

# Saint Dunstan's Basilica Parish

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 10, 2019

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## PARISH NEWS

**OUR FATHER'S ADORATION CHAPEL** is open daily from 6 am - 11 pm except for cleaning on Sunday, 9 am - 1 pm. You may request to have a candle burn in the Adoration Chapel during this time (\$7 Sun – Sat.) Please contact the Parish Office. This week the candles in the Chapel burn for: Private Intention of Brendan White; Special Intention (1).

**UPPER ROOM PEI:** An evening of Adoration and fellowship, Upper Room is a weekly gathering for young adults seeking deeper relationship with Christ. Tuesdays at 7:30 pm in church basement.

**LENTEN SUNDAYS:** To mark the Sundays of Lent, we will celebrate sung Evening Prayer at 6:30 in the lower church chapel, where weekday Mass is celebrated--March 10 through April 7. This will be followed each evening by a gathering of 45 - 60 minutes, led by Fr. Keith, on a Lenten theme. Everyone welcome to any or all! Next week, March 10: Lent and the Liturgical Year; March 17: Reflections on Forgiveness--Part 1 (Luke 15: 11-32); March 24: Reflections on Forgiveness--Part 2 (Matthew 18: 21-35); March 31: Our Ways and God's Ways (Matthew 20: 1-16); April 7: Exodus: Then and Now.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Our Lady of Fatima Council #824 will hold their regular monthly council meeting on Thursday, March 14 at 7 pm in the council chambers.

**THE GRADE 6 CLASS IS DOING A FOOD DRIVE** for three needy food banks as part of their Lenten preparation. They will be collecting foods for St Vincent de Paul Society, Anderson House and the UPEI Food Bank. Please help them in being generous. We will be collecting food during Religious Education classes or before Mass on Sundays. Please look for the signs. The youth thank you!

**SAINT PATRICK'S DAY BRUNCH:** Join the St. Dunstan's Knights of Columbus for a Saint Patrick's Day Brunch Sunday, March 17 after the 10:30 am Mass. Admission will be by donation and proceeds will be given to the PEI Special Olympics.

**ROAD MAPS FOR THE CHRISTIAN LIFE:** Exploring connections between the beatitudes, the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the petitions of the Lord's Prayer. Join Fr. Martin Carter for this Lenten study on three Thursday evenings (7 – 8:15 pm, March 21, 28 & April 4) in the Knights of Columbus Room in the basement of St. Dunstan's Basilica.

## DIOCESAN NEWS

**LENTEN JOURNEY:** Charlene Peters will offer practical instruction (no previous instruction necessary) on how to live with increased awareness of God's presence, praying with Scripture, and finding God in daily life. Call Jennifer Scott at 902-368-8005 and leave a message to register (required). **Three consecutive sessions will take place Wednesdays, March 13, 20 & 27 from 7 – 8:30 pm at the Diocesan Catholic Center** (350 North River Road).

**LIGHTHOUSE CDs** are powerful talks by solid Catholic speakers on the life and faith of the Church. Available at the entrance of the church for a suggested donation of \$6.

**GRAND CATHOLIC Italy and Oberammergau - Reserve Your Seat & Renew Your Faith:** A 13-day faith-based tour of Italy starting in Rome and ending in Oberammergau with the Passion Play in September of 2020. To learn more attend our information session on March 14 at 7 pm, at the Holiday Inn Express Charlottetown or call Kevin and Michelle at 1-902-543-4948.

**FR. BRENDAN "BUD" GALLANT is putting on a retreat for married couples at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre from March 15 to 17.** This retreat will be a special time for sharing and praying together. Cost is \$275 per couple. Phone 902-621-2385 or 902-388-1952 to register.

**UNDERSTANDING THE POWER OF ADDICTION:** A presentation by Jim Good, retired family addictions counsellor. Are you feeling the consequences of a loved one's addiction and nothing is working? This presentation will bring to light an understanding of the addicted person and how to reduce the emotional consequences on our own lives. **Saturday March 16, St. Paul's Church basement in Summerside 10 am - 12 pm.** By donation. Also book available for \$20.

**STEPS TO JUSTICE SOLIDARITY WALK: Sunday, March 24.** Hosted by the UPEI Chaplaincy Centre and Diocesan Youth Office, we will walk in solidarity and pray for migrant people around the world. Gather at 4:30 at the Chaplaincy Centre, UPEI Campus. Walk will conclude by 5:30, with Sunday Mass at 6 pm. This event is open to all.

**FOLLOWING THE FATHER:** Exploring Vocation. What is 'vocation'? Do I have one? On Sunday, April 7 at 7 pm, come learn about how we can follow the father by answering questions about vocation with Fr. Augustine, the Diocesan Vocations Director. This event is open to high school students and young adults, and will be hosted at the UPEI Chaplaincy Centre.

**NO COST FRENCH NET RETREAT:** Wednesday, April 10 from 10 am - 6 pm in the basement of St Philippe and St Jacques church in Egmont Bay. For more information and to register your child contact Michelle D'aoust at the Bureau of Christian Education, Tel: 902-854-2143 or by email: [cec@dioceseofcharlottetown.com](mailto:cec@dioceseofcharlottetown.com)

**ANNUAL CWL & K OF C Spring Fish Bake,** Friday, April 12 at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Centre, Stratford. Serving from: 4:30 - 6 pm. Take-Outs available. Cost: \$12 per plate. Tickets available in advance only, at Assumption Church office at 902-569-4769, before and after weekend Masses or by calling Joseph Hébert at 902-569-2762 or Mary MacLean at 902-569-4308. Proceeds in aid of LOCAL CHARITIES.

**CALLED TO LOVE:** The Sacred Heart Sisters will be having a retreat April 27, 9 am – 4 pm for young women aged 18 to 30. To register, email [sacredheartpei@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartpei@gmail.com) or call 902-436-5386.

**CWL MEMBERS** are invited to attend the 97th CWL Annual Convention May 3 & 4 at Credit Union Place in Summerside. See your local President for more information.

**PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF THE CAPE SHRINE led by PEI Pilgrimage Ltd. - May 17-20.** Contact Gary or Eileen Clow @ 569-3945, Joe or Rita Drane @ 940-5871, or Ken Campbell @ 566-2914.

**THE-HEART-OF-THE-MATTER: A Marriage Preparation Course for Modern Couples in the Catholic Church:** Are you planning to get married in the Catholic Church? We will meet individually or in group sessions to learn about and discuss the meaning of the Catholic Sacrament of Matrimony. More info at [dioceseofcharlottetown.com/diocesan-ministries/marriage-preparation](http://dioceseofcharlottetown.com/diocesan-ministries/marriage-preparation), or Pat Wiedemer: [patria.wiedemer@outlook.com](mailto:patria.wiedemer@outlook.com) or 902-393-6047.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**MIKINDURI CHILDREN OF HOPE FUNDRAISER:** Join the weekly Win/Win 50/50 Lottery today! Buy your \$2 ticket online at [winwin.mikinduri.com](http://winwin.mikinduri.com). Each ticket can feed a nutritious meal to 8 children in Kenya.

**BEACONSFIELD CARRIAGE HOUSE:** Sterling Stratton's launch of his book of sketches on Glenaladale House, Sunday, March 10 at 2 pm. Cost of the book is \$20, with proceeds going to the Glenaladale Heritage Fund. Tea and coffee will be served. All are welcome.

**THE ROYAL COMMONWEALTH SOCIETY OF PEI:** Annual Commonwealth Day Observance, Monday, March 11 at The Kirk of St. James, starting at 7 pm. There will be a free-will offering and light refreshments will be served. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

**TURKEY DINNER FUNDRAISER:** Sat, Mar 16@ 12:30 pm at Central Christian Church Fellowship Hall (223 Kent Street ) for \$14. Takeout available, pick up by 11:15 am. This is a fundraiser for our church Building Fund. Tickets will be available at the church office 902.894.5234. Please purchase before March 11. ALL WELCOME!

**LECTURE BY DR. EVELYN FORGET,** Canada's leading advocate for a basic income. Dr. Forget is an economist at the school of medicine, University of Manitoba and author of "A Town With No Poverty" and "Basic income for Canadians." Her lecture is entitled "The Basic Income Path to a Healthier, Happier, More Secure Life for All." It will take place at Steel Recital Hall on the UPEI campus March 13 at 7 pm (storm date March 14). Everyone is welcome. There is no charge for Admission. Sponsored by the St. Dunstan's Institute of Christianity and Culture at UPEI.

**INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE:** Anyone in a low-income bracket whose tax situation is straight forward, trained volunteers are ready to help you complete your return. Phone 902-566-9602.

## ST. DUNSTAN'S—100 YEARS

*As a way of marking the centennial of our Basilica, our historical sketches continue. Thanks to Fr. Art O'Shea for these.* The first Catholic cemetery for the cathedral parish was well out along the St. Peter's Road and occupied the front section of today's Anglican cemetery there. In 1843, Bishop Bernard MacDonald consecrated a new burying ground for the cathedral parish on the St. Peter's Road closer to town, next door to today's Birchwood School. This was a grand event, involving a large procession from the cathedral that July afternoon.

**MARCH 3RD OFFERING: \$ 4,307.00**  
**CAPITAL PROJECTS OFFERING: \$ 421.00**

**REQUIRED WEEKLY TO OPERATE ST. DUNSTAN'S**  
**\$5,600.00**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY**

**MASS READINGS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 17**

**1st Reading: Genesis 15.5 – 12, 17 - 18**  
**2nd Reading: Philippians 3.17 – 4.1**  
**Gospel: Luke 9.28b - 36**