

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent  
December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021



**Pastor:** Fr. Benedict Paulraj, O. Praem  
Email: [frbenedictpaulraj@gmail.com](mailto:frbenedictpaulraj@gmail.com) (902) 724-2471  
**Associate Pastor:** Fr. Walter Flynn (902) 724-3647  
Email: [jhwf12@gmail.com](mailto:jhwf12@gmail.com)  
**Office Admin:** Jackie Gallant  
Email: [office@stpaulsparish.ca](mailto:office@stpaulsparish.ca) (902) 436-5112  
**Catechetical Ministry:** Jessica Cormier  
Email: [education@stpaulsparish.ca](mailto:education@stpaulsparish.ca) (902) 724-3646  
**Maintenance:** Danny Cameron  
**Cemetery:** Lenny Walsh  
**Housekeeping:** Karen Morrell  
**Sisters of the Sacred Heart...** (902) 436-5386,  
[sacredheartpei@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartpei@gmail.com)  
**St. Vincent de Paul:** (902)-724-3454  
**President of CWL:** Louise Doiron  
**Knights of Columbus Grand Knight:** John van Vliet  
**Diocesan website:** [www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com](http://www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com)

**Christmas Office Hours....** St Paul's Office will be closed from Noon December 23<sup>rd</sup> until Monday January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

**Confessions this week:**

**Monday 6:00pm** – 7:00pm  
**Tuesday & Thursday 8:30-8:55am**

**Parish Information...** St. Paul's Parish has a **200 -person** capacity for our weekend masses. Registration is not required, and entrance is based on a first come first basis. Public Health protocols will be followed, **masks are now mandatory even while seated.**

**Reminder to please respect seating arrangements and follow the usher's directions to allow for maximum seating capacity. Thank you for your patience 😊**

**Christmas Mass times...**

**December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021** - 4:00pm, 6:00pm, 8:00pm, 10:00pm

**December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021** - 10:00am

Christmas masses will be based on a first come first serve basis this year, no registration required.

**Special Thank you** .... St. Paul's would like to extend a heartfelt Thank You to the late James 'Jimmy' Ronan. He was a parishioner here who left a generous bequest to St. Paul's Parish. May his soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed rest in peace

**Last week's Offerings**

Sunday Offering: 5,992.40  
Automatic Debits: 1,566.00  
Building Fund: 847.00  
E transfers: \$540.00

**Total: \$ 8,945.40**

Cost to operate St. Paul's Parish each week: **\$7,440**  
*Sincere appreciation for your continued generosity!*

**LEGACY FUND UPDATE**

We have sold 259 bundles of shingles to date! **THANK YOU!!**  
Total Raised: **\$ 55,656.00**

**Mass Times & Intentions  
Dec 20<sup>th</sup> – December 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday 9:00am**

+Catherine 'Kay' Profit  
+ Deceased family members of Urban & Noreen Arseneault  
+Herminigilda & Raul Moya

**Tuesday 9:00am**

+Edward, Priscilla & Paul McAlduff  
+Souls in purgatory  
+Herminigilda & Raul Moya

**Wednesday 9:00am**

+Holy Souls in Purgatory  
+Germaine Arseneault  
+Herminigilda & Raul Moya

**Thursday 9:00am**

+Kay Profit  
+Herminigilda & Raul Moya

**Friday Christmas Eve**

**4:00pm**  
+EJ Arseneault  
+Scott Peters & Audrey & Rudy Spin  
+Fr. Joe Brazel

**6:00pm**

+David 'Buddy' Cameron & Fr. Joe Brazel  
+Alice & Alfred Richard  
+Raymond G. Gallant  
+Raymond A. Gallant  
+Herminigilda & Raul Moya  
Corinne Kay (Good Health)

**8:00pm**

+Mildred Savidant  
+Herminigilda & Raul Moya

**10:00pm**

+Linda Arseneault  
+Ray Doucette

**Friday 9:30am**

**Holy hour of Adoration**

**Saturday Christmas Day**

**10:00AM**

Intentions of Parishioners

**Sunday 9:00am**

+Rod MacKinnon  
+Herminigilda & Raul Moya

**Sunday 11:00am**

Intentions of Parishioners

**Anniversaries:**

Merlin 'Nick' Nickerson  
Julietta Romerosa

*A cross (+) before a name indicates intentions for a deceased person.*

**Prayers for the Sick/Suffering**

*Katlin McGary, Adrien Gallant, Ted Dalton, Leonard Bell, Larry MacQuaid, Rick Speelman, Dorothy Farish, Linda Martin, Morris Gallant, Stephen Doyle, Kathleen Gaudet, Sharon MacNeill, Donald MacDonald, Jean Gallant, Keith Peters, Paula Kirev, Daniel Arseneault, & Christine Arseneault-Nowak*



that Jesus may bring them healing.

**Lights of Love Christmas Tree Blessings....** Thank you to all who contributed to the Lights of Love fundraiser, your generosity is greatly appreciated. Fathers will be blessing the trees and our loved ones at each mass this weekend and again at the Christmas Day Mass.

**Christmas Poinsettias...** Each Christmas the Parish decorates the sanctuary with poinsettias. If you would like to offer one in memory of a deceased family member, please call Karen at 902 439-6451.

**Mass Readings for Sunday December 26<sup>th</sup>**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: (1 Samuel 1.20-22, 24-28)

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: (1 John 3.1-2, 21-24)

The Gospel Reading: (Luke 2.41-52)

**Decorating the Church...** Looking for volunteers to help decorate the church on Thursday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm. Come and join in the fun of decorating St. Paul's Parish for Christmas. Any help is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

**St. Paul's CWL News...** St Paul's CWL would like to extend a big thank you to all who supported our lottery and bake sale! It was a great success. The winners of the lottery were as follows: 1st prize (a money tree) - Annette Gallant  
2nd prize (a Nativity scene) - Bernadine Gallant  
3rd prize (a fruit cake) - Trudy Cameron  
CWL sends wishes for a Blessed Christmas to all!

**CWL Provincial Bursary...** applications are now available for pickup in the main office. Deadline to apply is January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul...** we would like to thank all parishioners who donated in any way this Christmas season. Your monetary donations earmarked 'Kin Family Christmas' allowed us to donate \$2000. To their appeal for their Christmas food hamper programs. Thank you!! We will be closing at noon on Wednesday December 22<sup>nd</sup> and reopening Wednesday January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022. All of us at St. Vincent de Paul would like to wish you a very merry Christmas.

**Thank you to our Volunteers...** St. Paul's would like to send a big thank you to all those who volunteer their time to help with the operations of the church. To all who share their time and talents with our Parish, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Technology Assistants, Money Counters, Musicians, Altar Servers, Decorators, Catechism Teachers, Youth Group Leaders, Food Bank Volunteers, Fundraising Committee members, Knights of Columbus, CWL members and many more, your generosity and commitment to serving the Lord and His Church is inspiring and greatly appreciated. God Bless!

**Teen Encounter Alumni...** Save the date! Teen Encounter is hosting a Retreat Day for Alumni on Saturday, January 29 at St. Paul's Parish in Summerside. Expect talks, Adoration, and music. More details and registration will be available in January. Note that this event will follow all CPHO Policies.

**Synod 2021-2023...** The word 'Synod' comes from two Greek words: "syn" meaning with/together and "odos" meaning way/path/road. So literally, 'synod' means journeying together. With this Synod process, the Church is practicing how we journey together in faith.

**Please keep our Island potato farmers and their families in your daily prayers** as they deal with the Canadian government's decision to impose a ban on their exports to the U.S. Pray for support for the workers impacted by this decision and a quick resolution to the situation.

**Knights of Columbus film...** *St. Joseph: Our Spiritual Father* – now available online at no cost to help maintain and nurture devotions to St. Joseph. A Providential renewal has come upon the Church with respect to understanding and praying to St. Joseph. To help the faithful in continuing their devotion to St. Joseph, the Knights of Columbus is offering its newest film, *St. Joseph: Our Spiritual Father*, for all to watch – at no cost. Since its launch, the film has received raving reviews and is rich in inspiring testimonials, including these powerful words from Most Rev. James Wall, Bishop of Gallup, New Mexico, "If you don't, you should have one," and these from Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly, "The example of St. Joseph teaches us that we really find ourselves when we live for others." Visit [www.kofc.org/stjoseph](http://www.kofc.org/stjoseph) to watch the film or learn more. Know someone who could benefit from joining the Order? Visit or share [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus) for details.

**Helping local charities...** Did you know that the Diocese, through the generosity of our parishioners, has been able to donate over \$60,000 in the past two years in support of great community groups like Blooming House, Bedford MacDonald House, and the Food Bank? In addition, we have recently donated \$11,500 to the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth in support of their efforts to construct temporary shelters for the homeless. *The Diocese thanks you for your continued support!* As you may know, the need for support is greater for many people this year. If you are able, please consider giving to local charities and efforts to support people in need at this time.

**Scripture Reflections by Father George...** you can pick up a copy of Father George's book at the St. Paul's office, there are only a few copies left. Cost is \$20.00.

*Dear Parishioners,  
May the miracle of this season bring you the gift of Faith, the blessing of Hope and the peace of His Love... this Christmas and throughout the year. Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and happy and Prosperous New year 2022!*

*With Blessings & Prayers,  
Fr. Benedict, Fr. Walter  
& St. Paul's Staff*

