

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

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter ✠ April 28, 2024**

**This Weekend's Liturgy**

**1st Reading** Acts 9:26-31

**2nd Reading** 1 John 3:18-24

**Gospel** John 15:1-8

**Weekly Mass Schedule**

**Monday** 9am St. Anne's

**Tuesday** 7pm St. Augustine's for Sheila Gallant

**Wednesday** 9am Stella Maris

**Thursday** 9am St. Augustine's

**Friday** No Mass

**Saturday** 4 pm Stella Maris for the people

**Sunday** 9:00 am St. Anne's

**Sunday** 10:30am St. Augustine's for Rita and Reggie Blanchard

If there is a funeral at the parish where daily mass is offered, then mass at that parish will be cancelled on that day.

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**Local Knights of Columbus** - [www.kofc9025.com](http://www.kofc9025.com) and like us @ [www.facebook.com/kofcrustico](http://www.facebook.com/kofcrustico)

**Bulletin Announcements:** Email notices to [bulletins@jp2pastoralunit.com](mailto:bulletins@jp2pastoralunit.com) or call Francis @ 902-886-2761. Deadline for weekly bulletin is Thurs. at 4pm.

**OUR PRAYER LIST**

Giselle (Buote), Kim Coles, Vera Collister,  
Blake Culleton, Stacey Deveaux, Audrey  
Gallant, James (Lynn) Gallant, James Gallant  
Jr, Jonathan Gallant, Michael Clarence  
Gallant, Nicky Garland, Gertrude LeClair,  
Desi Nantes, Freda Peters, Dane Simpson,  
Suzie Smith

To have a name added or removed from the  
prayer line please contact

**Marion Murphy** 902-621-0725

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**Last Weeks Collections & Donations**

**St. Augustine's: \$1007.75**

**Stella Maris: \$620.00**

**St. Anne's: \$658.00**

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

**Stella Maris Ministries**

April 27 Lector: Ronnie Blacquiere

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Estelle Bourgeois

May 4 Lector: Joan Doiron

Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Pineau and Eric Blacquiere

**St. Anne's Ministries**

**April**

Lector: Charlene Vanleeuwen

Eucharistic Minister: Jacinta Doiron

Ushers: Donnie Doiron, Wilbert Reid and Jacob Croken

Gifts to the Altar

April 28 First Communion Class

**May**

Lector: Tamara MacDonald

Eucharistic Minister: Marina Doiron

Ushers: Mike and Jacinta Doiron

Gifts to the Altar

May 4 Wilbert and Brenda Reid

May 12 Mike and Peter Perry

May 19 Phyllis Reid

May 26 Althea Gallant

**Diocese Notices**

**Kingdom Wholeness:** A five-week course to help you find true freedom in Christ and so fulfill your God-given calling and destiny. It is a biblically based approach to health and healing that integrates the latest knowledge from medical science with scripture, healing prayer, and Christian inner healing. Presented by: Integrated Health Transformation Centre (<https://ihtc.info>) Dates: Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 pm, from May 16-June 13 in St. Paul's parish hall, Summerside. Registration and details: online at [stpaulsparish.ca/adult-ministry](http://stpaulsparish.ca/adult-ministry) or email Tawnya at [education@stpaulsparish.ca](mailto:education@stpaulsparish.ca). Cost: \$30 total (Pay cash at the workshop or e-transfer to [office@stpaulsparish.ca](mailto:office@stpaulsparish.ca). Please specify event name and use security answer "church")

**Environmental Health, Ongoing Changes:** If we read the headlines, we are aware of a constantly changing environment and much of the news portends a future with more usual events like Hurricane Fiona. We know that change is now affecting every part of the globe, but there is hope that collectively, we can defend ourselves and coming generations from an unpredictable future. Come and hear biologist, Rosemary Curley, share with us what we can do to care for Earth, our common home. This session, at The Living Well, 96 Patterson is on May 1st, 1:30-3:30. A break with a snack is provided. To register email [rmd17csm@gmail.com](mailto:rmd17csm@gmail.com) We are scent free. There is no charge for this session however, you are welcome to bring a food item for our monthly in-house Food Bank.

**Pastors, diocesan staff, and ministry leaders across Canada share a common desire to reverse the Church's statistically alarming decline.** Externally, the Church grapples with closures, dwindling vocations, and the culture's waning acceptance of Christian values. Internally, this decline fosters a sense of hopelessness and concern among leaders in the Church today. The call is for every parish to establish a new path forward, grounded in mission and evangelization, to help more people experience Jesus personally and enter the sacramental life of the Church. To confront these challenges together, Divine Renovation invites you to this year's DR Online Connect: Canada event, "From Decline to Revival: Charting a Path Forward" on Thursday, May 30 where you will: Connect with fellow mission-inspired Canadians for a 90 minute conversation, Learn from Fr. James Mallon who will share effective strategies to guide parishes in transitioning from maintenance to mission, Be inspired by a parish who will share how they've been able to defy the trends, Engage in dialogue and prayer with each other and Take your next step in contributing to the Church's revival and growth. Register today at <https://divinerenovation.tfaforms.net/f/DR-Online-Connect-Canada>

## Unit Notices

**The Knights of Columbus (KofC)** service group of our John Paul II Pastoral Unit has a number of books obtained through the Dynamic Catholic group. The KofC would like to make copies of these books available for borrowing to each of our three parishes. Therefore, we are setting up a mini-library at the back of each of the three churches, along with sign-up sheets to help keep track of the books. There is no fixed borrowing length of time, but we would hope that borrowers would return the book after a month or so, allowing other parishioners to borrow the book. Enjoy!

**Knights of Columbus Unit Dinner:** The next K of C unit dinner is on Saturday April 27 at 4:45pm in Stella Maris Parish Centre. The meal is Swiss Steak in gravy with potatoes and vegetables followed by dessert. Seating is on a first come first serve basis and entry is a good will offering. Proceeds from the dinner will be in support of KofC faith in action programs. Proceeds from the 50/50 draw are in support of the St. John Paul II women's group. We look forward to seeing you all at dinner.

**Save the dates!!! Sacraments will be celebrated!!!!** Having our young people receive the sacraments is indeed a time for the whole Pastoral Unit to celebrate!!! Seven of our very young parishioners will be receiving the Holy Eucharist for their first time on April 28 at St. Anne's at the 9am Mass. Four of our youth will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday evening, May 9 at 7pm at St. Augustine's. Everyone is invited to attend these celebrations to show our support for these young people and their family at this time.

**Stella Maris Community Foodbank:** The hours of operation for the food pantry at Stella Maris Church are Monday and Friday: 10am to 12 noon and Wednesday: 3pm to 5pm. Food items can be dropped off during operating hours or also at the North Rustico Home Hardware during store hours. If you require assistance outside of these hours, please contact Donnie Blacquiere at 902-569-8536.

## St. Augustine's Notices

**E-transfer:** St. Augustine's is now set up to receive e-transfers to [st.augustines2190@gmail.com](mailto:st.augustines2190@gmail.com). If you choose to use this format, please include your Full Name, address, phone number and preferably an email address in the message field. If you are an envelope user, please provide it as well. Receipts will be issued for donations of \$20 or more.

**Spring clean up:** The annual spring grounds clean up will take place on Monday May 6 at 6pm with an alternate date of May 13 at the same time, in the event of inclement weather. Please bring your rakes, shovels, and gloves if you have them and help pitch in to clean the grounds of the church and cemeteries. Many hands make for light work and we re-ally appreciate your support.

## St. Anne's Notices

**Live Streaming Mass Online:** You can find it at [https://www.facebook.com/stannespei/live\\_videos](https://www.facebook.com/stannespei/live_videos)

**WIFI Available:** St. Anne's is wifi accessible. Please feel free to use our network while at our church.

## Stella Maris

**Funeral Receptions:** When there is a funeral reception, it will take precedence over any other hall bookings, which will have to be rescheduled.

**Mass at Villa Marguerite:** Every third Wednesday of the month, mass will be celebrated at 9:30 am at Villa Marguerite in place of the 9:00am at Stella Maris.

**Stella Maris Parish Centre:** For anyone wishing to use Stella Maris Parish Centre for small gatherings. Information on availability and function restrictions, as per health regulations, are available by contacting Paul Blacquiere @ 902 963-2505 or e-mail [paul.blacquiere@pei.sympatico.ca](mailto:paul.blacquiere@pei.sympatico.ca)

## Community Notices

**Star of the Sea Seniors Club:** Coffee Break, Tuesdays (10-11). The Stitch Group, Wednesdays, (9:30). For Club Rentals, please call Estelle 963-3599. Seniors Lottery is in full swing. Winners Choice of a painting 16 by 20 or a hand crafted quilt 72 by 85. Tickets 3 for \$ 5.00. Contact Eleanor 902-330-3134.

**Cribbage** Every Thursday at Cymbria Lions club at 7pm.

**Coffeeshouse:** The Rustico Bay Seniors Club Coffeeshouse on Wednesday afternoon will host the last one for the season, April 24. We will start at Noon with a potluck lunch, so bring something to share, followed by our usual activities. Call Jill at 902 388 6107, if you have questions.

**Arm Chair Travel** With Mary Smith Monday, May 13, 1:30pm "Interesting & Maybe unknown facts about North Rustico Harbour in the early 1930's & 1940's." at Star of the Sea Club, North Rustico.

**Flea Market:** Friday, May 31 & Saturday, June 1. Time 9:00-3:00 at Star of the Sea Club, North Rustico. To book a table call: Noreen 963-3849 now or Genny. 360-2067(after May 10) Cut off booking date: May 27. Bake & Items Sale Table in support Of the Seniors Club. Thank you for Your support.

**Star of the Sea Club MEMBERS ONLY Lobster Supper.** Sunday, May 19. To purchase your ticket call: Estelle 963-3599 or Eleanor 330-3134.

**Gulf Shore Community Health Corporation AGM:** Monday May 6, 6:30pm. Gulf Shore Consolidated School. Guest Speakers: Various people involved with the Climate Challenge Fund. Everyone Welcome.

**Rustico Bay Ceilidhs and Dance:** On Saturday, May 4 at 8pm with "Still Rocking". Don't miss this multi-talented group consisting of Brian Knox, David Moore, Jimmy Platts and Mike McGarry. Doors open at 7:15. Bar service, 50/50. 19 and over. Admission \$12 at the door. Located at 2104 Church Rd. in Rustico.

**From the family of Wally Gallant.** We invite you all to a celebration of life gathering for Wallace (Wally) Gallant on May 11 from 12-4pm at the Star of the Sea seniors' club in North Rustico. Please stop by and share your love, stories and memories of dad. We look forward to seeing you there.

## Memorial Mass Request

Dear Father:

Please have a Mass offered for the repose of the soul of: \_\_\_\_\_

At \_\_\_\_\_ church. Preferred date: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_ (please reserve well in advance)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Offering enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please place this stub along with your offering in an envelope and place it in the Sunday collection or give it to the priest. (The customary stipend for masses is \$10)