

ST. BENEDICT’S PASTORAL UNIT
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, August 2, 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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What will happen to us if we are generous? We never run out of things to give be it money, goods, intellect or anything that we are generous of giving. Everything flows back in return a hundredfold. Why is this so? The reason behind this is the moment we give; we don’t only give to the person who needs it, we also give to Jesus.

The simple message of the gospel for us is we must always be generous. This is because we will never run out of anything to give and the more that we give the more that we would receive.

We just have to look at what is happening during Holy Mass which is very similar to what happened with the feeding of the five thousand people in our gospel. Inside every Holy Mass Jesus generously gives to us His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity during Holy Communion.

As Jesus is merciful and generous, most especially to the poor, so we must be also. Let us not worry if our pockets will hurt from our being merciful and generous. For Jesus will always see to it that we will be filled with anything that we need.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Sue McMullin, Stacy McMullin Jenkins, 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, August 5, 9:30 a.m. Int. Charles

Somers by Family (ROSARY STARTS AT 9:00 A.M. THIS WEEK ONLY)

All Saints, Thursday, August 6, 9:30 a.m. Int. Tony VandenBroek by Karen VandenBroek

St. James, Friday, August 7, 9:00 a.m. Int. John & Bessie Myers & Daughter Anna by Myers Family

St. James, Saturday, August 8, 4:00 p.m. Int. Brian Curley by Veronica & Ty Curley

St. Francis de Sales, Saturday, August 8, 6:00 p.m. Int. Ronnie, Teresa & Marlene MacDonald by Family

St. George’s, Sunday, August 9, 9:00 a.m. Int. Parishioners of the Unit

All Saints, Sunday, August 9, 10:30 a.m. Int. For Those Who Have No One to Pray For Them by a Parishioner

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 26 – 15 Envelopes - \$420.00; Loose - \$115.00; Donation to the Cemetery Fund IMO Anne Martell - \$80.00. E-transfers can be made to stjamesgeorgetown@gmail.com

Ministries for August 8: Lector – Sid McMullin; Eucharistic Minister – Veronica Curley; Altar Server – Jim Garrity; Choir – Guitar.

Congratulations to our July Lottery Winner – Nancy Murphy. Remember to return your stubs and monies by August 15 for the August 22 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 26 – 31 Envelopes - \$940.00; Loose - \$360.40; Cemetery Fund - \$50.00; Hall Rental - \$100.00; e-transfer for the parish - \$700.00; e-transfer for the building fund - \$25.00; e-transfer for the cemetery fund - \$75.00; Children’s Collection for July - \$76.55 . E-transfers can be made to Allsaintsparishpei@gmail.com

Ministries for August 9 - Lector – Bernice Curran Brothers; Eucharistic Minister – Dianne Nabuurs; Gifts - Claire, Darcy & Patti MacKenzie; Ushers – Benny Nabuurs & Reggie Conohan. **Church Custodians** from August 3 to August 9 is Jimmy Quinn & from August 10 to August 16 are Christian & Amy Ohlandt. **Church Cleaners for August** are Jocelyn Brothers, Anne Sheperd, Chris Currie, & Dianne Nabuurs.

ST. GEORGE’S PARISH

Collection for July 26 – 20 Envelopes - \$670.00; Loose - \$90.00; 5 Education of Seminarians - \$90.00; Furnace Oil Fund - \$100.00; Cemetery Fund IMO David Morrison - \$200.00.

Ministries for August – 9 - Lector – Noella Shorgan; Eucharistic Minister – Terry Brennan; Gifts – Jeannie Johnston & Doreen Acorn; Ushers – Owen Fitzpatrick & Paula Fay Matheson.

ST. GEORGE’S CWL SUMMER 50/50 DRAW: Congratulations to Jason McCarron, our July 26 winner. Jason won \$365.00! Thank you to CWL members, St. George’s parishioners, and all others, for your wonderful support. Tickets for the second draw go on sale August 2. Tickets are \$10 each and will be on sale before and after Mass for the month of August. 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. Our second draw is Sunday, August 30. Good luck!

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH

Ministries for August 8– Lector – Claire Young; Eucharistic Minister – CY MacDonald; Gifts – Ronelda Savard & Connie MacDonald; Ushers – Andy MacDonald & Greg Madison.

GENERAL NOTICES

Jubilee Year of St. Francis Activity: On Wednesday, Aug. 5, at 9:00a.m., before the St. George's Mass, we will be praying a Rosary for Priests of the Diocese, especially for Fr. Kishore. It is the morning after the Feast of St. John Vianney, a Secular Franciscan Saint who is the patron of priests. St. Francis had great respect for priests because it is through their hands that Jesus becomes present to us in the Eucharist. If you are unable to attend the Mass at that time you are welcome to attend Mass at St. Mary's in Montague on Tuesday evening at 5:30 p.m. for the Rosary and Mass at 6:00 p.m. It is for the same purpose as the August 5 Mass.

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 1:00 p.m. stop is at St. Mary's church in Montague and it ends at 3:15 p.m. at St. James church in Georgetown. 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.

Jubilee Year Celebration: The Feast of St. Clare of Assisi will be celebrated Tuesday, August 11 at 5:45 p.m. at St. Mary's Church in Montague. The celebration begins with the sharing of her life as a follower of St. Francis of Assisi with the Litany of St. Clare, followed by Mass and closing with "Franciscan Taizé"-Adoration and Meditative hymns. Stay for food and fellowship before heading home! All are welcome!

Mr. Samuel Vail will be ordained to the Sacred Order of the Diaconate at St. Dunstan’s Basilica on Monday, August 10 at 7:00 p.m., the Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr. His Excellency, Christian Riesbeck, Bishop of the Diocese of Saint John, New Brunswick, will preside over this sacred ceremony. All are welcome!

The 6th Annual Bike For Christ is happening from August 22-23, 2026! The Bike For Christ is a two-day bike retreat/pilgrimage for youth grades 8-12. This 75-kilometer journey through Eastern PEI aims to spread Christ by exposing youth to his Church’s Sacraments and Sacramentals, while immersing them in an authentically Catholic community. For more information and to register, call Nate at 902-916-8914 or visit our website, bikeforchrist.wordpress.com.

PRAYER for the WEEK FOR SAINT JOHN MARY VIANNEY

I love You, O my God, and my only desire is to love You until the last breath of my life. I love You, O my infinitely lovable God, and I would rather die loving You, than to live without loving You. I love You, Lord and the only grace I ask is to love You eternally. My God, if my tongue cannot say in every moment that I love You, I want my heart to repeat it to You as often as I draw breath.

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.