



Holy Family Pastoral Unit

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2017 Income Tax Receipts for donations to St. Joachim's & Our Lady of the Assumption will be issued by month's end. As announced previously, the 2017 books closed on December 29. Any donations received December 30-31 have been credited to your 2018 total.

2018 Sunday Offering Envelopes: Several boxes remain for pick-up at the Church entrances. Please pick-up your set. If you are a new envelope user, please note your name and mailing address on your envelope for the first few weeks to ensure proper credit.

Pre-Authorized Debit Plan is available at each Parish of the Holy Family Pastoral Unit. Anyone wishing to donate via this method, please visit the Unit Office to complete the required paperwork. A void cheque is required for set-up.

Are you new to one of our parishes? Do you have a change of address and/or phone number or have an e-mail address to provide? Please contact Elaine at the Unit Office: 569-4769 or e-mail: holyfamilypastoralunit@bellaliant.com.

When writing a cheque for **Special Collection** donations during the year (e.g. Share Lent, Catholic Family Services, etc.), **please issue the cheque to your respective Parish.** In turn, one cheque from each Parish will be issued to the Diocese or organization for the total amount collected. Thank you.

CWL Members: January is Membership Month. Dues are \$20 and may be **submitted via your Membership envelope** contained in your envelope set. Please include your name, mailing address and phone number. If you do not have Church envelopes, please submit a plain envelope marked CWL Dues and your name/address/phone number and drop it in the collection basket. New members always welcome.

Come Enjoy Our Weekly Card Plays ~ Great Prizes!
St. Joachim's Hall Tuesdays 7:30pm

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.

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

Charlottetown Area Christian Council's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:

Annual Prayer Breakfast - Saturday, January 20

8:00am - Rodd Charlottetown Hotel

Limited # of tickets available at the Unit Office for \$15.

The Latin American Mission Program (LAMP) is announcing that a **new LAMP missionary, Ryan MacRae**, is preparing to go to the Dominican Republic (DR). Ryan, from Stratford, will leave PEI before the end of January. Most Reverend Bishop Richard Grecco will preside over a **Missioning Ceremony**, indicating that Ryan is being sent by the Diocese of Charlottetown to the Church in the Dominican Republic. In the DR, Ryan will be received by the Misioneros del Sacrado Corazón (Missionaries of the Sacred Heart) in Santiago de los Caballeros. He will live with a Dominican family to be introduced to the culture and to improve his Spanish. Ryan will become part of an organization, **Fondacion Mujer Iglesia (Woman-Church Foundation)**. Ryan will gradually involve himself in the work of **Mujer Iglesia** which is to improve the lives of impoverished families in the region by community organizing to develop the economic and social self-reliance of women. **The Missioning Celebration will take place during the 9:00am Sunday Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption Church on January 14.**

Please join us for our first **Theology on Tap** of 2018! Dr. David Sabapathy, Deputy PEI Chief Public Health Officer, will speak on *The Christian Worldview as a Foundation for Public Health Practice*. Presented by the SDU Institute of Christianity and Culture on Thursday, January 25, 7:00pm at The Pourhouse. We look forward to seeing you!

The next peaceful **Pro-Life Rally** is on Saturday, January 13, 11:00am in Summerside, along Roy Boates Avenue, near Prince County Hospital.

Martha Spirituality Centre Sessions:

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

- **Lunch & Learn**, a Grace series of 7 Monday sessions from 12:45-1:45pm, beginning January 15. With tea, coffee and biscuits, join in these reflective responses to Pope Francis' document on Care of our Common Home. Topics include Grace of the Earth, Water, Atmosphere, Oceans, Land, etc. Led by Sisters Gemma & Debbie. Need to register by January 12.

St. Joachim's:

Offertory Procession: January 14 - Lisa MacLean Family

CWL Meeting: January 11 - 7:30pm (Mass - 7:00pm)

Property & Finance Committee Meeting:
January 11 - 7:30pm - Hall

Ladies: The **Monday Afternoon Craft Group** will resume on January 8 at 1:00pm and meet each Monday, 1:00-4:00pm. These sessions are quite enjoyable and provide an opportunity to use your talents, socialize, learn new skills, contribute to the upkeep of our Parish and make charitable donations. Several special projects are being considered for this year. There will be something for everyone, or if you like, bring your own project to be completed.

Our Lady of the Assumption:

Capital Projects Fund Donations (December) = \$1,300.00

In December, the annual proceeds of the children's donation bucket were sent to the **Holy Childhood Association** whose motto is Children Helping Children. For 2017, a total of **\$913** was submitted on behalf of Assumption's children.

Congratulations to our recent Club 200 winners...

Danielle Boyce December 23

Joyce Oulton December 30



The Social & Community Building Committee invites you to **"Chili, Soup & Conversation"** in the Parish Hall, following the 4:00pm Mass - **Saturday, January 20.**

Cost: \$2 per person. Great opportunity to make new friendships and rekindle old relationships. All are welcome!

Winners of the Assumption Knights of Columbus Lottery:

1. Jason Roberts (400L of furnace oil or cash equivalent)
 2. Phil MacDougall (2 Fox Meadow Green Fees)
 3. Richard MacDonald (\$200 Sobeys Card)
- Early Bird Winner: Linda McClintick (\$100 Petro-Canada Card).
The Knights of Columbus thank all who purchased tickets. Proceeds from this lottery are donated to local charities.

Offerings:	December 24	Christmas	New Year's
St. Joachim's	\$ 2,303.00	\$ 2,262.00	\$ 1,787.00 *
Assumption	\$ 5,851.00	\$ 5,683.00	\$ 5,822.00 *

* Totals for December 31 & January 1 = New Year's

Mass Schedule: January 8 - 14



Tuesday:	9:00am	Florence & Gus Gregory	OLA
	10:00am	Joan Cameron-McKearney	STJ
Wednesday:	9:00am	Intentions of the People	OLA
Thursday:	9:00am	Intentions of the People	OLA
	10:00am	William J. Myers	STJ
	7:00pm	CWL Intention	STJ
Friday:	9:00am	Special Intention	OLA
Saturday:	4:00pm	Earl Magennis Jim Shea	OLA
Sunday:	9:00am	Mass for the People	OLA
	10:45am	Shawn Campbell	STJ

Sunday, Jan. 14th - 2pm
Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Hall
145 Stratford Road, Stratford

with special guests
Keelin Wedge & Eddy Quinn

Door prizes, 50/50 draw, lunch
Adults \$10, 12& under \$5, Preschool free

