725

Carol Probert 902-963-3089



Our Prayer List: With the beginning of a new year, we will be clearing our prayer list in the bulletin and starting anew. If you would like yourself or a family member to be left on or added to our prayer list please contact:

Marion Murphy 902-621-0725

Angela Gallant 902-963-3438

Rose Gallant 902-963-3516

Father Raj 902-963-2245

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Youth Ministries CDG—LDG—YDG

The youth would like to thank the St. Augustine's choir for supplying snacks at our last religion class.



Kindergarten—grade 9 Religion Class Schedule

January 10, 2016
January 24, 2016
February 7, 2016
February 21, 2016
March 6, 2016
March 13, 2016
April 3, 2016
April 17, 2016

"Mass as a Class" Schedule

January 31, 2016
February 28, 2016
April 24, 2016

CDG Schedule

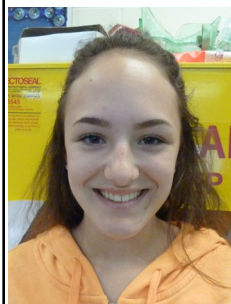
January 15, 2016
February 19, 2016
March 11, 2015
April 15, 2016
May 27, 2016

Important Information

Confirmation will take place Monday, April 25, 2016 at 7pm in St. Anne's.

First Communion will take place Sunday, May 1, 2016 at St. Augustine's.

Your 2015-2016 Confirmation Candidates



Name: Hayley Faith Cardiff
Parents: Tina and Steven Cardiff
Birthday: July 22 2001
Interests: Volleyball, drawing or painting, skiing and snowboarding
Future plans: To be successful. To have a good job and a happy family.
What she really likes: My friends and family, winter time, and music
What she really don't likes: When people don't treat others fairly
Special memory about Church: going I like every Christmas eve when we go to church with my cousins. It's just a happy time.



Name: Abby-Gail Buote
Parents: Ryan and Tammy Buote
Birthday: November 3rd, 2000
Interests: Anything to do with music, play her guitar, and singing
Future Plans: something involving music
What she really likes: music, spending time with family, relaxing at home (reading, movies, etc)
What she really does NOT like: Violence in the world
Special memory about church: when my sister was baptised

Unit Notices

Bulletin Announcements: Email bulletin notices to bulletins@jp2pastoralunit.com or call 902-886-2761 (please leave a message if we aren't home). Deadline for weekly bulletins is Thursday at 4pm.

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.

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

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.

Thank You: I would like to thank all those who were so kind to me during my recent illness. For all the phone calls, cards and visits as well all the chores done and gifts of food. I am especially grateful for your friendship and your prayers. God Bless you all. *Carol Probert*

Unit Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Tuesday Jan 5th @ 7:00pm at Fr. Raj's Place.

St. Augustine's Notices

Thank You: I would like to take the time to send out big thank you's to the staff at The Belcourt Centre especially Earla and Martin Avery and Aletha for hosting A Christmas Gala in my honour, and for all the volunteers who helped out and the great entertainment for this special night. To all of my family, many friends and the community for coming out making this such an eventful occasion! I thank you all for your support, love, prayers and thoughtfulness during this difficult time! God bless you all!
Cecelia, Reg, their children and grandchildren.

Stella Maris Notices

2016 Envelopes: New envelopes are available at the back of the Church. If you have not received a set of envelopes in the past and wish to receive them, please contact Norman (963-2416) or Peter (963- 2460).

St. Anne's Notices

Ministries for January: Proclaimer: Monica Simpson
Youth Proclaimer: Julie Vanleeuwen
Eucharistic Minister: Gerry Barry
Ushers/ Ministers of Hospitality: Martin Longuepee, Lenoard Peters, Clifford Proctor
Offertory Families: **Jan. 3:** Louis & Glenda Blanchard, **Jan. 10:** Paul & Linda Larkin & Family, **Jan. 17:** Gearld & Heather Doiron & Family, **Jan. 24:** Michelle & Brook Parsons, **Jan. 31:** Harvey & Rosemary Larkin & Family

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

St. Augustine's

Christmas Eve: \$3438.80
Christmas Day: \$478.64
Sunday, Dec. 27: \$815.15

St. Anne's

Christmas Eve: \$1309.00
Sunday: \$553.00

Stella Maris

Christmas Eve: \$2528.00
Sunday: \$813.00
Memorial Tree: \$300.00

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

Donations: There are families in our parish that will need help over the winter months. Items or donations for food bank will be used at St. Anne's.

Sunday Envelopes 2016: The new envelopes for 2016 are now available on the table near the altar. Please pick your envelopes up and put your name and address on them for the first few weeks. Anyone presently not using envelopes but wishing to do so please see Kathy Doiron or just pick up a blank set of envelopes and put your name and address on them so we can register you to receive an income tax receipt next year.

Diocese Notices

Update on Refugee Sponsorship: The Diocese of Charlottetown is pleased to announce that through the Sponsorship Agreement Holder designation that we hold with the government of Canada along with the partnership of many hard working and eager constituent groups, we are expecting to receive approximately 100 Privately Sponsored refugees from Syria and Iraq through the end of 2015 and into February of 2016. We are also eagerly awaiting an African family that