# **Our Lady of Peace Parish**

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

# **Bulletin** Sunday June 15th, 2025 – Most Holy Trinity

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St. Anthony's Church
603 Union St.
Fredericton, NB
Mass Time Saturdays at 4:00

# Churches & Mass Times

St. Patrick's Church
31 Main St.
Stanley, NB
Mass Time Sundays at 9:00 AM



45 Royal Road Fredericton, NB Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 AM

St. Theresa's Church

Tuesday June 17<sup>th</sup> 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Arneta Crowley
Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM St. Anthony's
Marie Carr
Thursday June 19th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Theresa MacIntosh
Friday June 20th 7:00 PM St. Anthony's
Touched By Cancer Mass
Saturday June 21st 4:00 PM St. Anthony's
Mass For The People
Sunday June 22nd 9:00 AM St. Patrick's
Gratitude for Saint Joaquim
Sunday June 22nd 11:00 AM St. Theresa's

William Matthews



This week St. Theresa's
Sanctuary Lamps Burn In
Memory of
Kelly McAloon
Offered by The Family



Our Lady of Peace Financial Update				
June 8, 2025			Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	\$4	,998	Offertory	\$4,998
Capital Infrastructure		485	<b>Budget Needs</b>	(5,471)
Diocesan Collections		-	Excess (Shortfall)	(473)
Other	1,201 \$6,684		Year-to-Date	Contributions
Total Contributions			Offertory	\$120,431
Parishioner (Avg.) Contribution			Budget Needs	(123,452)
Envelope & Auto Debit	\$	27	Excess (Shortfall)	(3,022)
Budget Needs	\$	<i>39</i>		

Contributions are Welcome at: olpdonations@gmail.com

Avg. Weekly Shortfall

### 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

## Ministry Schedule June 21st-June 22nd

St. Anthony's St. Theresa's

Hospitality Mona & Ray McCarthy Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford,

Betty MacNeil, Janet Matheson & Debbie Heustis

Eucharistic Minister Greg Feener Janet Matheson & Mary Billings

Altar Servers

Lector Ryan Joy Aloysia Adima-Ulor & Marilyn Brennan

Sacristan Mary Feener Debbie Heusstis

#### **Our Lady of Peace Parish Adoration Schedule**

Thursdays at 11:30 am at St. Theresa's Church before 12:00 pm Mass \*

Fridays at 9:30 am at St. Anthony's Church before 10:00 am \*

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm at St. Theresa's Church (1 hour) \* If Mass is cancelled so is Adoration.

#### **Summer Office Hours**

To accommodate Irene's holidays the office will be closed on Mondays for the remainder of June until September 9<sup>th</sup>. Also closed on Fridays for the month of July and August.



Join us for our final brunch before summer break, after Mass on June 15<sup>th</sup>! Free Will Offering with a 10\$ suggestion

To the men of our parish: if you've ever wanted to make a difference, consider joining us. Together, we can do even more good. With gratitude Simon Delisle Grand Knight 8654

#### Are you interested in a pilgrimage to Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré, Québec?

Our Lady of Peace Parish is looking to see if there is an interest in a five-day pilgrimage to Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré, Québec mid September 2025. We have gathered preliminary quotes for a bus, accommodations, guided tours in Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré and Old Québec City.

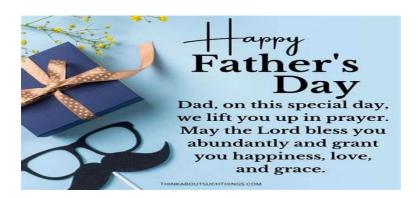
Based on one bus, fifty-six Pilgrims, double occupancy lodging, and two tours, we estimate this five-day pilgrimage would cost Aprox.. \$1000.00 per person. Before we go further with plans, we need to know if this is something that parishioners in other Fredericton region parishes would be interested in. If there is enough interest, we will have an information meeting with more details.

If you are interested in this pilgrimage, please contact Ricarda Bradley by email Ricarda\_b@outlook.com or by phone (506)367-2005

**Special Diocesan Collection** In this Jubilee Year, marking the 170<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our beloved mother church, we give thanks for the ongoing renewal and revitalization at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

We know that caring for the Cathedral's physical needs allows us to continue meeting spiritual needs across the region and diocese.

To help support this important work, our annual Cathedral Restoration Collection will be taken on the weekend of Corpus Christi, June 21–22, 2025. Use the envelopes in your box sets, white envelopes marked "Cathedral Restoration," or visit <a href="https://dioceseofsaintjohn.org/donations">https://dioceseofsaintjohn.org/donations</a>



#### **St Anthony's Cemetery**

Looking for volunteers to help with ON GOING maintenance in the cemetery.

We meet every Monday morning roughly 8am until 11am doing the following tasks, grass seeding as required, leveling/straighten headstone, opening/closing for a cremation burial and any other related work to be completed. All tools are supplied and on site. Extra help would be much appreciated. Any questions, please contact myself. Thanks in advance.

Ron Daigle (506) 282-0226

**Camp Sheldrake Sponsorship** ~ Our Lady of Peace Parish is pleased to be able to sponsor up to 3 children/youth who are part of our faith formation programs to attend Camp Sheldrake (Miramichi, NB) this summer. Applications can be found on our parish website. For more information about Camp Sheldrake and their programs please visit <a href="www.campsheldrake.ca">www.campsheldrake.ca</a>. This opportunity is made possible by a generous offer from a parishioner.

Thank You for Supporting Our Youth! We are incredibly grateful for your generous support in helping offset the cost for youth in our diocese to attend Steubenville Atlantic. Thanks to your contributions and the hard work of our young people through fundraising, we're excited to share that two busloads of youth will be heading to Halifax this July! How Can You Continue to Help? 1. Join us in prayer! Let's lift up all the youth attending Steubenville Atlantic by joining a 14-day prayer campaign starting June 27. We'll be praying together through the Hallow App, interceding for a powerful and faith-filled weekend. Register here: hallow.app.link/6VcJtKkdSTb Sign up now to receive daily updates and reminders directly to your phone through the app. 2. Continue to support financially - Donations are still being accepted to help cover remaining costs for those needing some financial assistance. You can give online through the Diocese website by visiting: <a href="www.dioceseofsaintjohn.org/donations">www.dioceseofsaintjohn.org/donations</a> Please indicate your donation is for Steubenville Atlantic.

**St. Anthony's Knitting Group are** taking a break for the summer; however they will knit at home during the summer months and will get shawls blessed at the Cancer Masses. There is a great selection of Prayer Shawls available in the Parish Office if you know someone who would benefit from one of these beautiful, blessed shawls.

#### **Our Sacred Stories**

#### The Mystery of God's Hug – The Love of the Trinity

"Mystery" can mean many things. Sometimes we use it in reference to something that is hard to understand. Often it refers to a story such as a novel or movie in which the ending only becomes clear as it finishes. A "mystery" can also mean a question to which we cannot find an answer or a solution, it remains unsolved. In our faith tradition, we use the word "mystery" for some of the greatest aspects of our faith. In this case, what we mean by a mystery is a truth or aspect of our faith the truth of which is so great, that we can never exhaust it.

If we think this is rather strange, perhaps we might note that our faith is not the only aspect of our lives where we encounter such "mystery". Consider for a moment our relationships with others, especially the intimate relationship of a married couple. As long as they are together and as close as they may become, they will often admit that they never fully understand one another. Each day, each new circumstance will reveal something new about their partner. And that is a "wonder-full" thing about their adventure through life together, a true mystery in our lives.

The mystery of the Trinity is the mystery of God's love, God's hug for all humanity, all creation. The great story of this wonder or mystery is to be found in the first book of the Jewish or Old Testament, The Book of Genesis (Gen.1). This account tells of God's overflowing love for all creation as God's love brings every thing into life. The story is a poetic expression of God's love and the delight in which God holds all that has come into being: God saw all he had made, and indeed it was very good (Gen.1:31).

In the prologue to John's Gospel, John reminds us of the wonder of God's delight as God joins us by sharing our flesh in Jesus. The Gospel writer puts it very simply: *The Word was made flesh, he lived among us, and we saw his glory, the glory that is his as the only Son of the Father* (John 1:14). The divine and the human come together.

Our God is Trinity – Father, Son, Spirit. This is one of the deepest and the earliest beliefs of the Christian Tradition. It is also most expressive of our image of God. To have faith in God who expresses love and harmony, compassion and care, healing and comfort, is to have faith in the Trinity, a God who hugs us constantly to God's own self, always and forever.

To see God as Mother or Father, a loving, life-giving parent is to see our God as the creative one, giving life to all that is. This is our God who gives and sustains life in all the universe. More than this, this is the God, who like a parent loves life into existence and supports it with this same inexhaustible love.

This loving, creating God has come among us in Jesus, the incarnation of God. So great is the love held in the heart of our God that it spills out in an overflowing flood as God takes on our humanity in the person of Jesus. God is ever with us, Emmanuel.

Such love cannot be just for a moment or a time. It is constant and forever. In the Spirit we are given the continuous hug of our God. We cannot win it or lose it. God's hug is ever with us, in our joys and sorrows, our good times and our bad. Like the hug of the mother, the embrace of the father, the love of our God, expressed in the Trinity has a warmth and comfort that draws us together. We are held in the heart of God. What an overflowing mystery! Truly, God's hug.

John Jennings
Feast of the Trinity