



No matter what your present or past status in the Catholic Church. No matter what your personal history, age, background, orientation, race or colour. You are invited, welcomed, accepted and loved at the Bishop MacEachern Pastoral Unit.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 4th, 2024

REFLECTION



Jesus preached, healed and delivered people from all kinds of infirmities, and problems. There was no one who encountered him with faith that he did not heal.

This is important! If Jesus must heal us, we too must have faith in him. If the good news must liberate us, we must have faith in Christ. The power of Jesus is still the same today, and he is ready to heal those who come to him in faith. It does not matter how long we have been sick, how long we have been abandoned or who has abandoned us. It does not matter how long we have strayed from him. It does not matter what the reports or odds against us are. All we need is Patience, Hope, and Faith in Jesus Christ who is abundantly able to deliver those who trust in him. Therefore let us praise the Lord who heals our broken hearts.

Weekly Mass Schedule: Intentions
February 5th - February 11th

- Monday, February 5th - No Mass**
- Tuesday, February 6th at 9:00 AM - St. Mary's**
Special Private Intention by a Parishioner
- Wednesday, February 7th at 9:00 AM - St. Mary's.**
John Power by Family
- Thursday, February 8th at 9:00 AM - St. Mary's**
Sue Daly by Kevin & Elaine MacDonald
- Friday, February 9th at 9:00 AM - St. Mary's**
Jean Stewart by Brenda & Francis Brothers
- Saturday, February 10th at 4:00 PM - St. Michael's**
Lewis Condon & Francis McKenna
by Rita & Stephanie McKenna
- Sunday, February 11th at 9:00 AM - St. Paul's**
David & Mary Jamieson, Claude, Roy & Donnie Jamieson
by Eileen Sorrie
- Sunday, February 11th at 11:00 AM - St. Mary's**
For the People of the Pastoral Unit

Contact Information: Fr. Andrews' email address is fathermacdonald@hotmail.com.

NET CANADA Nate Shaw, a grade 12 student from Montague Regional High School, will be speaking before the Masses on February 10 & 11 in our pastoral unit. He belongs to St. George's Parish, and he will be leaving next summer to serve with NET Canada. NET is a Catholic missionary group, made up of young adults who travel across the country bringing the good news of Christ and His Church to thousands of Canadian youth. Nate will be making an appeal to our parishioners, asking for support in his mission. Please keep Nate in your prayers as he prepares for his year of mission!



Steubenville Atlantic is coming! Talks, friends, fun! Join youth from across the Maritimes at Steubenville Atlantic, a dynamic youth conference hosted at Dalhousie University, July 5-7. This year's theme is **illuminate (Jn 1:5)**! Registration is open for youth in grades 9-12. The cost \$250. For more information visit <https://youth.dioceseofcharlottetown.com/steubenville-atlantic/>



Let us pray together that the terminally ill and their families always receive the necessary medical and human care and assistance.
Pope Francis

Archives **WANTED:** Historical materials pertaining to the diocese prior to 1975 and no longer needed by owners. Such items might include parish notes, obituaries, old letters, pictures of important parish or diocesan events, etc. Many such historical bits and pieces are often found in attics, trunks, boxes or basements and may soon be lost. Kindly contact Fr. Art O'Shea at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre at 902-368-8005 or drop off materials at 350 North River Road, Charlottetown

Please remember, no scents make good sense!

Wedding Planning **Planning a Marriage?:** For those who may be planning a wedding at one of our Churches in the future, please contact the Parish Office before setting a date and time. Thank you.

Low Gluten Hosts are available. Please indicate "Celiac" when you come for Communion.



Pancake Supper
Tuesday, February 13th
4:30-6:30 PM
St. Mary's Parish
Adults - \$10/under 12 - \$8
Family - \$30
Serving pancakes, sausages, sweets, juice, tea & coffee.



We are requesting helpers, donations of baked goods and juice for the supper. If you can help in anyway please put your name & phone number on the sign-up sheet at any one of the entrances, call Nancy Matheson at 969-8731 or the Parish Office at 838-2253.

Join the **"Embrace Discovery"** online Pre-Lenten Retreat for men on Wednesday February 7, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Hosted by Dr. Wayne Short, the retreat will explore self-care through active listening, silent reflection, and sharing. Suggested fee \$20.00. For registration contact Sister Joan at drjoancsm@gmail.com. For other queries and the retreat guide, contact Wayne at mcast709@gmail.com

Dr. Joan Campbell, CSM is offering a **Lenten Scripture Series** on Zoom entitled **"Living Discipleship."** The four sessions include: the Call, the Values, the Mission, and the Destiny of Disciples. Zoom sessions are from 6:30 to 7:45 pm on Wednesday February 21 & 28 and then on March 20 & 27. Suggested Fee \$25. To register contact Sister Joan at drjoancsm@gmail.com.

Have you been experiencing problems dealing with anxiety, loss, depression, separation, parenting or relationship issues? Counselling services are available through a project sponsored by **The Living Well**. If you would like to speak to a qualified social worker about these issues you can contact us through e-mail 20tlwp23@gmail.com or call 902 330-2028. All inquiries will be confidential.

DIocese of Charlottetown **PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, CANADA** **The following clergy changes are effective March 1, 2024:**

- Fr. Praveen Chattu has been appointed Associate Pastor of St. Paul (Summerside) and St. John the Baptist.
- Fr. Yesudasu Gorre has been appointed Parochial Administrator of Immaculate Conception (Richmond), St. Patrick (Grand River), and St. Anne (Lennox Island).
- Fr. Andrew Handrahan has been appointed Parochial Administrator of St. Malachy Parish, St. Peter's Parish (Seven Mile Bay), and St. Joseph's Parish.
- Fr. Ashok Veerabathina has been granted a health leave until June 2024.

St. Paul's Notice Board

Church Cleaners:
February 4th - 10th/February 11th - 17th
Stella Creed & Winnie McGuigan
February 18th - 24th/February 25th - March 2nd
Betty Condon & Nora Gormley

St. Mary's Notice Board

Catechism Students are asked to contribute sweets for the Pancake Supper. Please have sweets dropped off by 3:00 PM so we have time to prepare. Thank You.



Fr. Patrick Giddings Council of the K of C will meet on Thursday, February 8th at 7:30 PM in the Parish Centre.

A thoughtful way to remember loved ones is to purchase a leaf on the **Tree of Life** that is in the Parish Centre at St. Mary's. For a suggested donation of \$100.00, you can have their name engraved on a leaf for the tree. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.



Al-Anon meets at St. Mary's Parish every Tuesday at 7:00 PM. (Lower entrance)



A safe space to explore faith & spirituality with women of all ages & walks of life. Childcare provided for ages 6 and under Wednesday mornings from 9:30 - 11:30 AM. Hosted at Montague Christian Church. 513 Main St., Montague. Questions? Contact Linda Geurms at 940-7371/lindaperic11@gmail.com



Pre-Authorized Debit or e-transfer: Convenient and easy ways to support your Parish Church is with Pre-Authorized Debit (contact the office for info) or e-transfer. St. Mary's: stmarysparish@pei.aibn.com St. Paul's: etransferstpauls@gmail.com St. Michael's: etransferstmichaels@gmail.com



Offerings	
Sunday, January 28th, 2024	
St. Mary's:	\$1373.00
St. Michael's:	\$ 428.00
St. Paul's:	\$ 828.00

Readings for Sunday, February 11th
First Reading: Leviticus 13.1-2, 45-46
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10.31-11.1
Gospel: Mark 1.40-45