

August 2, 2026
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Catholic Communities of
St. Mary's Holy Family and St. James

Parish Contact Information



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The Diocesan Misconduct Advisory Team has been established for action related to complaints of misconduct or sexual abuse. The Misconduct reporting telephone number is 902-892-1252.

Mass Intentions are welcome

For clarification, as directed by the Diocese, the offering for a Mass stipend is \$10.00. This is the standard amount set for Mass intentions throughout the Diocese. You can email your request, use one of the Mass cards available on the ushers table or make arrangements directly with Fr. Doug by calling 902-836-3609.

Weekday Masses at Holy Family Church August 3-7

Monday, Tuesday and Friday 9:00am Holy Family

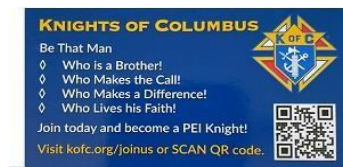
10:30 at Clinton View Lodge on Friday

Sunday August 9, 2026, Mass Intentions:

9:00am Holy Family – Mary MacKinnon

10:30 St. James – All Deceased members of St. James Parish

Weekday Mass is cancelled if there is a funeral.



Knights meet at Holy Family Church on the **first Monday** of the month at 7:00pm with Mass at 6:30pm.



CWL meets at Holy Family Church on the **second Tuesday** of the month at 7:00pm with Mass at 6:30pm All women 18+ welcome. **No meetings June/July/Aug.**

Sunday, August 9, 2026

Lector: Susan Diaz

Eucharistic Minister: Audrey Glover

Welcoming Ministry: CWL

Ushers: Peter McCarville and Ed Doucette

Sunday, August 16, 2026

Lector: Jim MacLellan

Eucharistic Minister: Marion Curley

Welcoming Ministry: KofC

Ushers: Kenny MacLellan and Carl Gallant

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS AND DONATIONS

St. James Parish: 910.00

St. Mary's Holy Family Parish: Sunday Collection \$1,285.10 cash
\$265.00 direct deposit Keyboard \$1,640.00 cash \$410.00 direct deposit Food Bank \$25.00 cash Cemetery \$200.00 cash

Total collection to date for Keyboard \$4,750.00



Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

If you would like to send your donation by E transfer, please

Email: smhfsj17@gmail.com

Bulletin announcements are to be sent to smhfsj17@gmail.com or phone Joanne at 902-836-5029. Announcements are due no later than Wednesdays at Noon.

Parish and Community News

Cemetery Sunday – St. James Parish St. James Parish will celebrate an outdoor Cemetery Sunday at St. James in Summerfield on Sunday, August 9 at 10:30am. Please bring a lawn chair as there will not be seating provided. In case of inclement weather, the Mass will be held in the church at 10:30am.

Malpeque Historical Society presents 'The Talks' Wednesday mornings at 10:00am at Princetown United Church (corner of Rte. 20)

August 5th Denise of Ingleside – L.M. Montgomery

August 12th Cpt. Greg Gallant – Curator of the PEI Regiment – Military history of PEI

August 19th Michael Pendergast – Make me a Song – Folksongs of PEI

St. Mary's Holy Family and St. James parishes are responsible for the 2026 Harvest Festival Ecumenical Service which is on Sunday, August 23rd at 9:30 a.m. at the Credit Union Centre. The choir is preparing the music for the service and there will be practice on **Monday, August 17th at 10:30 a.m.** at Holy Family Church. There will only be one practice, and we will also be inviting anyone interested from other Kensington area congregations to participate, so if you're interested, please join the group for this event!

News from the Diocese

Mr. Samuel Vail will be ordained to the Sacred Order of the Diaconate at St. Dunstan's Basilica on Monday August 10th at 7:00pm, the Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr. His Excellency Christian Riesbeck, Bishop of the Diocese of Saint John, New Brunswick will preside over this sacred ceremony. All are welcome!

Anyone interested in participating in a choir being formed to provide music for the ordination to the **Diaconate of Sam Vail** on Monday, August 10 at 7pm at the Basilica is invited to attend a choral rehearsal led by Leo Marchildon in the church on Wednesday, August 5 at 7pm.

The 6th Annual Bike for Christ is happening August 22-23, 2026! The Bike for Christ is a two-day bike retreat/pilgrimage for youth grades 8-12. This 75-kilometer journey through Eastern PEI aims to spread Christ by exposing youth to his Church's Sacraments and Sacramentals, while immersing them in an authentically Catholic community. For more information and to register, call Nate at 902-916-8914 or visit our website, bikeforchrist.wordpress.com.

Jubilee Year of St. Francis Activity Tuesday Aug. 4th is the **Feast Day of St. John Mary Vianney, patron Saint of parish priests, a Secular Franciscan.** St. Francis had great respect for priests for it was through their hands that Jesus comes to us on the altar. In this Jubilee Year of St. Francis, we invite you to remember the priests of the diocese in your prayers, especially

your parish priest. From Secular Franciscan Fraternities on PEI: Brother Leo, Montague & St. Francis of Assisi, Cornwall.

Jubilee Year Celebration the Feast of St. Clare of Assisi will be celebrated Tuesday August 11th at 5:45 pm at St. Mary's Church in Montague. The celebration begins with the sharing of her life as a follower of St. Francis of Assisi with the Litany of St. Clare, followed by Mass and closing with "Franciscan Taizé"-Adoration and Meditative hymns. Stay for food and fellowship before heading home! All are welcome!

The Basilica Summer Concert series continues Wednesday, August 5 at 1pm with organist Gibson MacMillan. Admission by donation.

Development and Peace-Caritas Canada (DPCC) is collecting funds to help our partner, Caritas Venezuela to assist the people affected by the two earthquakes. DPCC has already advanced money for relief to cover the most urgent needs - food, water, shelter, clothing, hygiene supplies, medication and other necessities. Venezuela needs a lot more help. Donations are matched dollar for dollar by the Canadian government until the Canadian people raise eight million dollars. You can donate online at: www.devpc.org-VenezuelanCollection or by cheque to Development and Peace, 8E-555 Rene-Levesque Blvd., Montreal QC H3G 9Z9, or call: 1-888-664-3387.

REFLECTION



We see Jesus feeding people in many ways throughout the Gospels, by his words and deeds, by his preaching, teaching and healing. In today's account, he literally feeds a crowd of over five thousand with five loaves and two fish. This event is a sign of God's ongoing desire to meet their hungers with generosity and life-giving nourishment. God wants to feed us so that we have and share life with others. We can refuse both the food of God's word and the food of the Eucharist, even when we have received it without ears and mouth, by not taking it into our lives. God asks us to hear and listen so "that we may have life."

Father Doug shares an excerpt with us this week
From Living Liturgy 2001

Gospel Acclamation (*See Matthew 4.4*)

Alleluia. Alleluia. Man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. **Alleluia.**

