# Our Lady of Peace Parish

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

# Bulletin

# Sunday, November 21st, 2021 – Our Lord Jesus Christ

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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

#### **Service of Remembrance**

Friday November 26<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm St. Anthony's Church

## **Final Bronze Rush Draw**

Tuesday November 30th

Reconciliation Service Friday December 10<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm

# Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday, November 23rd 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church Kevin Ryan

Wednesday November 24th 10:00am-St. Anthony's Ken Prevost

Thursday, November 25th 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Patricia Gyuk

Friday November 26<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church Service of Remembrance

Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church Soldiers Billy, Noel & Benny Neptune

Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup> 8:45 pm - St. Patrick's Church Ronnie & Louise McGivney

Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church Charles Caterini

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

# Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Weekly Offertory – Nov 14, 2021		Year-to-Date	
Sunday Contributions:	\$2,888.00	Offertory:	\$ 226,578.00
Auto Debit (average):	\$2,162.00	Budget Needs:	\$ 248,400.00
Total:	\$5,050.00	Excess (Shortfall):	(\$ 21,822.00)
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$5,400.00	Information inquires should be	
Excess (Shortfall)	\$ (350.00)	directe	ed to:
Capital Infrastructure:	\$ 14000	Frank O'Donn	ell 472-0145
Special Collections:	\$ -	(mbfod@nbnet.nb.o	ca) or Greg Feener
Other:	\$ 300.00	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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Fr. Maria's Office Number 444-6070

# **Parish Announcements**

# **COVID Protocol Update**

Effective this weekend the Province of New Brunswick is requiring all places of worship in New Brunswick to put the following COVID-19 measures in place. Please note that you will not be asked to show proof of vaccination to attend Mass.

- Masks are required at all times in church buildings.
- Each of our churches will operate at 50% or less capacity.
- Maintain two metres of physical distancing between different households. The only exception to the 2m between households are for those who have arrived together in the same vehicle.
- No congregational singing. A cantor is permitted during Mass.
- No physical sign of peace is to be exchanged during Mass.
- Record names of all attendees and contact information by row or have a consistent assigned seating plan for contact tracing.
- Parishioners will be screened at the door for COVID-19 symptoms and asked if you have been instructed to self-isolate.

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

We encourage parishioners to continue to monitor their health before attending Mass and choose to attend/not attend accordingly. Your cooperation and understanding as we navigate these new restrictions is very much appreciated.

# **Eucharistic Adoration**

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

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

# 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 financial institution. Please send 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.

# Religious Formation

Family Faith Formation (Kindergarten to Grade 7)  $\sim$ Sunday, November 28th from 9:45 to 10:45 am at St. Theresa's Church Hall.

To register for Our Lady of Peace Religious Formation programs please contact Patty Cameron at 444-6018 or pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

# Year of St. Joseph Dec. 8, 2020 to Dec. 8, 2021 FORMED Movie Joseph of Nazareth: Story of the Man Closest to Christ

The first feature film ever on the story of St. Joseph, who was a carpenter, the husband of Mary, and the foster father of Jesus Christ. Scripture tells us that St. Joseph was "just a man" and that God gave him the most daunting task ever asked of a man - to be the husband of the woman who would give birth to the Messiah and the father and protector of this Holy Family. He would be the man closet to Christ.

Watch this movie FREE on FORMED. Search under "Movie Night" to find this full length feature film. A great way to close out the Year of St. Joseph and to prepare for Advent.



# November's Bronze Rush

## THE RUSH IS ON...

# Only \$5.00 to play

To enter November's "Bronze Rush" contact Irene at the parish office (444-6010). Draw will be made on Nov 30<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds from this last RUSH will help with our Christmas Outreach Program in our communities.

# **Parish Nursing Ministry**

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

#### **Christmas Basket Fundraiser**

Tickets Go On Sale November 27<sup>th</sup>

Tickets and Envelopes will be made available at each Church for you to fill out. Use the envelope to put your money in, tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Envelopes can be returned to the office or deposited into the offertory basket.



Wondering what is happening in the parish? ~ Check out the parish monthly activity calendar available at each of our parish churches and online.

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

# **Knights of Columbus Announcement**

All Brother Knights are invited to a Fraternal Gathering on November 28, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the Knights of Columbus Hall located on Regent Street. Ian Maddock will be giving a Presentation on Insurance and Annuities. This valuable information is crucial to all our well being, and I urge all of you to attend this valuable and informative Presentation.

F. Allison Wrynn, Grand Knight, Council 8654

Christ the King Collection - November 21, **2021:** This collection is taken up in every parish and mission church in our diocese to help support our priests who, on sick leave, need special care. Your generosity will be a way of saying "thank you" to those priests and all priests who have responded to God's call to serve and be there for you. Know that your contribution, large or small, is eligible for an income tax receipt.

On October 10, 2021, Pope Francis inaugurated a 2-year-



long synodal process for the universal Church "For а Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". Dioceses worldwide opened the Synodal process at the local level on October 17, including the Diocese of Saint John.

A consultation process at the local church and diocesan level will soon begin. Everyone will be invited to add their voice as we listen and discern together. Please watch the bulletin for more details how you can to take part. A letter from Bishop Reisbeck can be found on our parish website www.ourladvofpeacefredericton.ca.

#### **Development and Peace**

#### Together. Let's act for the Planet and its defenders.

Development and Peace's annual People and Planet First campaign is inspired by the words of Pope Francis, who says that "a true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor" (Laudato Si', 49). These cries are too often silenced by powerful companies that plunder resources in countries of the Global South, without regard for people's fundamental human and environmental rights. Many such companies are Canadian.

Act to end their impunity now! Sign the petition asking the federal government to enact laws that will compel Canadian companies to conduct due diligence across their overseas operations and that will give the victims of their abuses access to justice in Canadian courts. Visit <a href="https://devp.org/en">https://devp.org/en</a>

#### November is a Month for Remembrance



Books of Remembrance - There will be Books of Remembrace set up in our three parish Churches for the month of November. Please feel free to write names of deceased family members and friends you

would like to remember. Due to COVID-19 protocol please use your own pen to write in the book.

# **Annual Service of Remembrance**

Our Lady of Peace Parish Annual Service of Remembrance will be held at St Anthony's on Friday, November 26th at 7 pm. If you wish to add the name of a loved one you have lost during the past year, please contact either Merla Spires at 450-8119 or Sharon Cormier at 472-9813.

Ministry Schedule Week of NOVEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

	St. Anthony's - Saturday 4:00 pm	St. Theresa's - Sunday at 11:00 am
Screeners/Ushers	Mary Feener, Bonnie Bowlen, Vicky Knight	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick
		Martin Colford, Tracy Horsley, A.J. Horsley
		Darren Richard
Lector	Mary Anne vanOostwaard	The Daigle Family

# **Our Sacred Stories**

#### The Kingdom of God: Making the Reign a Reality

Sometimes to know where we are, we have to know where we came from. The message and the mission of Jesus is to proclaim the Kingdom, the Reign of God. This is what he lived throughout his life. And it is what he shared with his disciples and the people who surrounded him. As followers of Jesus, this is what we are to reflect. But what does this mean, for us, in our lives, at this time in our own world?

On the Feast of Christ the King last year we listened to a piece from Matthew's Gospel (Mt.25:31-46). Its focus was on living the reign by reaching out to the needs of the vulnerable among us. Next year, we will hear from Luke, as he tells of Jesus's sacrifice of his life for all (Lk.23:35-43). This year we turn to John's Gospel (Jn.18:33-37). Appearing before Pilate, Jesus asserts his life's mission as a relationship with God and his call to testify to that relationship for the world. It is to announce the Reign of God among us.

This testimony by Jesus is not new in the Gospels. As Mark speaks of Jesus beginning his mission and calling his disciples, Jesus proclaims: *The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe the good news* (Mk 1:13). Matthew expresses this good news as Jesus speaks to the crowds in the Sermon on the Mount (ch. 5-7). John's Gospel presents Jesus responding to a Pharisee named Nicodemus (Jn.3:1-21). In the course of the encounter, Jesus reveals the purpose of his mission: *For God so loves the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life* (3:16). The reign of God permeates the Gospel message of Jesus.

The Feast of Christ the King comes at the end of the cycle for our church year. Next Sunday, we enter the new year with the Advent season. It seems like the Feast of Christ the King provides us with an opportunity to reflect on what Jesus was all about and what his message and mission was to effect in our world. Jesus the Christ, reveals God's dream for us, for all creation, God is ever among us.

Jesus's incarnation is God's love coming to live among us. In him the reign of God has come near. Calling his disciples to follow him, he gave them a message that called them to share the good news of God's love universally. It is for all humanity. A message of the heart, like the dream and visions of Daniel in the Old Testament (Dan.7:13-14), it is a message for all ages and all peoples.

This was the message expressed in the last major proclamation of the Second Vatican Council. Vatican II was a pastoral effort to bring the good news to the whole of humanity and creation. If Pope John XXIII saw the council as an opportunity to "open the windows of the church" to the world this document expressed this open vision of God's reign as the council was ending:

The joy and the hope, the grief and the anguish of the people of our time, especially of those who are poor or afflicted in any way, are the joy and the hope, the grief and the anguish of the followers of Christ as well. Nothing that is genuinely human fails to find an echo in their hearts. For theirs is a community composed of people who, united in Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, press onwards towards the kingdom of the Father and are bearers of a message of salvation intended for all. (Gaudium et Spes, Preface, 1)

John Jennings
Feast of Jesus the Christ
King of the Universe.