



# Holy Family Pastoral Unit

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**April 8, 2018**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

Join us on **Divine Mercy Sunday – April 8** for a Holy Hour of prayer at **Our Lady of the Assumption**, 2:00pm. Copies of the Novena are available at the back of each church or visit: [www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena.php](http://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena.php).

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

**Our Lady of the Assumption CWL Retreat: April 14**

10:00am - 3:00pm, Assumption Parish Hall

**Facilitator:** Sister Regina McQuaid, CND

**Theme:** *Lazarus and Our Mother Mary*

All Unit parishioners invited and welcome. Lunch will be Brown Bag (bring your own). Tea will be served. For those who have not registered prior, please call Janie at 569-4630 or e-mail: [jdaviddixon@upei.ca](mailto:jdaviddixon@upei.ca).

**Retreat at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre:** Begins with registration on Friday, April 20, 6:00-7:00pm and finishes with 4:00pm Mass on Saturday, April 21. *Get Out of the Boat* – learn how to move beyond fear, to God's unique calling for your life. Peter may have been the first out of the boat, but Jesus' invitation to walk on water is for you as well. For info or to register, call 621-2385, 388-1952 or 394-4116.

**St. Dunstan's Scholarship:** Students graduating in June 2018 are reminded that the deadline to apply for the SDU Scholarship is April 15. Valued at \$5,000 – renewable for an additional 3 years. Application form and criteria can be found at [www.saintdunstansuniversity.ca](http://www.saintdunstansuniversity.ca) or by calling 393-3441.

**Catholic Family Services Bureau Annual Lottery:**

To purchase a ticket, please call 894-3515. Tickets are \$100 each giving you twelve chances to win \$1,000. If you win, your ticket goes back in for the remaining draws. First draw is April 23. All proceeds are in support of the programs and services offered through Catholic Family Services.

**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

**Catholic Family Services Bureau Annual General Meeting:**

Monday, April 30 – Jack Blanchard Family Centre  
Registration - 5:00pm, Dinner - 5:30pm, Meeting - 6:15pm.  
To reserve your dinner ticket (\$25), please call 894-3515 by April 23. Everyone welcome.

**Peaceful Pro-Life Demonstration:** April 14 at 11:00am in Summerside, along Roy Boates Avenue (Walmart side). In case of inclement weather, it will be held on April 21.

**Want to find out about the Secular Franciscan Order?**

Come to an info session at St. Francis of Assisi in Cornwall on Sunday, April 15, 7:00pm. A presentation on life in fraternity and Franciscan spirituality with opportunity to ask questions. For further info: 628-3896 or [marthgabriel@gmail.com](mailto:marthgabriel@gmail.com).

**Ceilidh at the Cotton Centre:** Sunday, April 8, 7:00pm  
Admission: \$5 with proceeds donated to Camp Gencheff. If you have talent to share, come early and sign-up. For more info, contact Cliff (569-2732) or Carmen (676-2225).

**Thy Kingdom Come** Men's Spiritual Exercises, 40-hour silent retreat, April 27-29 at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre. Retreat master: Fr. John Curran, L.C. For info or to register: Ray: (902) 854-2808 or [arsenaultacres@pei.sympatico.ca](mailto:arsenaultacres@pei.sympatico.ca) or Tracy: (902) 854-2969 or [sjfc@airtechca.com](mailto:sjfc@airtechca.com).

**Yom HaShoah (Remember the Holocaust/Shoah):**

All are invited to attend the 18<sup>th</sup> year for Yom HaShoah, a time to remember the Holocaust and the millions of people who were put to death because of what they believed and how they lived – at 6:30pm, April 12, Confederation Centre, Studio 1. Guest Speaker is Dr. Israel Unger, Holocaust survivor, Author, UNB Dean Emeritus.

**A Nun's Life Ministry visits Prince Edward Island:**

Meeting with Sr. Susan Kidd, CND, on April 18, as part of the video podcast series entitled *Mother House Road Trip*. Sr. Maxine Kollasch, IHM, and her team are touring different congregations to meet with sisters who are working with youth and talk about their mission. *A Nun's Life Ministry* will visit UPEI where Sr. Susan Kidd is chaplain. You are also invited to join the conversation! On Wednesday, April 18, at 6:00pm (AST), go online to [anunslife.org/LIVE](http://anunslife.org/LIVE). For more info: <https://anunslife.org/motherhouse-road-trip>.

**St. Joachim's:**

**CWL Meeting:** April 12 - 7:30pm (Mass - 7:00pm)

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.*

**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:**

**Our Lady of the Assumption CWL Monthly Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, April 10 at 7:00pm. All women are invited to attend and share in planning opportunities to develop as a more faith-filled community. The meeting will open with a video on the right to freedom of religion.

The Parish **Outreach Committee** oversees assisting people within our Parish and the Stratford area requiring emergency assistance with groceries, fuel, etc. **A collection in support of Outreach will be taken up following Communion at masses on April 14/15.** If you wish to have your contribution amount receipted, please use the envelope in your Sunday Offering set or place your donation in an envelope marked with your name and address. Thanks for supporting the Outreach Program!

Today at 2:00pm, the **Treble with Girls Concert Series**, in support of the QEH, celebrates this year's *finale* at the Assumption Parish Hall with special guests *Tip-Er-Back*. \$10 for adults, students/12&under: \$5, preschoolers: free.

## SPRING FISH BAKE

Menu includes:  
6 oz. portion of Baked Haddock, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetables, Roll, Tea/Coffee, Dessert.

### Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH CENTRE  
145 STRATFORD ROAD, STRATFORD

Proceeds in aid of local charities  
Co-sponsored by Assumption Councils  
Catholic Women's League  
and  
Knights of Columbus

Serving from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm  
Take-Outs also available

Cost: \$12 per plate

Tickets available – IN ADVANCE ONLY  
Assumption Church office @ 902-569-4769  
After weekend Masses  
or call:  
Joseph Hébert @ 902-569-2762  
Mary MacLean @ 902-569-4308  
or any member of the Knights and CWL

**Weekly Offerings: April 1**  
St. Joachim's \$ 1,209.00  
Assumption \$ 3,601.00



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK		April 9 - 15	
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Intentions of the People	OLA
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	<b>10:00am</b>	Leonard Murphy	STJ
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Intentions of the People	OLA
	<b>7:00pm</b>	CWL Intention	STJ
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Intentions of the People	OLA
	<b>10:00am</b>	James Morrissey	STJ
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>4:00pm</b>	Vernon Dunn & DFM Howard Heron & DFM Gerry Evans Clay MacKenzie Dennis O'Shea	OLA
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Special Intention (EBM)	OLA
	<b>10:45am</b>	Mass for the People	STJ