

**ST. BENEDICT’S PASTORAL UNIT**  
**32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**November 12, 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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**32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Reflection**

The Parable of the Ten Virgins tells us primarily the message of readiness to meet our creator. Nobody knows the time or day. That is why, the present moment is very critical. It is all we have. In the words of one song, yesterday is gone and tomorrow will never be ours. Therefore, we must spend every moment of our life to prepare.

What should we prepare? Let us make an inventory. Are we attired with the garment of purity? Do we have the oil of faith, the lamp of hope and the vessel of love? If our garment is stained with sin, there is still time to wash it with repentance and forgiveness. If our oil is at its lowest amount, let us increase it with prayer. If our lamp is not functioning, fix it with the inspiring Word of God. If our vessel is empty, allow the Holy Spirit to fill it with its power.

We know that at any time our Creator will call us into His Kingdom. We just don’t know the exact time. For the wise, there is no problem. Their entire life on earth is but a preparation for that moment of encounter with the Lord. But the fool continues to ignore this warning. It is to him or her that the Lord will say “I do not know you”

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Please pray for Shannon Lavandier, Cathy Martell, & Jordan Lea. 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, Nov. 15, 9:30 a.m. at St. George’s Int. Eileen Morrison by Anne & Norbert Morrison

Thursday, Nov. 16, 9:30 a.m. at All Saints Int. No Intention Listed

Friday, Nov. 17, 9:00 a.m. at St. James Int. Didier Charles by Claudia Batchilder

Saturday, Nov. 18, 4:00 p.m. at St. James Int. Brian Curley by Veronica Curley

Sunday, Nov. 19, 9:00 a.m. at St. George’s Int. Ivan Morrison by Lorraine and Family

Sunday, Nov. 19, 10:30 a.m. at All Saints Int. Parishioners of the Unit

MASS INTENTIONS: Mass intentions for Saturday and Sunday are now booked until December 31. Weekday Masses times are still available for booking.

CATESHISM: St. Benedict's Catechism Classes are on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. at St. James Church.

Faith Sharing: Faith sharing for Advent will begin on Monday, November 27 at 10:00 a.m. at Edith MacDonald’s home.

**ST. JAMES PARISH**

Collection for Nov. 5 - 15 Envelopes - \$495.00; Loose - \$55.00; 6 On Going Maintenance - \$165.00; Donation to the New Roof & Ongoing Maintenance Fund IMO Fred & Sean Myers and Mary Boudreault - \$100.00; IMO Betty Smith - \$100.00. Ministries for Nov. 18 - Lector – Florence MacDonald; Eucharistic Minister – Mark Gotell; Choir – Organ.

St. James Parish is now set up to accept E-Transfers for your envelope contribution. The email address for E-Transfer’s is: [stjamesgeorgetown@gmail.com](mailto:stjamesgeorgetown@gmail.com) You can sent your weekly or monthly contribution but please include your envelope number; and anyone who wishes to send a donation to our Roof/On Going Maintenance Fund, can send it by E-Transfer, include your envelope number or your name and address and a tax receipt will be mailed to you.

St. James Parish New Roof & Ongoing Maintenance Fund Raiser: We are starting a Fund Raising Campaign to cover the cost of replacing the roof over the church as well as the residence and garage. Funds will also be used for other ongoing maintenance expenses. Our goal is to raise \$50,000 and we will be organizing fundraising ideas to help us meet our goal. If anyone who would like to make a donation towards our goal, it would be greatly appreciated. You may wish to make a donation in memory of a loved one or former parishioner of St. James Parish. If you wish to help out or for more information, please contact Kevin Gotell at 902-652-2387. Tax receipts will be issued for donations. Thank you in advance for your financial support!

A huge thank you to Louise Lundin (Murphy) for her generous donation of \$20,000 towards our New Roof & On Going Maintenance Fund in memory of her parents William & Laura Murphy.

St. James Property & Finance Committee Meeting will meet on Tuesday, November 21 at 6:00 p.m.

THANK YOU! Sincere thanks to everyone who took tickets to sell on our monthly lottery draw. Please remember to have the stubs and monies returned by November 18

**ALL SAINTS PARISH**

Collection for Nov. 5 - 25 Envelopes - \$680.00; Loose – \$318.00; Cemetery Fund - \$150.00; Donation - \$500.00; Proceeds from the Roast Beef Dinner - \$3,945.00. Ministries for November 19: Lector – Bernice Curran Brothers; Eucharistic Minister – Ron Blue; Gifts – Andrew & Denise Rowe; Ushers – Martin VandenBroek & Billy Conohan. Church Custodian from November 13 to November 19 is Ron Blue & from November 20 to November 26 is Joey Cain. Church Cleaners for November are Katherine MacDonald, Shirley Rice, Cindy Shepard and Marilyn Barrett.

THANK YOU - To all who donated food, gave of your time, took phone calls, purchased a meal, or helped in any way for our roast beef dinner; Thank you! Your support is very much appreciated. Also, a huge thank you to Jamie Rice for leading the effort.

**ST. GEORGE’S PARISH**

Collection for Nov. 5 - 25 Envelopes - \$880.00; Loose - \$30.00; Cemetery Fund IMO Eileen Morrison - \$410.00; Cemetery Fund Donation - \$100.00. Ministries November 19: Lector – Edith MacDonald; Eucharistic Minister – Carol Caverley; Gifts –Phyllis MacDonald & Jeannie Johnston; Ushers – Paul & Sally Morrison. Church Cleaners for November are: Sally, Joanie, and Amy Morrison & Bernadine Somers.

**DIOCESAN COMMUNITY NEWS**

The CWL Fall Conference is taking place at St. Joachim's church hall on Saturday, November 18. It is open to all CWL members who wish to attend. You must PRE-REGISTER by Monday, November 13 with Crissy Czank at [cfczank@edu.pe.ca](mailto:cfczank@edu.pe.ca) Please give your council's name, your name and a contact number or email where you can be reached.

A workshop entitled “Living with God in the Day-to-Day” will be held at the Martha Spirituality Centre (45 Great George Street, Charlottetown) on Saturday, November 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This session explores practical tools that help us grow in relationship with God, self and others. Presenters will be Julia Donahoe-MacDougald, Michelle Mahoney and Roseanne Macdonald, members of the P.E.I. Local of the Atlantic Association of the Spiritual Exercises Apostolate. Please bring your own lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. The

fee is \$25 per person. Registration deadline is November 15. Register by emailing: [drjoancsm@gmail.com](mailto:drjoancsm@gmail.com)

N.E.T. National Evangelization Team of youth from across Canada is coming!! Monday, Nov.13, from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. at All Saints Church to share with youth about Jesus Christ in their lives through prayer, games, song, witness, social, fun and food!! All youth of Kings Zone (Churches of Kings County) in Grades 7-12 are invited to come!! Hosted by St. Benedicts Pastoral Unit. Contacts for more info and to register: Jennifer Pitre (902-393-0275) or Nate Shaw (902-916-8914). This will be an event to remember for a lifetime!!

Prayers for Youth Retreat. Starting now in your own home and especially on the day of the retreat, we invite you to pray for the spiritual success of the retreat in the lives of the youth. Also on the day of the retreat you are most welcome to come and pray the rosary together in All Saints Church at 2:00 p.m. for the youth and the team.

St. Andrew’s Church Cardigan will be having a fundraiser concert featuring Fiddler’s Sons, on Sunday, November 12 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and will be sold in advance. Please contact Rhonda Fisher at 902-969-8939. A bake sale will be held during intermission.

The Latin American Mission Program (LAMP) is presenting the 31<sup>st</sup> annual Daniel O’Hanley Memorial Lecture on Sunday, November 26, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the Assumption Hall in Stratford. The theme of the event is *Colombia: Understanding the Structures of a Conflict*. Similar structures are the basis of social and political conflicts in Canada and the current wars in Europe and the Middle East. The presenter is Reverend John Molina. To register please email [latinamericamissionprogram@gmail.com](mailto:latinamericamissionprogram@gmail.com) or call Marie Burge 902-894-4573. Please register before November 20, 2023. All are welcome.

**PRAYERS for the WEEK: PRAYER FOR SAINT PETER**

O Holy Apostle, because you are the Rock upon which Almighty God has built his church; obtain for me I pray you, lively faith, firm hope and burning love; complete detachment from myself, contempt of the world, patience in adversity, humility in prosperity, recollection in prayer, purity of heart, a right intention in all my works, diligence in fulfilling the duties of my state of life, constancy in my resolutions, resignation to the will of God and perseverance in the grace of God even unto death; that so, by means of your intercession and your glorious merits, I may be made worthy to appear before the chief and eternal Shepherd of souls, Jesus Christ, Who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns for ever. 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.