

ST. BENEDICT’S PASTORAL UNIT
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, October 25, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE:

St. James: Sat. 4:00 p.m., Fri. 9:00 a.m.
St. Francis deSales: Sat. 6:00 p.m. (closed until June 2027)
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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How deep is our love for God? This is something that we must think about deeply. Is it enough to express our love for God by fulfilling our Sunday obligation? Certainly not, for God requires that our love for Him should translate to our love for our neighbor. Therefore, if we say we love God, we also should learn to love our neighbor no matter how unlovable this neighbor.

Who is our neighbor? Our neighbor could be a relative, a friend, a literal neighbor or a stranger who needs our help. The big question here is what if this neighbor is unlovable or what if this neighbor is not good to us? Should we still give our love to this neighbor?

Yes, of course, for we cannot separate our love for God with our love for our neighbor. If we say that we love God, yet we don’t love our neighbor because they are not good to us, then how could this love of God that we profess be true?

Therefore, to love God is to unconditionally love our neighbor no matter if this neighbor has deeply hurt us. To love God is to forgive everyone who caused us pain. Do you love God?

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Sue McMullin, Earl Powers, Gary Drysdale & Danny Webster. 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

Week Day Masses

St. George’s, Wednesday, October 28, 9:30 a.m. Int. Eunice MacGillivray by Claire & Joseph McCarron

All Saints, Thursday, October 29, 9:30 a.m. NO MASS THIS WEEK

St. James, Friday, October 30, 9:00 a.m. Int. John & Bessie Myers & Daughter Anna by Myers Family

St. James, Saturday, October 31, 4:00 p.m. Int. Doreen Batchilder by Ken Batchilder & Family

St. George’s, Sunday, November 1, 9:00 a.m. Int. Wilfred & Edith Campbell & Neil Campbell by Shirley Campbell

All Saints, Sunday, November 1, 10:30 a.m. Int. Parishioners of the Unit

Booking Masses: Please include your phone number when submitting a Mass request in case you need to be contacted. **Weekend Masses are booked for OCTOBER, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER.**

Weekday Masses: St. James, All Saints & St. George’s are booked until the end of December. All 4 Christmas Eve Masses are already booked.

Traditionally, November has been a month where the Church places special focus on the Communion of Saints, and in particular on praying for the soul of the deceased. Make a visit to a graveyard and pray for a soul in Purgatory. (A Plenary Indulgence is granted each day from Nov. 1 – 8 by visiting a cemetery and praying for the dead along with that is the requirement of confession once during those days ... receiving Communion each day you wish that indulgence be granted ... and lastly, saying a prayer for the intentions of the Pope (which can consist of one Our Father, one Hail Mary). If not all requirements of the indulgence are met, it is only partial not plenary. **Plus Note:** For an indulgence to be plenary (complete remission of sins) one is not to have attachments to sin, otherwise one gains only a partial indulgence. For more information on indulgences see the Catechism of the Catholic Church ... Paragraphs 1471-79.

Remembrance Day Celebrations for November 11: Celebrations will begin on Wednesday, November 11 with Mass at All Saints at 9:30 a.m. followed by Remembrance Day ceremony at the Cardigan cenotaph.

ST. JAMES PARISH

Collection for October 18 – 15 Envelopes - \$410.00; Loose - \$67.00; Donation to St. James Cemetery Fund IMO Wilf McQuillan - \$15.00. E-transfers can be made to stjamesgeorgetown@gmail.com

Ministries for October 31: Lector – Molly Gotell; Eucharistic Minister – Allan Gallant; Altar Server – Tony Thijseeb; Choir – Organ.

Congratulations to our September Lottery Winner – Linda MacKenzie. Remember to return your stubs and monies by October 17 for the October 24 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 October 18 – 28 Envelopes - \$945.00; Loose - \$105.00; Cemetery Fund - \$50.00; Building Fund - \$500.00. E-transfers can be made to Allsaintsparishpei@gmail.com

Ministries for November 1 - Lector – Robin Laird; Eucharistic Minister – Mark Wilson; Gifts - Herman VandenBroek; Ushers – George VandenBroek & Louis Callaghan. **Church Custodians** from October 26 to Nov. 1 is Jimmy Quinn & from November 2 to November 8 are Christian & Amy Ohlandt. **Church Cleaners for October** are Katherine MacDonald, Shirley Rice & Cindy Shepard.

ALL SAINTS ANNUAL ROAST BEEF DINNER - Sunday, November 1: Take out dinners can be picked up from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Sit down seating is at 5:00 p.m. Both take out and sit down dinners must be preordered by Thursday, Oct. 29 by calling/texting Joanne Donahoe at [\(902\) 330-2641](tel:9023302641). Cost: \$25.00; pay at the door or e-transfer to allsaintsparishpei@gmail.com Limited number of meals available.

ROAST BEEF DINNER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: If you can help out as a volunteer, please contact Jamie Rice at (902) 969-0076 or jamierice1@hotmail.com Vegetable prep is Saturday, Oct. 31 at 10:00 a.m.; cutting desserts/table set up is Sunday, Nov. 1 at 11:30 a.m.; kitchen help/servers are asked to be at the parish hall at 2:30 p.m. and onward. See the signup sheet at the back of the church for all tasks/times to volunteer for. Thank you for any and all help.

ROAST BEEF DINNER FOOD DONATIONS: We are in need of donations of pickles, rolls, biscuits, squares and desserts. There is a signup sheet at the back of the church. Please have donations to the Parish Centre by noon on Sunday, Nov. 1. ALL DONATIONS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

All Saints Monthly CWL Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 1 at 9:00 a.m. in the parish center. All members are welcome to attend.

ST. GEORGE’S PARISH

Collection for October 18 – 22 Envelopes - \$654.00; Loose - \$68.00; Donations to the Cemetery Fund IMO Bobby MacDonald - \$25.00; 1 Envelopes for the Evangelization of Nations - \$20.00.

Ministries for November 1 - Lector – Diane Brennan; Eucharistic Minister – Edith MacDonald; Gifts – David & Rosella MacDonald; Ushers – Joe & Claire McCarron. **Church cleaners for October are:** Sharon MacEachern, Paula Fay Matheson & Micheline Downe.

Food Bank Collection: St. George’s CWL is coordinating a collection of non-perishable items for the Food Bank. Donation boxes will be set up at St. George’s & St. James churches. Everyone is invited to donate items. Items needed include: canned meats, stews, fruits & vegetables, peanut butter, chunky soups, &snacks for children’s school lunch

boxes (must be nut-free). Cash donations are also welcome. Donation boxes will be available until Oct. 25. Thank you so much for your support.

GENERAL NOTICES

A Jubilee Gospel Concert will be held at St. James Church, Georgetown on Sunday, October 25 at 2:00 p.m. Neighboring church choirs will celebrate St. Francis as a Troubador of the Lord. Admission is donations to St. George's CWL Food Bank Collection. Biscuit Lunch will be served. All are welcome to come and praise the Lord!

World Week of the Poor Concert in aid of Southern Kings and Queens Food Bank will be held at St. Joachim's Church Hall, Vernon River on Sunday, Nov. 8 at 2:00 p.m. Hosted by Brother Leo Secular Franciscan Fraternity. Admission \$15.

Development and Peace-Caritas Canada, Fall Action Workshop, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 25, in the Mackenzie Room, St. Pius X Church Parkdale. Speakers: Amy Montesdeoca, President of the UPEI Student Union, on D&P’s work in her country, Ecuador; Adah Ogbe, D&P animator, on this year’s theme, “Is Canada on Track for Justice”? There will be a sharing table.

On Feast Day of All Saints (Oct. 31 – Nov. 1 weekend) You are invited to bring, from home, your statues of saints which can be displayed before the altar, in thanksgiving for their intercession for our needs

Spirit of Assisi Service for Peace is a Diocesan Jubilee Celebration offered by different faiths with the common prayer for peace. It will be held at the St. Francis of Assisi Church in Cornwall on Tuesday, Oct. 27 at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

PRAYER for the WEEK TO FOR ALL SAINTS

Dear God, thank you for the example of the Saints. I desire to join in their company, worshiping you forever in Heaven. Please help me follow their footsteps, and yours, Jesus. Please help me to conform myself to Your image, seeking Your will in all things, as the Saints did. Please help me to devote myself, and all that I do, to Your glory, and to the service of my neighbors. 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.