

# OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

*"Three Churches One Faith Community"*

## BULLETIN

**Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

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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

**March 10<sup>th</sup>**

Lenten Healing Mass - St. Anthony's  
(Storm Date March 24<sup>th</sup>)

**March 14<sup>th</sup>**

St. Patrick's Church Supper - St. Patrick's

**March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Regional Lenten Reconciliation Service - St. Dunstan's

**March 24<sup>th</sup>**

Lenten Retreat - St. Anthony's

**March 31<sup>st</sup>**

Movie Night - St. Theresa's

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - St. Anthony's**  
Healing Mass

**Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 2:30 pm - Windsor Court**

**Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's**  
Claire McEwen

**Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am - St. Anthony's**  
Penny Guitard

**Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 2:30 pm - York Manor**

**Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's**  
Lionel Leger

**Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's**  
John & Honey Canney

**Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> 8:45 am - St. Patrick's**  
Patsy McAloon and Louise McGivney

**Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - St. Theresa's**  
Jack Weatherhead and Dorilla Michaud

**Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.**

### OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

**Weekly Collection Total = \$10,324.10**

	<b>St. Anthony's</b>	<b>St. Patrick's</b>	<b>St. Theresa's</b>
Sunday Envelopes	\$1,598.00	\$ 635.00	\$1,970.00
Loose Collection	\$ 101.00	\$ 31.00	\$ 179.50
Auto Debit	\$ 668.81	\$ 25.00	\$1,215.74
Capital Infrastructure	\$ 649.05	\$ 45.00	\$1,750.00
Special Collections	\$ 621.00	\$ 390.00	\$ 290.00
Adult Faith Formation	\$	\$	\$ 150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,637.86</b>	<b>\$1,131.00</b>	<b>\$5,555.24</b>

### WEBSITES & SOCIAL MEDIA

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

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



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# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MESSAGE FROM PASTORAL COUNCIL

As we continue our journey as our Lady of Peace Parish, and recognizing that we are one parish, Pastoral Council has approved a change to the reporting of the weekly collection in the bulletin. Commencing March 14, 2020, the weekly collection reporting in the bulletin will be shown as a single total for the Parish rather than by individual church site. The weekly reporting will continue to show the sources of collections, ie from Sunday envelopes, auto debit and for capital infrastructure, special collections, etc, but as a parish total. This practice is in keeping with Diocesan guidelines on financial reporting.

## LENT RESOURCES / ACTIVITIES

**Little Black Books** ~ Daily reflection books for adults available at the back of each church.

**"A" is for Ashes** ~ Reflection book for children.

**Development and Peace Share Lent** ~ "For Our Common Home" Resource materials are available.

**Lenten Healing Mass** ~ Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at St. Anthony's at 11:00 am followed by lunch. Storm date March 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Regional Lenten Reconciliation Service** ~ Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> 3:00 pm at St. Dunstan's Church.

**Lenten Retreat** ~ Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at St. Anthony's.

**Movie "40 Days"** ~ Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm at St. Theresa's.

**Watch the bulletin for more Lent Activities!**

## RELIGIOUS FORMATION UPDATE

**Kindergarten to Grade 8** ~ There will be no sessions on Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup> or Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Confirmation Preparation** ~ Will meet Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at St. Theresa's. All candidates to attend.



**Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>  
10:30 am to 4:30 pm  
(lunch provided)**

**Msgr. Boyd Family Centre**

This is an event you won't want to miss! For Grades 6 - 12 (bring a friend, all faith traditions and beliefs welcome). Please let Patty know at 444-6070 or [pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto:pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca) if you would like to register.

## COVID-19 BEST PRACTICES

Beginning this weekend during the Rite of Peace we ask parishioners to refrain from shaking hands and use alternative gestures to wish those around you the sign of peace.

Our Liturgical Ministers have been advised of precautionary steps during this time for the preparation of Mass and distribution of Eucharist.

We remind parishioners if you feel unwell, you should stay home: the Sunday obligation does not bind those who are ill. Posters are located on bulletin boards with more information about the COVID-19 virus.

*This week Our Lady of Peace Parish  
Sanctuary Lamps are lit for:*

*St. Anthony's Church  
Betty (Johnston) Davis*



**St. Patrick's Church  
Annual Church Supper  
Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup> at St. Patrick's  
Church 3:00 – 6:00 pm.  
(Storm Date Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>)**

Buffet supper: Great Home Cooking Turkey Pie with Biscuit Topping, Meat Balls, Special Fried Rice, Ham, Potato Scallop, Baked Beans, Lasagna, Salads, Pickles, etc., Fresh from the oven rolls, Brown Bread. Delicious variety of home baked Pies  
Adults: \$12., 6 - 12: \$6., Preschool: free  
Take Outs available. Please call in advance for pick up: Liz 367-2127 Mary 367-2446 Hall 367-2414

***Please join us to share a great meal  
with friends and family.  
Everyone welcome!***

**St. Theresa's CWL General Meeting** ~ Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm in the Anne Wrynn Hall. All ladies of the Parish are welcome to attend. There will be a guest speaker: June Brown, Acting Provincial President - she will be giving us an Update on Strategic Planning.

**Attention Bridge Players** ~ Due to kitchen renovations the St. Theresa's CWK annual Bridge Luncheon usually scheduled for March will not be held.

**Walking Toward Eternity (Adult Faith Formation) ~**  
will meet Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at St.  
Theresa's.

**Free Tax Clinic Book Your Appointment!**

*Do you look forward each year to preparing and filing  
your annual income tax return? Many Do Not!*

Our Lady of Peace Parish, in collaboration with the  
Canada Revenue Agency, is pleased to announce that  
a tax preparation clinic will be provided (Free of  
Charge) at the Parish Pastoral Centre to prepare tax  
returns for individuals who have a modest income  
and a simple tax situation. The tax preparation  
service will commence March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The service does not include tax returns for complex  
situations such as: returns for deceased persons;  
individuals who file for bankruptcy; self-employed  
individuals; individuals who report capital gains or  
losses; or individuals who report employment  
expenses, or business rental income or expenses.

Should yourself or others you know be interested in  
this community service please contact Steve Linton  
for further information at 506-261-7600 or  
linton@nbnet.nb.ca

**FROM AROUND THE COMMUNITY**

**Knights of Columbus Saint Patrick's Breakfast ~ 170**  
Regent Street, on **Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**, from 10:00 am  
to 1:00 pm. Cost: Adults \$ 7.00, children \$ 3.00,  
families \$ 20.00. **Proceeds will be used to support a  
seminarian.** Everyone welcome.

**Annual Pilgrimage to Ste. Anne de Beaupre ~ June**  
6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>. Contact Rick Bourgeois at 327-6777 or 327-  
3392 for pricing and more information.

**Our Lady of Fatima Parish Gift Shop ~** Open every  
Saturday 11:00 am to 1:00 pm and Sundays following  
Mass.

**Peter deMarsh Memorial Concert ~** Saturday, March  
14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the Taymouth Community Center.  
Admission by donation. Proceeds to Peter deMarsh  
Memorial Scholarship Fund

**St. Anthony's Bingo – March 11<sup>th</sup>  
Prizes!**

Sputnick \$343.00 + Jackpot \$1350.00 +  
Lucky Seven \$757.00 + Letter H \$995.00 +  
Loonie \$ ?? +

**Wednesdays – Early Bird at 6:30 pm and  
Regular Games at 7:30 pm**

**PARISH NURSING MINISTRY  
Activity Schedule**

**Yoga** - Mondays at 1:00 pm at St. Anthony's.

**Zumba Gold** - Fridays at 10:00 am at St. Theresa's.

**Knitting** - Our knitters are on a break! Watch  
bulletin for the next gathering.

**Quilting** - Wednesdays at 1:00 pm at St. Anthony's.

**Book Clubs** – Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at St.  
Theresa's and Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am at St.  
Anthony's.

**Painting** - Tuesdays at 12:30 pm at St. Anthony's  
Hall. Bring your supplies and paint in a relaxed and  
fun environment. Contact Lorraine Nimegeers 472-  
8800



**Lunch & Learn Session**

Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>

Topic: Grief and Loss

**Watch bulletin for more details.**

**Aquacise** - At the Fredericton Indoor Pool.

**Aquatic Exercise Schedule**

**Aquatic Stretching**

Monday to Friday 11:30 am to 12:15 pm

**Aquacise**

Monday/Wednesday 7:30 to 8:30 pm

Tuesday/Thursday 2:00 to 3:00 pm

**Fitness Swimmer**

Tuesday/Thursday 8:30 to 9:30 pm



Our Lady of Peace Parish Nursing  
Ministry has arranged for parishioners  
to participate in the Aquatic Stretching,  
Aquacise and Senior Exercise Swim  
programs at the Fredericton Indoor Pool free of  
charge. Sign in at the front desk

## St. Anthony's - Saturday @ 4:00 pm

## St. Theresa's - Sunday @ 11:00 am

<b>Sacristan</b>			Rochelle Ivey
<b>Hospitality</b>	Margaret Sullivan	Bonnie Bowlen	Shelia Gillespie
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Merla Spires		Amanda Knowles      Will Horsley
<b>Lectors</b>	Ed Theriault	Cathy Bowlen	Byron      Cathy James
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Ken Harris	Inez Sturgeon	Betty Flanagan      Mary Fitzpatrick
<b>Gift Bearers</b>	Margaret Sullivan	Bonnie Bowlen	

## A Trip to the Mountain

Last week, some terrible, disheartening news broke upon us. The world heard that Jean Vanier who died at the age of 90 last years was investigated by the organization he founded, L'Arche International. The independent investigation released its findings and found that over a period of some 35 years Vanier, the eminent spiritual director, writer, and founder of L'Arche was reported to have sexually and emotionally abused six adult women. The women, without disabilities, testified that the abuse occurred in the context of spiritual accompaniment.

L'Arche is an organization founded by Vanier to offer communities of support and compassionate care for persons with developmental disabilities. It has houses in almost 40 countries around the world and seeks to provide communities for some of the most vulnerable persons in our society.

Michael Higgins, professor of Catholic Thought at Sacred Heart University, Fairfield Conn. and former President of St. Thomas University, Fredericton NB wrote in the Globe and Mail newspaper: "This is devastating news; there is no way that it can be soft-pedalled."

The news is disheartening. It seems so often in our day that our models and mentors, the ones we hold on pedestal as examples for life are precarious. Our trust in them is betrayed by human folly. They disappoint us in their personal lives and behaviour. As Michael Higgins puts it: "None of our spiritual celebrities are bulletproof." They are as weak and vulnerable as all of us are. How do we cope with such loss and disappointment? L'Arche has recognized the courage of these women, thanking them for coming forth. It asks forgiveness and renews its fundamental commitment to the most vulnerable – to serve them with compassion, nurturing their growth in safe and respectful settings.

Life is full of many experiences, many personalities, many challenges and many blessings. Some of these are very attractive, others, we would rather not have. They affect who we are and what we do in life. To have a full life, however, we need them all, for each of us live as both challenges and blessings for others. Such life affecting experiences are what we mean when we speak about *grace*. *Grace* is the free gift of God's spirit and love touching our lives. This gift is with us always, but often unnoticed. From time to time though, we will become especially aware of such *grace*.

On this 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent, our Gospel comes from Matthew (Matt.17:1-9). We hear the story of Jesus taking some of his disciples up a high mountain and there they experience the fullness of God in their presence. Jesus is transfigured before them and appears with two of the great Old Testament figures, Moses and Elijah. For that brief moment, the disciples have a glimpse of who Jesus is. It moves and affects them deeply. They wanted to remain there in this time of *grace*.

Remaining on the mountain, in the experience is not possible. The moment passes and they must return down the mountain to continue their journey with all its demands, both negative and positive. But they are affected deeply and the *grace* of the experience, the spirit it offered will change them. From disciples they will become witnesses and will themselves be bearers of the Good News they have encountered in their journey with Jesus. Such moments are life-affecting.

We cannot live always in the light at the top of the mountain. Often, we find ourselves in the darkness of the valleys. In the midst of such darkness, our healing rests in hope, the possibility of light. Matthew describes the transfiguration of Jesus to his disciples as a moment of light. They recalled it when enveloped in the darkness of Jesus's crucifixion. Their light was founded on his resurrection.