

Church of the Most Holy Redeemer

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SUNDAY OFFERING

Sunday May 12 Collection: \$3984.00

Education of Seminarians: \$1711.00

Your generosity is appreciated. Thank you!

Reflection

“I wouldn’t do that for a million dollars.” One day, as St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa, 1910-1997) and her Missionaries of Charity were tending to the poorest of the poor on the streets of Calcutta, they happened across a man lying in the gutter, very near death. He was filthy, dressed in little more than a rag and flies swarmed around his body. Immediately, Mother Teresa embraced him, spoke to him softly and began to pick out the maggots that were nesting in his flesh. A passerby was repulsed by the sight of the man and exclaimed to Mother Teresa, “I wouldn’t do that for a million dollars.” Her response was immediate, “Neither would I!” Obviously, monetary gain did not motivate the diminutive woman known as the Saint of Calcutta; love did. In her writings, Mother Teresa frequently affirmed the motivating power of love. Quoting Jesus in today’s Gospel, she wrote, “Jesus said, ‘Love one another. Such as my love has been for you, so must your love be for each other.’” She continued, “We must grow in love, and to do this we must go on loving and loving and giving and giving until it hurts - the way Jesus did. Do ordinary things with extraordinary love: little things, like caring for the sick and the homeless, the lonely and the unwanted, washing and cleaning for them.” Elsewhere, Mother Teresa remarked that the greatest disease in the West today is not tuberculosis, leprosy or even A.I.D.S.; it is being unwanted, uncared for, unloved. That she did her part in trying to “cure” this disease was attested in everything she did and in every word she said.

- Father Joseph Dovari

Parish Prayers: Prayers for loved ones who are ill, undergoing tests or surgery, suffering from stress, mental health, addiction issues, for a DFM or prayers of thanksgiving can be placed in the Prayer Box or contact, in confidence: Betty Doucette at 628-1782 or Fr. Joseph at 628-9463. The Prayer Box is located at the back of the middle aisle.

Gift Bearers:

4:00 pm: Helen Larkin & Anne Marie DesRoches

9:00 am: The CWL women

11:00 am: Shaaron Mullins & Brenda Matusiewicz

Weekday Masses & Intentions for May 20-26

Mon: 9:00 Fr. P.F. MacDonald

Tues 9:00 Intentions of the Parishioners

2:00 No Intentions (Garden Home)

Wed: 9:00 Gene & Kay MacDonald and Agnes & Amos Malone

10:30 No Intentions (PE Home)

Thurs: 9:00 Mary Goodwin

Fri: 9:00 James Rodd & Helen Rielly

10:30 No intentions (501 Queen)

Sat: 4:00 Barbara Allard & Lorna Murphy; Charles Gauthier; Gerry & Mary Nantes; Special Intentions and Millie Walker Trainor, Hugh Trainor, living & deceased members of Walker/Trainor families & Souls in Purgatory

Sun. 9:00 Walter Richards and a Special Intention

11:00 Intentions of the Parishioners

DFM stands for Deceased Family Members

† after the name indicates an anniversary Mass

Altar Servers:

4:00 Kim & Eric Ngo and Taylor Tran

9:00 Hy Tran, Cole Peters, Tiernan Dewar & David Tran

11:00 Hannah MacLean; Daisy Vu; & Seanna D’Souza

Universal Portrait Studios is coming back. Father Joseph had set a goal of 300 families in the Directory. We are currently at 240. There is still time to book an appointment for May 30 -31. Don’t be disappointed, call today at 1-888-769-7339. Pictures will be available for pick up at the back of the church on June 8 & 9.

The 2018 Annual Report will be available for pick up at the back of the church this Sat. & Sun.

On May 26th at the 11:00 Mass, guest speakers, Paul Perry & Denis Belanger will be speaking on K of C membership. All men ages 19 and older are encouraged to attend to be informed and to ask questions.

Postponed: SVDP meeting is cancelled due to the Victoria Day long weekend. The meeting is rescheduled for Mon., May 27th after the 9:00 am Mass.

Did you know the K of C have a large wooden box at the back of the church to receive food donations for the food bank? Your donations will be greatly appreciated.

Around the Diocese

Sisters of St Martha Centennial Scholarship: Available to a third or fourth year PEI female student in a post-secondary institution who is pursuing studies in the field of ecology, ethics, theology, education, health care or social work. **Deadline to apply is May 30, 2019.** Application forms are on the Saint Dunstan's University website. For further information call 393-3441.

The Annual Provincial March for Life on Sun., May 26, 2-4 pm. We gather at St Pius X Church parking lot and walk as a group to the Coles Building to witness the value and dignity of all human life from fertilization until natural death. Our theme this year is: Love Saves Lives. For more information: Pat Wiedemer, life.sacntuary@pei.aibn.com or call 902-894-5473. See also: MarchforLifePEI.ca

Men's Retreat on Sun., May 26 from 9am-4pm at the Martha Spirituality Centre. Retreat leader is Fr. Trevor Scott, a Jesuit priest from Montreal, speaking on **Male Spirituality.** Cost is \$30 and men need to register by calling 902-367-3103 or messaging srgemma@eastlink.ca. Space is limited so register early. Bring a brown bag lunch and refreshments are provided.

Dance & Silent Auction for Refugee Sponsorship –

Friday, May 24, 2019 at the Jack Blanchard Family Centre. Sponsored by the Refugee Committee of the Good Shepherd Pastoral Unit. Music by Phase 11. Tickets are \$10.00 and are available by contacting Claude Goodwin at 902-367-1658 or e-mail: claudelillianguoodwin@gmail.com.

Your support is very much appreciated!

The Latin American Mission Program (LAMP) invites PEI residents to an interactive community forum entitled, **Climate Change: Climate Justice “From Words to Action”.** On May 26th from 1:30 -4:00 at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Hall, Stratford. There is no charge for the forum. **Pre-registration is preferred** before May 21 by calling Marie at 902-894-4573 or by e-mail burgemarie@gmail.com. The goal of the forum is to inspire more people to make deeper and wider commitments to organized action to stop climate change at its roots. The guest speaker is Ann Wheatley, environmentalist and member of Cooper Institute. Her

topic is **The Current Economic System: Generating and Denying Global Warming.** All are welcome. For info, contact Fr. Phil Callaghan @ philcallaghan33@gmail.com

A special concert marking the centenary of St. Dunstan’s Basilica will take place Sat., May 25 at 7 pm in the church. This 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 are welcome. A free will offering will be shared among the Refugee Committee, St. Vincent de Paul and parish needs.

The PEI Regiment Band & The Great George Street Brass Band invite you to a special concert at 7 p.m., Mon., May 27, 2019, at St. Paul’s Anglican Church, 101 Prince St., featuring music from the 19th Century to today. Admission by donation at the door. All proceeds in support of PEI Military Family Services.

"Supporting Families through Separation and Divorce" Thurs., May 30 at 7pm at the Martha Spirituality Centre. Guest Lecturer Jacinta Gallant is a collaborative lawyer and family mediator. This is a public lecture with limited space so interested persons are asked to call 902-367-3103 or email srgemma@eastlink.ca to reserve a seat. Donations accepted at the door.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: Join Fr. Andrew Handrahan on a guided pilgrimage to some of Israel's holy sites. From October 21st-29th, 2020. Contact Krisanne Butler at CAA Travel for more information: 902-892-0296 or email her at kbutler@atlantic.caa.ca

JACK BLANCHARD FAMILY CENTRE (The Hall): For your Banquets, Meetings, Receptions, Wedding Receptions, Funeral Receptions, Birthday Parties, and Workshops. Catering/Bar Service available. Call Jennifer at (902)330-8862 or email jencheverie@hotmail.com

Mass Readings for Sunday, May 26th

1st Reading: Acts 15. 1-2, 22-29

2nd Reading: Revelation 21. 10-14, 22-23

The Gospel Reading: John 14. 23-29

Coming together, believing in one another.



**Message from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops
for the 2019 National March for Life**

**In communion with the Holy Father,
the Bishops of Canada support the sanctity of life**

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCBC), in profound unison with Pope Francis, affirms that all human life should be respected and protected from the moment of conception until natural death. The Bishops of Canada have and will continue to advocate and collaborate with organizations across the country, many of which are not Catholic, in endeavours to bring together people from different perspectives who believe in the sanctity of life. Events such as the annual and regional Marches for Life are meaningful opportunities to unite thousands of people speaking with one voice to proclaim the dignity of all human life. In full communion with the Holy Father, Catholic Bishops and all faithful are united in declaring, as the Church has believed since its beginning, that the “distinctiveness of human life is an absolute good,” and that “abortion and euthanasia [are] extremely grave evils that contradict the Spirit of life and plunge us into the anti-culture of death”. Likewise, Pope Francis has recently observed that the “threshold of basic respect for human life is being crossed, and brutally at that, not only by instances of individual conduct but also by the effects of societal choices and structures” (15 January 2019 letter from Pope Francis to the President of the Pontifical Academy for Life). Today, the Bishops join their prayers with all those who stand up for life.

- 9 May 2019