

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

BULLETIN

Sunday, September 6th - 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

PASTORAL OFFICE

603 Union St., Fredericton, NB E3A 3N5

Tel: (506) 444-6010

Fr. Maria Arokiam Chinnanppan, HGN

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Patty Cameron ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Irene Jewett

Parish Email: parishoffice@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

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

FORMED Tutorial

September 8th at 7:00 pm via Zoom

Adoration

September 10th at 9:30 am - St. Anthony's Church

September 11th at 11:30 am - St. Theresa's Church

September 16th at 1:00 pm - St. Patrick's Church

1st Eucharist

September 13th at 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church

September 16th at 7:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Tuesday, Sept. 8th 7:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church

Lionel Leger

Wednesday, Sept. 9th 7:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church

Leona Hayes

Thursday, Sept. 10th 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church

Thu Tam Tran

Friday, Sept. 11th 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church

Jim Kelly

Saturday, Sept. 12th 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church

Stephanie Gallant

Sunday, Sept. 13th 8:45 am - St. Patrick's Church

Deceased Members of the McAlloon Family

Sunday, Sept. 13th 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church

Marie Shields

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekly Offertory – August 30, 2020

Sunday Contributions:	\$3,372.00
Auto Debit (average):	<u>\$2,029.00</u>
Total:	\$5,401.00
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$5,860.00
Excess (Shortfall)	(\$ 459.00)
Capital Infrastructure:	\$ 200.00
Special Collections:	\$
Other:	\$ 50.00

Year-to-Date

Offertory:	\$178,259.00
Budget Needs:	<u>\$205,100.00</u>
Excess (Shortfall):	(\$ 26,841.00)
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

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



@Ourladyofpeaceparishfredericton

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

COME AND STAY WITH ME

Our Lady of Peace is renowned for parish nursing, charities, support to food bank, and volunteers to community kitchen and so on. But what we do must flow from who we are – people of faith, prayer and adoration to the Blessed Sacrament.

Our bishop Christian encourages his priests in the diocese and the parishes to offer Eucharistic adoration on weekly basis. Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament is not something new. It is a centuries old practice rooted in an essential teaching of the Catholic Church. Jesus is truly and completely present in the Eucharist.

Our pastoral team decided to introduce the Eucharistic adoration in St. Antony and St. Theresa church sites just half hour before Masses on Thursday and Friday. I hope you may be able to take part in the adoration.

Pope Francis once said, we must each respond wholeheartedly to Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist, quoting to the Gospel scenes beginning with the wise men who fell down to worship the infant Jesus. In the same way the Church teaches that, "all the faithful of Christ must venerate this holy sacrament with the worship which is due to the true God. For in it we believe that the same God is present whom the eternal Father brought into the world, saying 'Let all the angels of God worship Him' (Heb. 1:6), whom the Magi fell down to worship (cf Mt 2:11) and whom finally, the apostles adored in Galilee as Scripture testifies (cf Mt 28:17). Let us be generous to meet our Lord Jesus in the adoration.

Our Lady of Peace Parish

Eucharistic Adoration Beginning September 10th

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



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.**

We will continue to maintain the 6-foot distance while sitting in pews so that parishioners can remove their masks during Mass.

Thank you for your continued cooperation!



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.



OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH Reconciliation Times

Fr. Maria is available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the following times:

Saturdays at 3:30 pm at St. Anthony's Church
Sundays at 8:30 am at St. Patrick's Church
Sundays at 10:20 am at St. Theresa's Church

Or you may call the office to make an appointment.

PARISH NURSING UPDATE

The Parish Nursing Committee met this week to discuss parish nursing activities for the fall. It was decided at this time NOT to start in person activities. The committee will meet again later in the fall to reassess.



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 Jesus. **Our next course will start Thursday, October 1st.**

The Wild Goose: Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit ~ Beginning Monday, October 5th. This faith formation study focusing on the Holy Spirit in our lives will meet online bi-weekly.

Registration is now open for both programs!
To register please email:
pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

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.

FORMED Tutorial ~ Join Patty on Tuesday, September 8th at 7:00 pm for an online tutorial and tour of FORMED. Learn how to sign up, navigate the site and see examples of the great content available. Please email pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca to receive a Zoom link to join.

This week Our Lady of Peace Parish Sanctuary Lamps are lit for:
St. Anthony’s Church
Joseph and Kathleen Walsh

Farmers’ Market ~ vegetables, pickles, baked goods & crafts at St. Francis of Assisi Hall, Lincoln, Saturday, September 19th from 8:00 to 11:00 am.



Welcome to the Table

Next Sunday at the 11:00 am Mass we welcome 10 children to the Table of the Lord for their first time. On Wednesday, September 16th at 7:00 pm, 4 additional children will celebrate their 1st Eucharist with the community. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

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 1st Eucharist and Confirmation children and youth 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

Early registration will help us prepare materials and volunteers.

FORMED

FORMED is our gift to you

Registering for FORMED is EASY!

- Go to 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

Have you tried FORMED yet? Let us know what you have enjoyed on FORMED!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8TH TO SEPTEMBER 13TH

St. Anthony's – Tuesday @ 7:00 pm		St. Theresa's – Wednesday @ 7:00 pm	
Screeners/Ushers	Denyse Smart Elizabeth Walsh John Walsh	Jeannette Cunningham	
Lector	Marilyn Brennan		
St. Anthony's – Thursday @ 10:00 am		St. Theresa's – Friday @ 12:00 pm	
Screeners/Ushers	Merla Spires Ken Harris Sue Inkster	Mary Billings	Patty Cameron
Lector	Sue Inkster		Betty Flanagan
St. Anthony's – Saturday at 4:00 pm		St. Theresa's – Sunday at 11:00 am	
Screeners/Ushers	Mary Feener Bonnie Bowlen Allie Hicks	Mary Fitzpatrick Janet Matheson Martin Colford Tracy Horsley	
Lector	Sr. Karen Kelly		Pam Shields

Borders and Boundaries – God's Dream of Love and Peace for All

Covid-19 has introduced us to many unfamiliar experiences. Among these is the reality of closed borders. We are isolated into our own little bubbles. Only recently have our borders here in the Atlantic region opened somewhat. The borders of provinces to the west of us remain more limiting. And the national boundary between Canada and the US is even more completely closed.

Borders and boundaries divide us. These divisions seem to characterize the many relationships that are part of our lives. Differences in culture, language, religious beliefs and colour make for great variety in the peoples of the earth. Sometimes they also serve to break the relationships of communities around the globe. Sadly, they also create divides in our shared communities and from one area of the earth and the next.

These divisions are often expressed in national borders and regional groupings. The result is frequently competition and even violence across the divides. We suffer with our inability to live in peace, in mutual care and compassion. In many ways, this is a picture of all our relationships – personal, regional and global.

Boundaries emphasize differences between us and to some degree they limit and restrict us. When our differences are made to loom large, they belie the fact that we share a common humanity and together inhabit the same earth. Despite our differences, we are part of a global community.

God's dream for our common humanity is that we live in peace, based on compassion and love. John's Gospel expresses this dream as he relates Jesus' prayer for his disciples, his friends. He even broadens this prayer to include the whole world. God's dream, God's kingdom is extended to all humanity and all creation. John presents the prayer in this way: "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one.... That they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you love me." (John 17:20, 23) This is what we are speaking of when we talk of the Reign/Kingdom of God, a world living entirely in peace, filled with love.

In Matthew's Gospel we again hear Jesus speaking to his disciples (Matt 18:15-20). At the end of the piece Jesus says to his friends: "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." Christian faith is a communal faith. It feeds our spirit, but it does so in the context or setting of a community of believer and doers. It cannot be separated from the world in which we live and it cannot be lived in a solitary setting.

We human beings are social animals. We are also marked by a need for spirituality that is social AND personal. There is then, a need to nurture both aspects of our lives. To pray and act in community is characteristic of the Christian. We need each other in order to grow socially and spiritually. In our communal faith, living with others in compassion and love we are responding to God's dream and Jesus' prayer. In midst of Covid-19, we recognize that "we are in this together" and whether masks, or distancing or universal vaccination, we do it for the others around us. And we do it because God's dream is that we "may all be one". In this, we discover what we all long for, PEACE FOUNDED ON LOVE.

John Jennings