### OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

### BULLETIN

### Sunday, January $19^{th}$ - $2^{nd}$ 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**

January 23<sup>rd</sup>

Walking Toward Eternity - St. Theresa's

January 28th

Movie Night - St. Theresa's

January 30th

Movie & Discussion - St. Anthony's

January 31st

Family Fun Night - St. Theresa's

#### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's

Donald Dionne

Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> 8:45 am - St. Patrick's

Michael McHale

Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - St. Theresa's

No weekday Masses while Fr. Martin is on vacation.

Ray Cogswell

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

## OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE Weekly Collection Total = \$4,142.55

	St. Anthony's	St. Patrick's	St. Theresa's
Sunday Envelopes	\$1,309.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 393.00
Loose Collection	\$ 186.00	\$	\$ 68.00
Auto Debit	\$ 668.81	\$ 25.00	\$1,215.74
Capital Infrastructure	\$ 80.00	\$	\$ 70.00
New Years	\$ 30.00	\$	\$ 20.00
Initial Offering	\$ 42.00	\$	\$ 25.00
Total	\$2,315.81	\$ 35.00	\$1,791.74

#### Websites & Social Media

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

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



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Thank you for your continued support of Our Lady of Peace Parish

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#### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Fr. Martin will be away from January 13<sup>th</sup> to February 13<sup>th</sup>. May God bless you during your travels. Enjoy your time with family and friends.

Fr. John Jennings will join us to celeberate Mass the weekends of January 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> and January 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Shawn Daley will celebrate Mass at St. Anthony's February 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Elie Zouein will celebrate Mass at St. Patricks February 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Lay presided services will take place at St. Therea's February 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>.

Walking Toward Eternity: Daring to Walk the Walk Study Program (Adult Faith Formation)

1st session Thursday, January 23rd at 7:00 pm at St.

Theresa's Old Rectory. An inspiring series designed to help participants live their faith more fully. This study introduces 7 Key Virtues and taking the steps to live them in your life. To register please contact Patty Cameron at 444-6070 or

pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

Winter is Here! ~ If you are wondering if Mass or a parish event is cancelled please watch our website or Facebook page. For parishioners in Stanley, in case of cancellation of Mass or other St. Patrick's activities, we try to notify everyone as early as possible by phone or email. Please share your contact information with us by signing the sheet at the entrance of St. Patrick's.



**Unbroken: Path to Redemption** 

Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm, St. Theresa's in the old rectory meeting room. Based on the bestselling novel by Laura

Hillenbrand, Unbroken: Path to Redemption is the true story of Louis Zamperini. Haunted by his past as a prisoner of war, he is driven deep into despair. But when his wife turns to God her most fervent prayer for Louis is to find peace and forgiveness.

**St. Patrick's Cleaning Schedule** ~ Our church, hall, and kitchen are cleaned and tidied by volunteers. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Please feel free to pick the week your family would like to take your turn to help. The usual weekly cleaning involves dusting, cleaning the floor (sweeping and/or vacuuming, sometimes mopping when necessary), tidying the pews.



Parish Senior Taxi Service ~ If you or someone you know is having trouble getting to and from Mass (St. Anthony's

or St. Theresa's) or any Parish activities please take advantage of our Senior Taxi Service. Just call Loyal Taxi at 455-6789. They will pick you up and deliver you to the church. Just sign a chit. Please feel free to use this service if you drive and are not comfortable driving night to parish activities.



Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup> 6:30 to 8:00 pm St. Theresa's Hall. Movie "Dumbo" and snacks! All families invited.



## Looking for the Owner of Offertory Envelope 308

Please call the office at 444-6010 or put your name and address on the envelope so that we can properly credit your tax receipt. Thanks!

**St. Patrick's Catholic Women's League** ~ Meeting on Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 1:30 pm at the Church.



## Warm Hands. Warm Hearts!



The Knights of Columbus Council 8654 in conjunction with Our Lady of Peace Parish wants to collect again for those in our communities. This year we are asking for hats, gloves, mittens and scarves. Please help families in need by donating new or your gently used items. All donations will be distributed to local food banks, shelters and schools. Accepting donations until February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Please bring a donation of a hat, gloves, mittens or scarf to church this weekend! Our campaign is underway and we want to fill the bins! Thanks for your support. A warm and wonderful way to think of someone in need in our community!



#### RELIGIOUS FORMATION UPDATE

**Kindergarten to Grade 8** ~ Sunday from 10:00 am to 10:50 at St. Theresa's.

Annual Catechist Retreat "Christianity...a way of life not a religion...Pass on Our Story" ~ with Fr. Eugene (Red) O'Reilly. Villa Madonna January 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>. Open to all ministries. For further information contact Margot McAloon-Parker 444-6025 or fredreled@dioceseofsaintjohn.org

This retreat is open to all Liturgical Ministers! The parish has 3 paid for spot remaining for anyone who would like to attend.

## St. Anthony's Bingo – January 22<sup>nd</sup> Prizes!

Sputnick \$1,346.00 + Jackpot \$1,000.00 + Lucky Seven \$416.00 + Letter H \$663.00 + Loonie \$ ?? +

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

#### From Around the Community

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity January 18<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>

"They Showed Us Unusual Kindness" (Act 28:2)

**Ecumenical Worship Service** ~ for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be held at St. Dunstan's Catholic Church, 120 Regent Street corner of Regent and Brunswick Street on Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12 noon. All are welcome. Contact Mary McMahon at 457-0093 for information.

**Ecumenical Worship Service** ~ Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm at St. Peter's Presbyterian Church, Stanley. Members of St. Patrick's Church will be taking part. Everyone is welcome.

Musicians Against Homelessness ~ Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 pm at the Fredericton Capital Exhibit Center. Three Great Bands! T&T Classic Country, Irene's Big Hearts & Helping Hands, and 30 Years After: The Band. All proceeds to support Fredericton Homeless Shelters. Admission \$10.00

# PARISH NURSING MINISTRY Activity Schedule

**Yoga** - Will begin Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>. New participants welcome!

**Zumba Gold** - Will begin Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am at St. Theresa's. New participants welcome!

**Knitting** - Monday's from 1:30 pm at St. Anthony's Rectory. Bring your own project.

**Quilting** - Wednesdays at 1:00 pm at St. Anthony's **Book Clubs** - Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm St. Theresa's and Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am at St. Anthony's.

**Painting** - Tuesdays at 9:30 am at St. Anthony's Hall. Bring your supplies and paint in a relaxed and fun environment.

#### Valentine Basket Raffle

Tickets on sale starting next week! Proceeds to support Parish Nursing programs.

If you would like receive some tickets to sell please see Vicky.

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.

**Movie & Discussion** ~ Join us for the movie "Away from Her" and discussion around the issues of Alzheimer's and Alzheimer's care. Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm at St. Anthony's rectory.

#### MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEKEND OF JAN. 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

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

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

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Sacristan		Debbie Heustis	
Hospitality		Betty MacNeil	
Altar Servers		Lawrence Holleran	Mary Ellen Holleran
Lectors		Allison Wrynn	Pam Shields
Eucharistic		Shelia Gillespie	Mary Billings
Ministers		Communion in the form of Bread only	
Gift Bearers			

## HOW'S MY SIGHT? NURTURING AND GROWING IN OUR FAITH John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him (John 1:29)

Do I really see? John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him. But did he really "see" Jesus? What was he looking for? What am I looking for? To see means more than simply physical sight. Real "seeing" is to perceive beyond the physical. It is to grasp the real situation, the full meaning. It is to be able to say: "Oh, now I see." In the case of a person, such fuller "seeing" is the stuff of relationship, of intimacy in which we grow much closer.

We "see" lots of people physically, but to come to understand this person – their personality, their values, their hopes and dreams takes much more. It takes openness and acceptance. It calls for many shared experiences. It is to come to know who they really are and what they are about.... Then we can begin to relate to this person.

For this kind of "seeing" I have to recognize the whole person and accept them into my own life. This takes patience, time and commitment. John the Baptist (Jn.1:29-34) had a tough time "seeing" Jesus. Oh, he "saw" him physically as Jesus came toward him, but he did not fully understand or grasp the full measure of who Jesus was. This would only happen with the gift of the Spirit. It would only take place in time and it would be others, the followers of Jesus who would grasp the connection of John to Jesus. To have such faith meant building a relationship with the Jesus of faith, seeing beyond the physical person to a much deeper vision of who Jesus really is.

It was much the same with the prophet in the first reading today. (Isaiah 49:3,5-6) Isaiah had a call to speak God's word to Israel. The prophet only gradually came to "see" the full meaning of his mission. At first he saw his call only to Israel who were in exile. It was to call them back to their own land. But they were so discouraged that there was little response. Only gradually did Isaiah come to recognize that the message God had called him to proclaim was a message of God's loving, saving presence always. More than this, this message was for all the nations, all peoples, not just Israel. Only then, did the prophet really "see."

Faith is about "seeing" beyond the physical. We can discover the experience of such "seeing" in our relationships with others. At first, we only have a superficial awareness of the other person. To see or know a person in this way does not involve trust or what we sometimes regard as faith. Such trust only comes later and is built or nurtured over much time and sharing of ourselves with the other. It is, and has to be mutual and conscious.

The disciples who followed Jesus had a first encounter with him. But this was only the beginning. Being with him on his mission, experiencing who he was, hearing what he said, witnessing what he did, this was building their faith in Jesus. It was always changing and developing.

Christian faith is a relationship – with Jesus and through Jesus with God. It grows and evolves and changes over time with the experiences we have. It is always a life long journey. As we grow and change, so too will our faith. As this happens, we "see" more fully and deeply our relationship with Jesus. Like all of our dynamic and alive relationships, this one brings us to places we would not otherwise have discovered. It is the work of the Spirit who accompanies us on our journey.