Ministry Schedule Sept 13th & Sept 14th

St. Anthony's St. Theresa's

Hospitality Mona & Ray McCarthy Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick,

Martin Colford, Darren Richard &

Tom & Nate VanLeeuwen,

Eucharistic Minister Sue Inkster Betty MacNeil & Christopher Durieu

Greg Feener The Daigle Family Lector

Sacristan Mary Feener **Debbie Heustis**

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.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Twilight Retreat, hosted by St. Theresa's CWL, on Monday, Sept 8th, St. Theresa's Church Hall at 45 Royal Road. First session begins at 4:30 pm, followed by a potluck, second session and closing prayer at 8 pm. Presenter is Father Fulton. Topic: 'Doors to the Sacred'.

Knights of Columbus Community Breakfasts will resume in September. The next breakfast will be on Sunday, Sept 14th from 10:00AM to 1:00PM at the Knicol Hall, 170 Regent St. Adults \$ 10.00, Children \$ 5.00 and Families \$ 30.00. Proceeds will be used to support the Law Enforcement Run for Special Olympics. Everyone welcome.

The Saint John Diocesan Council for Development & Peace will hold its Fall Campaign Workshop on Saturday, Sept. 20, at Holy Family Church, 1500 Hanwell Rd, Fredericton, beginning at 10 am to 2 pm. Adah Ogbe, our D&P Maritime Regional Animator, will present the workshop on the Fall Campaign, Turn Debt into Hope. If you cannot attend in person, you can join the meeting virtually, via Zoom. The link to REGISTER for the meeting is below. After registering, you will receive a confirmation e-mail with the meeting link. Here is the registration link to join the meeting virtually. https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/s x8LisUTYSzn4NmCusIYA

St. Francis of Assisi Bingo - First Sunday of each month, next bingo Sept 7, 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 Lady of Peace Parish

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

St. Anthony's Church 603 Union St.

31 Main St.

St. Patrick's Church St. Theresa's Church 45 Royal Rd.

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Mass Time Saturday 4:00 pm Mass Time Sunday 9:00 am Mass Time Sunday 11:00 am

Summer Office Hours Tuesday – Thursday 9 am – 4:30 pm

Sunday Sept 7th, 2025 –23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Times

Tuesday Sept 9th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's Arneta Crowley Wednesday Sept 10th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's **Enid McDonald** Thursday Sept 11th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's George Mszerolle Friday Sept 12th 10:00 AM Anthony's Justin Audibert

Saturday Sept 13th 4:00 PM St. Anthony's Jackie O'Hara Sunday Sept 14th 9:00 AM St. Patrick's **Gratitude for Mother Mary** Sunday Sept 7th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's **Mass For the People**

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

August 31st 2025 Contributions Weekly Offertory \$6,027 Offertory \$6,027 Capital Infrastructure 115 **Budget Needs** (5,471)**Diocesan Collections** 50

Other 70 **Total Contributions** \$6.262 Parishioner (Avg.) Contribution

Envelope & Auto Debit

Budget Needs

Contributions are Welcome at: olpdonations@gmail.com

45

\$ 41

Excess (Shortfall) 557 Year-to-Date Contributions Offertory \$183,242 **Budget Needs** (189,100)Excess (Shortfall) (5,858)



St. Theresa's Santuary Candle burns this week in memory of

+ Sandor & Patricia Gyuk +

Pilgrimage Bus Information:

Pastoral council has booked a bus that can seat 40 passengers to make the pilgrimage to the Cathedral. To reserve a seat on the bus, please contact Irene at the office (506) 444-6010 or email Parishoffice@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

The bus will be leaving St. Theresa's church at **8:00** am (If there is enough interest for a pickup at St. Patrick's, arrangements and time for pick up will be announced). The diocese is arranging a lunch for the pilgrims, this will be a free will offering with the proceeds going towards the restoration of the cathedral. If you would like to attend the luncheon, please sign up on the sheet provided at each church. The bus will leave the Cathedral following lunch at 2:00pm to return to Fredericton. **Those not travelling by bus are welcome to sign up for the lunch.**

"OUR SACRED STORIES - Disciples in the Making: Becoming God's Dream

Do you have a dream? What would you most want for your family, for your friends, for your community or country, for yourself? It is important for us to dream. Most children have wonderful dreams. Perhaps as we get older, we sometimes lose some of this gift of having dreams. Aging brings a tendency to be what we sometimes call "realistic". Maybe we might sometimes call it – "cynicism". We tend to find and focus on the flaws and the negatives in life. It stands in the way of the virtue of "hope".

At every wedding, I am struck by the promises that couples speak to one another: *I promise* to be true to you, in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health. I will love you and honour you all the days of my life. This is a huge commitment. Without knowing what the days and years to come may bring, here are two people who are willing to risk themselves for the sake of each other. We, and they know that things sometimes do not work out. How are they able to take such a chance? How can they have such hope.

As much as there is risk, there is also the dream. The promises speak of a future, *all the days of my life*. What a blessing, that it is possible to dream. It may never be fully realized, but the very fact that we have a dream is essential for us and our life. To hear a couple make such promises, pledging their very hearts to one another is momentous to say the least. We need to hear it and to see it, for human life is founded on hope and the capacity to have a dream that is life-giving.

Parents and grandparents share this same dream - that it is possible to bring life to another. And so their love and their life brings new life into our world and nurtures it. It has the same uncertainty as the commitments made at the exchange of promises, the same risks. But it also has the same dream – that life for all its challenges is full of promise. And we, all of us need to hold this hope, for it is God's dream for all our world.

Luke's Gospel (14:25-33) presents us with the reality that we are disciples in the making. Responding to the call to be Jesus's disciples has a cost and like the couple's promises or the parent's role, being a disciple means taking risks, stepping out into the unknown. Doing so, calls for trust, faith and hope. Our risks are part of life and without them, we are in so many ways – lifeless.

Faith means to trust enough that we can risk and we can dream. These are a source of life. In Luke's story, we discover that becoming and living as disciples is indeed taking a risk. But living as disciples is also an expression of our dream. And what a dream it is, for it is God's dream, for all humanity and creation.

Gods' dream is that we accept and share God's unconditional love, that we live in a world, we build a world that is marked by peace, justice and love. God's dream is a world where no one is excluded, no one is left out or lives an outcast, where all are respected.

As disciples of Jesus we pray this dream in the prayer Jesus taught us: *Thy kingdom come thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.* Our dream is really God's dream.

St. Theresa's Church Choir Why join the Choir?

- ✓ get more involved in our church
- ✓ try something new and meet new people
- ✓ grow faith through service to the Lord and our congregation
- St. Theresa Choir is always looking for new members singers, players, tech providers.
- In Ordinary Time, we rehearse 1 hour per week, just prior to Sunday mass.

Interested? Please contact Andrew Lawlor at mannachinepoem@icloud.com

Back to Class Blessings Join us on the weekend of September 13th and 14th for a special back to school blessing for all students and teachers (elementary, high school, college and university). Blessings will take place at each Mass.

PARISH BBQ & SOCIAL at St. Theresa's



September 14th at 12:00pm St. Theresa's church is hosting a Parish BBQ & Social event. Mark your calendars and don't miss out as our parish community gathers for food, fun & friendship. The menu includes hot dogs, burgers, potato salad, chips, beverages & dessert.

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.