OurLady of Peace Parish

Bulletin Sunday Nov 8th, 2026 – 32 Sunday in Ord Time

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Churches & Mass Times

St. Anthony's Church	St. Patrick's Church	St. Theresa's Church
603 Union St.	31 Main St.	1 Williams Street
Fredericton, NB	Stanley, NB	Fredericton, NB
Mass Time Saturdays at 4:00	**Mass Time Sundays at 9:00**	**Mass Time Sundays at 11:00**

Mass Intentions

Tuesday November 10th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Joan & Carney Heustis
Wednesday November 11th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's
Souls in Purgatory
Thursday November 12th 12:00PM St. Theresa's
Sharon Hicks
Friday November 13th 10:00AM St. Anthony's
John & Alice Giovnnetti
Saturday November 14th 4:00PM St. Anthony's
Steven Arsenault
Sunday November 15th 9:00AM St. St. Patrick's
Marg Flinn
Sunday November 15th 11:00AM St. Theresa's
Mass for The People

Our Lady of Peace Parish Contributions Nov 1, 2026

Offertory (Envelopes)	$6,327
Offertory (Loose)	534
Capital Infrastructure	895
Diocese	70
Other	85
Faith Formation	40
Total Contributions	**$7,951**

Contributions are welcomed at:
olpdonations@gmail.com
Answer to security question is: **ourladyofpeace**

Our Lady of Peace Parish adoration Schedule
If Mass is Cancelled So is Adoration
Thursday 11:30AM St. Theresa's
Friday 9:30AM St. Anthony's
*3rd Thursday each Month 6:30PM St. Theresa's (1 Hour)
Confession 1/ 2 Hour Before weekend mass

Sanctuary Lamp at St. Theresa's Church



Burns this week in Memory of
†Ronnie Richard†

Offered by Mother Cecile



Website & Social Media

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

Keep up to date on all activities, news and weather cancelations!
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Ministry Schedule Nov 14th & Nov 15th

St. Anthony's		St. Theresa's
Hospitality	Greg Feener Annie	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford Betty MacNeil, Janet Matheson & Debbie Heustis
Eucharistic Ministers	Zdyb-Rinne	Betty MacNeil & Mary Fitzpatrick
Altar Servers		Chiside Ndu-Nwosu, Kevin George & Fergus Deane
Lectors	Ryan Joy	The Daigle Family
Sacristans	Mary Feener	Mary Fitzpatrick

Family Faith Formation

Because faith grows with those who are closest to us, Our Lady of Peace Parish offers "Family Style" Faith Formation for families with children in kindergarten to Grade 7. Children in Grade 2 (and up) wanting to receive 1st Eucharist this year, families are asked to participate in Family Faith Formation and Sacrament Preparation, which will take place throughout the year, beginning with preparing and receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

To register for Family Faith Formation please visit https://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca/religious-formation-k-to-7 or contact Laura Horsley at faithformation@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

Families attending St. Patrick's Church are invited to contact Laura Horsley for Family Faith Formation and 1st Eucharist Preparation options.

Confirmation Preparation

Youth in grades 8 and up who are interested in receiving the sacrament of Confirmation are invited to join Confirmation Preparation. Our Confirmation Preparation program takes place over two years.

To Register for Confirmation Preparation please visit

https://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca/confirmation-preparation
or contact Laura Horsley at faithformation@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

An Invitation

As our parish pilot's family catechesis, we ask for your prayers, encouragement, and support. Change can be challenging newal. Together, let us help children and families encounter Jesus, deepen their faith, and grow as disciples.
"Families Encounter Jesus" is not simply a program. It is an invitation for the entire parish to walk together in faith, helping families discover that Christ is present in everyday life and that faith flourishes when it is lived at home and celebrated in the parish community.

Become a Catechist – Share the Light of Faith!

Are you passionate about your Catholic faith and eager to make a difference in the lives of others? Our parish is seeking dedicated catechists to help form the hearts and minds of children in our faith community.

What is a Catechist?

A catechist is someone who teaches and witnesses the Catholic faith, helping others grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ. You don't need to be a theologian—just a person of faith, willing to share your love for God and the Church.

We're looking for catechists for Family Faith Formation. Training and support will be provided. Whether you're a seasoned catechist or simply feeling called to serve, we'll walk with you every step of the way.

Interested? Contact Laura Horsley at faithformation@ourladyofpracefredericton.ca

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations…" – Matthew 28:19

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults **(RCIA)** is a process that guides adults in their faith journey. We will be holding an information session Q/A at ST Theresa's in the old rectory on Sunday Evenings at 7:00PM starting sessions on October 18. Please reach out to the parish office or speak to someone from the RCIA team if you have any questions or would like to register.



Books of Remembrance ~ During the month of November we pray for all our deceased loved ones and friends. We invite you to write the names of your deceased relatives and friends in our Books of Remembrance available in our three parish churches starting November 1st. By writing their names, they will be remembered and prayed for at every mass throughout November.

Join Life Groups at Our Lady of Peace Parish!

"Life Groups" are small groups of Catholic adults who meet once a week to love and support one another as we strive to grow in faith, virtue and holiness. Group members grow deep in friendship and help one another discern and live out God's plan for their lives. This relatively new ministry began in our parish in 2021 and has been growing steadily ever since. If you are interested in joining or need more information, please contact Tracy Horsley at OLPlifegroups@gmail.com

Called and Gifted Update

Participants in our Called and Gifted Discernment process have completed their charism interviews and have begun their individual charism discernment and small-group gatherings.
During this final step each participant is exploring one charism more deeply through experimentation and reflection. All this to help in the mission of the Church and discover how their individual gifts are vital for serving others and building strong Christian communities.
Please continue to keep our participants, facilitators, and small-group leaders in your prayers as they continue this journey of discernment and discover how God is calling them to share their gifts in service to others.

Do you have FORMED? What are you waiting for?

As a gift to our parishioners, we have renewed our parish subscription to FORMED, an on-demand digital media platform that provides Catholic movies, children's programming, audiobooks, e-books, and so much more. There is something for every member of the family to help you grow closer to Christ and His Church. Watch the bulletin for recommendations!

Registering for FORMED is EASY!

- Go to formed.org/signup
- Enter your email and follow the directions
- Select our parish Our Lady of Peace Parish or enter our Postal Code – E3A 3N5
- Check your email for a link to begin using FORMED.

St. Theresa's CWL will be passing out recruiting information about the Catholic Women's League during the weekends of November 7 and 14th at St. Anthony's and November 8 and 15th at St. Theresa's.

Knights of Columbus Monthly Parish Brunch: Stay after Mass and let the Knights do the cooking! Join us on Sunday, November 15th, in St. Theresa's Hall, right after the 11:00 AM Mass until 1:00 PM. Free-will offering, $10 suggested. This month the profits go to the Global Wheelchair Mission, where every $195 puts a wheelchair under someone who needs one. Everyone welcome, and we're here the third Sunday of every month.

Our Sacred Stories Seeking & Discovering the Reign of God

Our Gospel this weekend (Matt 25:1-13) is about **encounters** and **discovery**. The ten bridesmaids were waiting for the coming of the groom. He was late arriving and when he did come, some were prepared, some were not. Why does Matthew tell this parable of Jesus?

Like all the parables they are told first for the little communities of Christians to whom the Gospel writers belong. These early Christians of the first generation after the resurrection, expected Jesus to return in glory soon, even in their lifetime. As time went by, the return was delayed, like the groom's coming. Some were discouraged by this delay. Matthew's parable is to urge Christians to wait patiently and **be prepared** for the **encounter** when they would meet their risen Lord: "Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Have you ever found yourself in unfamiliar territory? Perhaps you were hiking in the woods. Or possibly you were driving in a new city or a new province or even a different country. You got lost. I have often had that experience. When it happens, I prefer to think – I'm not lost, I just don't know where I am. This is my opportunity to discover something or some place new and unplanned.

Such experiences are common to all of us. They seem to be part of being human. We do not know everything and often face new challenges with many questions. We are born to discover, ask questions, to learn new things and ways. Natural to us all is the drive to go on quests, searches and discoveries. That's why we like mystery novels, movies and stories. It is why we are attracted to things like puzzles and games which tax our energies and thinking. Even when we are very young children, one of our first instincts seems to be to ask questions. Why? How? What? In fact, every answer we receive seems to generate more questions.

Our Church, as a community of Christians has a long history. It should come as no surprise that over the 20 centuries of this history, we have often wandered with many questions. The root of this last word is "quest". We are like the bridesmaids in Matthew's story. For any number of reasons, we do not have all the answers. Our faith is marked by searching and our life is a constant quest.

Our baptism has made us part of a community of Christians. We are called to journey with one another. Our church is a global one, encompassing many cultures and languages. In 2021, our faith community was asked to begin a process of synod. In October 2023, after two years of preparation in local communities around the world, the first session of the synod took place in Rome. In October 2024, Session #2 of this synod took place. Essentially this synodal process was to consider more deeply who we are to be as Church in the 21st Century.

The word "synod" has a Greek root which means "to travel together". As local representatives met in Rome, they took us and what was considered locally in our church with them. We, in this way were traveling together with them. All of us, our whole Church were offered the opportunity to consider further who we are; to pray, to listen, to share our hopes and questions as a global church. As one commentator put it: ***Every synod is a call to the church to listen*: *to listen to the tradition, to the times, and to the Spirit. Listening and admitting mistakes is part of conversion.***

"Traveling together" as a global Church, listening together as a worldwide faith community helps us to recognize better the breadth and openness of God's loving call to all humanity. Listening allows the Spirit to lead us in our own Time. Sometimes, like the bridesmaids in Matthew's story, we may be "lost", but ultimately trusting and listening to the Spirit and one another, will help us to find our way.

Vatican II echoes Matthew's Gospel in calling us to love God fully and one another as Christ loves us. This holy love can help create a gentler, more beautiful, and more humane world (*Vatican II, "Constitution on the Church" 39*). The synodal structure invites the entire People of God—including bishops, clergy, women, men, and laypeople worldwide—to listen with openness and respect and to help guide the faith community. Through our shared baptism, we are all called to proclaim the Good News (cf. 1 Cor. 12:12–13). John Jennings 32nd Sun Ord Time

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Something for everyone." Any questions, contact Pauline Bourque (506)452-1090 Thank you