You are invited to the Annual Development and Peace Lenten Workshop, 2 pm to 4 pm., Sunday March 26, St Pius X Church. Guest Speaker: Dr. Robert Dennis, Catholic Studies Dept., UPEI speaking on "Celebrating Development and Peace's Golden Jubilee of Solidarity and Catholic Social Teaching." There will a sharing table. All are Welcome.

Lay Pastoral Associate Formation Program: In this September, 2017 a fourth offering of the Diocesan Lay Pastoral Associate Formation Program will be initiated. This is a two-year program consisting of 10 week-ends (September – June) of formation each year, provided at the Marguerite Bourgeoys Centre in Summerside. This formation program prepares candidates to serve in their parish communities in various areas of pastoral ministry such as: catechetics coordination, pastoral visiting of the sick and elderly, outreach ministry to those not attending church regularly, grief ministry, adult faith formation. Individuals are ultimately selected by their parish community through a process of prayerful discernment where parish pastoral priorities are matched with the talents and abilities of would-be candidates. For further information please contact your pastor.

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**Reserve Sunday, April 2 for a Hunger Meal:** 2 - 4pm. All Saints Church Hall, Cardigan. Sponsor: Development and Peace.

## **Community Notices**

**Al-Anon Group Meeting:** Tuesdays at 10am in the vestry of St. Augustine's Church. Call Page 4

902-894-3503 for more information.

**Provincial Credit Union Annual Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, March 29 at the North Rustico Lions Club. Meal is at 6pm with meeting to follow. Lots of Door prizes to be won. Tickets are \$10 and available at any branch of Provincial Credit Union during office hours. Get your ticket early as they go quickly.

**Rustico Bay Seniors Club:** Card party Monday evening 7:30.

**The Star of the Sea Seniors' Drama Group** is holding their annual Use It or Lose It variety show on Thursday, April 27 at 7pm, Gulf Shore Consolidated School. This year's theme celebrates Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday – Canada Rocks On! Entrance is by donation, there will be a light lunch, 50/50, and a large selection of door prizes (thanks to our local businesses who are so generous in their support of this event). We hope our audience will join in the spirit of the occasion and wear their "truth North strong" outfits. For more information please contact Margaret (902 963 3964) or Debra (902 963 3294).

**Ceilidh** at Kelly's Cross Community Centre Sunday, March 19 at 7pm. House band and a number of special guests . Admission: \$5, includes light lunch.

**Country Legends, Men of the Century:** Central Queens United Church, Hunter River, is pleased to host the musical group, "Country Legends, Men of the Century", on Wed., Apr.12 at 7:30pm. The performers will pay tribute to Ronnie Milsap, Jean Watson, Johnny Cash and Merle Haggart. Singers and musicians include Kendall Docherty, Larry Campbell, Brian Knox, Heartz Godkin, Jimmy Platts and Peter Burke. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Light refreshments served. A wonderful evening of exceptional talent!



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

# Third Sunday of Lent № March 19, 2017

Weekly Mass Schedule Monday: No Mass—Priest day off Tuesday: 9am Stella Maris 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary Fred Doiron Wednesday: 9am St. Augustine's Thursday: 9am St. Augustine's Friday: 9am Rosewood Manor—blessing of the sick Saturday: 4pm Stella Maris Sunday: 9am St. Anne's Sunday: 10:30am St. Augustine's

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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

**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

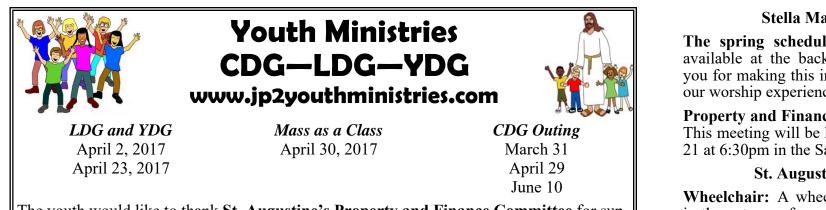
Alan, Ann, Brian, Debbie, Dorothy, Evan, Graham, Joan, Melanie, Parker, Steve, Steven, Linda Blacquiere, Ann Blais, Peter Buote, Shirley Coughlin, Kathy Doiron (Inez), John Doucette, Shirley Dunfield, Alyre Gallant, Art Gallant, Audrey Gallant, Brenda Gallant, Brian Gallant, Cathy Gallant, Cecilia Gallant, Dale Gallant, Sonny Gauthier, Mary Gillis, Arlene & Clint Harper, Rose Hennessey, Beverly Lannon, Leo LeClair. Carol MacIsaac, Jen Marten, Betty Mckenna, Aletha Mullaly, Pearl Murphy, Alexandra Pecoskie, Freddy Perry, Regis Peters, Gloria Pineau, Sheldon Pineau, Allan Pound, Bernadette Proctor, Dane Simpson, Suzie Smith, Shirley Somers, Peter Ryan, Betty Walsh, 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.



The youth would like to thank <u>St. Augustine's Property and Finance Committee</u> for supplying snacks at our March 12<sup>th</sup> religion class.

# 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 info.

**Blessed Palm:** Last year's palms can be returned to the church anytime during Lent for next year's ashes.

**St. John Paul II Catholic Women's League** will meet at St. Anne's Church on Tues March 21 at noon. Lunch will be provided. Unpaid dues will be accepted and new members most welcome!

**Unit Parish Pastoral Council Meeting:** Fr. Raj's place on Tuesday March 28 @ 7pm.

**Blessing of the Sick & Mass:** Friday, March 24 at 9am at Rosewood Manor, Hunter River. Tuesday, March 28 at 9:30am at Villa Marguerite, North Rustico.

Choir Practice for the Easter Vigil Tridium: Holy Week is approaching us quickly. Again, I am planning a choir practice for the St. John Paul II Unit to prepare for the Holy Week services. The practice this week will be held at Stella Maris Church on Sunday March 19 at 1pm. Hoping to see as many as possible from all the 3 parishes. Please come and let your voice be one of your gifts to God this Lent. Thank you for your generosity! And may your Lent be blessed in abundance.

Sister Phyllis

#### St. Anne's Notices

Ministries for March: Proclaimer: Tammy Peters Youth Proclaimer: Joey Murphy Eucharistic Minister: Charlie Gallant Ushers/ Ministers of Hospitality: Chris Hayami, Joan Hayami, Peter VanLeeuwen Offertory March 19 Eugene & Florence Larkin, March 26 Gordon & Marion Myers

Little Extras for Lent: Sunday, March 26 items for the food bank, Sunday, April 2 -Development & Peace Collection. Sunday, April 9, Palm Sunday, all loose collection will be for Holy Childhood. Good Friday, collection is for the Needs of the Church in the Holy Land.

#### **Stella Maris' Notices**

The spring schedule for ministers is now available at the back of the church. Thank you for making this important contribution to our worship experience.

**Property and Finance Committee Meeting:** This meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 21 at 6:30pm in the Sacristy of the Church.

# St. Augustine's Notices

Wheelchair: A wheelchair is now available in the entrance for people needing assistance when attending St. Augustine's Church. Donated by Alice Doucette's Family

#### **Diocese Notices**

All CWL members across this Island: The winter issue of Canadian League magazine is out (with the Mothers of Confederation cover!) and has the registration form enclosed for the national convention from Aug 6-9. We highly encourage you to register for 1, 2 or 3 days. New members are warmly welcomed. Attending a national convention is a deeply spiritual and impressive experience and an excellent opportunity to witness our national organization in action. Call Elaine at 569 9124 or Laurie at 566 3876 for info.

**P.E.I. Right to Life Association** has initiated a "Defenders of Life" fundraising campaign in an effort to promote and support a culture of life in our province. Please pick up a Defenders of Life flyer at the back of your church.

**Migrant workers in PEI and the Maritimes** - **Rights, Faith and Policy:** Join us for a public forum on Migrant Workers' Issues, 9:30am–4pm Monday March 27, PEI Farm Centre, 420 University Ave. An opportunity to meet with migrant workers, community organizations, faith groups and provincial representatives to build capacity for action, policy and solidarity on migrant workers' rights. A session will examine how faith com-Page 3 Last Week's Collections & Donations St. Augustine's Sunday March 12: \$1114.05 Cemetery Fund: \$100.00 St. Anne's Sunday March 5 & 12: \$1337.00 Ash Wednesday—Bishop's Project: \$280.00 Stella Maris Sunday March 12: \$670.00 Ash Wednesday—Bishop's Project: \$20.00 Cemetery Fund: \$20.00 Thank You for Your Donations to Cur Parishes! Flease consider including your Parish in your will.

munities can support migrant workers on PEI. Registration is free, lunch will be provided. To register contact the Cooper Institute by emailing josie@cooperinstitute.ca or 902-894 -4573 or visit www.eventbrite.ca.

Le Centre d'Éducation Chrétienne présente: VIVRE - Une série de réflexions pour le carême. Tous les sessions auront lieu à l'ÉGlise St.-Philippe et St.-Jacques, Baie Egmont à compter de 14h-15h30. 12 mars, Méditation et Contemplation. 19 mars, Gloire et Louange en musique avec Janelle Reinhart. 26 Tomber dans les bras de Marie, notre mere. Vivre la messe, moment par moment, date à determiner. Some personal sharing will be in English. Information: Debbie 902 854 2143

**Lenten Study:** Join Fr. Martin Carter for a reflection on "The Sacraments and the Mystery of Christ" on three Thursday evenings (March 16, 23, & 30), 7 - 8:15 pm, at St. Pius X Church, in the MacKenzie Room. We will explore how Christ acts in three of the Sacraments and the roots of the Eucharist in the Old Testament. All materials supplied and all welcome.

**The Mass of Chrism** will be held at St. Dunstan's Basilica on Monday, April 10 at 7 pm. Those interested in singing with the Diocesan choir are encouraged to attend 2 rehearsals which will be held in the church on Sunday afternoons (April 2 and 9) at 1 pm.