

# OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

*“Three Churches One Faith Community”*

## BULLETIN

**Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> 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

#### Online Mass

Sunday at 11:00 via Facebook Live

#### Online Alpha

Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm

#### Wild Goose: Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit

Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

#### Sacrament of Confirmation

Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm  
St. Theresa's Church

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church**  
Carlotta Everett

**Wednesday, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**  
Michael Cunningham

**Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup> 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church**  
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**Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**  
Arlene Johnston

**Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church**  
Lionel Richard

**Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> 8:45 am - St. Patrick's Church**  
Jordan Stanley Brewer

**Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church**  
James Kelly

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

### OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

#### Weekly Offertory – Sept. 20, 2020

Sunday Contributions:	\$2,558.00
Auto Debit (average):	<u>\$2,029.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,587.00</b>
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$5,860.00
<b>Excess (Shortfall)</b>	<b>(\$1,273.00)</b>
Capital Infrastructure:	\$ 35.00
Special Collections:	\$ 40.00
Other:	\$ 60.00

#### Year-to-Date

Offertory:	\$193,861.00
Budget Needs:	<u>\$222,680.00</u>
<b>Excess (Shortfall):</b>	<b>(\$ 28,819.00)</b>

Information inquires should be  
directed to:

Frank O'Donnell 472-0145  
(mbfod@nbnet.nb.ca) or Greg Feener  
472-9364 (glf@nbnet.nb.ca)

### WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

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

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



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

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



## Online Mass Times Sunday at 11:00 am Facebook Live

*Recording of Mass will be posted on our website for those who can't access Facebook.*

### AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. *Amen*

### DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION IN CHURCH PARKING LOTS

To provide Communion to those parishioners who are not able to attend Mass in person we will have distribution of Holy Communion this Sunday at:

#### St. Theresa's Church after Mass to 12:15 pm

We encourage our parishioners who are not able to attend Mass in person to watch Mass at home online at 11:00 am and then make their way to one of the church sites if they wish to receive Communion.



### 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.



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

**Revised Weekday Mass Schedule** ~ Beginning September 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> respectively, weekday Masses at St. Anthony's and St. Theresa's will move back to daytime. St. Anthony's Tuesday at 10:00 am and St. Theresa's Wednesday at 12:00 pm.

**Our Lady of Peace Parish Financial Report** ~ Please find as an insert to the bulletin this week the parish report for the 1<sup>st</sup> half of 2020 (January 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>). Greg Feener and Frank O'Donnell will make formal presentations to the three churches next week and will be available to answer any questions.



You are asked to wear a mask as you approach the church buildings. **Only when Mass has started you may remove your mask while you are seated.**

*Thank you for your continued cooperation!*

## Have you heard about Alpha?



When Bishop Christian visited us last month he talked about the Alpha program and how it can help revitalize parishes. Alpha is perfect for parents, people who have been away from the church, people who are exploring their faith and perfect for those wanting to renew or grow their relationship with Jesus. During the sessions we will be looking at some of the big questions in life – *Is there more to life than this? Why is there suffering? Why have faith?*

Alpha is an ecumenical program, so everyone is welcome! It is a safe place to express your thoughts and ask questions. **Our next course will start Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup> online from 7:00 to 8:15 pm.**

### **Will you join us? and who will you invite?**

To register please email:

[pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto:pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)



### The New Freeman is Online!

You can access the New Freeman weekly on the Diocese of Saint John website at:

<https://www.dioceseofsaintjohn.org/news>

This week's edition has pictures from our 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist celebrations!

# THE WILD GOOSE

**The Wild Goose: Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit** ~ Beginning Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.  
This faith formation study focusing on the Holy Spirit in our lives will meet online bi-weekly.

To register please email:

[pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto:pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)

## 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**. 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.**

## PARISH NURSING UPDATE

**Online Yoga** ~ The Parish Nursing Committee is pleased to be able to offer yoga online, via ZOOM, with instructor Nancy Anderson. Classes will be Mondays from 3:00 to 4:00 pm beginning October 5<sup>th</sup>. To register and received link to join the class please email Emma Couturier at [eecout@gmail.com](mailto:eecout@gmail.com).

**Fredericton Indoor Pool** ~ If you would like to return the activities at the Fredericton Indoor Pool you may continue to sign your name at the front desk to access the Parish Nursing Program.



## Birthday Blessings!

A Happy Birthday to Elite 90's Member Helene Gorman celebrating her special day on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

Sessions will begin Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> with a Mass at 4:00 pm (Registered Families Only)

**Online registration for Kindergarten to Grade 8 Religious Formation and Confirmation Preparation (Grade 9) is now open!**

Format for this year will be 3 online sessions from 9:30 to 10:30 am and the 4<sup>th</sup> session will be an in person dedicated Family Mass at 4:00 pm. Program materials will be distributed at the Mass.

**Families from ALL three churches are invited to register and join!** Please note that to receive 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist and Confirmation children and youth must be registered and attending sessions beginning in the fall. Feel free to pass this information on to any families that may be interested.

To register go to

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

# FORMED

**FORMED is our gift to you**

**Registering for FORMED is EASY!**

- 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

**Have you tried FORMED yet? It is our GIFT to YOU! Let us know what you have enjoyed on FORMED!**

## Prayer Shawls

Through the spring and summer members of our Prayer Shawl Ministry have been busy knitting prayer shawls. A fresh supply of shawls has been blessed by Fr. Maria and are available at the parish office for those in need of comfort, encouragement or sympathy.



# MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup> TO OCTOBER 4<sup>TH</sup>

	St. Anthony's – Tuesday @ 10:00 am	St. Theresa's – Wednesday @ 12:00 pm
<b>Screeners/Ushers</b>	John & Elizabeth Walsh	
<b>Lector</b>	Merla Spires	Jeannette Cunningham
	St. Anthony's – Thursday @ 10:00 am	St. Theresa's – Friday @ 12:00 pm
<b>Screeners/Ushers</b>	Ken Harris Sue Inkster	Mary Billings
<b>Lector</b>	Sue Inkster	Margot Parker
	St. Anthony's – Saturday at 4:00 pm	St. Theresa's – Sunday at 11:00 am
<b>Screeners/Ushers</b>	Mary Feener Vicky Knight Allie Hicks	Mary Fitzpatrick Barry Miller Martin Colford
<b>Lector</b>	Mary Anne vanOostwaard	Betty Flanagan

## Our Sacred Stories: God & Us

### *Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus* (Phil 2:5)

Whether we acknowledge it or not, we all want peace. We want it for our world, we want it for our communities, for our families and we even desire an interior peace for ourselves. To live in peace with one another is a key to healthy relationships. If we look around us and even within ourselves we can see we are often without peace.

Our world and is divided in so many ways, nations, political views, races and religious beliefs, cultural variations and linguistic divisions. How often these divides and differences imperil our relationships and the peace for which we long. They often lead to violence and war, domination and exploitation. They threaten life and well-being for us all.

This is not what God's dream is for our creation and life. God's Reign is not intended to be this way. The Reign of God is to be marked by peace and reconciliation, by mercy, love and compassion for all. We are one humanity under God's heaven and we share a creation that is entirely a gift of God's love. That this Reign of God is among is central to Jesus's mission and message. As disciples of Jesus our call is to hold this message and share it as our mission as well.

The message and mission are not always held firmly in our hearts and actions. We know what we want and hope, but our actions reveal our inabilities and lack of will. The Gospel writer, Matthew relates a story, a parable of Jesus. It tells of a man who had two sons. One he asked to go work in the vineyard. This son said he would go, but did not. A second son, when told to go, said he would not, but he had a change of heart and in fact did go. (Matt 21:28-32) This is a story of discipleship and commitment, of willingness to accept the call and carry it into action.

The story expresses the reality of our life as disciples. Often, we commit, but do not carry it further. We need to know that even if we reject the call or fail in the commitment, we can have a change of heart. God's Reign is never beyond our reach, for God is a God of love, compassion and mercy. God never gives up on us, nor should we. Hope is eternal, in God's Reign.

If there is a contribution we as a Christian community can bring to our world, it is the gift of peace for all. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be this gift for one another, for our communities and for our world. The earliest Christian communities were recognized by some for how they lived with one another. Almost 2000 years ago, a Christian writer, Tertulian (c.160-220), noted the way non-Christians around his community regarded the Christians. As he wrote, they said: "See . . . how they love one another and how they are ready to die for each other." It is how we live that speaks to our world.

During the Jubilee Year called by Pope Francis in 2015-16, he highlighted a single virtue, MERCY. This virtue forms the basis of peace and reconciliation in all relationships. It must mark us as a Church and individually as disciples of Jesus. Mercy allows us to be open to people where they are. It helps us to be non-judgemental as Church and as persons. It calls us to be ready to heal the wounds and hurts of our world. Mercy is to be the face that every community of Christians presents.

Mercy is the key to living like Jesus whose disciples we are. Above all, it leads us to a living faith that brings compassion and peace for all of humanity. This is the message and the mission of Jesus.

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