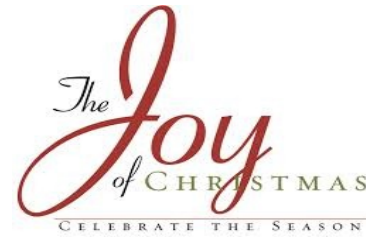




Holy Family Pastoral Unit

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December 17, 2017
3rd Sunday of Advent



Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule ~

Christmas Eve	December 24 *
Assumption	4:00pm & 6:00pm
* Sunday Mass	9:00am
St. Joachim's	8:00pm
* Sunday Mass	10:45am
Christmas Day	December 25
Assumption	9:00am
New Year's Eve	December 31 *
Assumption	4:00pm
* Sunday Mass	9:00am
St. Joachim's	6:30pm
* Sunday Mass	10:45am
New Year's Day	January 1
Assumption	9:00am



To receive income tax credit for donations to St. Joachim's or Our Lady of the Assumption, offerings must be received at the Unit Office by 3:00pm on December 29, at which time the 2017 books will be officially closed. Offerings given for Sunday, December 31 will be credited to 2018. Any offerings placed in the collection baskets of churches outside the Unit will be credited to your 2018 total if they are not received from the Diocese Office by December 21. Thank you!

2018 Church Envelopes are now available. To assist in keeping our records up-to-date, please note your name/ mailing address on your envelope for the first usage. Sets are also available for new users.



The December 24 bulletin will cover a 2-week period. After that, the next bulletin will be issued on January 7. Please submit announcements for the December 24 bulletin by Noon on Tuesday, December 19.

The Holy Family Pastoral Unit Office will be closed: December 22 (PM), December 25-26 & January 1.

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

Application forms for the CWL PEI Catholic Girls' Bursary are available at each Church in our Unit for girls and women attending college or university. Deadline: January 31, 2018.

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. Book available at local book stores and from the author, Leonard Cusack, at (902) 675-2452.

St. Dunstan's Basilica Annual Christmas Concert: Friday, December 22, 7:00pm – Mary Through the Ages, an exploration of how various composers set "Magnificat" and "Ave Maria" to music. Featuring over 50 singers and 30-piece orchestra under the direction of Leo Marchildon. Admission is by freewill 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 & Analillian Ayala
113-7471 Blundel Road, Richmond, BC, V6Y 1J6
or canada@wwme.org or (604) 337-5845 by February 28.

Island Karate Club Classes: www.islandkarate.com
Winter Registration is now underway for classes beginning Thursday, January 4 at Assumption Parish Centre.

2017 Holy Redeemer Candlelight Carol Service will be held on Sunday, December 17, 7:30pm at the Church. Come join in this wonderful service to prepare for Christmas.

Plan to attend the Stratford Lions Club Ceilidh on Tuesday, December 19 at the Cotton Centre, 7:00pm. Proceeds to the CBC Turkey Drive. For more info, call Erma Rose (569-3956).

St. Joachim's:

Offertory Procession:

December 24 - Kerry & Jane MacPhee Family

Christmas Eve - Robert Haggis & Margaret Anne Walsh Family

St. Joachim's Cards (Progressive 45's) will resume on Tuesday, January 2 at 7:30pm. Thank you for continued support. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Our Lady of the Assumption:

Congratulations to December 9 Club 200 winners:

Eddie & Joanne Curran (\$200)

Assumption Knights of Columbus are selling tickets for 400L of heating oil (Kenmac Energy). Secondary prizes of a gift card and green fees. Tickets: \$5 or 5/\$20. Congratulations to Linda McClintick, Early Bird winner of a Petro-Canada Gift Card. To buy a ticket, contact any member of the Knights.

QEH Fund Raising Concert Series Continues Today!

Join Treble with Girls for a Christmas Show at Assumption Parish Centre with special guests Courtney Hogan-Chandler and Jon Matthews. Adults (\$10), 12 & under (\$5) and preschoolers: free. Shows start at 2:00pm.

The Parish Youth Choir will lead the music at the 4:00pm Mass on Christmas Eve. A practice will be held on Saturday, December 23, 10:00am-Noon. Any former members of the Youth Choir or any other youth who would like to join the choir are welcome to the practice.



Weekly Offerings: December 10

St. Joachim's \$ 4,293.00
Assumption \$ 3,906.00



Mass Schedule: December 18 - 25



Tuesday:	9:00am	Special Intention	OLA
	10:00am	Teresa O'Donnell	STJ
Wednesday:	9:00am	Souls in Purgatory	OLA
Thursday:	9:00am	Vernon Schneider & Kelly Whynot	OLA
	10:00am	James Morrissey	STJ
Friday:	9:00am	Jack Hughes	OLA
Saturday:	4:00pm	Peggy Curley & DFM Vernon & Jason Driscoll John Mella John VanDyke	OLA
Sunday:	9:00am	Mass for the People	OLA
	10:45am	Louis Sullivan	STJ



Christmas Eve:

4:00pm	Morgen McInnis Austin & Teresa McQuaid Rudolph & Lucy Murnaghan Norah & Shawn Pickard	OLA
6:00pm	Shawn Gaudet John & Edna Hawkins James Hughes Mark & Joan Johnston	OLA
8:00pm	William, Mary & Gerard Fraser Ronnie McCabe Morgen McInnis	STJ

Christmas Day:

9:00am	Mass for the People	OLA
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