

Saint Dunstan's Basilica Parish

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – DIVINE MERCY

APRIL 28, 2019

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MASS INTENTIONS - WEEK OF APRIL 28

Sun.: 5:00 p.m. Ronnie Joe MacDonald (A)
Mon.: 12:05 p.m. Special Intention
Tue.: 12:05 a.m. Special Intention
Wed.: 12:05 p.m. W. G. Humes (A)
Thur.: 12:05 p.m. Bud & Frances Munn
Fri.: 9:30 a.m. Geneva Villa – Private Intention
Fri.: 12:05 p.m. Jeanne Koritansky
Sat.: 9:00 a.m. Private Intention
Sat.: 5:00 p.m. Dorothy (Clarkin) Sims

Please Note: The 9 a.m. Mass on Saturday is cancelled when there is a funeral. The Mass Intention scheduled for that day will then be offered at a later date.

HOLY THURSDAY OFFERING: \$ 1,135.00
GOOD FRIDAY OFFERING: \$ 2,854.00
APRIL 21ST OFFERING: \$ 5,473.50
SHARE LENT OFFERING: \$ 70.00
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL OFFERING: \$ 405.00
FUEL: \$ 719.00

REQUIRED WEEKLY TO OPERATE ST. DUNSTAN'S \$5,600.00
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY

MASS READINGS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 5

1st Reading: Acts 5.28 – 32, 40b - 41
2nd Reading: Revelations 5.11 – 14
Gospel: John 21.1 – 19

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: Special Intention (1).

CHURCH STEPS: As we well know, the front steps of the church are in need of repair. Arrangements have been made to begin this work with the arrival of weather suitable to this type of project.

THE RE-FURBISHED FRONT DOORS have been installed at the church. We acknowledge with gratitude the commitment and skill of the staff and students of the Holland College Heritage Retrofit Carpentry Program. The remaining two front doors are scheduled for the same treatment as time becomes available in the upcoming Holland College school year.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: Sunday, April 28, 2:30 pm, Holy Hour at St. Dunstan's. During this celebration, we will solemnly bless and venerate the Image of Divine Mercy. All are encouraged to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to receive an outpouring of our Lord's grace on this great Feast of Mercy.

ST. DUNSTAN'S BASILICA: A performance given by the Rubrum Aurum Trio, in the church this Sunday, April 28 at 7 pm and admission is by free will offering.

FIRST SATURDAY GATHERING FOR BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (BVM): Saturday, May 4, after the 5 pm mass in the Knight of Columbus room, at St. Dunstan's Basilica. We will share our experience and information about BVM as our Spiritual Mother. We will have light lunch, presentation on OUR LADY OF THE CAPE, QUEBEC, fellowship and Rosary. Please enter via the Adoration Chapel, Dorchester St. entrance or downstairs after the mass. For more information, please contact Ray or Marilyn Yu 902-628-2397, raymaryu@hotmail.com.docmari-lyn2013@eastlink.ca

FOOD SUNDAY - 1ST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH: Parishioners who are able to donate non perishable food items, please bring them to the weekend masses for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. Donations may be left near the angel holy water fonts at the entrance to the church. We hope that you can continue to give generously to support the needy in our parish community.

12 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR PALLIATIVE CARE: The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls all people of faith to join nationwide in 12 hours of prayer for Palliative Care during National Hospice Palliative Care week (May 5-11) as a profound witness to the sanctity of human life. All parishioners, family & friends are invited to join St. Dunstan's CWL in prayer and solidarity on Monday, May 6. There will be daily mass at 12:05 followed by a presentation on the topic of "The Spirituality of Caregiving" by Shirley Arseneault, (Hospice PEI volunteer) at 1 pm in the Knights of Columbus Room (Dorchester St. Entrance). Refreshments will be served and a free will offering will be given to Hospice PEI. A sign-up sheet will be at the back of the church if you would like to commit 1 hour of prayer time on May 6 which can take place in the church (8am-5pm), adoration chapel or home. For more information, please call 902-218-3003. Pope Francis reminds us "Let us not underestimate the power of so many voices united in prayer." Please join in prayerful support.

BASILICA CENTENARY CONCERT: Thursday, May 23, 7 pm in the church. The concert will include an overview of St. Dunstan's life, as well as a sketch of the Basilica's hundred-year history. Throughout, led by the Basilica Choir and director, Leo Marchildon, will be heard a sampling of liturgical music and hymnody from 1919 to the present. Featured will be the premiere of Leo's setting of "Ave Dunstane," a hymn honouring St. Dunstan, whose Latin text dates back to the 10th century. Also performed will be his "St. Dunstan's Dream," composed in 2013. All welcome to help celebrate the Basilica's 100 years.

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.

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.

DIOCESAN NEWS

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? More info at dioceseofcharlottetown.com/diocesan-ministries/marriage-preparation, or Pat Wiedemer: patricia.wiedemer@outlook.com or 902-393-6047.

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES BUREAU will hold its Annual General Meeting Tuesday, April 30 at the Jack Blanchard Family Centre, 7 Pond Street. Registration is at 5:30 pm, followed by Dinner at 6 pm and meeting at 6:45 pm. The public is invited to attend. Tickets are \$30 each. Also tickets for the **26th Annual \$1,000 a Month Lottery** are available for purchase at a price of \$100 which gives you 12 chances to win \$1,000. For more information and to purchase a ticket contact Janet at 894-3515, or drop by our office at 129 Pownal Street.

COSMIC SPIRITUALITY WORKSHOP DAY: May 4, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm with Sr. Donna Geernaert, a sister of Charity from Halifax. Her theme will be "Telling the Christian Story in an Evolving Universe". To register call 902-367-3103 or message argemma@eastlink.ca on or before May 1 or until spaces last. Cost is \$30 and participants are asked to bring a brown bag lunch. This workshop will be of great interest to those who are seeking faith and science connections in their faith journey.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: May 3 - 5, at Between the Hearts Renewal Centre, Amherst, NS. Open to husbands and wives throughout Atlantic Canada. For more information, or how to sign up email renewmarriage@gmail.com or call 902-314-8541.

HOLY REDEEMER: Seniors Roast Turkey Dinner Tuesday, May 7 at the Jack Blanchard Family Centre, and the meal will be served at 4:30 pm. Tickets are \$13 and can be arranged for by calling David at 902-892-1558 by the deadline of 5 pm Sunday, May 5. This will be the last Seniors' Dinner at Holy Redeemer until October.

THE SPRING LITURGICAL CONFERENCE, "Nourish us with Sacred Story" will be held Saturday, May 11, 10 am - 3 pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Cornwall. Fr. Keith Kennific will facilitate this day of reflection, prayer, teaching and discussion on the Liturgy of the Word in the Eucharist. No charge. Please take your own lunch. Coffee and tea provided. Please register by Friday, May 3 with Jennifer Scott, 902-368-8005 or rc@dioceseofcharlottetown.com. Sponsored by the Diocesan Liturgical Commission.

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.

DANCE/SILENT AUCTION: The Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit (St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anne's and St. Martin's) Refugee Committee is holding a dance and silent auction at the Jack Blanchard Family Centre Friday, May 24. Music will be provided by the band Phase II. Tickets are only \$10 each and are available by contacting Claude Goodwin at 902-367-1658 or e-mail: claudelillianguidwin@gmail.com. Your support is very much appreciated!

TEEN ENCOUNTER WEEKEND, for young people ages 16-21, will be held May 31 - June 2 at the Kolbe Retreat Centre (www.hfmpei.com) in Bayside. A weekend of prayer, talks, and fellowship as we encounter Jesus and one another. Register at <http://dioceseofcharlottetown.com/teen-encounter-registration/>

ST. STEUBENVILLE ATLANTIC, July 5-7, 2019 in Halifax, N.S. Join hundreds of youth from across the Maritimes at Dalhousie University for a weekend of faith and friends. For more information or to register, talk to your Group Leader or contact Lauren at youth@dioceseofcharlottetown.com

CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION at the QEH (September 24, 2019 - April 15, 2020): The QEH Spiritual Care Department has received program approval to offer a fall/winter of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE). CPE is an intensive, experience-based approach to learning in providing quality spiritual care, and is open to clergy, theology students, and lay persons with theology training seeking to improve their pastoral skills in a health care setting. Info: Mary Bungay, Spiritual Care Admin. Assistant (902) 894-2053 or mkbungay@ihis.org. Application deadline is July 25th, 2019.

COMMUNITY NEWS

THE MIKINDURI CHILDREN OF HOPE annual Yard Sale and Book Sale Saturday, May 4, 9 am - 1:30 pm at the Eastlink Centre. For more information or to volunteer contact Karen @ (902)887-2417 or kandgmckenna@pei.sympatico.ca. To have your larger items picked up contact: Ernie Gallant 902-566-3463.

TRACADIE LIONS CLUB will host their annual Pancake Brunch at Tracadie Community Centre Sunday, May 5 from 10 am to noon. The cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children and pre-schoolers are free. Proceeds will be donated to the QEH/Eastlink Telethon, to help purchase priority medical equipment for the QEH. For more information, please contact Paul at 902-566-3551.

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.

Around the mid-1870s the St. Dunstan's Temperance Society had its birth in the cathedral parish. This was a total-abstinence concept and before long a branch was established in most parishes with a membership of over 5000 abstainers. Four priests and twelve laymen made up the Central Council. In 1877 a mission was held in the cathedral parish, preached by a Jesuit priest. Parishioners, along with some outsiders, came in very large numbers each day. This was the first such mission ever held in the diocese.

The Brothers of the Christian Schools who in 1870 began teaching in the new St. Patrick's School next door to the cathedral, unfortunately left the diocese in 1877. Disagreements between the Brothers and the School Board brought an early end to this excellent school which at its peak had an attendance of 150 boys. With the departure of the Brothers, the school was renamed Queen Square School. However, despite the religious tensions of the day, a "gentlemen's agreement" was worked out whereby the teachers and pupils of this school were to be Roman Catholics, while the remaining city schools were mainly seen as Protestant institutions. This arrangement worked well for over 80 years, until the closing out of Queen Square in 1962. Ten years later this school building was demolished and that lot today is a basilica parking space.