

**ST. BENEDICT'S PASTORAL UNIT**  
**Epiphany of the Lord**  
**January 8, 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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**Epiphany of the Lord**

The gospel instilled the idea of how God redirects, plans, and guides us in our life's journeys. This shows that God is ever present, watching our actions, looking out for us, and keeping us safe from harm. For example, because the prophets followed the response to not return to Jerusalem, even without them realizing that by doing so they have helped in keeping baby Jesus safe from King Herod. He has His plan for us that we may not even completely understand. Hey you never know the person sitting right next to you just might become the next pope or the next president in the future.

Even if you are lost right now just remember that God will always guide us on how to realize our potential. He will never lead us astray even if we think that we are beyond saving. We just have to keep our faith alive, follow his word, and keep striving to be a better person. He will show us the answers we are looking for when the time is right and when we need it the most.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Please pray for 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**

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

Wednesday, Jan. 11, **9:30 a.m.** St. George's Int. Allan MacDonald by Edith MacDonald

Thursday, Jan. 12, 9:30 a.m. All Saints Int. No Intention Listed

Friday, Jan. 13, 9:00 a.m. St. James Int. No Intention Listed

Saturday, Jan. 14, 4:00 p.m. St. James Int. Roddie MacPhee by Family

Sunday, Jan. 15, 9:00 a.m. St. George's – George & Peg Campbell by Greg & Maggie Campbell

Sunday, Jan. 15, 10:30 a.m. All Saints Int. Parishioners of the Unit

**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.

**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 December 25 – 15 Envelopes - \$2,195.00; Loose - \$248.00; Maintenance - 5 Envelopes - \$45.00; Christmas Offering – 12 Envelopes - \$298.00; January 1 – 13 Envelopes - \$1,790.00; Loose - \$33.00; Maintenance - 1 Envelope - \$20.00; Christmas Offering – 1 Envelope - \$100.00; New Year's Day Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God – 7 Envelopes - \$110.00; Initial Offering – 7 Envelopes - \$45.00. **Ministries for January 14:** Lector – Florence MacDonald; Eucharistic Minister – Mark Gotell; Altar Server – Tony Thijseen; Choir – Team 1. **Snow Clearing** from January 5 to January 11 is Hal Publicover & from January 12 to January 18 is John Gotell.

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

**Christmas Thank you** goes out to all who helped in any way to make our celebration of Christmas a joy: the priests who helped with Advent confessions, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, lectors, donators to the angel tree, collectors, offertory presenters, decorators, card and treat deliverers, musicians and singers, cleaners, youth who sang and carried Baby Jesus ... and any others who are known only to them. And of course, all who came to mass to be "part of the family", and all unable to come but joined us in spirit.

**ALL SAINTS PARISH**

Collection for January 1 – 11 Envelopes - \$310.00; Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - 9 Envelopes - \$225.00; Loose - \$105.00; Cemetery Fund - \$50.00; Offering - \$780.00; Initial Offering - \$35.00; Christmas Collection - \$1,600.00; Cemetery Fund IMO Helen Wilson - \$50.00. **Ministries for January 15:** Lector – Bernice Curran Brothers; Eucharistic Minister – Billy Conohan; Gifts – Harry Nabuurs; Ushers – Martin VandenBroek & Billy Conohan. **Church Custodian** from January 9 to January 15 is Jimmy Quinn & from January 16 to January 22 is Karen VandenBroek; **Church Cleaners** for January are Edwena Campbell, Joanne McGuigan and Debbie Quinn. **Snow Clearing Team** from Monday, January 9 to Sunday, January 15 is Reg Peters & Kurt Laird & from Monday, January 16 to Sunday, January 22 are George & Martin VandenBroek.

**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 December 18 – 1 Envelope – \$20.00; Christmas Offering – 2 Envelopes - \$100.00; December 25 – 5 Envelopes - \$200.00; Loose - \$26.00; Initial Offering – 6 Envelopes - \$80.00; Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God -7 Envelopes - \$150.00; January 1 – 12 Envelopes - \$375.00; Donation to the parish - \$2,000.00. **Ministries for January 15:** Lector - Carol Caverley; Eucharistic Minister – John Gotell; Gifts – John & Naomi Gotell; Ushers – Joe & Claire McCarron; **Church Cleaners** for January are Sharon MacEachern, Micheline Downe, & Paula Fay Matheson. **Snow clearing team** from Sunday, January 8 to Saturday, January 14 are Owen Fitzpatrick and Claude MacKinnon & from Sunday, January 15 to Saturday, January 21 are Rob, Sam, and Nate Shaw.

**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.

**DIOCESAN COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Behold the Lamb of God:** A retreat on our Lord's Eucharistic presence at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre. Father Andrew Handrahan will lead this retreat the weekend of January 20-22, 2023, reflecting on the Lord's presence among us in the Eucharist and our response to this sacred gift of the Lord to His Church. To register, please call 902-621-2385 or 902-388-1952. The cost for the weekend is \$195.00 for single registrants and \$295.00 for couples. Arrival time is 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Friday, retreat begins promptly at 7:00 p.m.

**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/>

**PRAYER for the WEEK: Epiphany of the Lord:**

Father God, the star that led the Magi to the stable announced to the world that its Saviour was born. Today we live in a world that is still covered by darkness, and still needing to make that journey to the stable door. May our lives reflect your light day by day, as we seek to serve where you have placed us. That we might be the means through which others can encounter Jesus Christ. Amen

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.