



Holy Family Pastoral Unit

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May 13, 2018 Ascension of the Lord

Holy God, you compared your own love for your people to the love of a mother for her children. Look with kindness on our mother who has shared in your creating love by the gift of her children.

We thank you for the joys and sorrows of her life, the giving and the sharing, and, especially for your love that has formed us in your image.



Listen to our prayers and bless the mother who has nurtured and sustained us. Give her patience in abundance and let her find joy and satisfaction in all her work.

Glory and praise to you, loving God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, and who reigns with you in the glory of heaven forever and ever.

Amen.

(Blessings and Prayers for Home and Family – CCCB)

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

Come Enjoy Our Weekly Card Plays

St. Joachim's Hall Tuesdays 7:30pm

Application deadline for the **SDU Board of Governors Award** and **SDU Post Graduate Scholarship** is May 15. For info and application: www.saintdunstansuniversity.ca or 393-3441.

Family Retreats: At Kolbe Retreat Centre in Grand River from Thursday evenings thru Sunday. \$250 registration fee covers all food and lodging for your family. 2018 schedule: July 12-15, July 26-29, August 9-12 and August 23-26. www.hfmpei.com info@hfmpei.com (902) 854-2719

Ceilidh at the Cotton Centre: Sunday, May 13, 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).

May ~ The Month to Honor Mary:

The Our Father or the *Paternoster* uttered by the God-Man himself, has been dear to the hearts of Christians since Our Lord walked this earth and taught this prayer to his disciples. In the 13th century, the Divine Craftsman had allowed the *Hail Mary* and the *Our Father* to exist side-by-side. In Christian practice, prayer beads began to be used as early as the third century. The use of beads, or even small pebbles, was a practical method used by Christians for keeping track of how many prayers they had said. Prior to the 13th century, the prayer that was most commonly said on prayer beads was the *Our Father*. This type of prayer beads was the *Paternoster* beads.



(Champions of the Rosary - Donald H. Calloway, MIC)

Tune in to the **QEH/Eastlink Telethon** on **May 26-27** on Eastlink TV, Channels 10 & 610. Funds raised throughout the weekend will be used to support the purchase of priority medical equipment for the Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Every donation, big or small, helps ensure the equipment needed by the medical professionals at the QEH is there for all Islanders. Featuring great entertainment and grateful patient stories. Tune in on Saturday (Noon to 9:00pm) and Sunday (9:00am-6:00pm). To donate, call 1-877-675-3343! Or call the QEH to get your pledge in beforehand (894-2425).

WoHeLo Club Annual Spring & Summer Clothing Sale:

May 16 (Noon-4:00pm), **May 17** (8:00am-8:00pm)

May 18 (9:00am-1:00pm) - In Classrooms A&B – 3rd Floor - Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Offering high quality, gently used clothing and accessories for the whole family. All proceeds to fund equipment for high-risk newborn babies in PEI.

Come out to a **Women's Expo** on Saturday, May 19 at Assumption Parish Centre, 10:00am-2:00pm. Featuring select entrepreneurs promoting their products, services, courses, workshops and sharing business services and opportunities. Some of the business types that will be represented include hair styling, skin care, Blue Cross, Signature Homestyle, Tupperware, insurance, mortgage, yoga, essential oils and real estate. Everyone welcome. No admission. Free will offering accepted for the Boys & Girls Club.

From May 18-21, **PEI Pilgrimage Ltd.** will lead a tour to **Our Lady of the Cape Shrine** at Cap-de-la-Madeleine, QC and **St. Joseph's Oratory** in Montreal. *Spaces still available at \$390/person - double occupancy.* To register for the tour, please call Gary Clow (569-3945), Ken Campbell (566-2914) or Joe Drane (940-5871).

Martha Spirituality Centre Sessions:

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

- **Men's Retreat** with Gilles Michaud – Saturday, May 26, 10:00am-3:00pm. *Discovering John of the Cross: the Path of a Contemplative Man.* Cost: \$20.

Tables are still available for rent for the **Women's Expo** on May 19 at Assumption Parish Centre. Rental fee is **\$50** 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 rent a table, please contact Jean Kelly: 629-1123 or 569-3317 or e-mail: jmkelly@younkerkelly.com.

Diocesan Information Sessions on Refugee Sponsorship:

Two sessions will highlight responsibilities and rewards of refugee sponsorship: May 15 - Jack Blanchard Family Centre, 7:00pm and May 17 - St. Paul's Parish Centre, Summerside, 7:00pm. Guest speakers, Dan Doran & Melissa Coffin, will share information regarding services available in the support of refugee sponsorship. Former refugee, *Parshu Giri*, and community support group member, *David Theuerkauf*, will share their experiences. Everyone welcome!

Praying the Rosary with scripture, song and icons - 7:00pm, May 16, St. Francis of Assisi. Sponsored by St. Francis CWL. May is the month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady and it is the occasion for a moving tribute of faith and love. A wonderful way to celebrate Mary!

Celtic Ceilidh in support of Glenaladale Estate on May 18, 7:30pm, Tracadie Community Centre. Featuring fiddler and piper, Joe MacMaster - nephew of Natalie MacMaster and rising star in Cape Breton, as well as Sheila MacKenzie, Ward MacDonald, Tiber Falzett and others. Admission \$15.

St. Joachim's:

Last Sunday, **Linden Kevin Ellsworth** (Michael & Randi) became a child of the Father through water and the Holy Spirit in the **Sacrament of Baptism.**




Catechism Coordinator Needed: St. Joachim's requires a volunteer Catechism Coordinator for 2018/2019. If interested, contact Colleen MacPherson: cgjmacpherson@hotmail.com.

Reminder: The **Parish Library** is at the Church Entrance. Feel free to borrow any materials using the black sign-out folder. Donations of books for the library are welcome.

A **Crib Tournament** will be held on May 20, 2:00-4:00pm at Uigg Community Centre. All proceeds to the IWK. Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun, prizes and snacks for a great cause! Entry fee is by donation. All ages and abilities welcome. For more info, call Leo Czank (651-2351). See you there!


Our Lady of the Assumption:

The **Social and Community Building Committee** invites parishioners to a **Mother's Day Social** after the 9:00am Mass on Sunday, **May 13.** 

Prayer Shawl Group Meeting will be held on **May 22** at 7:00pm in the McMahan Room. New members welcome.

Weekly Offerings: **May 6**
St. Joachim's \$ 1,705.00
Assumption \$ 4,247.00





May 14 - 20

Mass Schedule

Fr. Benedict will be away from the Unit until Saturday, June 16.

No weekday masses at Assumption until Friday, June 1.

No weekday masses at St. Joachim's until Wednesday, June 20.

Saturday:		
4:00pm	James & Ella Monaghan	OLA
Sunday:		
9:00am	Mass for the People	OLA
10:45am	Herman Gill	STJ