

Holy Family Pastoral Unit

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April 15, 2018
3rd Sunday of Easter

Both **St. Joachim's** and **Our Lady of the Assumption** offer Parish Halls to accommodate a wide variety of events.

For rental availability, rates, seating capacity and other info:
St. Joachim's: Linda Redmond 651-3040 or 626-9758
Assumption: Elaine Fraser 569-4769

CWL of Canada National Bursary Fund:

List of approved programs for courses for members to pursue is available online: cwl.ca. Applications must be submitted by May 31, 2018. Maximum bursary award is \$1,000.

Next **Teen Encounter Weekend** for 16-21 year olds will be held May 18-20 at Camp Kolbe Retreat Centre. Register via: dioceseofcharlottetown.com/teen-encounter-registration/

Birthright PEI invites you to celebrate its **25th Anniversary** on April 22, 1:00-3:00pm at Murphy's Community Centre. Come to celebrate 25 years of service in honor of human life!

First Communion:

Assumption April 22 9:00am
St. Joachim's April 29 9:30am *



* Note change in Mass time at St. Joachim's on April 29.

Confirmation:

Unit Celebration at Assumption
May 1 - 7:00pm



Come Enjoy Our Weekly Card Plays

St. Joachim's Hall Tuesdays 7:30pm

In September 2018, additional candidates for the **Diocesan Lay Pastoral Associate (LPA) Formation Program** will be accepted. All parishes are encouraged to discern potential program candidates. The deadline for the submission of candidates' names is June 15. For further information, please contact the Diocesan Centre at 368-8005.

Stratford Lions Ceilidh: Tuesday, April 17, 7:00pm at the Cotton Centre. Proceeds to local charities. For more info, contact Erma Rose (569-3956).

Ecumenical Vigil for the Lost Children of PEI:

The PEI Right to Life Association invites all Islanders to join them on April 22, 7:00pm at the Christian Reformed Church, 153 Mount Edward Road, for a special Memorial Service of prayer, candle lighting and song for children who have been lost to miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion, accident, illness, etc. Personal testimonies will testify to God's faithfulness. Being held as part of Celebrate Life Week (April 22-28). We pray that this vigil may help to bring healing, comfort and support to hurting parents and families, as well as awareness, openness and unity to their surrounding community. Please invite your friends and neighbours. For more info: PEI Right to Life, life.sanctuary@pei.aibn.com or call 894-5473.

PEI Right to Life Association Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, April 28, 9:00am-3:00pm at St. Pius X. In light of the many recent changes in our country concerning the protection of life from fertilization to natural death, the membership is strongly encouraged to attend. Plan to come.

Mikinduri Children of Hope to present on the recent mission team trip to Western Kenya by Kathy Mutch on April 17, 7:00pm at Jack Blanchard Hall. All are welcome.

Volunteer Food Safety Presentation: April 24, 6:00-9:00pm. St. Pius X. To register, please call 368-4970. Free presentation for those involved in food-based fundraising events.

Holy Land Pilgrimage: Plan to join Fr. Gerard Chaisson & Fr. Simon Lobo on this prayerful pilgrimage. The itinerary has been carefully arranged with full consideration to the ministry of Christ as opposed to merely a tour of the Holy Land. Dates for this pilgrimage are October 7-18, 2018. To learn more, visit www.privatelabeltravel.ca to sign-up for more info, or call Bob Sime at (902) 429-5145.

Women's Expo at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Hall on Saturday, May 19, 10:00am-2:00pm. If you would like to rent a table for this event, the fee is \$100 with funds raised going to the Charlottetown Boys & Girls Club. The event is for women who have their own business and would like to get the word out there. For more details or to register for a table, please call Jean Kelly: 629-1123 or 569-3317.

Martha Spirituality Centre Sessions:

For more information or to register for the sessions, please call 367-3103 or e-mail: srgemma@eastlink.ca.

- Christian Women's Retreat Day** with Lynn Delong on Saturday, April 21, 10:00am-3:00pm. Cost: \$30.
- Fabric of Our Lives Workshop** with Sinikka Dixon on April 27, 9:00am-3:00pm. Looking at the 5 cycles of change in life – *age, family, education, work, leisure* – and promises to be an interactive experience. Cost: \$30. Need to register by April 24 or as long as spaces last.

St. Joachim's:

For **First Communion** on Sunday, **April 29**, Mass will be held at **9:30am** instead of 10:45am for that Sunday only.

St. Joachim's Roast Beef Dinner: April 22, Parish Hall, 4:30pm (take-outs: 5:00pm). For tickets, call: Fred McInnis (651-2697), Robert MacDonald (651-3033), David MacDonald (651-2179). Cost: \$20/adult, \$12/child (12 & under). Hosted by the CWL & Knights of Columbus. *Gluten free available.*

Come Enjoy the Phase II & Friends Spring Dance Party ~ Good Old Rock & Roll!



Saturday, May 5
9:00pm - Midnight
St. Joachim's Hall

Movie Night: All children and youth, grade 3 and older, are invited to a Movie Night at St. Joachim's Church on Friday, April 20 at 6:00pm. The movie, *Miracles from Heaven*, will run about 2 hours. There will be popcorn and drinks. Hope to see you there!



Our Lady of the Assumption:

Spring Fish Bake: April 27 - Assumption Parish Centre
Cost: \$12 per plate. Serving from 4:30pm-6:00pm. Take-outs available. Haddock (6oz.), mashed potatoes, vegetables, roll, tea/coffee, dessert. Tickets available in advance only at the Parish Office, after weekend masses or call Mary MacLean (569-4308) or Joseph Hébert (569-2762).

Any Assumption CWL member who wishes to attend the **Provincial CWL Convention** on May 4/5 at Rodd Royalty must register. Please contact Mary MacLean via e-mail: macleannmary@yahoo.ca or call/text: 569-4308 by April 18 to include your name with our Council's registrations.

You're Invited!

Parish Strategic Planning Sessions

It's spring cleaning time, which presents the perfect opportunity for all of us as a parish community to review the spiritual, fiscal and operational health of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish. Strategic planning is an important part of the development and growth of any organization and our Parish is no different!

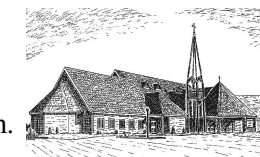
Many parishioners may recall when the Pastoral Council and



Property and Finance Committee initiated a process five years ago that engaged the parish community and its various committees and groups in the development of a Strategic Action Plan. It is now time to revisit that plan and look to the next five years. We are pleased to again have recruited parishioner Carol Gabanna, Consultant & Certified Executive Coach, to facilitate two sessions and we invite all members of the parish, unit and community – young and old – to attend:

Tuesday, **April 24**, 7:00–9:00pm or
Saturday, **May 5**, 10:00 am–12:00 pm.

Both sessions will be held in the parish hall. All are welcome!



Weekly Offerings: April 8
St. Joachim's \$ 1,755.00
Assumption \$ 4,349.00



April 16 - 22

Tuesday:	9:00am	Intentions of the People	OLA
Wednesday:	9:00am	Intentions of the People	OLA
	10:00am	William & Mary Morrissey	STJ
Thursday:	9:00am	Intentions of the People	OLA
Friday:	9:00am	Rita & Jack Sheridan	OLA
		Mike Conroy Sr.	
	10:00am	Intentions of the People	STJ
Saturday:	4:00pm	Kathy Gaudet	OLA
		Don Harris	
		Elaine Wood	
Sunday:	9:00am	Mass for the People	OLA
		First Communion	
	10:45am	Intentions of the People	STJ