

ST. BENEDICT'S PASTORAL UNIT

**Pentecost Sunday
May 24, 2026**

MASS SCHEDULE:

St. James: Sat. 4:00 p.m., Fri. 9:00 a.m.
St. Francis deSales: Sat. 6:00 p.m. (begins on Sat., June 6)
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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Pentecost Sunday

In the gospel passage for this Sunday, the disciples were in the upper room. The doors were locked and they were praying in fear of Jewish authorities. Suddenly Jesus appeared to them and said: "Peace be with you." Jesus said this twice and after a while he said these very profound words to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

Awareness of the Holy Spirit's presence in our life is something personal that God gives us. It's a gift that God has given us when we were Baptized and strengthened during Confirmation. And since then, it has been with us walking with us side by side. But sometimes we don't feel the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit. The reason behind this is our sinfulness, inconsistent prayer life and lack of faith.

When we sin we obstruct the Holy Spirit's presence within us. When we are not prayerful we close ourselves to the Holy Spirit's many gifts. And when we are lacking in faith, we prevent the Holy Spirit to make a positive impact in our life. Thus, it's us who disallow the Holy Spirit to freely move within us and make a positive impact in our life.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Sue McMullin, Earl Powers, Patricia Brousseau, Jordan Lea, Danny Webster, & 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 27, 9:30 a.m. Int. Stella Creed by Julia & Sandy MacDougald

All Saints, Thursday, May 28, 9:30 a.m. Int. Marilyn Callaghan by Louis Callaghan

St. James, Friday, May 29, , 9:00 a.m. Int. Tony VandenBroek by Karen VandenBroek

St. James, Saturday, May 30, 4:00 p.m. Int. John Gotell by Naomi & Family

St. George's, Sunday, May 31, 9:00 a.m. Int. Parishioners of the Unit

All Saints, Sunday, May 31, 10:30 a.m. Int. Joseph & Margaret Chaisson by Shirley & Family

*** Saturday Mass at St. Francis de Sales will begin on Saturday, June 6 at 6:00 p.m. ***

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.

ST. JAMES PARISH

Collection for May 17 – 16 Envelopes - \$375.00; Loose - \$211.00; 1 On-Going Maintenance Envelopes - \$5.00; Donations to the Cemetery Fund IMO Virginia Matell - \$115.00; Donation to the Cemetery Fund IMO Gloria Brousseau - \$15.00. E-transfers can be made to stjamesgeorgetown@gmail.com

Ministries for May 30: Lector – Tony Thijseen; Eucharistic Minister – Chris MacMillan; Altar Server – Chris MacMillan; Choir – Organ.

Congratulations to our April Lottery Winner – Kevin Walsh. Remember to return your stubs and monies by **May 16 for the May 23 draw**. You can turn them in to Kevin Gotell, Mark Gotell, or Sid McMullin or place them in the collection basket.

Rosemary's Potluck will be held on Saturday, May 30 after Mass (5:00 p.m.) at St. James. All are welcome to come for food and fellowship.

ALL SAINTS PARISH

Collection for May 17 - 29 Envelopes - \$980.00; Loose - \$62.25; Cemetery Fund - \$50.00; 13 Envelopes for Pope's Pastoral Works - \$240.00. E-transfers can be made to Allsaintsparishpei@gmail.com

Ministries for May 31 - Lector – Bernice Curran Brothers; Eucharistic Minister – Cindy Shepard; Gifts – Roger & Pauline Kelly; Ushers – Dakota & Kamryn Stacey; **Church Custodians** from May 25 to May 31 is Ron Blue & from June

1 to June 7 is Joey Cain. **Church Cleaners for May** are Amy Ohlandt, Beverly Gordon & Frances MacDonald.

All Saints CWL monthly meeting will be held on Sunday, June 7 at 9:00 a.m. in the parish center.

All Saints Parish Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 2, at 7:00 p.m. in the All Saints Parish Center. All are welcome.

Muffin Sunday – June 7: Please join us after Mass at All Saints for "Muffin Sunday" for our Unit on June 7. Coffee, Tea and Juice will be on and contributions to a sharing table would be most welcome. **THIS WILL BE THE LAST MUFFIN SUNDAY** until October.

ST. GEORGE'S PARISH

Collection for May 17 – 23 Envelopes - \$705.00; Loose - \$51.50; 5 Envelopes for the Pope's Pastoral Works - \$80.00; Donation to the Cemetery for Regular Maintenance - \$200.00.

Ministries for May 31– Lector – Noella Shorgan; Eucharistic Minister – Edith MacDonald; Gifts – Jeannie Johnston & Doreen Acorn; Ushers – Tony Thijseen & Chris MacMillan.

The St. George's CWL would like to thank everyone who supported us in our bake sale fundraiser. Thank you to all members who contributed food or a financial donation and to all those who purchased food.

GENERAL NOTICES

Hannah Pitre, 18 year old from All Saints Parish, has been accepted to serve for one year as a missionary with NET Canada. Missionaries receive training in Ottawa before travelling throughout Canada putting on retreats for grades 6-12, encouraging youth to trust in God's love for them and to follow Jesus in the Church. Each missionary must fundraise \$10,000. Please pray for Hannah during this year and consider donating to: <https://www.netcanada.ca/missionaries/hannah-pitre/>. Contact Hannah with any questions at HannahPitre5555@gmail.com. Tax receipts will be issued for donations over \$20.

You are invited to a Jubilee Year of St. Francis Celebratory Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, in Stratford on Friday, May 29, at 6:00 p.m. It will be hosted by Brother Leo Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order. Presider will be Fr. Jim Willick, Parish Pastor and Diocesan Administrator. Guest Homilist is Fr. Bruce Ansems whose homily will be on "Mary and Francis: Models of Faith for Us All". Everyone is most welcome to come and celebrate! There will be food and fellowship following in the parish center. If you are unable to attend, please pray for the spiritual well-being of the participants as we also hold you up in prayer. Mary and Francis, pray for us.

PEI 2026 March Life is taking place on Sunday, June 7 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.

Information Regarding Chalice will be presented to St. Benedict Pastoral Unit at the June 6 and June 7 Masses. Chalice is Canada's largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization.

To The Heights Young Adult Retreat from July 31-August 2 at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre. The Diocese of Charlottetown is partnering with the Verso L'Alto Young Adult Group and SDU to host a weekend retreat for young adults aged 18 through their 30s. This retreat allows young adults to reach to the heights of their faith life through sacraments, guest speakers, and opportunities for fellowship. The cost is \$160/person for single occupancy and \$115/person for double occupancy. Register online at sites.google.com/view/totheheights2026.

ST. DUNSTAN'S EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION: In celebration of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), we invite everyone to join us for a Eucharistic Procession on Sunday, June 7, immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Dunstan's Basilica. This is a special opportunity for our Catholic faith community to come together and walk in prayer and gratitude, honoring the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Everyone is welcome, including those from other parishes — bring your family and friends! In addition to the procession of the Holy Eucharist, we will also be processing Our Lady of Fatima and the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Icon.

CURSILLISTS: This is a final call for applications! Don't let this opportunity pass you by. Mark your calendars for a special Cursillo of Cursillos, hosted by the Cursillistas of Prince Edward Island, taking place June 25 – 28, 2026 at UPEI. We are delighted to share that we will be joined by amigos from Mallorca, adding a rich international dimension to this gathering of faith, fellowship, and renewal. Full details, including the registration form, can be found online at <https://cursillocanada.org>.

PRAYER for the WEEK FOR SAINT PAUL FOR PATIENCE:

O glorious St. Paul, who from a persecutor of Christianity, did become a most ardent apostle of zeal; and who to make known the Saviour Jesus Christ to the ends of the world did suffer with joy imprisonment, scourging, stonings, shipwrecks and persecutions of every kind, and in the end did shed your blood to the last drop, obtain for us the grace to receive, as favours of the Divine Mercy, infirmities, tribulations, and misfortunes of the present life, so that the vicissitudes of this our exile will not render us cold in the service of God, but will render us always more faithful and fervent. 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.