

# OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

*“Three Churches One Faith Community”*

## BULLETIN

**Sunday, May 2, 2021 - 5<sup>th</sup> 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**

1 William St.  
Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 am

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thursdays**

Alpha Course Online

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church**  
Patricia Bate

**Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm – St. Theresa's Church**  
Andy Chiasson

**Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church**  
Michael Collins

**Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**  
André Plourde

**Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church**  
Frank Wenzell

**Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup> 8:45 pm - St. Patrick's Church**  
For all Mothers and Grandmothers living or deceased

**Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church**  
Anne Wrynn

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

### OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

#### Weekly Offertory - April 25, 2021

Sunday Contributions:	\$2,460.00
Auto Debit (average):	<u>\$1,982.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,442.00</b>
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$5,400.00
<b>Excess (Shortfall)</b>	<b>(\$ 958.00)</b>
Capital Infrastructure:	\$ 65.00
Special Collections:	\$ 10.00
Other:	\$ 80.00

#### Year-to-Date

Offertory:	\$ 81,039.00
Budget Needs:	<u>\$ 91,800.00</u>
<b>Excess (Shortfall):</b>	<b>(\$ 10,761.00)</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)

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

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



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# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Good News! Online Mass will return Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**

After a short two week break Our Lady of Peace Parish Online Mass will return on Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup> with a team of new volunteers ready to take on this ministry for our community. During this two week break Fr. Maria will still continue to distribute Communion to those who can not attend Mass in person.

## 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 Sundays at:

**St. Theresa's Church after the 11:00 am Mass to 12:15 pm**

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



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

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



### Remember Someone with a Mass Intention

Whenever a priest celebrates Mass, he has two specific intentions. The first intention is to celebrate the Mass according the rubrics of the Church for how to say the Mass. The second is to apply the grace of that Mass toward a specific need or intention. These special intentions are offered to God as prayers of intercession and thanksgiving. If you would like to book a Mass intention to remember a loved one or for a special intention at any of our three parish churches, please contact Irene at the parish office at 444-6010.



## PRAYING THE ROSARY IN MAY

During the month of May, the church has a tradition of praying the Rosary. The liturgical committee of Our Lady of Peace is committed to continuing this wonderful tradition. Starting Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and continuing until the end of May, the Rosary will be prayed in our parish churches at the following times:

Tuesdays after the 10:00 am Mass at St. Anthony's  
Wednesdays after the 12:00 pm Mass at St. Theresa's  
Wednesdays at 1:00 pm at St. Patrick's

## 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.**



**Do you have a vision for a parish community that is active, growing, inclusive, and vibrant?**

If so... we want you on our team! Our Lady of Peace Pastoral Council is asking that each parishioner take some time over the next few months to discern and consider offering their talents, ideas, and time to our parish by putting your name forward for a position on Pastoral Council. We are looking forward to having some in person information sessions early in the fall, stay tuned for more information!



## Mother's Day Basket Draw

This Mother's Day Parish Nursing is having a FREE draw for a gift basket to show some love for all the women in our parish. The draw is FREE to enter. Ballots can be found in our three parish churches, just fill one out and place in a collection basket or you can call Vicky at 454-8538 to have your name added to the draw. Please only one ballot per person.

**Online Yoga** ~ No yoga this Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Just two more sessions remain! May 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 to 4:00 pm via Zoom. Anyone interested to join can contact Emma at [eecout@gmail.com](mailto:eecout@gmail.com). Everyone welcome.

**Fredericton Indoor Pool** ~ If you would like to use our Parish Nursing program to access adult only swim times at the indoor pool please contact Vicky Knight at 454-8538 or by email at [vicky.knight@bellaliant.net](mailto:vicky.knight@bellaliant.net) to book your swim time.

**Knitting Class via ZOOM** ~ We are looking to see if there is interest in knitting classes delivered via Zoom beginning in September. If anyone is interested please contact Vicky Knight at 454-8538 or e-mail [vicky.knight@bellaliant.net](mailto:vicky.knight@bellaliant.net)

**Our Lady of Peace Book Club in Collaboration with the Fredericton Library** ~ will begin on Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am via Zoom. Open to all Our Lady of Peace parishioners from the all three churches. Maximum 14 participants and registration is first come first serve. You must register even if you have been part of book club in the past. Please call Vicky Knight-at 454-8538 or e-mail [vicky.knight@bellaliant.net](mailto:vicky.knight@bellaliant.net).

**Do you have a love of decorating?** Would you be willing to share your talents in creating inviting, welcoming and prayerful spaces at St. Theresa's Church? Please contact Rochelle Ivey (451-7221), Patty Cameron (444-6070) or Fr. Maria (444-6010).



## Birthday Blessings!

Happy Birthday to Elite 90's member Catherine McGinley celebrating her 101<sup>st</sup> birthday on May 1<sup>st</sup>.



## YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

Dec. 8, 2020 to Dec. 8, 2021

Did you know St. Joseph is the patron saint of workers? Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> we celebrate International Day of the Worker and the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker.

This weekend Fr. Maria recommends watching "God's Doorkeeper: St. André of Montreal" on FORMED.org. God's Doorkeeper looks at the heart and legacy of Br. André as a man of prayer, of hospitality, and of compassion, a man who draws people in to experience a God who is love. Br. André also had a tremendous devotion to St. Joseph that he shared with all who came in contact with him. On October 17, 2010 Br. André became the first Canadian-born male saint.

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## OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

# 50/50

FUNDRAISER

## THREE \$500 WINNERS!

The parish is having a fundraiser to support the building funds for each our parish churches. Three 50/50 Boards will be drawn over the next 4 to 5 weeks. Each board will have a \$500 winner! There are 100 squares per board at a cost of \$10 per square. To buy your square please call Irene at 444-6010. (NB Lotter Permit #362206)

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# FORMED

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- 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

# MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEK OF MAY 4<sup>TH</sup> TO MAY 9<sup>TH</sup>

St. Anthony's – Tuesday @ 10:00 am		St. Theresa's – Wednesday @ 12:00 pm	
Screeners/Ushers	John Walsh Merla Spires	Mary Billings Betty Flanagan	
Lector	Merla Spires	Betty McNeil	
St. Anthony's – Thursday @ 10:00 am		St. Theresa's – Friday @ 12:00 pm	
Screeners/Ushers	Sue Inkster Ken Harris	Janet Matheson	
Lector	Sue Inkster	Betty Flanagan	
St. Anthony's – Saturday 4:00 pm		St. Theresa's – Sunday at 11:00 am	
Screeners/Ushers	Greg Forsythe Mona & Ray McCarthy	Michele McCann Mary Fitzpatrick Martin Colford Tracy Horsley Amanda Horsley Darren Richard	
Lector	Greg Feener	Pam Shields	

## Our Sacred Stories Living as Disciples and Friends

Recently I had the honour and pleasure of journeying on a week-long retreat with the Sisters of St. Martha of PEI and their lay associates. It was a marvelous experience of living faith with them. Reflecting on our Scriptures, sharing our faith Tradition and taking time to nurture our spirituality we had the opportunity to grow as disciples and friends. What a wonderful community to be with. They are truly a blessing for which I am thankful. One lament – they were on Prince Edward Island. I was in New Brunswick. We were forced to meet virtually, unable to come together face to face. Covid-19 has been unkind.

For the last year our world has been disrupted. What was our normal no longer is. The retreat experience illustrates the impact of the pandemic. We were separated. Borders could not be crossed and so we found ourselves isolated in our own spaces. Alone as we were, we were not alone in the experience. Right now, the same experience is happening all around our world.

Masks, social distancing, shrinking social gatherings, no hand-shaking or hugging have been our norm. Hospitals, seniors' homes, schools, neighbourhoods, campuses and churches have been affected. Contact has been through virtual means. For the sake of one another it must be done. To live safely in this pandemic, we must live with separation. It works, but we do lose in the experience.

Relationships are significant for us and we long to be together. Community matters for we are social beings. A streamed retreat or Mass might be necessary and it is certainly better than none, but it is not ideal. What is missing is the communal element. The full experience of Eucharist must include the social contact. The danger is that it become only ritual, "going through the motions". Like so much of our lives, we need the interpersonal element, for this brings us life and allows us to realize we are linked with a bond of humanity and love. We care about each other.

In John's Gospel, Jesus speaks of the vine and the branches (John 15:1-8). What a wonderful image of our Christian faith. We are interconnected, dependent on one another for life both physically and spiritually. It is no small thing that Jesus gathered his disciples around himself and invited them to follow as he led them through Galilee. Not only did they learn from him, they built a bond that joined them together as branches of the same vine.

Chapter 15 of John's Gospel is set in the Passover meal that Jesus shares with his friends. It is their last. At the end (ch.17) Jesus will offer his farewell prayer for them, but here in chapter 15 he expresses the deep bond that has grown among them. They are together like the vine and the branches. No branch will live without the connection with the vine and the vine itself will grow and share life through the branches. As Jesus puts it: "Abide in me as I abide in you" (15:4). Discipleship is a communal experience.

Christian faith is relational. Our sacramental tradition expresses this. It shows especially in what we call the Sacraments of Initiation or entry into the community of Christians (Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist). All three draw us to grow as disciples. They offer a relationship with the person of Jesus, the Christ. In this way, we have a bond with our God. Like a loving parent this God of ours offers life and loving compassion. As disciples, we too are to reflect this life and love around us.