

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

On the occasion of this solemn day and during this time of reflection and awareness of Canada's and the Catholic Church's involvement in the history of Residential Schools and everyone's desire for reconciliation with the Indigenous Peoples of this land, please find in your bulletin two documents just released by the Bishops of Canada.



May it help us to journey together in faith and hope with our Indigenous brothers and sisters.

September 25, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

God has blessed me abundantly in so many ways. Particularly, the Lord has blessed me with you, with your fervent support and especially your prayers. Today, I share good news with you. I met with my Oncologist today. He informed me that the radiation and chemotherapy went well. Recent tests indicate that the cancer is in remission. With deep joy, I extend my gratitude to all of you and ask that your many, many prayers on my behalf now be offered as prayers of thanksgiving for graces received.

I must share with you another blessing God bestowed upon me. I cannot praise or thank enough the nurses, physicians and staff of the PEI Cancer Treatment Centre. Their professionalism, efficiency and above all caring touch was beyond compare. I am grateful also to have received my diagnosis, radiation and chemotherapy prior to retirement in my home province. Because of the pandemic, many hospitals across Canada had capacity issues so severe that treatments and procedures were often cancelled or postponed. For eight months, I experienced no cancellations or interruption of my treatments. I am truly grateful for the blessing of health care in PEI.

According to my oncologist, I am to assume that the Covid vaccination I receive will not have much effect due to the long term impact of chemotherapy. Therefore, for the coming year, I shall continue to keep physically distant, avoid indoor crowds and wear a mask. This seems like a relatively easy task; however, it means I will not be able to visit parishes for Mass and bid you a personal farewell and thanks. Although physically unable to meet with you, I do know your spirit of prayer and support and I assure you of mine as we await the appointment of a new Bishop by the Holy Father, Francis. Be assured of my gratitude and prayers.

May the Lord's Peace and Joy be with you always.

Sincerely in Christ,

+Richard Grecco
Bishop Emeritus of Charlottetown

Thank You for Supporting Your Parishes

<i>St. Joachim's Offerings:</i>	<i>September 26</i>	<i>Assumption Offerings:</i>	<i>September 26</i>
Sunday Collection	\$ 650.00	Sunday Collection	\$1,562.00
Pre-Authorized Debit	\$ 40.00	Pre-Authorized Debit	\$ 510.00
Loonie/Toonie Collection	\$ 29.00	Capital Projects Fund	\$ 180.00



Pre-Authorized Debit Plan forms are available at the Church Entrances, at the Unit Office or can be e-mailed to you upon request. Anyone wishing to donate via this method, please complete the form and return to Elaine with a void cheque or letter from your bank. Another donation option is via e-transfer to holyfamilypastoralunit@bellaliant.com. Sunday Offering envelope sets are also available at both parishes.



Holy Family Pastoral Unit

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October 3, 2021

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

The PEI State Council of the **Knights of Columbus** invites all Knights to attend its **100th Anniversary** of being a Knights' jurisdiction on October 7 at St. Paul's Church (Summerside), 7:00pm. For more info, contact your council's Grand Knight.

St. Joachim's:

St. Joachim's Parish Catechism Coordinator Needed:

If interested in taking on this role for the youth of the parish, please contact Mary Kouwenberg: (902) 651-2613 or e-mail: hans.kouwenberg@bellaliant.net.

St. Joachim's Annual Collection helps the Parish with the general running and upkeep of the Church. Due to continuing Covid-19 restrictions, we will not be having a door-to-door collection again this year. Instead, the collection will be held throughout the month of October. Simply place your donation in an envelope marked Annual Collection (name/envelope #), you may e-transfer to holyfamilypastoralunit@bellaliant.com, or mail to the Unit Office. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity to the Parish.

St. Joachim's Weekday Masses:

Beginning October 6, Masses will be held in the Side Chapel.

Our Lady of the Assumption:

Sincere **thanks** to the family of the late **Brian Greenan** for designating memorial donations to the *Capital Projects Fund* of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish. Through the generosity of family and friends, \$2,025 was donated in Brian's memory.

Thank You

Assumption Knights of Columbus All-Members Meeting, originally scheduled for Tuesday, October 5, is **cancelled**.

Information on the **Assumption Catechism Program** will be shared by Cathy LeClair (coordinator) by mid-October.

Thanksgiving is a time to rejoice in our blessings and to share with others. Next weekend (October 9/10), the Assumption Knights of Columbus are hosting a **Food Drive** in support of the Upper Room Food Bank. Non-perishable food items or monetary donations can be left at the designated area in the Church Foyer.



Mass Schedule:

October 4 - 10



Tuesday:	10:00am	CWL Intention	OLA
Wednesday:	10:00am	Sheila Cannon	STJ
Thursday:	9:00am	<i>Eucharistic Holy Hour</i>	OLA
	10:00am	<i>Memorial - Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	OLA
Friday:	10:00am	Jack & Gerry McCarron & DFM	OLA
Saturday:	~~~~~	<i>Funeral Mass</i>	STJ
		Patricia Murphy & Michael Murphy	
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		Stephen O'Shea & Amber Perrot	

<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>4:00pm</b>	Dowling & Keefe DFM	OLA
		Gladys Smith	
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Marie Magennis	STJ
	<b>11:00am</b>	Mass for the People	OLA