

ST. BENEDICT'S PASTORAL UNIT
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 25, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE:

St. Francis deSales: Sat. 4:00 p.m.
St. James: Sat. 6:00 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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12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Reflection

In today's gospel, Jesus repeated three times, "Do not be afraid" as He sends His apostles to preach the Kingdom of God to a world full of hostility. He knew very well the weaknesses and strengths of the people He is sending. There are enough reasons to be afraid. Missionaries are not welcomed in many parts of the world. Preachers and priests are martyred. Even ordinary Christians are ridiculed and persecuted by forces seen and unseen.

Can humanity overcome all of these troubles? Jesus is telling us, do not be afraid. Though the world seems to be in darkness, God who created it is in control. He sees everything including our secrets. He knows everything including the numbers of our hair. He can do anything and no one is above Him!

Do not be afraid. Though our fear seems to grow bigger, we have a God who is bigger. He is the God of history. God loves us as to make us. He loves us as to redeem us when we got lost due to sin. As He sent His apostles before, He is sending us now to bring the Good News to a world that is full of betrayal and enveloped by darkness. Let us never be afraid. In His eyes, we are worth more than many sparrows. His grace alone is sufficient to see us through. (2 Corinthians 12:9)

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Pauline Walsh, Shannon Lavandier & Felix Walker. 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, June 28, 6:30 p.m. at St. George's Int. Margaret (Morrison) McInnis by Claire, Joe & Family

Thursday, June 29, 9:30 a.m. at All Saints Int. Dean Johnstone by Julia & Sandy MacDougald

Friday, June 30, 9:00 a.m. at St. James Int. Gallant Family by Valerie & Michael

Saturday, July 1, 4:00 p.m. St. Francis deSales Int. Rose Marie & David MacDonald by Ronnie MacDonald

Saturday, July 1, 6:00 p.m. St. James Int. Betty Martell by Elizabeth Campbell

Sunday, July 2, 9:00 a.m. St. George's Int. Cy & Christine Goobie by Norbert & Anne Morrison

Sunday, July 2, 10:30 a.m. All Saints Int. Parishioners of the Unit

Rosary: The rosary has started before Mass at St. James church at 5:30 p.m.; St. George's church at 8:30 a.m.; and St. Francis deSales at 3:30 p.m. We still need Volunteers from All Saints parish to lead the rosary. Please contact Fr. Kishore if this is something you can do.

ST. JAMES PARISH

Collection for June 18 – 17 Envelopes - \$320.00; Loose - \$75.00; 6 Maintenance Envelopes - \$70.00. Ministries for July 1: Lector – Tony Thijseen; Eucharistic Minister – Veronica Curley; Altar Server – Jim Garrity; Choir – Guitars.

St. James Parish Property & Finance Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, June 27th at 6:30 p.m.

ALL SAINTS PARISH

Collection for June 18 – 29 Envelopes - \$1,000.00; Loose - \$139.00; Cemetery Fund - \$50.00. Ministries for July 2: Lector – Mary VandenBroek-Grant; Eucharistic Minister – Tony VandenBroek; Gifts – Anita Gordon; Ushers – Dan Shepard & Frank Brothers. Church Custodian from June 26 to July 2 is Jimmy Quinn & from July 3 to July 9 is Karen VandenBroek. Church Cleaners for July are Shirley McGillivray, Sadie Fogarty, Marlene Victor & Kari Doiron.

Ministry List copies for All Saints for July, August and September are available at the back of the church.

ST. GEORGE'S PARISH

Collection for June 18 –29 Envelopes - \$860.00; Loose - \$51.00; 1 Envelope – Pope's Pastoral Works - \$20.00.

Ministries for July 2: Lector – Carol Caverley; Eucharistic Minister – Paul Morrison; Gifts – Phyllis MacDonald & Jeannie Johnston; Ushers – Paul & Sally Morrison.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH

Ministries for July 1: Lector – Eileen MacKenzie; Eucharistic Minister – Cyril MacKenzie; Gifts – Jack and Jean Jans; Ushers – Billy Victory & Greg Madison.

DIOCESAN COMMUNITY NEWS

Fr. Doug MacDonald, Pastor of St. Francis of Assisi (Cornwall) and currently on medical leave since January 1, has been granted a one-year extension to his leave effective June 1, 2023. Fr. Martin Carter will continue as Parish Administrator of St. Francis of Assisi (Cornwall), St. Martin of Tours (Cumberland) and St. Anne (Emyvale) until a new pastor is appointed.

Benefit Concert in Aid of Southern Kings & Queens Food Bank - Sunday, June 25, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at St. Joachim's Church Hall, Vernon River. Featuring Kelley Mooney, Friends of the Irish, Sheila MacKenzie, Norman Stewart, Maxine MacLennan. Admission \$10.00. Children under 12 free. 50/50 draw. Sponsored by Brother Leo Fraternity of Secular Franciscans. Everyone Welcome!

If you have not returned your PEILIFE Baby Bottle, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you for your support of pro-life activities on PEI !

The Installation Mass of Bishop Joseph Dabrowski as the 14th bishop of the Diocese of Charlottetown will be live streamed through the following link: https://youtube.com/live/vg_4vxeeKs. The Mass will be live beginning at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 29th. This will also be recorded and available to watch following the live event. Refreshments and the opportunity to greet our new bishop will follow at Memorial Hall in the Confederation Centre of the Arts. For those travelling to Charlottetown from a distance, there are several low-cost parking options in the downtown area, including Peakes' Parking Lot, Pownal Parkade, Queen Parkade and Fitzroy Parkade. Limited metered parking is also available on

downtown streets. Come one and all! Let's give our new bishop a warm Island welcome!

A special choir is being assembled to sing at the Installation of our new Bishop at St. Dunstan's Basilica on Thursday, June 29 at 3:00 p.m. Anyone wishing to sing in the choir is asked to attend two rehearsals on Tuesday evenings June 20th and 27th starting at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Please contact Leo Marchildon at leomarchildon88@gmail.com for more information.

Saint Dunstan's University Bursary: Students are reminded that there has been a change to the SDU Bursary program- beginning with the 2023-2024 academic years the SDU Bursary will increase in value to \$1,500. Application form and criteria are available on the Saint Dunstan's University website, <https://saintdunstansuniversity.ca> Application deadline is August 31, 2023. A maximum of 175 bursaries will be awarded for the coming academic year. Also note that the SDU Board of Governors High School award has been discontinued. As many schools may not have administrative staff during July and August you are advised to make arrangements to have your transcript sent prior to the end of June.

Heart-of-the-Matter Marriage prep course will be offered in Charlottetown on July 7&8. This is a Friday evening and all day Saturday course. If you are getting married in the Catholic Church, you need to attend a preparation course. For more information email or call Pat Wiedemer at patricia.wiedemer@outlook.com or 902-393-6047. Registration is required in advance.

PRAYER for the WEEK: Prayer for the Broken Hearted:

"Dear Father,
You alone, God, know the sorrow deep within my heart and You alone are the One who can heal my broken heart. "You who are my Comforter in sorrow, my heart is faint within me" ([Jeremiah 8:18](#)). In this darkest of times in my life, Father, I turn towards you, asking You to mend my brokenness and extend Your healing into to every area of my heart that is ripped and torn apart. I'm powerless, Lord, to remove this heartbreak from my heart but You who created my innermost being and knit me together in my mother's womb, can make my heart anew again ([Psalm 139:13](#)).

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.