

Our Lady of Peace Parish

“Three Churches One Faith Community”

Bulletin Sunday July 9, 2023 –14th Sunday in 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

45 Royal Road
Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 AM

Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday July 11th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Gerry F. Butts

Wednesday July 12th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's
Marie Carr

Thursday July 13th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Mary Eileen Lamkey

Friday July 14th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's
Lloyd McDonald

Saturday July 15th 4:00 PM St. Anthony's
Antoine Maillet

Sunday July 16th 8:45 AM St. Patrick's
Estelle Renault

Sunday July 17th Mass 11:00 AM St. Theresa's
Mass for the People

Upcoming Events

Parish Office will closed on Mondays until Fall.
To accommodate Holidays for Irene.



Summer Bronze Rush
Good Luck to all who choose to play
See Details on your Bulletin Board.

July 9th

Our Lady of Peace Feast Day
Enjoy the Celebrations

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

July 02, 2023		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	\$ 5,217	Offertory	\$ 5,217
Capital Infrastructure	630	Budget Needs	(5,255)
Special Collections	-	Excess (Shortfall)	\$ (38)
Other	220	Year-to-Date	Contributions
Total	\$ 6,067	Offertory	\$ 139,204
		Budget Needs	139,590
		Excess (Shortfall)	\$ (386)

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

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



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Fr. Maria's 444-6070

Patty Cameron 444-6018



St. Anthony's Church

Marie Carr

Offered by John & Elizabeth Walsh

St. Theresa's Church

Alexina M.artin Violette

Offered by a Parishioner

Ministry Schedule July 15th & 16th

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Mona & Ray McCarthy	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Betty MacNeil, Janet Matheson, Betty Flanagan
Eucharistic Minister	Greg Forsythe	Deborah Allen & Mary Fitzpatrick
Altar Servers	Merla Spires	Kevin Fernandez, Will Horsley, Vlad Gabe, Joe Adimalor
Lector	Mary Anne vanOostwaard	Pam Shields
Sacristan		Rochelle Ivey

Our Sacred Stories

BURDENS & BLESSINGS: *"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."* (Matt. 11:28)

What relationships are part of our lives? We have many, family, friends, colleagues and neighbours. Even on occasions, we have ever so brief encounters with strangers and passing relationship can affect us. These relationships are life-giving for us. They mark us and make us the persons that we are. We also must admit that they can pose burdens and challenges.

We all bear burdens - challenges and responsibilities that our lives bring us. Perhaps the greatest of our burdens and challenges involve the relationships that are part of our lives. The tensions and fractures of these relationships often weary us and seem to be heavy burdens to carry. Xxx eg leve; It is hard to let such burdens go and be at peace, at rest. To do so might well mean recovering something of what we had as children, the capacity to "take delight". Children seem to show "delight" with such ease and enthusiasm, even in simple things.

Even in the midst of our burdens, we come to see that there is much that brings "delight". Often in challenging times we discover the blessings of kindness and caring that come our way. Simple things touch us – the motorists who let us into the traffic line, the kind and thoughtful neighbour who reaches out when someone is in need, the friend who drops by to see how we are.

In the account of creation found in the Book of Genesis, this is how God sees the world and all that is in it – "God saw everything that was made, and indeed it was very good." (Gen.1:31) To recognize the good in our world, to see the good in others is to see as God sees. It is to delight as God delights and with the same enthusiasm that the small child can exhibit.

In Matthew's gospel, Jesus is repeatedly showing his mission to be the revelation of God's delight in us. At the beginning of the Sermon on the Mount (Matt.5:1-12), Jesus proclaims those famous blessings, the beatitudes. It sets the tone for the whole mission of Jesus. It is a mission of blessing. This is the mission that appears in the words of Matthew's gospel this Sunday. In the midst of the burdens and challenges of life, we are reminded that God takes delight in our world and in each of us.

The root of the word "bless" lies in the Latin verb *benedicere*. This verb literally means "to speak well of." To bless someone is to do what God does, to take delight in that person. The mission of Jesus is to bless and take delight in the world and persons that God has seen as "indeed... very good." The experiences of kindness and care over the last week are indeed blessings. As we enter the summer season, perhaps it is our opportunity to pause and count our blessings in the midst of those burdens and challenges that we and our world face. Like Jesus, perhaps we have a mission of bringing recognition of the blessings of all creation. ARE WE READY TO ACCEPT THAT GOD TAKES DELIGHT IN US? HOW ARE WE A BLESSING TO OTHERS?

John Jennings

13th Sun Ord Time



Special Thank You to Clara Polches for re-weaving our Offertory Baskets.

A very special talent.