

ST. BENEDICT'S PASTORAL UNIT

5th Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE:

St. James: Sat. 4:00 p.m., Fri. 9:00 a.m.

St. Francis deSales: Sat. 6:00 p.m. (Masses over for this year)

St. George's: Sunday at 9:00 a.m., Wed. at 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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We all have our own worries and fears in life, for example we worry about how we could sustain the future of our children. We worry about money, about the future, and it seems that we are never running out of worries to think of in this world.

But have we thought of God in the midst of our worries? We are very much bothered by our troubles in this world because we never trust Jesus that much and our faith in Jesus is lacking. What we do instead is to trust in ourselves and have faith in ourselves. This is the reason why we are bothered by our worldly troubles.

Why don't we try to let go and let God? Why don't we let go of our worries and let God take control of everything? For example, if we're being bothered by sickness, family problem or a personal problem, then start to slowly let go of those worries and pains and then raise everything up to God. Learn to trust and have faith in the powerful name of Jesus. In our gospel for this Sunday Jesus gives us an antidote for our worries and fears HE tells us: *Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me.*

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Sue McMullin, Earl Powers, Patricia Brousseau, Jordan Lea, Danny Webster, Virginia

Martell, & Fr. Albin Arsenault. If you wish prayers for your loved one due to illness please email or phone Edith (583-2541) to let her know. Thank you!

MASS SCHEDULE

St. George's, Wednesday, May 6, 6:30 p.m. Int. Special Intention by a Parishioner *** **TAKE NOTE OF CHANGE IN TIME OF MASS** ***

All Saints, Thursday, May 7, 9:30 a.m. Int. Marilyn Callaghan by Louis Callaghan

St. James, Friday, May 8, 9:00 a.m. Int. Brian Curley by Veronica & Ty Curley

St. James, Saturday, May 9, 4:00 p.m. Int. Rita MacPhee by Joey MacPhee

St. George's, Sunday, May 10, 9:00 a.m. Int. Parishioners of the Unit

All Saints, Sunday, May 10, 10:30 a.m. Int. John & Wilhelmina Nabuurs by Family

Booking Masses: Please include your phone number when submitting a Mass request in case you need to be contacted. **Weekend Masses are booked for MAY, JUNE, JULY & AUGUST** There are still openings for week day Masses.

Priest's Retreat: Fr. Kishore will be away for the annual priest's retreat from Sunday evening of May 17 to Thursday, May 21. There will be no weekday Masses that week on Wednesday or Thursday. There will be Mass on Friday morning.

The Jubilee Team suggests that during the Jubilee Year of St. Francis and beyond, churches in our Unit are invited to separate and recycle their garbage. St. Francis is the patron saint of ecology.

Prayers for Palliative Care: Tuesday, May 13, is the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima and all are invited to pray privately for those in palliative care. St. George's and All Saints CWL Council members will be given specific half hour times to pray so there will be continuous prayer all day. If we are unable to contact you just pray at any time. The day of prayer will close with Mass at St. George's church at 6:30 p.m. All are invited to come and pray this ultimate prayer - "The Mass". This Jubilee Year of St. Francis we are reminded to approach our last days as he did...embracing Sister Death.

Online Book Club: Thanks to Julia Donahoe MacDougald for organizing and hosting our first

Online Book Club: On Hope with Pope Francis. There were 8 people registered and the sharing was straight from the heart. God bless you for your talents and looking forward to the next one! (It was supported by the Diocesan Grant.)

ST. JAMES PARISH

Collection for April 26 – 16 Envelopes - \$375.00; Loose - \$108.00; Donation to Cemetery Fund IMO Babe Gotell from the Walker Family - \$50.00. E-transfers can be made to stjamesgeorgetown@gmail.com

Ministries for May 9: Lector – Chris MacMillan; Eucharistic Minister – Veronica Curley; Altar Server – Tony Thijseen; Choir – Organ.

Congratulations to our April Lottery Winner – Kevin Walsh. Remember to return your stubs and monies by May 23 for the May 30 draw. You can turn them in to Kevin Gotell, Mark Gotell, or Sid McMullin or place them in the collection basket.

ALL SAINTS PARISH

Collection for April 26 - 28 Envelopes - \$1,070.00; Loose - \$76.05; Cemetery Fund - \$50.00; April Children's Collection - \$37.95; E-transfer to the Parish - \$700.00; E-transfer to the Cemetery Fund - \$75.00; E-transfer to the Building Fund - \$25.00. E-transfers can be made to Allsaintsparishpei@gmail.com

Ministries for May 10 - Lector – Ron Blue; Eucharistic Minister – Billy Conohan; Gifts – John & Mary Ann Donahoe; Ushers – Billy O'Brien & Mark Wilson; **Church Custodians** from May 4 to May 10 is Harry Nabuurs & from May 11 to May 17 is Jimmy Quinn. **Church Cleaners for May** are Amy Ohlandt, Beverley Gordon & Frances MacDonald.

Muffin Sunday – May 3: Please join us after Mass at All Saints for "Muffin Sunday" for our Unit. Coffee, Tea and Juice will be on and contributions to sharing table would be most welcome.

Interior church cleaning will take place on May 23 at 9:00 a.m. A list of cleaning tasks will be at the back of the church for the month of May for those that wish to help but can't make the May 23 date.

All Saints Outdoor Church Spring Cleanup Day is Saturday, May 9 at 9:00 a.m. We invite everyone to join in as many hands make light work! The property committee works hard all year; next Saturday we need all your help! Thank you in advance. Rain date is May 16, same time.

All Saints CWL is suggesting that since Red is the color of vestment worn by the Priest for the Feast of Pentecost that people, if they wish, have the option of wearing red also.

ST. GEORGE'S PARISH

Collection for April 26 – 26 Envelopes - \$926.00; Loose - \$39.00; Furnace Oil Fund - \$100.00; Cemetery Fund – Regular Maintenance - \$200.00.

Ministry for May 10 – Lector – Edith MacDonald; Eucharistic Minister – Terry Brennan; Gifts – Joanie & Raymond Morrison; Ushers – Owen Fitzpatrick & Paula Fay Matheson.

DIOCESE NOTICES.

LIFE through our Change4LIFE baby bottle program: The St. Benedict's Unit will be collecting for this program from Mother's Day to Father's Day. Some parishes are conducting the program now. Baby bottles will be available at our 3 churches for Mother's Day.

PEI 2026 March Life is taking place on Sunday, June 6 at 2:00 p.m. Participants are to meet at the Central Christian Church at 223 Kent Street in Charlottetown. There are 2 guest speakers: Zachariah Fralick & Michelle Lowe.

PRAYER for the WEEK FOR MOTHERS:

Dear God, I come to You today with a grateful heart for the gift of my beloved mother. She has done so much for me, and I ask that You watch over her and give her strength. She has sacrificed so much to raise me, and I appreciate her perseverance despite the many challenges she has faced. I pray that You fill her life with blessings and lift her up in Your love. May she always feel Your presence and know that she is loved. May You guide her steps, bless her with good health, and surround her with joy and peace. Thank You for my mother, and I ask for Your continued grace in her life. Amen.

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.