

Ministry Schedule Aug 9th & Aug 10th

	St. Anthony's	St. Theresa's
Hospitality	Bonnie Bowlen	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Darren Richard, Tom & Nate VanLeeuwen
Eucharistic Minister	Sue Inkster	Betty MacNeil & Christopher Durieu
Lector	Ann Boies	Andrea or Meguel Yamane & David Saunders
Sacristan	Mary Feener	Bud Trevors

Our Lady of Peace Parish Adoration Schedule

Thursdays at 11:30 am at St. Theresa's Church before 12:00 pm Mass \*  
Fridays at 9:30 am at St. Anthony's Church before 10:00 am \*  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm at St. Theresa's Church (1 hour) \* If Mass is cancelled so, is Adoration.

Our Lady of Peace Parish Pilgrimage to Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré:

There are still seats available!

Itinerary:

- § Thursday September 18<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am bus will leave St. Theresa's church
- § Friday September 19<sup>th</sup> will be spent in Sainte-Anne-de- Beaupré
- § Saturday September 20<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am visit Old Quebec City, 2:00pm return to Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré.
- § Sunday September 21<sup>st</sup> - 9:00am return to Fredericton.

Costs:

- § Bus \$345.00 per seat.
  - § Lodging for 3 nights \$570.00/room with two Queen beds.
- If you are interested in joining the pilgrimage, please call Ricarda Bradley at (506) 367-2005 or email [Ricarda\\_b@outlook.com](mailto:Ricarda_b@outlook.com)  
A \$300.00 deposit is due by August 12, 2025.

Our Lady of Peace Parish

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

<i>St. Anthony's Church</i> <i>603 Union St.</i> <i>Fredericton, NB</i> <i>Mass Time Saturday 4:00 pm</i>	<i>St. Patrick's Church</i> <i>31 Main St.</i> <i>Stanley. NB</i> <i>Mass Time Sunday 9:00 am</i>	<i>St. Theresa's Church</i> <i>45 Royal Rd.</i> <i>Fredericton. NB</i> <i>Mass Time Sunday 11:00 am</i>
<i>Summer Office Hours Tuesday – Thursday 9 am – 4:30 pm</i> <b>Sunday Aug 3rd, 2025 –18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		

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*Note: Fr. Maria has cancelled mass on Aug 5<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>*

Mass Times

<u>No Mass Tuesday or Wednesday</u>  <i>Thursday Aug 7th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's Norman Hachey</i> <i>Friday Aug 8th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's Alfonso &amp; Enrique Simeon</i>	<i>Saturday Aug 9th 4:00 PM St. Anthony's Mass For the People</i> <i>Sunday Aug 10th 9:00 AM St. Patrick's Roy &amp; Rose Marie Forgeron</i> <i>Sunday Aug 10th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's Sandra Weatherhead MacLean</i>
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Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

July 27 <sup>th</sup> 2025		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	\$6,178	Offertory	\$6,178
Capital Infrastructure	35	Budget Needs	(5,471)
Diocesan Collections	20	Excess (Shortfall)	708
Other	121	Year-to-Date	Contributions
Total Contributions	\$6,354	Offertory	\$157,655
Parishioner (Avg.) Contribution		Budget Needs	(161,747)
Envelope & Auto Debit	\$ 49	Excess (Shortfall)	(4,092)
Budget Needs	\$ 44		
Avg. Weekly Shortfall	\$ 5		
Contributions are Welcome at: olpdonations@gmail.com			

The Diocese of Saint John has invited Our Lady of Peace Parishioners to make a pilgrimage to the Cathedral on designated First Saturday September 6<sup>th</sup>, for the celebration of Mass, Adoration, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, veneration of relics, historical tours, and special Jubilee prayers and reflections.



Pastoral council has booked a bus that can seat 40 passengers to make the pilgrimage to the Cathedral on the designated First Saturday September 6<sup>th</sup>. If there is enough interest for a pickup at St. Patrick's, we will request this of the bus service. To reserve a seat on the bus, please call Irene at the office (506)

444-6010 Tuesday - Thursday with your name, email address and phone number. Once time and location for departure and lunch plans are finalized, we will put details in the bulletin and contact all who have registered for a seat on the bus.

### Diocesan Youth Rally

Calling All High School Youth! - Get ready for the 3rd Annual Diocesan Youth Rally on Sunday, August 17th — a day packed with fun, faith, and friendship!

Where: Villa Madonna Retreat House, Rothesay Time: 12:30 PM to 6:30 PM. Mass with Bishop Christian will be celebrated together. Come hang out, make new friends, and experience a day you won't forget! Bring a friend — the more, the merrier **For more information text Patricia at 506-627-6465.**

### Our Sacred Stories - Seeking Holiness: Finding Happiness

*REJOICE AND BE GLAD (Mt 5:12), Jesus tells those persecuted or humiliated for his sake. The Lord asks everything of us, and in return he offers us true life, the happiness for which we were created. He wants us to be saints and not to settle for a bland and mediocre existence. The call to holiness is present in various ways from the very first pages of the Bible. We see it expressed in the Lord's words to Abraham: "Walk before me and be blameless" (Gen 17:1) [Pope Francis. *Gaudete et Exultate* March 2018 1]*

With these words, Pope Francis begins a reflection on holiness. He connects it immediately with happiness, joy and contentment and in life. We are most full of life, most contented when we are with others. It is in these circumstances of our relationships with one another, living in contentment and sharing it with others that we call "Holiness".

Am I holy? Do I even want to be holy? Often, I think that we regard "holiness" as being "other worldly", somehow removed from regular, ordinary life. What we sometimes call "fundamentalism"

even has our Christianity fighting with our world, denying that holiness can have a place in it. Doing so, is to deny our humanity and the wonder of creation with which God has surrounded us.

Christian holiness lives with gratitude in this world. Acknowledging the marvel of our humanity as God's gift, this is true holiness. We recognize the wonder of God's love with our faith in the Incarnation: that our God so loves the world that in Jesus, God shares our humanity (John 3:16-17).

In one of his online reflections, Franciscan spiritual writer Fr. Richard Rohr shared a thought on holiness by another spiritual writer, Barbara Holmes:

"Holiness is a concept that makes ordinary people nervous.... The holiness that Jesus describes has less to do with pious character traits [and practices] and more to do with the hosting of God's abiding presence. It is not effort but invitation that opens the human spirit to the possibility that God may sojourn with us". (R. Rohr [Meditations@cac.org](mailto:Meditations@cac.org) July 29 2019)

In Luke's Gospel (Luke 12:13-21), Jesus tells a story, a parable of a person whose crops thrived, and he wondered what to do with this abundance. So great was his crop that he decided to build larger barns to store it all for the future. But his future was brief, and he could not control it. Great as his crops might be, his true richness and happiness rested not in them, but in his openness to God's abiding presence. Seeing and appreciating the present blessings is what makes life meaningful and brings happiness. Such vision is the stuff of holiness.

Sacred moments and sacred persons surround us. They represent the constant presence of God in ordinary and everyday life. Pope Francis expressed the immediacy of holiness when he stated: "Very often it is a holiness found in our next-door neighbors, those who, living in our midst, reflect God's presence. We might call them 'the middle class of holiness'." (*Gaudete et Exultate* March 2018 7)

Real holiness, for life, is found in our relationships. Such holiness follows the pattern of Jesus. It offers the face of God's mercy and love. It heals and reconciles others. It feeds the hungry, frees the captive, gives light to those in darkness. We live holiness when we live with love, in word and in action. Holiness is not a future hope, but a present reality. We see it, when we respond to the invitation from God to be present with us where we are. John Jennings

