

Our Lady of Peace Parish

“Three Churches One Faith Community”

Bulletin Sunday April 23, 2023 –3rd Sunday of Easter

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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

45 Royal Road
Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 AM

Upcoming Events

Sunday April 23rd St. Theresa's
1st Communion 11:00 AM

May 12th 6:30 PM Cathedral of Immaculate Conception
Mass of Ordination
Deacon Mawhinney & Deacon David Rioux

Monday May 29th St. Dunstan's Church
The Great Mission 7 PM – 9 PM
Fredericton Regional Pentecost Mission
Led by Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC
More info in upcoming bulletins.

Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday April 25th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Kay Trevors

Wednesday April 26th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's
Val Whalen

Thursday April 27th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
*****No Mass*****

Friday April 28th 4:00 PM St. Anthony's
Julie Crawford

Saturday April 29th 4:00 PM St. Anthony's
Gill Renaud

Sunday April 30th 8:45 AM St. Patrick's
John McAloon

Sunday April 30th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's
Mass For The People

Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office. 444-6010

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Apr 16, 2023		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	\$ 5,537	Offertory	\$ 5,537
Capital Infrastructure	65	Budget Needs	(5,255)
Special Collections	97	Excess (Shortfall)	\$ 282
Other	945	Year-to-Date	Contributions
Total	\$ 6,644	Offertory	\$ 83,086
		Budget Needs	81,785
		Excess (Shortfall)	\$ 1,301

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

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news and weather cancelations!



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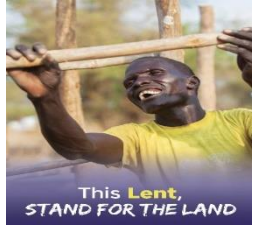
Patty Cameron 444-6018

Welcome New Members

Are you new to our Parish and would like to be registered with us? Family Registration Forms are available at the entrance of the Churches. Please feel free to fill one out and drop it in the offertory basket or drop it off at the Parish Office.

Confessions Fr. Maria will hear confessions at St. Anthony's Church on Saturdays at 3:30 PM before 4:00 PM Mass.

Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2023!



Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the *People and Planet First* campaign with your Share Lent donation.

Thanks to your generosity, our parish collected [\$ 2,370.00]. This sum will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

If you have not had a chance to donate, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or to donate online at devp.org/give.

Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

Eucharistic Adoration



Adoration is a silent time for you to have some time alone with Jesus to recite your favorite prayers, read the bible, contemplate acts of faith, hope, charity, thanksgiving or reparation, or do whatever type of prayerful devotion that suits you before the Lord. You can just sit quietly and say nothing, just keep Him company like you would a dear friend.

Friday 9:30 AM - St. Anthony's Church *

Thursday 11:30 AM – St. Theresa's Church plus

Third Thursday of each month 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM **

First Wednesday of the month 1:00 PM - St. Patrick's Church

** If a Friday Mass is not scheduled or cancelled, Adoration is also cancelled.*

*** Starting April 20th*



St. Anthony's Church

This week the Sanctuary Lamp

Burns in Memory of *Jim & Susan Underhill*

Offered by the Family

Successful Sunday Brunch. Thank you to all who participated in last Sunday's Brunch. Twenty Knights fed over 100 hungry Parishioners. Thanks to the Knights and families for organizing, cooking and serving a tasty breakfast. Special thanks to Our Lady Of Peace Parishioners who made it worthwhile by attending and giving so generously to the free will offering and staying just to visit with others.

The Knights are considering to make the Sunday Brunch a regular event. We would like your comments. Please let a Knight know your thoughts or email the Parish Office.

It's New... It's Fun...It's Faith-filled... It's Life-Giving... Introducing OLP Life Groups Ministry

What is a Life Group? It is a small Faith-Sharing Community that meets once a week with the goal of loving and supporting one another in growing in faith and holiness. Group members help one another discern and live out God's plan for their life. This ministry was originally piloted in our parish from 2021-2022 and is now in the planning stages to expand and welcome more members. All adults in OLP parish are welcome! In the next few weeks you will hear from a few of the "pilot" participants in Life Groups about their experiences and about your invitation to join. For more information, please contact Tracy Horsley at horsleysix@gmail.com.

Prayers for our Children and Youth Preparing for 1st Eucharist and Confirmation ~ Please continue to pray for the children and youth in our parish as they complete their final Sacrament Preparations. 1st Eucharist will be celebrated on Sunday, April 23rd at the 11:00 am Mass at St. Theresa's and Confirmation on Sunday, June 4th at 7:00 pm at St. Theresa's.

Confirmation Preparation Update ~ Last weekend Confirmation Candidates from Our Lady of Peace and St. Mary Magdalene Parishes participated in a day long retreat facilitated by Sr. Karen Kelly. Thank you to Sr. Karen, Confirmation Preparation Leaders from Our Lady of Peace and St. Mary Magdalene Parishes for leading the retreat, and Katie Crawford for the music. A big thank you to the Confirmation Candidates and families for their dedication and commitment to Confirmation Preparation. Please keep our Confirmation Candidates in your prayers as they make their final preparations for the Sacrament of Confirmation on June 4th.

Welcome to the Table

This weekend children of our parish are taking a significant step in their faith journey. We welcome them among us and celebrate that they are joining us around the Table of the Lord for the first time.

Celebrating 1st Eucharist this Weekend

Jude Bergin
Isaiah Buenaventura
Christina Bogan
Leah Clark
Gretchen Deane
Riley Heppell
Glenna Libby

Colton O'Keefe
Blair Richards
Matthew Seeley
Benjamin Soucy
Clara Steinhoff
Philip Van Leeuwen

We hold them and their families in our prayer and our hearts.

Sacrament Preparation (1st Eucharist) ~ Preparation for 1st Eucharist takes place as part of the parish's Faith Formation Program starting in September. Children in grades 2 and up are eligible to take part in 1st Eucharist preparation. Please watch the bulletin over the summer and early fall for information on how to register or contact Patty Cameron, Director of Faith Formation at 444-6018 for more information.

CWL News



April 15th is the launch for the ticket sales on the Mothers Day Draw. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Draw consists of a beautiful Quilt quilted by St. Anthony's Quilting Group and donated to St. Theresa's CWL. Secondary draw as well for a Mother's Day Basket. Tickets will be sold at our Parish Churches on weekend masses and also tickets can be purchase from CWL members and also available at the Parish Office. Draw will be held May 14th. All proceeds to go Community Outreach.

St. Theresa's CWL Bursary

Attention all Grade Twelve Students, St. Theresa's CWL will be awarding \$1000.00 Bursary towards your post secondary education. The qualified recipient will be announced at the beginning of June. Application forms are available for pick up at all there of our Parish Churches. Deadline is May 31, 2023.

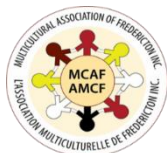
National CWL Bursary

The deadline for this bursary is May 15, 2023. Qualified recipients may receive up to \$1,000.00 per year and up to \$4,000.00 for a lifetime. Application forms can be downloaded from www.cwl.ca Go to this site to review criteria and guidelines.

Fundraising Dinner

Gibson Memorial United Church, 183 Gibson Street will be hosting a Ham and Scalloped Potato Dinner on April 26th, 4-6 PM. Menu: Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, homemade beans and brown bread, vegetables, coleslaw and Pie. Tickets are \$15.00 adult and please call 457-1951 to reserve your tickets.

HELPING UKRANIAN FAMILIES IN FREDERICTON



If you would like more information, would like to register to host Ukrainian's arriving in Fredericton, or donate items please call (506) 454-8292 or visit the Multicultural Association Website <https://nbmc-cmnb.ca/resources-for-ukraine/volunteers-hosts-and-donations/>

The Most Rev. Christian H. Riesbeck, CC, Bishop of Saint John, joyfully announces the call to ordination to the Order of Presbyter of Deacon Stephen Mawhinney and Deacon David Rioux, through the Invocation of the Holy Spirit and the Laying on of Hands. The Mass of Ordination will be held on Friday, May 12, 2023 6:30PM, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, in Saint John, New Brunswick.

Ministry Schedule April 29th & 30th

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Mona & Ray McCarthy	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Andre Paier, Darren Richard, Ed Theriault
Eucharistic Ministers	Merla Spires	Mary Fitzpatrick & Janet Matheson
Alter Servers	Bonnie Bowlen	Kevin Fernandez, Will Horsley, Vlad Gabe, Joe Adimalor
Lector	Disha Rozario	M. Gabe
Sacristan		Debbie Heustis

Our Sacred Stories - Gathered at the Table of the Lord

There is an old saying: *Some eat to live others live to eat.* It appears to stem from the 17th century French playwright Moliere. Its sense is that some people eat because it sustains us in life. It is how we nourish our bodies. Others, love to eat as a way of experiencing many wonderful tastes of the food consumed. Perhaps however there is another reason for a meal. It is a social experience, gathering us together in an effective way. It unites us and allows us to relate to one another. A meal is a community building experience, a way of acknowledging our common experiences.

Over the past few years I have met several people who have walked the Camino trail in northern Spain. This is a pilgrimage route of about 800kms, from southern France, across northern Spain to Santiago di Compostela. The route has seen pilgrims, Christian and non-Christian, for more than 1000 years. In conversations with some who have done the pilgrimage, they often note that along the way they met and shared their stories with others. Very often, this sharing of their stories takes place at the end of the day, when they sit down at a table and share their evening meal with other pilgrims.

This experience of shared stories is what we see in Luke 24:13-35. The Gospel writer relates the story of two disciples of Jesus after the crucifixion. They are on their way from Jerusalem to Emmaus. The journey is a kind of pilgrimage for them. And like all pilgrimages it will be life-changing for them, a conversion.

As they walk along the road, the disciples are talking about what has taken place in Jerusalem. Luke tells of how Jesus approaches them. As Luke puts it: "Their eyes were kept from recognizing him." So often, in these stories of the resurrection appearances, the disciples at first, do not recognize the risen one when he appears among them.

In the Emmaus story, it is obvious that the disciples are disillusioned by the events they are discussing. Then they meet a stranger on the road who asks them about what they are discussing. They relate what has taken place with sadness. In the crucifixion their hopes had been dashed.

The stranger then recounts the prophet stories from the scriptures, still they do not recognize him. When they are about to stop their trek, the stranger seems about to continue along the road. Something about him and what he related urges them to ask that he stay with them.

As they sat at the table and began their evening meal, the stranger "took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them." Then their eyes were opened." The disciples recognized the risen one in their midst at the breaking of the bread. This was the very action of Jesus did with his disciples at the Last Supper, asking them to "do this in remembrance of me. (Luke 22:19)." Now, at the table as they share the meal, they recognize the risen Jesus with them. They have a conversion. The stories they shared on the road and the stories the stranger related to them from the scriptures found meaning for the disciples at the table, at the breaking of the bread. Now they see, and believe

Every Sunday, at every Eucharist, our Christian communities come together. We carry with us what has happened around us, and in our world. We share our experiences and stories of the past week or month. Then we listen to our sacred stories from the scriptures. At the Table, we celebrate the Eucharist with each other and we do so in remembrance of Jesus, to be with one another at the "breaking of the bread." This Eucharistic event is our own Emmaus story. It is a moment of conversion for us, a time to recognize the risen Jesus active and present among us in our own pilgrimage of life.

John Jennings 3rd Sunday Easter