



Holy Family Pastoral Unit

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March 24, 2019
3rd Sunday of Lent

Development and Peace - Caritas Canada Share the Journey ~ Share Lent 2019:

This week, Share Lent takes us to Burma where we are invited to share the journey with the Rohingyas of Myanmar. Facing persecution and violence, 723,000 Rohingyas have fled Myanmar since August 2017 and taken refuge across the border, in neighbouring Bangladesh. Development & Peace's long-time partner, Caritas Bangladesh, is working hard to restore some dignity to these people who simply yearn to live in peace. Thanks to your donations, Caritas Bangladesh has been able to provide temporary shelters, access to clean water, safe latrines and showers for women and girls, hygiene kits, and to raise awareness among refugees about safety issues. Your generosity makes a difference in the lives of the Rohingya! devp.org/give

BULLETIN: Notices accepted until Wednesdays at Noon.

Healing Mass: Wednesday, March 27, 7:00pm,
St. Dunstan's Basilica, Dorchester Street entrance.

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 626-9758

Assumption: Elaine Fraser 569-4769

April 7 is Solidarity Sunday, the day of the collection for Share Lent. You are invited, as well, that day to the Annual **Development & Peace Solidarity Sunday Workshop**, in the MacKenzie Room (St. Pius X), 2:00-4:00pm. This year's theme is *Who Will Protect the Precious Child*. Panelists are Ron Kelly, Danny Gillis and a refugee family. Ron Kelly and Anne Quinn will perform *Precious Child*. Enjoy a Sharing Table. All are welcome!

Come Enjoy Our Weekly Card Plays ~ Great Prizes!

St. Joachim's Hall Tuesdays 7:30pm

Divine Mercy Image:

What does the left hand tell us? The thumb and index finger of Christ's left hand are drawing open the garment in the area of the heart. It's a gesture of *invitation*. This is Christ, inviting us to come into His Heart, to rest in His Heart.

This simple gesture expresses the mystery of God's unlimited and unfathomable mercy.



The right hand tells us that all the Father wants to do is bless His Children; the left hand shows us the source of that blessing and invites us to come and receive it as it pours out upon us through the open Heart of Christ.

(7 Secrets of Divine Mercy by Vinny Flynn)

Diocesan Liturgical Conference: May 11, 10:00am-3:00pm, St. Francis of Assisi. Presented by Fr. Keith Kennific. Theme: *Eucharist ~ The Liturgy of the Word*. Sponsored by the Diocesan Liturgy Commission. Registration info to follow.

Students graduating from high school this June and planning to attend UPEI are reminded that the deadline to apply for the **St. Dunstan's Undergraduate Scholarship** is April 15. Value of \$5,000 per year renewable for an additional three years for a total value of \$20,000. Application form and criteria can be found on the SDU website: www.saintdunstansuniversity.ca. For further info, e-mail: sdu@eastlink.ca or call 393-3441.

Martha Spirituality Centre Sessions:

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

1. Chair Yoga & Christian Meditation Program:

Begins Monday, April 1, 10:00-11:30am and continues every Monday until May 13. Fee: \$60.

2. Earth Hour Candlelight Prayer Service:

Saturday, March 30, 8:00-9:00pm. While the world is asked to power down on electricity, we will power up on prayer, readings and song for the health of our common home – planet Earth. All are welcome and invited to be seated before 8:00pm, when the lights will go out. Please reserve a seat as space is limited.

First Communion:

Assumption April 28

St. Joachim's May 5



Confirmation:

Unit Celebration at St. Joachim's

May 16



PEI Right to Life Association Annual General Meeting:

Saturday, April 13, 9:00am-3:00pm at St Pius X. At 1:00pm, there will be a special Celebration for its 45th Anniversary, honoring the many Islanders who have upheld the culture of life in PEI through the Association since its beginning. Please RSVP to life.sanctuary@pei.aibn.com or call 894-5473.

Steps to Justice Solidarity Walk:

Pray for justice this Lent by participating in this event on Sunday, March 24. Hosted by the UPEI Chaplaincy Centre and Diocesan Youth Office, we will walk in solidarity and pray for migrant people around the world. Gather at 4:30pm (UPEI Chaplaincy Centre). Walk to conclude by 5:30pm, Mass at 6:00pm. Everyone welcome.

St. Andrew's United Church 50th Anniversary:

On Saturday, March 30 at 10:00am, come to celebrate at the "Fifty Years of Faith & Fashion" UCW Coffee Party. Tickets: \$10 per person and must be reserved in advance by contacting UCW members or Norma Enman (651-2009). On March 31 at 10:30am, come to the 50th Anniversary Church Service. Guest Speaker: Rev. Kevin Dingwell. Cake cutting ceremony and time of fellowship to follow. Everyone is welcome to celebrate in Vernon Bridge!

St. Joachim's:

Offertory Procession:

March 31 – Kerry & Jane MacPhee Family

Come and join in the *Way of Cross* on Fridays during Lent at 7:00pm in the Side Chapel. Everyone welcome!

St. Joachim's Catechism classes will be hosting a **Bake Sale** on Sunday, March 31. This year, funds raised will be donated to the **Holy Childhood Association** and to **Heart & Stroke** in memory of Trayton Acton.

As part of their Lenten observance, the **Grade 7/8 Catechism class** will be **collecting, packing and delivering food bank donations**. Please drop off your non-perishable goods to the

marked boxes at the back of the church on Sundays, March 31, April 7 and April 14.

Monetary donations will be accepted by the youth on April 7 and 14. The class thanks you in advance for your support!



St. Joachim's Roast Beef Dinner: Sunday, April 14

St. Joachim's Parish Hall, 4:30pm (take-outs: 5:00pm). For tickets, call Knights Michael MacDonald (651-2580), Fred McInnis (651-2697) or David MacDonald (651-2179). Cost: \$20/adult, \$12/child (12 & under). Hosted by the CWL & Knights of Columbus. *Gluten free meals available.*

Our Lady of the Assumption:

Congratulations to March 16 Club 200 winners:

Ken & Anne MacDonald (\$200)

Knights of Columbus Planning Meeting:

March 26 - 7:30pm

Assumption Parish would love to have a **Youth Choir** for **Easter**. Anyone interested in participating, please contact Cathy LeClair: cbcleclair@gmail.com.



On Fridays of Lent, the Assumption K of C will lead the *Way of the Cross* following the 9:00am Mass.

Spring Fish Bake: April 12 - 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).

Weekly Offerings: March 17

St. Joachim's \$ 914.00

Assumption \$ 3,826.00



Mass Schedule: March 25 - 31

Tuesday: 9:00am Intentions of the People OLA

Wednesday: 9:00am Angela Lynch OLA

10:00am Mary Sullivan STJ

Thursday: 9:00am Intentions of the People OLA

Friday: 9:00am Deceased Members OLA

Assumption Knights of Columbus

10:00am Peggy McInnis STJ

Saturday: 4:00pm Emmett Murphy OLA

Michael & Ella Morrison & DFM

Sunday: 9:00am Mass for the People OLA

10:45am Catherine (Curran) Gallant STJ

Special Intention