

ST. BENEDICT’S PASTORAL UNIT
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, July 12, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE:

St. James: Sat. 4:00 p.m., Fri. 9:00 a.m.
St. Francis deSales: Sat. 6:00 p.m.
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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The parable of the Sower is probably one of the parables we are most familiar with. Jesus is describing four different kinds of soil: edge of path soil; patches of rock; soil with thorns; and good soil. These four soils Jesus is describing are not just physical, agricultural soils, but they are the very inner soils of our human hearts. They are the various landscapes of our human souls. We are not just the one type of soil; we are a combination of all four. But Christ is asking us to expand the field of good soil as much as possible in our hearts.

We see all soils: the rocks, the thorns, the birds picking away at the seeds... and then the good soil in the top right section where the Sower is abundantly and resolutely sowing the seeds. God, as the divine Sower, wants His seed to fall on good, rich, nurtured soil. No soil, no field, no person is left unsown. No ground is declared undeserving of the Sowers seeds. However, it is up to us to cultivate the good soil. This parable is about God’s generosity towards us. Every part of our lives is being sown with the seeds of God, and the more that falls on good soil, the more of God’s seeds can become abundant fruits.

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, July 15, 9:30 a.m. Int. David Laybolt by Julia & Sandy MacDougald

All Saints, Thursday, July 16, 9:30 a.m. Int. Marilyn Callaghan by Sharon Weatherbie

St. James, Friday, July 17, 9:00 a.m. Int. Tony VandenBroek by Karen VandenBroek

St. James, Saturday, July 18, 4:00 p.m. Int. Parishioners of the Unit

St. Francis de Sales, Saturday, July 18, 6:00 p.m. Int. Edward, Gertie, Tommy, Sherri Lynn & Dessie MacDonald, Jim Weavers & Keith Butte by Family

St. George’s, Sunday, July19, 9:00 a.m. Int. Mary Christian & Deceased Family Members by Family

All Saints, Sunday, July 19, 10:30 a.m. Int. Peter Chaisson by Shirley & 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 JUNE, JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER .** Weekday Masses: St. James is booked each Friday until November 20; All Saints is booked each Thursday until November 26; St. George’s is booked each Wednesday until October 28. All 4 Christmas Eve Masses are already booked.

Baptisms & Marriages: When you are planning a wedding or a baptism please contact Fr. Kishore directly by phone or email to discuss arrangements. Do not book these dates on line.

ST. JAMES PARISH

Collection for July 5 – 17 Envelopes - \$550.00; Loose - \$113.00. E-transfers can be made to stjamesgeorgetown@gmail.com

Ministries for July 18: Lector – Claranne Lavandier; Eucharistic Minister – Mark Gotell; Altar Server – Tony Thijseen; Choir – Organ.

Congratulations to our June Lottery Winner – Jackie Roberts. Remember to return your stubs and monies by July18 for the July 25 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 July 5 – 23 Envelopes - \$690.00; Loose - \$350.10; Cemetery Fund - \$50.00. E-transfers can be made to Allsaintsparishpei@gmail.com

Ministries for July 19 - Lector – Shanna Farrell MacDonald; Eucharistic Minister – Mark Wilson; Gifts - Shari MacDonald; Ushers – George VandenBroek & Louis Callaghan; Church Custodians from July 13 to July 19 is Joey Cain& from July 20 to July 26 is Andrew Rice. Church Cleaners for July are Shirley McGillivray, Sadie Fogarty, Marlene Victor & Kari Doiron.

ST. GEORGE’S PARISH

Collection for July 5 – 21 Envelopes - \$535.00; Loose - \$29.00; Cemetery Fund Regular Maintenance - \$1,500.00.

Ministries for July 19– Lector – Edith MacDonald; Eucharistic Minister – Carol Caverley; Gifts – Joe & Claire McCarron; Ushers – Paul & Sally Morrison.

ST. GEORGE’S CWL SUMMER 50/50 DRAW: Tickets are selling well for our first summer 50/50 draw. Thank you to so many of you who have purchased a ticket. Just a reminder that you are welcome to offer tickets to friends and family outside of our parish and purchase them on Sundays at the 9:00 Mass. Tickets are \$10 each. CWL volunteers will sell tickets before and after Mass. Our first draw is Sunday, July 26, 2026. Good luck!

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH

Ministries for July 18 – Lector – Carmel MacKenzie; Eucharistic Minister – Cyril MacDonald; Gifts – Peggy Weavers & Judy Butte; Ushers – Eddie MacDonald & Carl MacDonald.

St. Francis de Sales church choir needs additional singers to assist with its music ministry during the months of June, July, and August. If you are interested in joining the choir, please contact Judy MacDonald at 416-948-7811 or Carmel MacKenzie at 902-969-0181. The only requirement is a desire to sing at Mass each Saturday as part of a small group, accompanied by a pianist at a digital keyboard.

A Meeting of the St. Francis de Sales Parish will be held on Monday, July 13 at 7:00 p.m. at the church. Anyone who is interested can attend.

GENERAL NOTICES

The Jubilee Year Franciscan Crown Rosary Pilgrimage which will be held in the St. Benedict's and Bishop Angus Bernard MacEachern Units, will be held on Saturday, August 15, the Feast Day of Our Lady of the Assumption. The Pilgrimage will begin at 9:30 a.m.at St. Francis de Sales church. The next stop is at 11:00 a.m. at St. George's church. The next stop is at 1:00 p.m. at St. Mary's church in Montague. The Pilgrimage closes with 4:00 p.m. Mass at St James. It will be a day of presentation, community prayer for intentions, personal prayer, and fellowship. Lunch will be provided by the planning team and supper is a potluck. We ask all to register by Monday, August 10 with Claudia at 902-969-0266. Everyone is most welcome.

The Owen Connolly Estate Bursary: The Owen Connolly Estate provides annual bursaries, worth approximately \$2,500, to Roman Catholic residents of PEI who can demonstrate their Irish heritage and have material financial need. Applicants must be full-time students enrolled in an undergraduate program at an accredited university in Canada. College students who are completing a joint program / degree must be enrolled in the university portion of their studies to be eligible. Bursaries are awarded in January 2027. Applications may be submitted from July 1st to end of day on August 31. Apply at www.OwenConnollyestate.com.

PRAYER for the WEEK FOR SAINT BONAVENTURE

Almighty, Everlasting God, Lord Jesus Christ, be merciful to my sins, I pray Thee, by this reception of thy Body and Blood. For Thou hast said: "He that eateth My Flesh and drinketh my Blood, remaineth in Me, and I in him." I therefore humbly beseech Thee to create in me a new heart, and renew a right spirit within me; and that Thou wouldest strengthen me with Thy Spirit, and cleanse me from all snares and vices, that I may be found worthy to be a partaker in heavenly joys. Who livest and reigneth for ever and ever. 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.