

# Our Lady of Peace Parish

*“Three Churches One Faith Community”*

## Bulletin Sunday October 8th 2023 – 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 PM

#### Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday Oct 10th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's

*Joan Daley*

Wednesday Oct 11th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's

*Joan Sherman*

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

*Jim Noble*

Friday Oct 13th 10:00 PM St. Anthony's

*Ronald Wilson*

Saturday Oct 14th 4:00 pm St. Anthony's

*Peter Casey*

Sunday Oct 15th 8:45 AM St. Patrick's

*Mass for the People*

Sunday Oct 15th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's

*Paul Leger*

#### St. Patrick's Church

31 Main St.

Stanley, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 8:45 AM

#### St. Theresa's Church

45 Royal Road

Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 AM

Upcoming Events  
**Happy Thanksgiving**  
**Joyeux Action de Graces**  
**Wolasuwelomuwakon**



### Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Oct 1st, 2023		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	\$ 6,136,	Offertory	\$ 6,136
Capital Infrastructure	695	Budget Needs	(5,255)
Special Collections	115	Excess (Shortfall)	<b>\$ 881</b>
Other	310	<b>Year-to-Date</b>	<b>Contributions</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 7,256</b>	Offertory	\$ 205,040
		Budget Needs	207,905
		Excess (Shortfall)	<b>\$ (2,865)</b>

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

### Website & Social Media

[www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](http://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)

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



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## Ministry Schedule October 14th & October 15th

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Mona & Ray McCarthy	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Darren Richard, Ed Theriault & Marilyn Brennan
Eucharistic Minister	Ken Harris	Mary Fitzpatrick & Deborah Allen
Altar Servers	Bonnie Bowlen	Miguel, Isiah & Reign Buenaventura Miranda Alfaro
Lector	Sue Inkster	Michele Gabe
Sacristan		Debbie Heustis

**Mark your calendars! NET Team Retreat for Youth!** ~ Experience a NET Retreat and engage your faith! A team of vibrant young missionaries will be visiting our area to provide youth in grades 6 to 12 an opportunity to hear the message of God's love and a chance to experience the Gospel personally. We promise it will be a day of faith, fun and friendship! Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 am to 5:00 pm at the Msgr. Boyd Family Center (St. Dunstan's). Lunch and snacks will be provided. Please let us know if you will be joining us by contact Patty Cameron at [pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto:pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca) or (506) 444-6018.



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- Go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup)
- Select our parish by Our Lady of Peace Parish or entering our Postal Code – E3A 3N5
- Register with your name and email address
- Check your email account for a link to begin using FORMED

**Let us know if you have watch and enjoyed a show on FORMED!**

### Parish Giving

In addition to our parish envelope and auto debit program, parishioners are able to use E-Transfers for their parish giving.

E-Transfers can be done through on-line banking with your financial institution. Please send to [olpdonations@gmail.com](mailto:olpdonations@gmail.com). If you need to add a secure question, please use:

- **“What is this donation for?”** and the answer **“ourladyofpeace”**

Envelopes can be dropped off at the pastoral center at 603 Union St. There is a mail slot in the door at the backdoor. Please do not leave envelopes in the mailbox at the front door.

**If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office for assistance.**

**Sanctuary Lamp.** On occasion a specific date is not available for a requested Mass Intention. Please consider having the Sanctuary Lamp burn in memory of your intention for seven days at Our Lady of Peace Parish. The cost is the same as a Mass Intention (\$10.00) and cards are available same as Mass Intention Cards.



This week the Sanctuary Lamp  
**Burns in Memory of**  
***Evelyn and Charlie Bowlen***  
Offered by Sons & Daughters



**Summer Bronze Rush 2023** Congratulations to Gisele Weatherhead on winning our Parish Bronze Rush in the amount of **\$ 230.00** .



**It is Knitting Time Again.** St. Anthony's Shawl Ministry will be starting on October 10<sup>th</sup>. More details to follow.

Do you know of someone who is sick and needs comfort?

The Parish office has a great variety of Prayer Shawls available. Stop by during office hours and have a peek.

## Thanksgiving Is

Thanksgiving is a time of gratitude to God, our Creator and Provider, whose guidance and care go before us...and whose love is with us forever.

Thanksgiving is a time to reflect on the changes, to remember that we, too, grow and change from one season of life to another.

Thanksgiving is a time of changing seasons, when leaves turn golden in Autumn's wake and apples are crisp in the first chill breezes of fall.

Let us remember the true meaning of Thanksgiving. As we see the beauty of Autumn, let us acknowledge the many blessings which are ours let us think of our families and friends and let us give thanks in our hearts.

- Author Unknown



*Thank You* to Our Lady of Peace parishioners for all the well wishes, phone calls and cards that I have received. Each kind gesture was greatly appreciated.  
Happy Thanksgiving to you all. Blessings Betty Flanagan

## **Our Sacred Stories – Synod: A Time of Grace, Building Church Together**

This past week, on October 4 the “Synod on Synodality” opened in Rome. Two years ago (October 2021) Pope Francis launched the preparation for this event. As he did so, he set the course for a journey by our whole church community – a global community, lay and clerical, women and men, from every corner of the world. This past week, our community of faith around the world set out on our synodal journey.

Building on the foundation provided by the Second Vatican Council (1962-65), Pope Francis recalled the experience of that council. In his opening address for the current synod on October 9, 2021, he indicated some of the hopes and dreams, and his confidence in this great journey for our global church: *I am certain the Spirit will guide us and give us the grace to move forward together, to listen to one another and to embark on a discernment of the times in which we are living, in solidarity with the struggles and aspirations of all humanity.*

The journey we are now experiencing is one that we must make together, confident that the Spirit will be our guide. The word “synod” comes from the Greek word meaning “to travel together”. Pope Francis noted three terms which should characterize our synodal journey as we “travel together” – *communion, participation and mission*. These were words that marked Vatican II and now it is time to recall them and reassert our commitment to them as Church.

Back in 2021, as he ended his address which began the synod process, Pope Francis referred to it as “a season of grace”. He indicated three hopes that we might have as church. Firstly, *that of moving not occasionally but structurally towards a synodal Church, an open square where all can feel at home and participate*. Secondly, *that we might become a listening Church, to break out of our routine and pause from our pastoral concerns in order to stop and listen*. Thirdly, *[the synod] offers us the opportunity to become a Church of closeness*. Francis refers to this as God’s own “style” – filled with compassion and love.

One might say that the synod experience for our global church offers all of us the opportunity to recognize our sacred space, for all peoples. Such a space, is not so much a physical space, but an occasion of the heart, a space of life-giving and love for all. In the Old Testament, Israel discovered this in their journey through the desert. It was there they came to see themselves as the “People of God”. The journey was an occasion of the heart for them.

We need our sacred spaces and, whether we realize it or not, we all have our *sacred spaces*. We are reminded of how important such spaces are by the image we see in the readings of this weekend. The image is of the **vineyard**. We hear of it in the first reading from the prophet Isaiah (5:1-7). The vineyard is the subject of a love song. We hear of it again, in the psalm response: “The vineyard of the Lord in the house of Israel.” Finally, in Matthew’s Gospel (21:33-43), we hear Jesus telling a story, a parable about the harvest in the vineyard.

For Isaiah, for the psalm and for Matthew, the vineyard is the place of God among us, it is the Reign of God growing in the midst of our world. It is the space that defines us as a People of God. In all the confusion, in all the busyness of our lives, to gather with this people is to gather in a sacred space, a community to which we belong, a life-giving community. How open can we be with our sacred space?

John Jennings  
27<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ord Time

### **Note from Parish Office.**

1. Reminder notices for the Parish Bulletin must be into the office by Thursday at noon.
2. All hall use and rentals must be booked through the Parish Office. A form is available to be filled out and returned to the office.
3. In case of a funeral in our Parish the mass intended for that day will be moved to following week as long as that date is not spoken for.
4. Church and Hall doors are still being discovered unlocked. Please ensure that if you are the last one leaving one of our buildings that all doors are secured.

Thank You. *Irene*