

ST. BENEDICT'S PASTORAL UNIT

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time January 22, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE:

St. James: Sat. 4:00 p.m., Fri. 9:00 a.m.
St. George's: Sun. 9:00 a.m., Wed. 9:30 a.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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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The gospel recounts the beginning of Jesus' first public life in Galilee. He started to call people to become fishers of men and preparing them for a mission, which is spreading the Good News. Responding to the call of Jesus requires sacrifices. As Christians, we participate on this mission of Jesus as his disciples. How do we continue the mission of Jesus, spreading the Good News, in our daily life?

Jesus also healed the sick, cast out demons and ministered to the people according to their needs. People from many cities and towns came to see this man, Jesus! They came to hear Him preach and to be healed. Can you put us into this scene of the crowd gathered around Jesus? What are we hoping to see or to experience? Are we hoping that Jesus will heal us of an affliction?

Today we also can gather at Jesus' feet. We can simply listen to what He may have to say for us. Or we might wish to tell Him what we need and hope for. Do we trust that Jesus will listen to us? Today, may we pray to place our hope and our trust in Jesus? He will not fail us!

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Pauline Walsh. 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

*** NOTE CHANGE IN MASS TIME FOR ST. GEORGE'S WEDNESDAY MASSES FOR THE WINTER MONTHS*****

Wednesday, Jan. 25, 9:30 a.m. St. George's Int. No Intention Listed

Thursday, Jan. 26, 9:30 a.m. All Saints Int. No Intention Listed

Friday, Jan. 27, 9:00 a.m. St. James Int. No Intention Listed

Saturday, Jan. 28, 4:00 p.m. St. James Int. Clement & Eunice MacDonald & Tina & Rad Nicholas by Frances & Lawrence MacAulay

Sunday, Jan. 29, 9:00 a.m. St. George's – Parishioners of the Unit

Sunday, Jan. 29, 10:30 a.m. All Saints Int. Martin & Annie VandenBroek by Joanne Donahoe

Winter Storm Mass Cancellations: You can check the banner on our website for immediate Mass cancellation notifications. For weekday Masses the policy that if school is closed or delayed for the day due to the weather, Mass will be cancelled.

Catechism Classes: Catechism Classes for grades 1 – 7 are held on Monday evenings at St. James church from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Classes for grades 8 & 9 are held on Thursday evenings at St. James church from 6:30 – 7:45 p.m. Please pray for all our catechism students.

Hospital/ Nursing Home Visits: In the past, priests and lay pastoral associates were able to freely visit the sick. With Covid restrictions, unless we are on the list of visitors for a patient, most health care facilities will not allow us in. To receive the Sacrament of the Sick, which can be administered with a change in health or before surgery, and the "Last Rites" at the time of death, please ask the nurse to contact a priest and he will be allowed to go to the patient's room. If you wish to have a home visit or a home visit with communion, you can contact Fr. Kishore or Claudia. If you would like to receive the Sacrament of Confession or the Sacrament of the Sick at home contact Fr. Kishore.

ST. JAMES PARISH

Collection for January 15 - 15 Envelopes - \$400.00; 1 Initial Offering Envelope - \$5.00; Loose - \$36.00; 2 Maintenance Envelopes - \$10.00; 1 Solemnity of Mary New Year's Day Offering - \$20.00. **Ministries for January 28:** Lector – Claranne Lavandier; Eucharistic Minister – Christine MacMillan; Altar Server – Tony Thijseen; Choir – Band. **Snow Clearing** from January 19 to January 25 is Mark King and from January 26 to February 1 is Mike LaVie.

The 2023 church envelopes for St. James are at the back of the Church. Please pick up your box of envelopes. Thanks.

ALL SAINTS PARISH

Collection for January 15 – 22 Envelopes - \$565.00; Loose - \$15.00; Cemetery Fund - \$50.00; 1 Christmas Offering Envelope - \$10.00. **Ministries for January 29:** Lector – Mary VandenBroek Grant; Eucharistic Minister – Margaret VandenBroek; Gifts – Michael & Shirley Rice; Ushers – John Donahoe & Louis Callaghan. **Church Custodian** from January 23 to January 29 is Ron Blue & from January 30 to February 5 is Joey Cain; **Church Cleaners** for January are Edwena Campbell, Joanne McGuigan and Debbie Quinn. **Snow Clearing Team** from Monday, January 23 to Sunday, January 29 is Bobby MacDonald & Bradshaw Campbell & from Monday, January 30 to Sunday, February 5 are Dan Shepherd & John Brothers.

All Saints 2023 Envelopes are at the back of the Church for pickup. Remember you can also register for the automatic monthly contributions; forms are with the envelopes or ask Mary Ann Donahoe. The property and finance committee "Thank You" for your generous donations this past year.

ST. GEORGE'S PARISH

Collection for January 15 – 17 Envelopes - \$465.00; Loose - \$22.25. **Ministries for January 29:** Lector – Terry Brennan; Eucharistic Minister – Edith MacDonald; Gifts – Agnes & Rosella MacDonald; Ushers – Tony Thijseen & Rolland Dionne; **Church Cleaners** for January are Sharon MacEachern, Micheline Downe, & Paula Fay Matheson. **Snow clearing team** from Sunday, January 22 to Saturday, January 28 are Paul & Raymond Morrison & from Sunday, January 29 to Saturday, February 4 are Kevin Campbell & Joey MacPhee.

2023 Church Envelopes: If anyone did not receive a box of envelopes but wishes to use a box, there are boxes of envelopes available in the Sacristy.

The St. George's C.W.L. invites girls and women

attending colleges and universities to apply for the **Catholic Girls Bursary by the deadline of January 31, 2023.** Application forms will be available at the back of the church at St. George's and St. James. Contact Edith MacDonald regarding signatures required on the form.

St. George's C.W.L. Members are reminded that your C.W.L. dues payment deadline is January 31. You can put an envelope in the collection with your name on it or you can contact Maggie, Carol, Audrey or Edith. Thanks.

DIOCESAN COMMUNITY NEWS

L.E.A.P. into fun, faith, and community!! Youth Ministry of the Diocese of Charlottetown is hosting a dynamic afternoon for youth of Grades 10, 11, and 12 (high school) of King's Deanery to come for a Leave Everything And Pray (LEAP) retreat on Saturday, January 28, from 1:00 p.m. to -5:00 p.m. which will include mass at 4:00 p.m., followed by supper. This event will be held in St. Benedict's Pastoral Unit at St. James Church, Georgetown. To register for this special event, please contact Youth Coordinator, Lauren at the Diocesan Centre. To register: <https://youth.dioceseofcharlottetown.com/leave-everything:and-pray-leap-retreats/>

Clergy Change: Effective January 1, Fr. Martin Carter has been appointed Parish Administrator of St. Francis of Assisi (Cornwall), St. Martin of Tours (Cumberland) and St. Anne (Emyvale) until June 2023. Fr. Doug MacDonald, Pastor of St. Francis of Assisi and Administrator of St. Anne and St. Martin of Tours, has been granted medical leave until June 2023.

PRAYER for the WEEK: Follow His Call:

Father of Love, hear my prayer.
Help me to know Your will
and to do it with courage and faith.
Accept my offering of myself,
all my thoughts, words, deeds and sufferings.
May my life be spent giving You glory.
Give me the strength to follow Your call,
so that Your Truth may live in my heart
and bring peace to me and to those I meet,
for I believe in Your Love.

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