

Our Lady of Peace Parish

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

Bulletin Sunday October 05, 2025 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Churches & Mass Times

St. Anthony's Church

603 Union St.
Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Saturdays at 4:00

St. Patrick's Church

31 Main St.
Stanley, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 9:00 AM

St. Theresa's Church

45 Royal Road
Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 AM

Tuesday Oct 7th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's

Julie McNamara

Wednesday Oct 8th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's

Emily Polchies

Thursday Oct 9th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's

George Mazerolle

Friday Oct 10th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's

Gerry Arsenault

Saturday Oct 11th 4:00 PM St. Anthony's

Mass For the People

Sunday Oct 12th 9:00 AM St. Patrick's

Jordan Brewer

Sunday Oct 12th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's

Frank Armstrong

*This week the
Sanctuary
Candle
burns in memory of ...*

This Week

St. Theresa's Candle
Burns in Memory of

+ Tommy Myette +

Offered by

Karen Burke

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Sept 28th 2025		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	\$5,617	Offertory	\$5,617
Capital Infrastructure	155	Budget Needs	(5,471)
Diocesan Collections	615	Excess (Shortfall)	146
Other	703	Year-to-Date	Contributions
Total Contributions	\$7,090	Offertory	\$205,303
Parishioner (Avg.) Contribution		Budget Needs	(210,982)
Envelope & Auto Debit	\$ 43	Excess (Shortfall)	(5,680)
Budget Needs	\$ 43		

Contributions are Welcome at:
olpdonations@gmail.com

Website & Social Media

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

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Fr. Maria's Office Number 444-6070

Ministry Schedule October 11th- October 12th

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Bonnie Bowlen	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Betty MacNeil, Janet Matheson, & Debbie Heustis
Eucharistic Minister	Greg Feener	Mary Billings & Donna Duffey Searle
Lector	Paul Ryan	Betty Flanagan & Christopher Durieu
Sacristan	Cathy Bowlen	Rochelle Ivey

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 *

3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm at St. Theresa's Church (1 hour) * If Mass is cancelled so, is Adoration.

Nicene Creed – The Jubilee Year coincides with the 1700th anniversary of the First Council of Nicaea (325 AD), which gave us the Nicene Creed—our foundational profession of faith. The Diocese has encouraged our communities in praying the Nicene Creed especially during these times when our culture is confused and searching for truth. We will be saying the Nicene Creed during our Sunday masses for the remainder of the Jubilee Year, which ends on December 28.

"October is the month of the Holy Rosary. St. Theresa's CWL will lead the Rosary after the noon Mass every Tuesday during the month, and St. Patrick's pray the Rosary before Mass on Sundays".



General Meeting: Sunday October 5th, 2025 at 12:15 pm
following the 11:00 am Mass at St. Theresa's Church in the Ann Wrynn Hall.

Family Faith Formation

Family Faith Formation ~ Because faith grows with those who are closest to us, Our Lady of Peace Parish offers "Family Style" Faith Formation for families with children in kindergarten to Grade 7.

Children in Grade 2 (and up) wanting to receive 1st Eucharist this year, families are asked to participate in Family **Faith Formation and Sacrament Preparation will take place throughout the year, beginning with preparing and** receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

To register for Family Faith Formation please visit <https://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca/religious-formation-k-to-7> or contact Laura Horsley at faithformation@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

Families attending St. Patrick's Church are invited to contact Laura Horsley for Family Faith Formation and 1st Eucharist Preparation options.

We are developing a Strategic Parish Building and Property Planning Committee – Committee members needed. The goal of this committee is to develop a 5-year parish plan to identify critical building repairs and/ or renovations pertaining to each of the parish's three churches. Pastoral Council feels it is important that the committee be comprised of at least one representative from each church. Your consideration and participation would contribute significantly to this important endeavor. Please contact: Ken Harris 506-999-0753.



Fall Sessions — Dying with Christ – Living with Hope: Join us on Zoom for one of three free three-week options to experience Dying with Christ – Living with Hope—a powerful, hope-filled course exploring suffering, grief, dying, and our Christian call to care. Led by theologians and healthcare professionals, this series offers timeless insight into how dying with Christ is attainable for everyone. Choose the option that works best for your schedule (Atlantic Time):

Sept 16, 23, & 30 at 7:30 p.m. AST - Oct 15, 22, & 29 at 8:00 p.m. AST Nov 13, 20, & 27 at 7:30 p.m. AST

This series also equips you to bring the program to your church or community and to explain Christian teaching around MAiD. Register or learn more: <https://cmdacanada.org/event/dying-with-christ-living-with-hope-spring-series/>

RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

RCIA is not a program, but rather a journey in faith formation for adults wanting to be received into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church. It is a spiritual journey of discernment, instruction, and prayer designed for:

- Unbaptized Adults
- Adults baptized in other Christian traditions or
- Baptized Catholics who either want to learn more about the Catholic faith and/or want to complete the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist (First Holy Communion).

We are looking to offer RCIA sessions starting in October. We invite anyone who would like to join this journey to contact Wesley Deane at wesleymdeane@gmail.com (506) 260-6247.

-Come, Grow in Faith with our Parish As we enter our third week of refreshing our parish faith, we have looked at how we are personally blessed and Catholicism being a religion of communion, it is time to look a little broader. The Catholic Church is called to be the hands and feet of Christ in the world — offering spiritual nourishment, upholding the dignity of every person, and serving those in need. Our parish has already taken beautiful steps in fostering community and deepening faith. But as we continue to grow, we might ask ourselves: **How can we do even more?**

Week Three Question: What more can our parish do to foster community and deepen faith?

Season 5 of “The Chosen” ~ The table is set. Beginning October 7th at St. Theresa’s The people of Israel welcome Jesus as King while his disciples anticipate His crowning. But – instead of confronting Rome – He turns the tables on the Jewish religious festival. Their power threatened, the country’s religious and political leaders will go to any length to ensure this Passover meal is Jesus’ last. Join us Tuesday afternoons after the 12:00 pm Mass beginning October 7th, in the meeting rooms at St. Theresa’s Church as we watch and discuss season 5 of The Chosen. A light lunch will be served. Everyone is welcome!

White Cross Marker Program The cemetery committee have started a project of installing white cross markers for all the unknown & burial plots that have no headstone markers. Each cross has an associated number on them and recorded in our record keeping books for the location of the burial plot. The Upper section is now completed (September 2025). Now continue to the middle section. The goal is to complete all sections of the cemetery. **REMINDER:** Every Monday morning, roughly 8am until 11am we continue with the ON-GOING maintenance in the cemetery. We are always looking for extra help AND would be much appreciated. Any questions, please contact me. Thanks in advance, Ron Daigle (506) 282-0226

Outside Our Community Events

Knights of Columbus Community Breakfast - Sunday, October 12th, from 10:00AM to 1:00PM at the Knicol Hall, 170 Regent Street. Adults \$ 10.00, Children \$ 5.00 and Families \$ 30.00. Everyone welcome.

St. Francis of Assisi Bingo - First Sunday of each month, next bingo Nov 2, 2025 at 1 pm Join us at St. Francis of Assisi church hall located at 2130 Route 102 Hwy in Lincoln. Cost is \$20 at the door with tea, coffee, and snacks available. There will be tickets for sale on a 50/50 draw, our Bingo Number Game and an additional chance to win with the Bonus Card Draw. We look forward to seeing you there and appreciate your support. Please note this is a **CASH ONLY EVENT**.

Our Great Stories

Faith: Small is Great

Faith the size of a mustard seed – what an image Jesus uses as he responds to his disciples! They ask him to increase their faith. Faced with what they hear are the demands of discipleship, they feel inadequate, too limited in their ability to respond to his call. His response is to tell them that they do not need *more* faith (Luke 17:5-10). What they need is to recognize the power of *small* faith.

This *small* faith is with us in so many ways. It marks our lives and allows us to make sense ourselves, to recognize who we are. Such faith seems so ordinary that we take it for granted and forget its significance. Often, we limit “faith” to belief. It is much broader. Faith is at the core of all our relationships. It is the trust with which we live our lives.

Two great circles of relationship dominate much of our lives. The first is our relationships with one another, the second is how we relate to our environment, the world, the creation in which we live. Our peace and contentment are dependent on these two clusters of relationships. Relationships are blessings, the delight that God has in each of us and all creation.

Our many specific relationships are a reflection of our relationship with God, the source of our life and the foundation of our capacity to love. It is in these two circles that we live out our relationship with our God. The major support for each of them is what we refer to as faith, the willingness and capacity to have a life that looks beyond ourselves and to trust in another.

It is quite striking to witness a couple who are getting married. For all the excitement and the many plans and preparations that surround a wedding, it is something more that creates the wonder of what is happening. The couple pledges love to one another “in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health”, and they promise this for the rest of their lives. What makes this possible is their bond of love. With this love, they can hold each other in trust, with a faith in each other no matter what may come their way. True friendships are based on such trust and faith.

The bond of relational love is what Pope Francis’s *Encyclical on Climate Change and Inequality (Laudato Si 2015)* expresses. He sees the commitment we make to all creation in this light. Humanity together shares creation as “our common home”. In his final prayer, the pope appeals to all for the sake of all: *Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature.* The call for peace, justice and care for creation founded on our relationships with God and with one another in our common home.

Discipleship is a call to faith and courage. In the Gospels we hear of those who began to follow Jesus. When they did so, they did so in faith, trusting in this person who was calling and leading them. Sharing the mission of Jesus is to live in faith, trusting in the relationships that come with it – with God who gives us life, with Jesus who blesses our humanity, with one another as we work together and with all creation, God’s great gift and the reflection of God’s love.

The gift faith is always about our relationships and how we live them. Following the model given us by Jesus, we find ourselves called to listen, to respond, to reach out in love in a messy, often wounded world. This brings reconciliation and healing to our brokenness and the brokenness of all creation. Faith the size of a mustard seed – what a difference it can make in all of life!

John Jennings
27th Sun Ord Time