The service will include a small orchestra of 10-12 excellent musicians from the Music Department of UPEI and some musicians from the community. The choir and orchestra will be conducted by Travis Boudreau again this year. Come one, come all, and join in this wonderful way to prepare for Christmas.

### **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.

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

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 902-8943503 for more information.

Celebration: The family of Beatrice Doucette invite you to join them at the North Rustico Lion's Club on Sunday, Dec 17 from 4 to 8 pm to celebrate her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Crib at Cymbria Lions Club Thursday Dec. 21 at 7pm.

Ceilidh is planned for Kelly's Cross Community Centre for Sunday, Dec. 17 at 7pm. For a list of guest entertainers see, "Don't Miss This", in Friday's issue of the Guardian.

Walking: The North Rustico Lions have said all those interested can walk upstairs in the Lions Club any time after 11am. as long as the hall isn't being used for another occasion. If enough interested we may eventually choose two specific times for walking. This will keep all walkers much safer this winter (and warmer). Be sure to bring indoor footwear.

Rustico Bay Club: Last Card Play for the year on Mon. Dec. 18 at 7:30pm. Cards will resume on Mon. Jan.8, 2018. New Year's Dance on Dec. 31 at 9pm. Music by Country Steel. Please note time change from previous announcements. There are still tickets available from Bernice at 621-0199, Margaret at 963-2003 or Mark at 964-2674.. Remaining tickets, if any, will be sold at the door.

Keeping in Contact...

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the unit. We thank God that you are with us. If we may assist you, please fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket.

□ New parishioner.

□ I am home bound and would like someone to visit me.

I am going to be in hospital, please call on me.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_



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

## Third Sunday of Advent December 17, 2017

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday: No Mass Tuesday: 9am at Stella Maris for Cicely Gallant Wednesday: 9am St. Augustine's for Clifford Lee **Thursday**: 9am St. Augustine's Friday: 9am St. Anne's Saturday: 4pm Stella Maris for all the living and deceased members of Walsh and Peters Family and Cornelius Sampson Sunday: 9am NO MASS Sunday: 10:30am St. Augustine's for Urban Christopher Gallant Sunday: 4pm St. Anne's Sunday: 7pm Stella Maris Sunday: 10pm St. Augustine's

Fr. Raj Santiago: Office: 902-963-2245 Cell: 902-393-0572 Email: rajstaugustin@gmail.com

#### **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

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

### **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, Stephen Sampson, 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 praver 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.

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

### Last Week's Collections & Donations

St. Augustine's Sunday: \$1102.10 St. Anne's Sunday: \$515.00 **Rohingya Refugees: \$50.00** Stella Maris Saturday: \$942.00 Thank You for Your Donations to Our Parishes! Please consider including your Parish in your will.

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# Youth Ministries CDG—LDG—YDG www.jp2youthministries.com



LDG and YDG April 15, 2018 Mass as a Class January 14, 2018 April 22, 2018 December 17 St. Augustine's January 28, 2018 January 7 St. Augustine's February 11, 2018 February 4 St. Augustine's February 25, 2018 March 4 St. Augustine's March 11, 2018 April 8 St. Augustine's March 18, 2018 April 28 Stella Maris

## **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 (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

### 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 17<sup>th</sup>. 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.

**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.

**2018 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 G. (963-2416) or Peter G. (963-2460).

**Prayers for the Prayer Line:** I will be away from Dec. 16-30. If prayers are needed during that time, please contact Faye Fyfe, 902-963-2144. Thank you. *Rose Gallant* 

### St. Anne's Notices

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

**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.

### St. Augustine's Notices

**GAMES!!!** The Wednesday games afternoon has been put on hold until January 10!! Take the time to play a few board games with family over the holidays! You'll have a LOT of fun. Feel free to take your new games with you to share with other like minded people on JANU-ARY 10 from 1-4pm. Merry Christmas!

**Thank You:** We have had a very successful fundraiser to replace four outside windows in the church. Your generosity is appreciated. More windows will be replaced in 2018. If you are interested in sponsoring a window contact Bernie Doucette, Joan Blacquiere or Marlene White. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from St. Augustine's Property & Finance Committee.

**Flowers for St. Augustine's Christmas:** The liturgical committee would like to invite parishioners to kindly donate Christmas flowers to help decorate our beautiful church for Christmas celebrations. *The liturgical committee* 

## **Diocese Notices**

"Owen Connolly: The Making of a Legacy, 1820-2016" is a book about Owen Connolly and his estate. Coming to PEI in 1839 as a poor Irish immigrant, Owen rose from a dirt poor farmer to one of the wealthiest men on the Island. When he died in 1887, he left the profits from his estate to provide bursaries to poor, Irish Catholic students. Managed by trustees, his estate has paid out over \$3 million to assist students and continues providing bursaries today. Books are available at local book stores and from the author, Leonard Cusack at 902-675-2452. **St. Dunstan's Basilica** will be presenting their Annual Christmas concert on Friday Dec. 22 at 7pm. Program includes "Mary Through the Ages"...an exploration of how various composers set the texts of the "Magnificat" and "Ave Maria" to music. Featuring over 50 singers and 30 piece orchestra under the direction of Leo Marchildon. Admission is by free will offering.

**Marriages can go the distance,** and the annual recognition of Canada's Longest Married Couple proves it. Nominate your loved ones by submitting the names of husband & wife, wedding date, current home address and the contact info of the person submitting the nomination to: Ernesto and Analillian Ayala, 113-7471 Blundel Rd, Richmond, BC, V6Y-1J6, or canada@wwme.org, or 604-337-5845 Dead-line Feb 28, 2018. All nominations will be recognized.

**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. For cheques made out to your parish, please memo as "Rohingya Refugee Fund" and add your parish envelope number. For more information: https:// www.devp.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.

**2017 Holy Redeemer Candlelight Carol Service** will be presented on Sunday, Dec. 17 at 7:30pm in the church on Pond Street. The Carol Service will be as it was in the past with readings, choir selections, group singing, solos, and congregational singing with the choir.