

# Our Lady of Peace Parish

*“Three Churches One Faith Community”*

## Bulletin Sunday April 7th 2024 –2nd 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

### Mass Times & Intentions

**Tuesday April 9th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's**

*Rino T. Martin*

**Wednesday April 10th St. Anthony's**

*No Mass*

**Thursday April 11th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's**

*Elizabeth Campbell*

**Friday April 12th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's**

*Doris Kierstead*

**Saturday April 13th 4:00 PM St. Anthony's**

*Robert White*

**Sunday April 14th 8:45 AM St. Patrick's**

*Mass for the People*

**Sunday April 14th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's**

*Harry Nicks*

### Upcoming Events

Wednesday April 10<sup>th</sup> 1:00 PM

Funeral Mass for Darrel Green at

St. Patrick's Church Stanley



St. Theresa's Church  
Sanctuary Lamp Burns in  
Memory of

+ **Charlie Caterini** +  
offered by Rose Caterini

### Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Mar 31, 2024		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	6,297	Offertory	\$ 6,297
Capital Infrastructure	15	Budget Needs	(5,255)
Special Collections	1,100	Excess (Shortfall)	<b>\$ 1,042</b>
Other	3,738	<b>Year-to-Date</b>	<b>Contributions</b>
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 11,150</b>	Offertory	\$ 69,284
		Budget Needs	(68,315)
		Excess (Shortfall)	<b>\$ 969</b>

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

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



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## Ministry Schedule April 13th & April 14th

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Bonnie Bowlen	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Betty MacNeil, Janet Matheson & Debbie Heustis
Eucharistic Minister	Greg Feener	Mary Ellen & Lawrence Holleran
Altar Servers	Merla Spires	Joe Adimalor, Will Horsely, Isaiah Bonaventura, Kevin Fernandez
Lector	Sue Inkster	Barry Miller & Michele Gabe
Sacristan		Debbie Heustis

### 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.

**Community Volunteer Income Tax Program – CVITP** Our Lady of Peace Parish, in collaboration with the Canada Revenue Agency, is pleased to announce that a tax preparation clinic will be provided (**Free of Charge**) to prepare tax returns for individuals who have a modest income and a simple tax situation. The tax preparation service will commence **March, 2024**. Should yourself or others you know be interested in this community service please contact **Steve Linton (unavailable from Mar 19 to Apr 3<sup>rd</sup>)** for further information at 506-261-7600 or email [lintons21@outlook.com](mailto:lintons21@outlook.com).

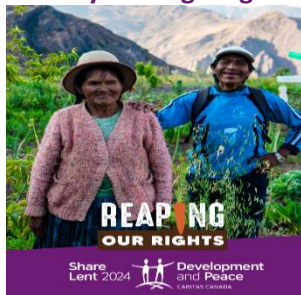


**Divine Mercy Sunday** – Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church. In the 1930's, Jesus asked St. Faustina Kowalska to establish a "Feast of Mercy" to be celebrated the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Easter. To prepare for Divine Mercy Sunday it is suggested that parishioners pray the Divine Mercy Novena from Good Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. The novena can be accessed online at [www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena](http://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena)

**Our Parish Children are a Blessing!** ~ On Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 21 children will receive their 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist at the 11:00 am Mass at St. Theresa's Church. We are planning a special celebration for the children and their families after the Mass, and we are looking for help from parishioners with providing sandwiches and helping with the reception. If you are able to make sandwiches for the celebration or help, please contact Debbie Heustis at [djheustis@gmail.com](mailto:djheustis@gmail.com). As the children complete their preparation for 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist, please keep them and their families in your prayers.

**Family Faith Formation** ~ Our next Family Faith Formation session is Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 am in the hall at St. Theresa's Church. All families with children in Kindergarten to Grade 7 are invited to attend.

### Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2024!



Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the **Reaping our Rights** campaign with your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, our parish collected [\$ 1,733.00]. This sum will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

If you have not yet had a chance to give, you can still place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or donate online at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give). Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

## *A Heartfelt Thank You!*

This Lenten season collections to support the good work of local organizations in our community have taken place weekly. Your support for these organizations has been overwhelming and the parish is grateful for your generosity. Together we have been able to make generous donations of goods and financial support to help those in need in our community.

**Women in Transition**  
\$1,530.00 in gift cards

**Fredericton Community Kitchen**  
99 cans of coffee

**The 12 Neighbours Community**  
\$3,000.00 Cash donations

**Fredericton Food Bank**

**Social Work Department at the Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital**

\$1,130.00 in gas gift cards (not final total)

***Together we can make a difference in our community!***

### CWL Notices

#### **COMPASSION**

Do you recognize the human dignity in all people? Do you feel motivated to do something to help others? Catholic Women's League members embark on many projects that directly impact those who are disadvantaged in society. How can you help? Become a member and be part of the solution.



**Tickets are now available on the Beautiful Mother's Day Basket being raffled off by the CWL.**

**Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.**

**Proceeds from this fundraiser help support our community.**

### Knights of Columbus

**State Lottery Tickets are now available. Please contact Allan Amirault (506) 451-5789 or email [aamirault0955@gmail.com](mailto:aamirault0955@gmail.com)**

Prizes - 1st Prize 2024 MSE1500XL, 25 EH Mercury or 2024 Polaris Ranger SP570 or \$20,000 Cash  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$2,000.00 Cash  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize \$1,000.00 Cash  
4<sup>th</sup> Prize \$ 500.00 Cash  
6 Prizes of \$200.00

Draw date is May 4<sup>th</sup> 2024. Tickets \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00 . See Poster on Church Bulletin Boards.

### St. Anthony's Shawl Ministry



Do you or someone you know need the comfort of a Beautiful Shawl? Our Prayer Shawl Ministry have been busy and have finished beautiful shawls and stocked the shelves at the Parish Office. There are many colors to choose from and all have been blessed at the Touched by Cancer Masses. Stop in during Office Hours and have a look.

**Our Sacred Stories—  
Easter and Our Journey of Faith Begins**

Journeys are exciting and filled with adventure. Right now, I have a couple of friends who are on a journey and keeping us informed of their trek. They are on a camino in Portugal from Porto to Santiago de Compostella. This is a pilgrimage along coast of Portugal to the Cathedral in Santiago, Spain, a trek of about 270 kms. In all probability it will be a hike of c.10 days. Their first three days have been rainy and windy. Despite the challenges, they are in good spirits and happy about their days. Meeting others on the trail and encountering new experiences and places have been fulfilling. Faith is often described as a life journey. It has its challenges, but likewise it creates new vision and life for us.

Baptism is one of the three sacraments of initiation in our faith community. The other two are Confirmation and Eucharist. With Baptism, the door is opened into a community of faith and we begin our journey of faith life. In the journey, we join with other fellow Christians in a relationship with Jesus Christ. We call this relationship – discipleship. Along with our fellow believers we spend our lives nurturing this relationship, learning what it means for us and growing in our faith. In the end, this is a life-giving adventure which brings meaning to our lives.

In the Gospel of John there is a wonderful story that helps us to see the importance of the faith community in our personal relationship with God through Jesus (Jn.20:19-31). John describes the disciples of Jesus after the crucifixion. They are covering in a locked room, fearing that they were going to be next on the cross. Gathered together, they experience the presence of the risen Jesus with them in that room. Jesus greets them with “Peace be with you.”

This experience of the presence of the risen Jesus that they had together broke through the isolation and fear that the disciples faced in that locked room. It opened the eyes of faith to see that the Spirit of Jesus continued among them and would bring them peace and strength for their journey. In addition, it opened them to realize that they had a mission, the same mission Jesus had shared with them – the reign of God was building in our world. They now had this mission to share as Good News for all peoples.

One of the disciples, Thomas was not present at the time of their experience. Later when they told him what had taken place, he refused to believe. His journey of faith had not begun. A week later, when the disciples again gathered in that room Thomas was with them. Again, they experienced the presence of the risen Jesus. Thomas’ eyes of faith were opened as he gathered with the other disciples. He immediately believed and joined in the mission they were given to share.

This story is one of Christian faith. Discipleship is a community call. In community, the disciples discovered faith their Risen Lord. Separated from the community, Thomas was unable to believe. It was only when back with the circle of the disciples that his faith came to recognize this presence of the risen Jesus.

Faith in Jesus, Christian faith while it is personal, is not a private affair. We need a community of faith to assist and support us. We need others to join us in our journey. We need fellow believers with whom we can share our faith. Our mission is always to share the Good News. None of us can do this alone. Baptism is the first step into this community of faith. But it is only the first of many steps that we need to walk with others in this journey. We are baptized to be with others, for sake of all humanity.

John Jennings

**Capital Region Mental Health & Addictions Annual Dinner and Auction** ~ Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at Kingswood Lodge. Tickets \$75.00 are available at [www.crmha.ca](http://www.crmha.ca)

**Fredericton North Heritage presentation;** April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2pm, St. Mary’s Church Hall, 780 McEvoy St. Captain (retired) Brian Macdonald will speak on helping Afghan and Ukrainian refugees with Aman Lara and Utimus. Brian will share his personal experiences as an army officer in Afghanistan, as well as his time leading Aman Lara, the organization of veterans and former interpreters who banded together to help Afghans escape the Taliban after the fall of Kabul in 2021. He will also speak on Utimus, and their efforts to get Afghans and Ukrainian refugees into much needed roles in the Canadian workforce. All welcome. Refreshments served.

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