

# OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

*“Three Churches One Faith Community”*

## BULLETIN

**Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> 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

#### Online Mass

Sunday at 11:00 via Facebook Live

#### Distribution of Holy Communion

**For those who can't attend Mass**

Sunday from 12:00 to 12:15 pm St. Theresa's

#### August 25<sup>th</sup>

CWL Bursary Application Deadline

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church**

Mary Brennan

**Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**

Leona Hayes

**Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church**

Lensey LeBouthillier

**Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**

Marie Shields

**Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church**

Lionel Leger

**Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup> 8:45 am - St. Patrick's Church**

Leona Hayes

**Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church**

George Murray Donovan

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

### OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

#### Weekly Offertory – August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

Sunday Contributions:	\$3,027.00
Auto Debit (average):	<u>\$1,907.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,934.00</b>
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$5,860.00
<b>Excess (Shortfall)</b>	<b>(\$ 926.00)</b>
Capital Infrastructure:	\$ 455.00
Special Collections:	\$
Other:	\$ 130.00

#### Year-to-Date

Offertory:	\$157,883.00
Budget Needs:	<u>\$181,660.00</u>
<b>Excess (Shortfall):</b>	<b>(\$ 23,777.00)</b>
Information inquires should be directed to:	
Frank O'Donnell 472-0145	
(mbfod@nbnet.nb.ca) or Greg Feener	
472-9364 (glf@nbnet.nb.ca)	

### WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

[www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](http://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)

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



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

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

## VISIT BY BISHOP REISBECK & INSTALLATION OF FR. MARIA

Next weekend Bishop Reisbeck will be celebrating Mass and installing Fr. Maria Arokiam as pastor at each of the three churches of Our Lady of Peace Parish.

Following Mass at each church there will be a meet and greet with Bishop Reisbeck. As we are still experiencing the COVID-19 Pandemic we ask that each person remains vigilant with the protocols set in place, remain home if you are not feeling well, frequent hand washing or hand sanitizing, keeping a 6ft. distance, and wearing face masks when distancing is difficult. We are doing our best to make our churches safe for all and we need everyone's cooperation to be able to continue to keep our churches open.

## RELIGIOUS FORMATION UPDATE

Online registration for Kindergarten to Grade 8 Religious Formation and Confirmation Preparation (Grade 9) is now open.

After receiving parent feedback, the parish has decided to proceed with a combination online/in person program this fall. Details can be found on our website.

**Families from ALL three churches are invited to register and join!** Please note that to receive 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist children must be registered and attending sessions beginning in the fall. Feel free to pass this information on to any families that may be interested.

To register go to

[www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](http://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)

Early registration will help us prepare materials and volunteers.



### Online Mass Times Sunday at 11:00 am Facebook Live

*Recording of Mass will be posted on our website for those who can't access Facebook.*

### AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

### DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION IN CHURCH PARKING LOTS

To provide Communion to those parishioners who are not able to attend Mass in person we will have distribution of Holy Communion this Sunday at:

**St. Theresa's Church after Mass to 12:15 pm**

We encourage our parishioners who are not able to attend Mass in person to watch Mass at home online at 11:00 am and then make their way to one of the church sites if they wish to receive Communion.



You are asked to wear a mask as you approach the church buildings. **Only when Mass has started you may remove your mask while you are seated.**

6-foot distance is required while sitting in pews if you are not seated with family.

**Thank you for your continued cooperation!**



### PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Beginning Monday, July 6<sup>th</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup> the parish office will be closed on Mondays. Irene and Patty will be available during office hours (9:00 am to 4:00 pm) Tuesdays to Friday.

This week Our Lady of Peace Parish  
Sanctuary Lamps are lit for:  
St. Anthony's Church  
Mary Brennan

**Attention High School Graduates** ~ Our Lady of Peace Parish, St. Theresa's CWL, is offering a \$700.00 bursary to any high school graduate continuing their education. Applications are available on the parish website [www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](http://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca). Application deadline is August 25<sup>th</sup>.

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Our Lady of Peace Parish is finishing up our 1<sup>st</sup> online Alpha course this Thursday at 7:00 pm. It has been an amazing experience for both guests and leaders!

We are already planning our next course that will begin October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Who will you invite?** Alpha is an ecumenical program. It is perfect place to discuss the big questions of life. Introduce people to God or renew your own relationship with God.

If you or someone you know would like to try Alpha, we invite you to join us this Thursday (August 13<sup>th</sup>) for our final session. Please email Patty at [pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto:pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca) for an access link to the session.

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**Maybe we need a sign!**



# FORMED

The parish is excited to offer to parishioners a valuable resource to explore the Catholic faith!

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We have purchased a parish subscription so that everyone can access FORMED.

## **FORMED is our gift to you**

**Registering for FORMED is EASY!**

- Go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup)
- Select our parish by Our Lady of Peace Parish or entering our Postal Code – E3A 3N5
- Register with your name and email address
- Check your email account for a link to begin using FORMED

## **Patty's Pick of the Week on FORMED**

**Truth and Life Dramatized Audio Bible:** A celebrity-voiced "radio drama" of the entire RSV-CE New Testament. More than 70 actors help bring the scriptures to life in this 22-hour audio production, complete with movie-quality sound effects and original music score. A great choice for the entire family!

**Have you tried FORMED yet?** We received this email from a parishioner this week... *"Thanks for organizing Formed. I can't stop watching it; I am thoroughly enjoying it."*

**Let us know if you have watch and enjoyed a show on FORMED!**

# MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEK OF AUGUST 11<sup>TH</sup> TO AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup>

St. Anthony's – Tuesday @ 7:00 pm		St. Theresa's – Wednesday @ 7:00 pm
Screeners/Ushers	Denyse Smart John & Elizabeth Walsh	Lawrence Holleran
Lector	Marilyn Brennan	Jeannette Cunningham
St. Anthony's – Thursday @ 10:00 am		St. Theresa's – Friday @ 12:00 pm
Screeners/Ushers	Merla Spires Ken Harris Sue Inkster	Mary Billings Sheila Gillespie
Lector	Ken Harris	Betty Flanagan
St. Anthony's – Saturday at 4:00 pm		St. Theresa's – Sunday at 11:00 am
Screeners/Ushers	Mary Feener Vicky Knight Bonnie Bowlen	Rochelle Ivey Mary Fitzpatrick Martin Colford Barry Miller
Lector	Greg Feener	Hannah LaRoche

## We Are Not Alone

These are anxious times. Our entire global community faces the challenges of a pandemic. Despite all our efforts, at this point we do not have a means to control or eliminate the threat. Across the world, many are searching for a vaccine and a way of treating the virus. Beyond being on our guard and responding with social distancing and “locking down” our communities we have no effective response. We might slow or contain the virus, but still have to face it.

Such uncertainty creates fear and anxiety. In particular it is a fear of the unknown. Such fear is hard to address. And, we cannot handle it alone. We need some sense that we share the load together. That is the benefit of a community and we are in this together. It is also the benefit of recognizing that somehow, God is part of our journey.

At the center of our Christian faith is that wonder or mystery of the Incarnation, our belief that God loves us so much that God has come to share our humanness in the person of Jesus Christ. As the Gospel of John begins to relate the story and meaning of Jesus, the writer proclaims this truth of our faith. He puts it this way: “The Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father’s only son, full of grace and truth.” (John 1:14).

As the story unfolds, the Gospel goes further. Relating the account of Jesus’s encounter with a Pharisee named Nicodemus, Jesus tells him: “God so loved the world that his gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.” (John 3:16-17) Salvation comes in recognizing that God comes among us and shares in our human story, even in the midst of our questions, uncertainties and the unknowns. In these anxious times, we need to know that our “being in this together” includes God who shares our humanity. The Incarnation tells us how we are saved.

To be a disciple of Jesus is to follow him as our master and teacher, to learn who he is and what he is about. It also means that we reflect this Jesus in our own lives and in doing so become the face of our loving God to all. For this we need faith and trust, as well as the courage to let the spirit of Jesus grow within us, to follow him and to be like him. In the situations of our lives, this is not easy. For it means to step out into the unknown.

Matthew in his Gospel (Matt.14:22-33) captures the disciple Peter facing just this challenge. In so many ways, Peter is us. The Gospel story describes the way Jesus as going to a mountain to pray. The disciples take a boat to the other side of the lake. Caught in a storm, the disciples can’t get the boat to shore. Jesus comes to them on the water. Impetuous Peter shouts to Jesus asking that he be called to join him on the water. Jesus does so and Peter steps out in response. Like any good disciple, Peter sought to do what his master was doing.

As he walks toward Jesus, the Gospel notes that Peter suddenly felt the high winds and he loses his nerve. Filled with fear, he loses faith and begins to sink. Calling out to Jesus, he appeals for help. Jesus reaches out his hand and saves him. Like any good master, Jesus recognizes the challenge that his disciple has in stepping out where he has gone. As any good master as well, Jesus continues to reach out and touch his disciple. He does not desert Peter, but remains the caring and supportive teacher.

In these anxious times, that outreach of Jesus is the care and support we must have. Our faith in the Incarnation of our God in Jesus the Christ is how we are saved. We are never alone.

*John Jennings*