

### The Saint John-Paul II Pastoral Unit

Stella Maris, St. Anne's & St. Augustine's Parishes, Prince Edward Island

# 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ▼ September 13, 2020

## This Weekend's Liturgy

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Sirach 27.30-28.7 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Romans 14.7-9 Gospel Matthew 18.21-35

### **Weekly Mass Schedule**

**Monday** No Mass

Tuesday 7pm St. Augustine's

Wednesday 9am Stella Maris

Thursday 9am St. Augustine's

Friday 9am St. Anne's

Saturday 4pm Stella Maris for Clarence Boute

Sunday 9am St. Anne's Sunday 10am Stella Maris

Sunday 10:30am St. Augustine's for Marritta Doucette

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Mass Requests: Contact Fr. Raj for all Mass requests Baptisms: Contact Fr. Raj for Baptismal Preparation.

**Bulletin Announcements:** Email bulletin notices to bulletins@jp2pastoralunit.com or call Francis @ 902-886-2761.

Deadline for weekly bulletin is Thurs. at 4pm.

### **Last Week's Collections & Donations**

St. Augustine's: \$1377.15 St. Anne's: \$572.00 Stella Maris: \$855.00

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

OUR PRAYER LIST

Annabelle 4 months (recovering from heart surgery), Brian, Evan, Grace, John, Laura, Theresa, Alfred Barriaylt, Roy Doiron, Beatrice Doucette, Donnie Doucette (Roxy), Tyrel Doucette, Albert Gallant, Edmond Gallant, Stella Gallant, Vic Greenwood, Paul LeBlanc, Naomi (age 13), Monique MacLeod, Baby Cole Peters, Dane Simpson, Susie Smith

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God gives each one of us sufficient grace ever to know his holy will, and to do it fully. St. Ignatius of Loyola

#### Prayers of the Faithful for Sunday, September 13

For Pope Francis, Bishop Richard, Fr. Raj, Deacon Paul, all priests, seminarians and religious as they strive to model for their congregation Jesus' forgiving mercy in both words and deeds. We pray to the Lord.

For the leaders of all nations and their peoples entrusted as stewards of God's creation. We pray to the Lord.

We pray with gratitude for the successful beginning of a new school year and for all the work done to keep staff and students and their families safe and healthy. We pray to the Lord.

For us as we work to forgive people who have wronged us. May we realise that the new life through forgiveness far outweighs the cost of any debt owed. *We pray to the Lord*.

For all people who are unwell. We include Cleon Widam, Ida McCourt, Deedee Morison, Cicilly Coady, Gerry Corcoran and Camden Kingyens. May their big challenges become small challenges knowing we are praying for them. We pray to the Lord.

For all people who have died. May they be warmly welcomed into God's heavenly kingdom. We pray to the Lord.

#### **Unit Notices**

The sacrament of confirmation will be conferred on 9 of our young people on Tuesday, September 15 at 7pm at St. Augustine's. This is the last sacrament for these young people as youth. Being confirmed is a VERY important step in their faith and all parishioners should show them support. Given the pandemic, Fr. Raj has been mandated by Bishop Richard to confirm our young people.

Learning More About Our Faith and Responsibilities: This year there will be no Pastoral Associate Program. Instead, the Bishop has endorsed the suggestion of the Diocesan Committee for Adult Faith Formation (DCAFF) to do a study of a special book. We will be encouraging members of the Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, Knights of Columbus, C.W.L, Pastoral Associates, Religion Teachers and others who have a keen interest in all that speaks faith to read the book. Those who have been called forth to review the book will then meet to discuss how we will present and encourage others in our unit to take advantage of the opportunity to further understand and enhance their own faith formation.

**The knights of Columbus** will be starting their suppers on Saturday September 26. More information will follow regarding the COVID regulations. Hope to see you there.

**Information Regarding Religion Classes:** I have been asked about religion classes by a few concerned parents. We are having a meeting of the Unit Pastoral Council on Thursday, September 17. The Council is made up of people who have interest in the faith formation of everyone in our Pastoral Unit including our children. We will be deciding upon the best approach to take regarding religion classes given the restrictions under which we need to operate. If any of you parents have any concerns PLEASE call me at 902-964-3442 or email me at amvessey@gmail.com. It would be a tremendous help if I had these concerns for the meeting on Thursday, September 17. Looking forward to a great year and really hope we get to finish the whole year!!!!

**Unit Pastoral Council Meeting:** There will be a Unit Pastoral Council Meeting on Thursday September 17 at 7pm. It will be held in the St. Monica's Chapel.

**SCAM ALERT!!!** Some scammer in my name asking some financial help with all those who are in my contact list in the email. So here by I alert everyone in my contact list please don't respond to them in any way just ignore or complain to RCMP with the email id in which you get. I would never ask any financial help to help any one through email. Before taking any step please contact me if you get any mail in the future. Thanks *Fr. Raj* 

#### St. Anne's Notices

**St. Anne's Cemetery Committee:** In the interest of keeping everything running as smooth as always the St. Anne's Cemetery Committee is looking for a few extra members. Please contact Father Raj for more information.

St. Anne's Property & Finance Committee: In the interest of keeping everything running as smooth as always the St. Anne's Property & Finance Committee is looking for a few extra members. Please contact Father Raj for more information.

Lecture for September: Heather Doiron

#### **Stella Maris Notices**

The Sunday 10am Mass will continue into the fall, as long as we are limited in our allowed numbers, and as long as we have an extra priest available.

**Property & Finance Committee Meeting:** This meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at 6:30pm in the Sacristy of our Church.

#### Lecture Schedule

Saturday, Sept 12	Eileen Gauthier	Sunday, Sept 20	Terry Crawford
Sunday, Sept 13	Joan Gallant	Saturday, Sept 26	Karen Gallant
Saturday, Sept 19	Joan Doiron	Sunday, Sept 27	Andre Lavoie

#### St. Augustine's Notices

**Volunteers** are needed to sanitise the seats, door handles after mass at St. Augustine's. This can be done in the evening as well as the daytime. Many hands make light work. Please contact Anne-Marie Vessey at 902-964-3442. Thanks for helping to keep God's house safe for everyone.

Our patron saint, St. Augustine, said, "To sing is to pray twice". We all enjoy music and many of us are very capable musicians. We are in need of more musicians to help with the singing in church. As we all know, if we have a number of musicians then it is not a big job for anyone. If you would like to join the music ministry (fancy name for people who play music in church) please, please contact Delma Good at delma.good10@gmail.com with your name, instrument and contact information. Guitars, piano, organ, percussion and of course voices are ALL WELCOME. Age does not matter, young and old can make beautiful music together! Let's make Delma's email blow up!

**St. Augustine's Property & Finance Meeting:** There will be a meeting of the St. Augustine's Property & Finance Committee on Tuesday, September 22 at 7:30 in the chapel. Please give any concerns you may have to a member of the P&F Comm.

# Diocese Notices www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com

**Fall Hours:** Beginning Tuesday September 8, the diocesan offices will go back to full-time hours: Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4pm.

Past bequests continue to provide funding to assist our seminarians with their education as they prepare to become priests for our Diocese. If you would like to help future Seminarian education and formation, please consider providing a Gift to your Parish or Diocese now or at estate planning time. Visit us at www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com and click on the "Planned Giving" quick link.

An email was sent to the priests on June 29 regarding dates for the National Collections. Although the date given at that time for World Mission Sunday was October 25, this was an error on the part of the CCCB National Office. World Mission Sunday is in fact set for October 18th. Those of you who wish to keep it on the 25, however, are free to do so.

**Inspired by the true story**, the newly-released movie "Fatima" can be watched on-demand through Apple TV, YouTube, Bell, Rogers, and several other Canadian sources. This highly acclaimed movie dramatizes the story of three young children and the Blessed Virgin Mary's appearances to them in Fatima, Portugal in 1917. In these apparitions, Our Lady asked them to pray the Rosary for the world and the conversion of sinners. During the final apparition, tens of thousands of onlookers experienced the Miracle of the Sun, when the sun appeared to dance in the sky and at one point even plummet toward the earth before returning to its rightful place. These miraculous events have been deemed by the Church as "worthy of belief" and the message of Fatima has continued to inspire many for over 100 years. Go to www.fatimathemovie.com/more-ways-to-watch for full list of providers.

#### **Community Notices**

You Could Save a Life: Give Blood, call 1-800-236-6283 for appointment.

**Rustico Bay Seniors:** We are very pleased to announce that a bi-weekly Caleigh hosted by well-known musicians, Katlyn Gallant and Lori Dempster will begin on Saturday, Sept 19 at 8pm with special guest, Barb Blacquiere and continue until Christmas. Bar service, 50/50. 19 and over. Admission at the door. Limit 40 because of social distancing. Masks are optional but highly recommended We thank you for your support.

**Rustico Bay Club** will be hosting Subtle Yoga with Paula beginning Sept 14 every Monday and Wednesday at 10:30am. Monday classes will be using a chair. Wednesday class will require a mat. To register, please contact Paula at 782-234-5845. Minimum \$5. Per session. Spaces are limited.

**Rustico Bay Seniors:** Card games every Monday, beginning Sept 14 at 7pm. Bring your own water bottle and snacks. Masks are optional but highly recommended. Prizes and 50/50.

## The Word This Week

## I do not tell you to forgive seven times, but seventy seven times.

Jesus tells a dramatic story in the Gospel, to make a very important point: the desperate need in our world for forgiveness and reconciliation. How many chances do we give each other? As many as seven? How often do we shut doors on people, even family and friends, saying Thats it; you've just gone too far this time: never again? When Jesus says that we must forgive seventy-seven times, he implies that we never stop forgiving, whatever happens. He doesn't just say this, however: even when they do the worst thing that could be done to him, nailing him to a cross, Jesus puts these words into practice: Father, forgive them... As his disciples, we must do likewise.

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