

## ST. BENEDICT'S PASTORAL UNIT

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### 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 9, 2022

#### MASS SCHEDULE:

St. James: Sat. 4:00 p.m., Fri. 9:00 a.m.  
St. George's: Sun. 9:00 a.m., Wed. 6:30 p.m.  
All Saints: Sun. 10:30 a.m., Thurs. 9:30 a.m.

#### Confessions

St. James - Saturday 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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As I write this, much of the world is in social isolation due to COVID-19. Like lepers of old, we are all acting as though we are unclean: masking social and physical distancing, and taking purifying baths at our sinks or hand-sanitizing stations to protect each other from a deadly virus. For the first time perhaps, the majority of the members of our society know the devastating impact of social isolation. COVID-19 also exposed other kinds of isolation and marginalization in our world that have been hidden in plain sight. The dynamic of foreigner/insider, marginalized/included, unworthy/worthy, privileged/disadvantaged has been made clear.

Jesus upended those dynamics, healing an outsider. Jesus welcomed the former leper, but I wonder whether the broader community welcomed him. He was, after all, still a Samaritan.

What are the dynamics of marginalization/inclusion in our contemporary religious communities? Who seeks healing? Who is isolated, for what sins or sicknesses, ethnic or gender identities, personal histories? Pope Francis

makes clear, "The Eucharist is not a prize for the perfect, but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak" (Evangelii Gaudium, 47). If we're honest, that's all of us. We all need this medicine that forms "true bonds of solidarity" (Pope Francis, Twitter, 14 June 2020). Come. Give thanks. Eat.

Bernadette Gasslein, Edmonton, AB

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Ivan Gallant, Pauline Walsh, and Betty (Buchanan) Smith. If you wish prayers for your loved one due to illness please email or phone Edith (583-2541) to let her know. Thank you!

#### Week Day Masses

Wednesday, Oct. 12, 6:30 p.m. St. George's No Intention Listed

Thursday, Oct. 13, 9:30 a.m. All Saints Int. No Intention Listed

Friday, Oct. 14, 9:00 a.m. St. James Int. No Intention Listed

Saturday, Oct. 15, 6:00 p.m. St. James Int. Malcolm MacPhee by Family

Sunday, Oct. 16, 9:00 a.m. St. George's Int. No Mass Intention Listed

Sunday, Oct. 16, 10:30 a.m. All Saints Int. Parishioners of the Unit

**Catechism Classes for 2022/2023:** Catechism Classes for grades 1 – 7 will now start on Monday, October 7 at 6:00 p.m. at St. James church.

#### First Communion Students – Grade 3:

There will be a meeting for all students and parents at St. James church at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 11, 2022.

#### Confirmation Students – Grades 8 and 9:

There will be a meeting for all students and parents at St. James church at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 11, 2022.

**Mass Books:** Each parish in our Unit has placed orders to purchase Mass books for parishioners to use at Mass. They will be available for the first week in Advent which is the Church New Year.

**A Community Fridge** has been set up at the King's Playhouse in Georgetown. People from the area (Georgetown and beyond) are welcome to partake in this project. TAKE WHAT YOU NEED, GIVE WHAT YOU CAN. Fresh produce, eggs, and other unopened refrigerated items are most welcome as well as dry goods for the cupboard. Items can also be left at the town library located at Georgetown School.

#### ST. JAMES PARISH

Collection for Sept. 25 – No Mass. Collection for October 2 – 14 Envelopes - \$475.00; Loose – \$38.00; 3 Envelopes – Needs of the Canadian Church – \$31.00; Donation to the Cemetery Fund IMO Louise Hessian - \$20.00; Donation to the Cemetery Fund - \$476.88. **Ministries for October 15:** Lector – Tony Thijssen; Eucharistic Minister – Veronica Curley; Choir – Team 2; Altar Server – Jim Garrity.

#### ALL SAINTS PARISH

Collection for September 25 No Mass. Collection for Oct. 2 - 20 Envelopes - \$1,225.00; Loose - \$40.00; 6 Envelopes for the Needs of the Canadian Church - \$115.00; Cemetery Fund - \$50.00; Direct Deposit - \$855.00. **Ministries for October 16** Lector – Mary VandenBroek Grant; Eucharistic Minister – Ron Blue; Gifts – John Allan Hughes; Ushers – Roger Kelly & Ron Blue; Church Custodian for October 10 to October 16 is Harry Nabuurs & from October 17 to October 23 is Jimmy Quinn; Church Cleaners for October are Shirley MacGillivray, Sadie Fogarty, Marlene Victor & Kari Doiron.

**All Saints New Ministry List:** The updated ministry list schedule for All Saints for October, November, and December is available at the back of the church.

#### ST. GEORGE'S PARISH

Collection for September 25 – No Mass; Collection for Oct. 2 – 22 Envelopes – \$760.00; 5 Envelopes for the Needs of the Canadian Church - \$90.00; Maintenance - \$50.00; Donations to the Cemetery Fund for Regular Maintenance - \$300.00. **Ministries for October 16:** Lector – Diane Brennan; Eucharistic Minister – Rolland Dionne; Gifts – Sharon & Gordon Johnston; Ushers – Joe & Claire McCarron. Church Cleaners for October are Jeannie Johnston, Christa MacDonald & Doreen Acorn.

#### DIOCESAN COMMUNITY NEWS

Diocesan Administrator Fr. Brian MacDougall has appointed Fr. Walter Flynn as the new Vocation Director for the Diocese of Charlottetown. Fr. Walter is the associate pastor at St. Paul's Parish in Summerside. He can be contacted at 902-436-5112.

This year's CWL Fall conferences will take place on Saturday, October 15th at St. Joachim's Church in Vernon River. Start time is 9:00 a.m.

**Deacon Robert Kinghorn**, columnist with the Catholic Register, will be giving a talk about his ministry "The Church on the Street" at Holy Redeemer Church at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, October 20. All are welcome to attend. Admission is free. Masking recommended.

Please join **HOSPICE OF SOUTHERN KINGS** For their **Non-Denominational ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE** on Sunday, October 16, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at St. George's Anglican Church Douses Road, Montague. As we remember our loved ones.

NOTE: Please send items for the Bulletin to Edith MacDonald at - [elmacdonald56@gmail.com](mailto:elmacdonald56@gmail.com) or phone 583-2541 by **Noon**, the Wednesday prior to the weekend.