# Our Lady of Peace Parish

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

Bulletin

Sunday, November 14th, 2021 – 33rd 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

**Touched by Cancer Mass** Friday November 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm St. Anthony's Church

**Service of Remembrance** Friday November 26<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm St. Anthony's Church

**Reconciliation Service** 

Friday December 10<sup>th</sup> 2021 7:00 pm

Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday, November 16th 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church No Mass (Funeral Mass at St. Patrick's) Wednesday November 17th 10:00am–St. Anthony's Answered Prayers Thursday, November 18th 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Michael Cunningham Friday November 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church Touched by Cancer Mass Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church Pauline Allain Sunday, November 21<sup>th</sup> 8:45 pm - St. Patrick's Church Roy & Patsy McAloon Sunday, November 21<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church Charles Caterini

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

### Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Weekly Offertory – No	ov 7	, 2021
Sunday Contributions:	\$4	,151.0
Auto Debit (average):	<u>\$2</u>	,162.0
Total:	\$6	,312.0
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$5	,400.0
Excess (Shortfall)	\$.	912.0
Capital Infrastructure:	\$	896.
Special Collections:	\$	25.
Other:	\$	-

7, 2021	Year-to-Date			
4,151.00	Offertory:	\$ 221,528.00		
2,162.00	Budget Needs:	<u>\$ 243,000.00</u>		
6,312.00	Excess (Shortfall):	(\$ 21,472.00)		
5,400.00	Information inquires should be			
912.00	directed to:			
896.00	Frank O'Donnell 472-0145			
25.00	(mbfod@nbnet.nb.ca) or Greg Feener			
-	472-9364 (glf@	nbnet.nb.ca)		

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

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

# **Parish Announcements**

#### **COVID** Protocol Update

Effective this weekend the Province of New Brunswick is requiring all places of worship in New Brunswick to put the following COVID-19 measures in place. Please note that you will not be asked to show proof of vaccination to attend Mass.

- Masks are required at all times in church buildings.
- Each of our churches will operate at 50% or less capacity.
- Maintain two metres of physical distancing between different households. The only exception to the 2m between households are for those who have arrived together in the same vehicle.
- No congregational singing. A cantor is permitted during Mass.
- No physical sign of peace is to be exchanged during Mass.
- Record names of all attendees and contact information by row or have a consistent assigned seating plan for contact tracing.
- Parishioners will be screened at the door for COVID-19 symptoms and asked if you have been instructed to self-isolate.

Other activities using parish facilities, including Parish Nursing activities, meetings, presentations, workshops and Religious Formation for children, youth and adults will require proof of vaccination or provincially approved proof of exemption to attend for people over 12 years of age.

We encourage parishioners to continue to monitor their health before attending Mass and choose to attend/not attend accordingly. Your cooperation and understanding as we navigate these new restrictions is very much appreciated.



**Eucharistic Adoration** 

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

\* if there is no weekday Mass on Thursday or Friday, Adoration is also cancelled.

### 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.

Sanctuary Lamp Burns next week in Memory of Jack & Eileen LaPointe

# Religious Formation

Family Faith Formation (Kindergarten to Grade 7)  $\sim$  Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup> from 9:45 to 10:45 am at St. Theresa's Church Hall.

To register for Our Lady of Peace Religious Formation programs please contact Patty Cameron at 444-6018 or pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

#### Year of St. Joseph Dec. 8, 2020 to Dec. 8, 2021 FORMED Movie Joseph of Nazareth: Story of the Man Closest to Christ

The first feature film ever on the story of St. Joseph, who was a carpenter, the husband of Mary, and the foster father of Jesus Christ. Scripture tells us that St. Joseph was "just a man" and that God gave him the most daunting task ever asked of a man - to be the husband of the woman who would give birth to the Messiah and the father and protector of this Holy Family. He would be the man closet to Christ.

Watch this movie FREE on FORMED. Search under "Movie Night" to find this full length feature film. A great way to close out the Year of St. Joseph and to prepare for Advent.



# November's Bronze Rush THE RUSH IS ON...

## Only \$5.00 to play

To enter November's "Bronze Rush" contact Irene at the parish office (444-6010). Draw will be made on Nov 30<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds from this last RUSH will help with our Christmas Outreach Program in our communities.

As of Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> those wanting to take part in Parish Nursing activities must be prepared to show proof of vaccination or provincially approved proof of exemption.



Wondering what is happening in the parish? ~ Check out the parish monthly activity calendar available at each of our parish churches and online.

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

#### **Knights of Columbus Announcement**

All Brother Knights are invited to a Fraternal Gathering on November 28, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the Knights of Columbus Hall located on Regent Street. Ian Maddock will be giving a Presentation on Insurance and Annuities. This valuable information is crucial to all our well being, and I urge all of you to attend this valuable and informative Presentation.

#### F. Allison Wrynn, Grand Knight, Council 8654

#### **Touched by Cancer Mass**

St. Anthony's monthly "Touched by Cancer" Mass for those who lives have been affected in any way by cancer will take place Friday November 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. All are welcome. Pandemic protocols will be followed.

#### NOTE FROM PASTORAL COUNCIL

Thank you to all parishioners who took time in September to discern and nominate individuals for pastoral council. The 41 nominees have been contacted and 7 have accepted positions on the council. All Pastoral Council members will be installed and introduced at the masses this weekend. Your pastoral council members are Fr. Maria Arokiam (Pastor), Rochelle Ivey (Chair), Wesley Dean (Secretary), Marilyn Brennan, Julie Daigle, Ken Harris, Joanne McWade, Darren Richard,



On October 10, 2021, Pope Francis inaugurated a 2-year-long synodal process for the universal Church "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". Dioceses

worldwide opened the Synodal process at the local level on October 17, including the Diocese of Saint John.

A consultation process at the local church and diocesan level will soon begin. Everyone will be invited to add their voice as we listen and discern together. Please watch the bulletin for more details how you can to take part. A letter from Bishop Reisbeck can be found on our parish website www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca.

#### **Development and Peace**

In Honduras and Cambodia, organizations supported by Development and Peace are raising the voices of communities oppressed by a model of economic development that violates their rights. The Honduran Center for the Promotion of Community Development (CEHPRODEC) trains environmental leaders to defend natural resources, the environment and human rights. In Cambodia, Development and Partnership in Action (DPA)'s mission is, in part, to enable communities affected by extractive industries to gain advocacy skills so they can organize and defend their rights.

We can support these partners by recognizing the role we can play in an unjust global system and taking action to change it. This year, the action highlighted by the **People and Planet First** campaign is about holding Canadian companies accountable for their operations abroad - to ensure that Canada is not complicit in the violation of the rights of our brothers and sisters. Get involved at <u>https://devp.org/en</u>

#### November is a Month for Remembrance



**Books of Remembrance** - There will be Books of Remembrace set up in our three parish Churches for the month of November. Please feel free to write names of deceased family members and friends you

would like to remember. Due to COVID-19 protocol please use your own pen to write in the book.

#### **Annual Service of Remembrance**

Our Lady of Peace Parish Annual Service of Remembrance will be held at St Anthony's on Friday, November 26th at 7 pm. If you wish to add the name of a loved one you have lost during the past year, please contact either Merla Spires at 450-8119 or Sharon Cormier at 472-9813.

#### **Birthday Blessings!**

Happy Birthday to Elite 90's member Don Dinsmore celebrating his birthday on November 15, 2021.

Ministry	Schedule	Week	of	NOVEMBER	20 <sup>TH</sup>	&	$21^{st}$
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	St. Anthony's - Saturday 4:00 pm	St. Theresa's - Sunday at 11:00 am
Screeners/Ushers	Mary Feener, Mona & Ray McCarthy	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick Martin Colford, Marilyn Brennan, Allison Wrynn, Ed Theriault, Betty MacNeil.
Lector	Cathy Bowlen	Daren Richard

## **Our Sacred Stories**

#### Living a Synod: Change, Challenge & Fear - Faith, Hope & Love

Change is a challenge. It is also universally necessary. Whether we talk personally or communally, we constantly face changes in our life. The same is true for our church. Change is an ever-present need for us all. And, it always makes demands of us. Thus, it comes as no surprise that we have a tendency to fear, oppose and resist change as we meet it.

Reluctance to accept and work with change is part of the story of our faith community. The idea of our church as "unchanging" and an anchor in our changing world has long been a commonly held view. More than a century ago, in 1910, an Irish priest in Brooklyn NY, Msgr. Edward J. McGolrick, captured this view in a very popular book: *The Unchangeable Church*.

The perspective was still held by many who resisted the changes of Vatican II, in the 1960s and 70s. At a local retreat in the 1970s, the retreat director, focusing on the changes called for by the Council noted this resistance. He drew attention to a musical work by the Austrian composer Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809) called: "The Seven Last Words of Christ". At the retreat, we were asked if we had ever heard of "The Seven Last Words of the Church"? His response when none indicated they had heard of it – "We Never Did It This Way Before".

Pope Francis has expressed this same thought in a number of ways when reflecting on the resistance to change which haunts our church. In the first year of his papacy, 2013, Pope Francis issued an apostolic exhortation to the whole church on proclaiming the Gospel to all humanity (*The Joy of the Gospel*). He called for a whole new energy, changing how we do things. He called on the community "to abandon the complacent attitude that says: 'We have always done it this way.'" (EG 33)

Such attitudes of resistance at all levels of our faith community are blocks to dynamism and openness in the mission we have been given as disciples. Speaking to a community of Jesuits recently Pope Francis commented: "The Catholic Church suffers from a temptation to return to attitudes and practices of the past,... the ideology of going backward" (The New Freeman, Oct.1, 2021). It is an attitude that stems for fear of what we do not know. Any new step poses some risks. We are ever in need of courage to move forward.

The synod process into which we now move is the work of the Spirit as we seek to read the "signs of the times" and to bring the Gospel into our times. Much as we did for Vatican II, the Synod "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission" will demand that we rely on the Spirit and the Gifts of the Spirit to our church. Our church, our faith community will depend on the Spirit's gifts: *Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude(courage), Knowledge, Piety (spirituality), and Fear of the Lord (Awe).* 

Mark's Gospel (Mk.13:24-32) expresses the fear that can paralyze us humanly and bring discouragement, despair and inaction in the face of challenge and the need to risk. In respone, comes the saving action of Jesus the Christ (Hebrews 10:11-14, 18) and the shining light of God's love and glory (Daniel 12:1-3). As church and disciples we can trust in Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (13:13) "Now faith, hope and love abide..., and the greatest of these is love."

John Jennings 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time