

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

BULLETIN

Sunday, September 19, 2021 - 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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CHURCHES & MASS TIMES



St. Anthony's Church

603 Union St.

Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Saturdays at 4:00 pm



St. Patrick's Church

31 Main St.

Stanley, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 8:45 am



St. Theresa's Church

1 William St.

Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

Parent Meeting for Sacrament Prep

1st Eucharist and Confirmation

Tuesday, September 21st at 7:00 pm

St. Theresa's Church Hall

"Discovery of Unmarked Graves: How Do We Respond?"

Postponed to a Later Date

Mass for Truth & Reconciliation

Thursday, Sept. 30 12:00 pm St. Anthony's Church

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Tuesday, Sept. 21st 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church

Sheila Clements

Wednesday, Sept. 22nd 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church

Valerie Barry

Thursday, Sept. 23rd 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church

Karen Lee Keoughan

Friday, Sept. 24th 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church

No Intention

Saturday, Sept. 25th 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church

Alice Giovannetti

Sunday, Sept. 26th 8:45 pm - St. Patrick's Church

Deceased members of the Gallagher Family

Sunday, Sept. 26th 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church

Mary Catherine Savoie

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekly Offertory – Sept. 12, 2021

Sunday Contributions:	\$2,658.00
Auto Debit (average):	<u>\$2,146.00</u>
Total:	\$4,803.00
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$5,400.00
Excess (Shortfall)	(\$ 597.00)
Capital Infrastructure:	\$ 150.00
Special Collections:	\$ 25.00
Other:	\$ -

Year-to-Date

Offertory:	\$ 183,235.00
Budget Needs:	<u>\$ 199,800.00</u>
Excess (Shortfall):	(\$ 16,565.00)
Information inquires should be directed to:	
Frank O'Donnell 472-0145	
(mbfod@nbnet.nb.ca) or Greg Feener	
472-9364 (glf@nbnet.nb.ca)	

*Our Lady of Peace is sustained by the generosity of our parishioners through time, talent and treasure. **For all that you do, THANK YOU!***

WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

Keep up to date on all activities, news and weather cancelations!



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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID Protocol Update

As of Wednesday, September 22nd the province of New Brunswick will be requiring proof of vaccination to access certain events and activities. It is still unclear how this will effect attendance at Mass and we will keep everyone up to date. Until then, please be prepared to show proof of vaccination (fully vaccinated) or proof of exemption when attending Mass beginning Wednesday, September 22nd.

Other activities using parish facilities, including Parish Nursing activities, meetings, presentations, workshops and Religious Formation for children, youth and adults will require proof of vaccination or proof of exemption to attend for people over 12 years of age.

The parish continues to support preventative practices such as hand sanitizing and mask wearing. Each church has a section of pews that will remain roped off to ensure social distancing for those who would like the extra precaution. Screening questions will not be asked as you enter our churches, but we encourage people to continue to monitor their health before attending Mass and choose to attend/not attend accordingly.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Thursdays 11:30 at St. Theresa's Church *
Fridays 9:30 am at St. Anthony's Church *
Wednesdays 1:00 pm at St. Patrick's Church

** if there is no weekday Mass on Thursday or Friday, Adoration is also cancelled.*



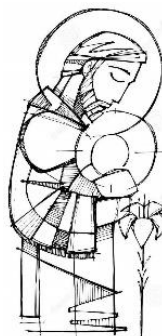
OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH Reconciliation Times

Fr. Maria is available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the following times:

Saturdays at 3:30 pm at St. Anthony's Church
Sundays at 8:30 am at St. Patrick's Church
Sundays at 10:20 am at St. Theresa's Church

Or you may call the office to make an appointment.

Farewell Reception for Sr. Karen - Cancelled ~ Due to changes in COVID protocols we have unfortunately had to cancel this event.



YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH Dec. 8, 2020 to Dec. 8, 2021

Consecration to St. Joseph
September 30th to November 1st

Draw closer to St. Joseph, our spiritual father, over a 33-day preparation period. Group will meet 6 times during the preparation. To register and receive a book please contact Patty at 444-6070.

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

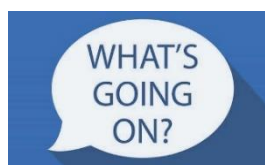
Postponed to a Later Date "Discovery of Unmarked Graves: How Do We Respond?" ~ Presentation and question and answer by Graydon Nicholas.

Mass for Truth and Reconciliation ~ To recognize National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, Thursday September 30th at 12:00 pm at St. Anthony's Church. You are invited to wear an orange shirt to the Mass. Church bells will toll after Mass as a remembrance of the children who died in residential schools and their families.



NOTE FROM PASTORAL COUNCIL

Nomination forms for pastoral council positions are available at each church. Please submit your nomination by placing a ballot in the collection basket. Nominations close September 26th and those nominated will be contacted the following week.



Wondering what is happening in the parish?

Check out the parish monthly activity calendar available at each of our parish churches and online at

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca.

Letters from Bishop Riesbeck ~ This week the Bishop wrote two letters to the faithful of the Diocese. These two letters, 2021-2022 Pastoral Year Letter and Needs of the Catholic Church Collection, are posted on the parish website. Copies will be available at each church.



Do to unforeseen circumstances we have decided not to offer the Alpha Course this fall.



Our Lady of Peace Parish Bronze Rush A Winner Every Month!

\$5.00 per month will enter you in a random draw that will support parish programs and initiatives. Money raised will be split equally between the winner and the monthly designated program. Cash prize determined by the number of entries.

September's proceeds will support our Parish Outreach Program. Often we receive requests for support from individuals in the community. Money raised will be used to purchase gift cards or other goods for people needing a temporary helping hand.

To enter September's "Bronze Rush" contact Irene at the parish office (444-6010). Draw will be made on September 30th.

PARISH NURSING

Note from Vicky Knight, Parish Nurse

Fall Registration for Activities. If you're interested in joining any programs - activities for the FALL- please let us know ASAP as instructors need to plan and spots are filling up! Please give me a call at 454-8538 or send me an e-mail at vicky.knight@bellaliant.net

Calling all Zumba Lovers! ~ Zumba is scheduled to start on Friday, September 24th. If you would like to join, please let Vicky know as soon as possible. **If there is not enough interest we will not offer Zumba at this time.**

NEWSLETTER Fall 2021 Parish Nursing. We've all faced immense hardships as a result of the pandemic. If you're willing, share your story by sending me an e-mail of any significant moment or event and how you coped or celebrate (approx. 250 words). Our stories resonate with one another and let us know that we are a community. We are all in this together vicky.knight@bellaliant.net

As of Wednesday, September 22nd those wanting to take part in Parish Nursing activities must be prepared to show proof of vaccination or proof of exemption.



Birthday Blessings!

Happy Birthday to Elite 90's member Sr. Charlotte Lockhart celebrating her 101st birthday on September 17th!

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Sacrament Preparation Parent Meeting ~ Tuesday, September 21st at 7:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church Hall.

For all parents with children starting the preparation for 1st Eucharist (Grades 2 and up) and Confirmation (Grades 8 and up). This important meeting will provide parents with program details, including schedules and program materials. To help us plan, please register your children prior to attending the meeting. Register online using the appropriate links below.

Confirmation Preparation ~ for youth in grades 8 and up. Begins the 1st week of October. To register online <https://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca/confirmation-preparation>

Please share with other families and youth that may not see this announcement. Thanks!

Diocesan Rosary ~ the Diocesan rosary has been moved to Tuesdays, and will resume on September 28th at 7:00 pm. Faithful may join in-person in the Virgin's chapel of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, or via Facebook live or Zoom. www.facebook.com/DioceseofSaintJohn.

The Catholic Disciple Formation Series ~ Tuesday evenings beginning September 28th, Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC, will be offering an 11-week video series on Fr. Bob Bedard's book *The Catholic Disciple*. Sessions will begin at 7:30 pm following the weekly Diocesan rosary. In person sessions will be offered in Fredericton at Our Lady of Fatima Parish and Saint John at Immaculate Conception Parish, with the option to join remotely via Zoom (<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83064871436>, Passcode: disciple). For more information see the Diocese of Saint John's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/DioceseofSaintJohn or email nmazerolle@dioceseofsaintjohn.org.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25TH AND 26TH

	St. Anthony's - Saturday 4:00 pm	St. Theresa's - Sunday at 11:00 am	
Screeners/Ushers	Mona and Ray McCarthy	Martin Colford Darren Richard	Michele McCann Betty MacNeil
Lector	Kelly Bowlen	Marc Daigle	

Our Sacred Stories

Religious Formation: What Do We Teach?

September and every year at this time, the relaxed summer routine is set aside and life grows busier. The rhythm of parish and community life picks up. This year is particularly striking. Our world is now more than 2 years into the Covid-19 pandemic. Our parishes and communities have experienced a time of limited contact and much reduced activity. More recently, thanks to vaccinations as well as the use of masks, tests and contact tracing we are beginning to see a light at the end of this long tunnel.

We now see some resumption of fuller parish activity. This shows up first in Eucharist that welcome more people back. But perhaps, most notable is the resumption of a fuller array of faith formation programs. A lively parish or faith community is more than the Sunday Eucharist. Especially significant is the level of ongoing faith formation for all member of every age.

Nurturing of faith is a concern not just for children or youth. It is in fact part of being a Christian, a disciple of Jesus no matter what our age or circumstances. As has often been said and as our Catholic Church asserts – religious formation is a life-long project for every Christian.

This formation is not the task or the call of a few. It is not limited to priests and pastoral workers. Nor is it only the task of catechists, facilitators or mentors. Sharing our faith is the call of the whole community. We are in this together and together we take responsibility to assist each other as disciples. It takes a community of faith to nurture and grow disciples for a lifetime.

All this formation for a lifetime – what is it we share? The heart of Christian faith is Jesus Christ. He is the core and center of our faith. Many things are part of our faith and helpful for living it. Among them are our scriptures, a history of doctrines, a body of moral teachings, the sacraments, even the Church itself. These are important, but they are not the core. **The heart of our faith is Jesus Christ.**

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* 426 is very clear about this when it tells us: “At the heart of... [religious formation] we find a Person, the Person of Jesus of Nazareth, the only Son from the Father.” In that one statement from our Church’s catechism we find an expression of all that lies at the core of our faith. What does this mean for us, seeking to grow a dynamic, life-giving faith?

We believe in Jesus of Nazareth, the historical Jesus that we hear of in the Gospels. We are disciples of this Jesus who was born of Mary and whose message and mission took him throughout Galilee. It was this Jesus who taught his disciples and continues to teach us as his followers today.

His message announced the reign of God and taught that love was more than an emotion. It is what moves His mission and ours – to love all, every single person, no matter who they are. The love that he lived and taught is love in action. It is reaching out to those most vulnerable and in need. It is a reflection of God’s love that is unconditional. It reaches those who cannot reach us, the marginalized, the outcasts, those who have been left out or even excluded. It is a welcoming love for all. This is the Jesus who shows us the Way and that we see so often in the Gospels (e.g. Mk 9:30-37).

We also believe in Jesus, the Christ of faith, Son of God and Second Person of the Trinity. In him we have the promise of fullness of life, eternal life. We are disciples of Jesus Christ and we live in the hope of God’s promise to us all. By living faith we share this promise with all humanity.