

St. Anne's Notices

Ministries for December: Proclaimer: Lori Ann MacFarlane **Youth Proclaimer:** Julie Vanleeuwen **Eucharistic Minister:** Marion Murphy **Ushers/Ministers of Hospitality:** Jacinta Doiron, Donnie Doiron, Mike Doiron **Offertory Dec 11** Ron & Nancy MacKinnon & Family, **Dec 18** Charlie & Aletha Gallant, **Dec 25** Ray & Karrie Murphy & Family

Flowers for Christmas: Anyone wishing to make a basket of flowers or an arrangement for the church for Christmas please do so and take it in anytime now until Christmas.

St. Nicholas boxes will be packed after Mass on Sunday, Dec. 11 (storm date Dec. 18). You may leave your baked goods, etc. in the Bolger Room that day. Thank you for your continued support of this project.

Sunday envelopes for 2017 are now available on the table near the altar. Please put your name and address on them for the first few weeks. Anyone not presently using envelopes, but wishing to do so, may pick up a set of envelopes or see Kathy Doiron.

Diocese Notices

Greece: In the Footsteps of Paul the Apostle: (including 3 night Greek Islands and Turkey cruise). Accompanied by Fr Keith Kennific. 11 days: 20 to 30 September 2017. Flights from Charlottetown, 20 meals (9 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 8 dinners), all taxes included. Price per person, based on double rate, from \$4999.00. Please call Lucille at CWT Harvey's Travel in Charlottetown, 1 800 871 3979 or email lthompson@harveystravel-cwt.com.

Do you know the Longest Married Couple in Canada? Nominating a couple is easy! Just send their names, wedding date, where they live, and your contact information to www.cet@hotmail.com Nominations will be accepted until January 10, 2017 (to celebrate World Marriage Day).

Plan to attend a very special Marriage Enrichment Weekend April 7 - 9, 2017 at the new Our Lady of Hope Retreat Center in PEI. For more information contact Worldwide Marriage Encounter at renewmarriage@gmail.com or (902) 314-8541 www.wwme.org

PEI Right to Life Selling Christmas Cards: A great way to support PEI Right to Life this season is by purchasing beautiful Christmas cards from us! Pick up 1 package of 10 cards for \$7 or 3 packages for \$20. Orders can be made in person at our office weekdays from 12:30pm-3:00pm, or via phone or email: 902-894-5473, life.sanctuary@pei.aibn.com Thank you for your support!

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.

Farmers' Bank of Rustico: On Sunday Dec. 11 at 2pm., please join us at the Farmers' Bank to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Arrival of the First Automobile in British North America / Canada. In Dec. 1866, Father Belcourt imported a Steam Powered Automobile made by Elijah Weare of Bayone, New Jersey. Plaques will be presented from the National Antique Automobile Association of Canada and the PEI Antique Automobile Association.

Christmas dance At the Rustico Bay Club on Sat Dec, 10. Music by Country Steel. We will also be having a New Years Eve dance. No tickets will be sold as there is no cold plate. Admission at the door will be \$10. A little extra lunch will be provided. Music will be Country Steel.

Christmas Ceilidh is planned for Kelly's Cross Community Centre on Sunday, Dec. 18 at 7pm. For list of entertainers and other information see Friday, Dec. 15 issue of the Guardian in the "Don't Miss This" section.



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

Third Sunday of Advent ✕ December 11, 2016

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday: No Mass—Priest day off

Tuesday: 9am Stella Maris

Wednesday: 9am St. Augustine's

Thursday: 9am St. Augustine's

Friday: 9am St. Anne's

Saturday: 4pm Stella Maris Mass for Jeanette Gauthier

Sunday: 9am St. Anne's

10:30am St. Augustine's Mass for Joseph Clarence Gallant

Fr. Raj Santiago: Office: 902-963-2245

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Pastoral Associates:

Jacinta Doiron 902-621-0638

Janet Doiron 902-963-3247

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

Baptisms: Contact Fr. Raj for Baptismal Preparation.

A Spiritual Gift for the Marian Devotees: Holy Rosary will be said in all our unit churches before all the Holy Masses, those who love to join are requested to come 20 minutes before the mass time.

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

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Ann, Brian, Debbie, Dorothy, Melanie, Parker, Steve, Steven, Ann Blais,

Peter Buote, Evan Clark,

Kathy Doiron (Inez), John Doucette,

Shirley Dunfield, Alyre Gallant,

Art Gallant, Audrey Gallant,

Brenda Gallant, Brian Gallant,

Cathy Gallant, Cecilia Gallant,

Dale Gallant, Sonny Gauthier, Mary Gillis,

Arlene & Clint Harper, Rose Hennessey,

Beverly Lannon, Leo LeClair,

Carol MacIsaac, Jen Marten, Alan Perry,

Freddy Perry, Regis Peters,

Shirley (Doiron) Peters, Sheldon Pineau,

Allan Pound, Bernadette Proctor,

Dane Simpson, Suzie Smith,

Shirley Somers, Pauline Walsh,

Emeric Walsh, Dakota Wedge

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

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.



Youth Ministries

CDG—LDG—YDG

www.jp2youthministries.com



Next LDG and YDG classes: Jan. 8, 2017
Next "Mass as a Class": Dec. 18, 2016
Next CDG Outing: Jan. 20, 2017

The youth would like to thank **John Paul II CWL** for supplying snacks at our December 4 religion class.

Please mark you calendars for Sunday, Dec. 18 at 10:30. We will have our mass as a class at St Augustine's. This will be followed by a short presentation by our students concluding with the nativity play. All students have a role that day so we look forward to seeing you all then. Light refreshments will be served after the event.

Unit Notices

Winter Storm Policy: At St. Augustine's Church, Mass is never cancelled due to weather. When school in Rustico is cancelled or delayed due to weather, the weekday Mass at Stella Maris or St. Anne's is cancelled. For Saturday evening Mass, a decision to cancel will be made by 1:30pm. For St. Anne's Sunday morning Mass, the decision will be made by 7am. If Religious Education Classes are cancelled, there will be an email sent out and a notice on the website. Call 902-963-2245 for information.

Announcement from Fr. Raj: Ever since I have come here, I have visited so many families in their house, it has been a great joy to visit, chat and bless the houses. I know still there are so many houses I have not visited so if any of you would like me to visit you during the Christmas season, please call me on 902 963 2245, if not attended please leave the message on the phone, please say the name, suitable date, time, Civil address (please say louder and slowly) thanks.

Invitation to Journey to Bethlehem: The "Journey to Bethlehem" is not an advent program being offered from a book. It will be a spiritual sharing from years of Christian

meditation and reading that will help connect us to a personal experience of Christ this Christmas. It is meant to bring to light how much our personal lives are deeply rooted in what took place at the birth of Christ and Mary's connection in helping us to experience that. It will be presented in four sessions, Wed. Evening from 7-8:30 pm, Nov. 23 and 30 and Dec. 7 and 14 at St. Monica's Chapel (St. Augustine's Church). Presented by Jim Good and presided by Fr. Raj. All welcome.

Our Lady of Gaudalupe: You are invited to attend a presentation of the story of "Our Lady of Gaudalupe" at St. Augustine's church on Sunday Dec. 11 at 4pm. followed by a pot luck at the rectory. Please bring pot luck items to rectory before presentation.

Free Turkeys for those in Need: The Knights of Columbus have some turkeys available for the food bank. If anyone has need for a Christmas turkey please call Don Blacquiery at 963-2359.

Christmas Dinner: Are you alone or know of someone (Couples Included) who is and would love to share a Christmas Dinner with us? The Pastoral Associates of John Paul II Unit will be hosting a turkey diner on Dec. 25th Christmas Day @ 12:30 pm in St. Anne's Church in the side chapel. If you know of

someone in need of a family style Christmas Dinner please let us know. To give us an idea of how many to prepare for if you are thinking about joining us please contact one of the following: Jacinta Doiron @ 902-621-0638, or Marion Murphy @ 902 621 0725. Let us know if you will need a ride. This is a non-denominational event.

Thank You: The Buote family fundraiser for Sister Cecile's missionary work in the Camerouns raised over \$7000. We had wonderful support from the media, the community and people from everywhere. I would like to thank all the volunteers, especially the young children, all the musicians, those who donated food and all of you who donated money. You have helped change the lives of so many people. What a wonderful day it was!! Thank you so much. Merry Christmas to all of you.

Christmas Weekend Schedule: Saturday, Dec. 24: 5pm at Stella Maris, 7pm at St. Anne's and 10pm at St. Augustine's. Sunday, Dec. 25: 10:30am at St. Augustine's.

Reconciliation Service: As a part of spiritual preparation for the great event of Christmas celebration, there will be a reconciliation service at Stella Marie's church on Monday Dec. 12 at 6:30pm followed by the sacrament of Reconciliation at the Sacristy.

In Appreciation: Many thanks are extended to all who came out support the concert on Sunday, Dec. 4. Our community is blessed beyond measure to have SO MUCH talents as we could see people from various stage (from kids to seniors). The organizing committee had a very easy task of getting people to perform as all we had to do was ask and every one was only too willing to share their GOD given gifts. the Cymbria Loin's Club went above and beyond in support. Chairs were set up and facility was nice and comfortable. Thank you for the use of your facility. It's amazing that at this time of year when people

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

St. Augustine's Sunday, December 4: \$965.85

St. Anne's Sunday, December 4: \$783.00

Stella Maris Sunday, December 4: \$998.00

Donation—Flowers (Lionettes): \$100.00

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Please consider including your Parish in your will.*

are waiting pennies that we raised \$1100.00 for our church! I think God is pleased with all our efforts. once again thanks to every one. Special thanks to all the performers, Organizers, and all those who extended their hearts and hands. *Fr. Raj*

Stella Maris Notices

Choir Practice for Christmas: Choir practice for Christmas has begun. We would love to have some new members for Christmas, men and women. The practices will be in Stella Maris Church on Monday evenings from 7-8 pm. Thanks for your consideration. *Sister Phyllis*

Memorial Tree: Again this year we have the Memorial Tree here at Stella Maris. Anyone who wishes to remember a loved one during this Christmas Season by placing a bow on the tree may do so. Your donation may be given to Sister Phyllis with the name of the loved one you wish to remember in this way. The money from the donations will be used for decorations, flowers or other church needs. May God's love this Christmas fill you with peace and hope.

2017 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).