

Our Lady of Peace Parish

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

Bulletin Sunday October 1st 2023 –26th 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 3rd 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Kay Trevors

Wednesday Oct 4th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's
Diana Jensen

Thursday Oct 5th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Paul Leger

Friday Oct 6th 10:00 PM St. Anthony's
Sr. Charlotte Lockhart

Saturday Oct 7th 4:00 pm St. Anthony's
Mass for the People

Sunday Oct 8th 8:45 AM St. Patrick's
Roy, Patsy, Linda & Michael McAloon

Sunday Oct 8th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's
Frank Armstrong

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

October 4th Bronze Rush Draw
Good Luck to those to played.

Parish Office will closed on Monday
October 2nd for National Reconciliation Day

WELCOME HOME

FR. MARIA

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Sept 24, 2023		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	\$ 5,817	Offertory	\$ 5,817
Capital Infrastructure	100	Budget Needs	(5,255)
Special Collections	520	Excess (Shortfall)	\$ 562
Other	130	Year-to-Date	Contributions
Total	\$ 6,567	Offertory	\$ 198,904
		Budget Needs	202,650
		Excess (Shortfall)	\$ (3,746)

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

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



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Ministry Schedule October 7th & October 8th

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Bonnie Bowlen	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Betty MacNeil & Janet Matheson
Eucharistic Minister	Greg Feener	Janet Matheson & Marg Anderson
Altar Servers	Merla Spires	Al Adimalor, Will Horsely, Noah VanLeeuwen & Kevin Fernandez
Lector	Ken Harris	Al Adimalor
Sacristan		Mary Fitzpatrick

Confirmation Preparation Parent/Youth Meeting ~ Meeting for parents and youth beginning Confirmation Preparation this fall will be held on Sunday, October 1st after the 11:00 am Mass at St. Theresa's Church. Program information and expectations will be discussed. Confirmation sessions for youth begin this week and you must be registered to attend. Late registrations maybe asked wait until next September to begin Confirmation Preparation.

Family Faith Formation this Weekend ~ our first Family Faith Formation session is this weekend, Sunday, October 1st at 9:30 am at St. Theresa's Church Hall. All families with children in kindergarten to grade 7 are invited to attend. To help us plan please register online at <https://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca/religious-formation-k-to-7>.

St Theresa's CWL wish to thank members of the Knights of Columbus who helped with the setup & cleanup for our "Twilight Retreat". The retreat was a wonderful success with attendees from St. Stephen to Stanley. The food was delicious, the fellowship delightful and the presentation on "Our Lady of Guadalupe" by Graydon Nicholas was excellent. Thank you Graydon & Beth for sharing your gifts with us.



St. Therese of Lisieux Feast Day, October 1st Patron Saint of St. Theresa's Church

Prayer to St. Therese

St. Therese, the little flower, please pick
a rose from the heavenly garden and
send it to me with a message of love.
Ask God to grant me the favor I ask
And tell Him I will love him each day
more and more.
Amen.

Lessons from St. Therese ~ St. Therese inspires us to be true to ourselves, true to the people God wants us to be. She doesn't urge us to stretch ourselves or work ourselves to exhaustion. She tells us to talk to God, look inside ourselves, and focus on being our best self.

Parish Outreach Update and Thank you! Thank you to all parishioners for their generosity in contributing food items for our food drive for the Fredericton and the Stanley Just Friends Foodbanks. The Fredericton Food bank was running low and requested canned pasta sauce and meat. Through your contributions we were able to help restock their shelves with 85 cans of pasta sauce, 109 cans of tuna and salmon and 82 cans of meat. The Stanley Just Friends Foodbank from their requested items received 9 cans of pasta sauce, 6 cans of meat, 7 boxes of pasta and 10 mac and cheese. Once again, thank you for your kindness and compassion to those in need in our community. Please watch the bulletin and our Facebook page for our next requested items for collection.



Summer Bronze Rush 2023 The amount is growing and has still time to grow more. Cost for each number is \$5.00. You can buy as many spots as you like and play as often as you like.

Draw date has been extended until October 2nd. Still time to play. 12 spots left

It is Knitting Time Again. St. Anthony's Shawl Ministry will be starting on October 10th. 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.

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.



Special Happy Birthday to
Betty Holland
Member of St. Anthony's
Elite 90's Group



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.

Our Sacred Stories – Peace: God’s Dream

There is a basic human longing that we all share. We 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. Both around us and within us, we are often without peace. Our lives face division, conflict and animosity globally, communally and personally. It is the great challenge for our humanity and indeed for all creation

It is the great challenge to God’s dream. 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. This Reign of God 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. It is 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 lives 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.

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to live in peace with one another, sharing peace with our world. It begins with our own relationships. 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.

St Paul, in his letter to the Christian community in Philippi, sought to encourage this commitment to loving relationships. In his letter, he included what is thought to have been a very early Christian hymn sung at their gatherings (Phil. 2:6-11). He introduced the hymn with an admonition to all of us as disciples. Perhaps it expresses who we disciples are all called to be.

*Brothers and sisters: If there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, then make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. **Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus** (Phil 2:1-5). Can I/we really live this mission, in every place, with everyone, at all times?*

John Jennings

26th Sun 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*