

Our Lady of Peace Parish

“Three Churches One Faith Community”

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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

Upcoming Events



Woli Wikuwossit Kiskum

Bonne fete des meres

Week of May 15th – May 19th

No Weekday Masses - Priests Retreat

Monday May 29th St. Dunstan's Church

The Great Mission 7 PM – 9 PM

Fredericton Regional Pentecost Mission

Led by Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC

Mass Times & Intentions

No Weekday Masses

*Saturday May 20th 4:00 PM St. Anthony's
Irma Tucker*

*Sunday May 21st 8:45 AM St. Patrick's
Winnifred Foreman*

*Sunday May 21st 11:00 AM St. Theresa's
Mass for the People*

Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office. 444-6010

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

May 07, 2023		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	\$ 5,919	Offertory	\$ 5,919
Capital Infrastructure	854	Budget Needs	(5,255)
Special Collections	45	Excess (Shortfall)	\$ 664
Other	4	Year-to-Date	Contributions
Total	\$ 6,822	Offertory	\$ 98,624
		Budget Needs	97,550
		Excess (Shortfall)	\$ 1,074

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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Office Numbers

Fr. Maria's 444-6070

Patty Cameron 444-6018

Confessions Fr. Maria will hear confessions one half hour before each weekend Mass at all our Parish Churches.



We are deeply grateful for any donation because it helps us help marginalized communities. But because of the way we operate, **it is monthly donations that make the biggest difference.**

When you **become a Share Year-Round donor**, your contribution becomes sustained and predictable and comes at a reduced administrative cost to us.

This Lent, double the impact of your gift! From February 22 to May 28, those who become Share Year-Round donors (or increase their monthly donations) will have their annual contribution matched dollar for dollar. **Matching dollars are from benefactors and religious communities that support the work of D&P.**

To give monthly and to join our **Share Year-Round program**, fill in the form on the Development and Peace website (devp.org) or call us toll-free at 1 888 234-8533.

Eucharistic Adoration



Adoration is a silent time for you to have some time alone with Jesus to recite your favorite prayers, read the bible, contemplate acts of faith, hope, charity, thanksgiving or reparation, or do whatever type of prayerful devotion that suits you before the Lord. You can just sit quietly and say nothing, just keep Him company like you would a dear friend.

Friday 9:30 AM - St. Anthony's Church *

Thursday 11:30 AM – St. Theresa's Church plus *

Third Thursday of each month 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM

First Wednesday of the month 1:00 PM - St. Patrick's Church

** If a Friday Mass is not scheduled or cancelled, Adoration is also cancelled.*

St. Theresa's Church

This week the Sanctuary Lamp Burns in Memory of *Marie Shields*

Offered by Pam Shields

St. Anthony's Church

The Sanctuary Lamp Burns in Memory of *Jrma Tucker*

Offered by Your Girls

This week the Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of ...

Start spreading the word! Do you have a child, grandchild, niece, nephew, cousin, friend who is between the ages of 14-18 who's faith you want to grow? Invite them to go to the conference! Steubenville Atlantic is held on the campus of Dalhousie University in Halifax for youth ages 14-18. Last year over 300 young people and youth leaders experienced a weekend like no other. It is a unique chance to encounter Christ in a way that changes lives.

This year's theme is **Refuge** based on Matthew 11.28: Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Between school, friends, family responsibilities, and maybe a part-time job - plus so many other things! - we think this year's theme will resonate with many young people. **COST PER YOUTH IS \$280.00. (TRANSPORTATION FROM VARIOUS PICKUP SPOTS IN OUR DIOCESE PROVIDED) REGISTRATION CLOSSES ON JUNE 7, 2023. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT PATRICIA LEE AT CATECHESIS@DIOCESEOFSAINTJOHN.ORG OR CALL 506-627-6465.**

WELCOME

Are you new to Our Lady of Peace Parish? We welcome you. We invite you to register with the Parish, to do so there are registration forms at each of the churches. Please fill one out and drop it in the offertory basket or drop it by the Parish Office.

Is Now the Time? Have you ever considered “pitching in” and helping to provide engaging young families in our parish with quality programs and activities? The Faith Formation team is looking for volunteers of all ages to help bring our Catholic faith alive in our parish. Are you available once a month to help lead Family Faith Formation? Are you able to help a few times a year for Sacrament workshops and retreats? How about seasonally, in Advent and Lent, to help with family and parish events? Maybe you are being called to help prepare youth for the Sacrament of Confirmation? As we all know, many hands make light work. So why not consider being part of helping our parish grow by serving our young families, children and youth. There are many opportunities and training and resources are always provided. For more information please contact Patty Cameron, Director of Faith Formation, at pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca or (506) 444-6018.

CWL News

St. Theresa’s CWL Bursary

Attention all Grade Twelve Students, St. Theresa’s CWL will be awarding \$1000.00 Bursary towards your post secondary education. The qualified recipient will be announced at the beginning of June. Application forms are available for pick up at all there of our Parish Churches. Deadline is May 31, 2023.

National CWL Bursary

The deadline for this bursary is May 15, 2023. Qualified recipients may receive up to \$1,000.00 per year and up to \$4,000.00 for a lifetime. Application forms can be downloaded from www.cwl.ca Go to this site to review criteria and guidelines.

HELPING UKRANIAN FAMILIES IN FREDERICTON



If you would like more information, would like to register to host Ukrainian’s arriving in Fredericton, or donate items please call (506) 454-8292 or visit the Multicultural Association Website <https://nbmc-cmnb.ca/resources-for-ukraine/volunteers-hosts-and-donations/>

PENTECOST MISSION: on May 29-31, Bishop Riesbeck will preach a three-day Pentecost Mission on the theme of, "The Great Commission." Diving into Jesus' call to "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." This Mission will help equip people first to KNOW Jesus, to GROW with him as his disciples and in community with one another, and finally to GO to the peripheries, spreading the Good News to all we meet and inviting people into a life-changing relationship with Jesus and his Church. Evening missions will take place from 7:00 pm-9:00 pm at St. Dunstan's Church in Fredericton. Each session will begin with Mass, with a reconciliation service offered on Tuesday and Commissioning and Healing Prayer on Wednesday. Refreshments and fellowship will follow each session



Our Lady of Peace Shawl Ministry have been very busy and have completed beautiful Prayer Shawls. The Shawls have been blessed and are available at the Parish Office. If you have a family member or a friend who you know would be comforted with a Prayer Shawl please drop by the office and pick out one.

Gibson Memorial United Church, 183 Gibson St., will be hosting a YARD SALE on June 3, 2023, 8 a.m. - 12 noon.

All are welcome!

Ministry Schedule May 20th & 21st

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Bonnie Bowlen	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Betty MacNeil, Janet Matheson, Betty Flanagan
Eucharistic Minister	Merla Spires	Betty MacNeil & Mary Fitzpatrick
Alter Servers	Ken Harris	Will Horsley, Vlad Gabe, Joe & Al Adimalor
Lector	Allison Wrynn	Betty MacNeil
Sacristan		Bud Trevors

Our Sacred Stories - Jesus Among Us – Living Together with Love

If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever...

I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you.... The one who has my commandments and keeps them is the one who love me; and the one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.

(John 14:15-21)

A few years ago, I went to Mass in the little church of Sao Lourenco in Almancil, Portugal. What was most striking about this experience was the vibrant hospitality of the community when entering church. There was a buzz of conversation going on as people greeted old friends and shared the past week with one another. What was even more striking was the openness of the welcome we received as strangers in their midst. No one who came through the doors was left out, all were welcomed warmly. Even though we could not speak their language, we were greeted by many with smiles and gestures, even to standing up and offering their seats to us.

Such an experience of hospitality, inclusiveness and love is a revelation of the Spirit. It might appear to be natural and easy, but it demands commitment and attentiveness from a whole community. When it is present, we see the presence of the Spirit that John's Gospel speaks of today. In such experiences we can recognize the wondrous relationship into which God invites us. To love one another, to live this love in relationships with one another is to recognize the Spirit of the risen Jesus among us.

Not long ago, our experience with the pandemic forced us into isolation. We lost our connection with the community and found ourselves very much alone, in solitude. While we often benefit from and appreciate quiet and time for ourselves, most of us need social contacts. Such lengthy isolation is not healthy for most. Certainly, our faith community suffered from the limiting of the communal gathering so important for us. We are only now slowly recovering what we lost in not gathering for Eucharist and other occasions. As the visit for Mass in Almancil illustrated, the table of the Eucharist is a community experience.

I think we often limit ourselves to seeing the Eucharist as our personal prayer time, linking us to Jesus and thus tend to seek peace, silence and our personal time with God. It is in fact, a celebration of thanksgiving by our whole community of faith. Such an occasion deserves the acknowledgement of one another with the hospitality and inclusiveness that was evident at Almancil. It is broader than personal prayer and seeks to join us with our whole community.

John 14:15-21 is part of the farewell discourses that Jesus spoke to his disciples at the Last Supper. He reached out and reassured them that although he was soon to leave them, they were not to be left alone. He asked that the Father give them another Advocate, the Spirit. Through this Spirit, Jesus remains with us, only waiting to find expression in the practical love that moves and enlivens any community – family, friendships, parish community. To be open, welcoming, inclusive is to reveal the Advocate, the Spirit among us.

John Jennings

6th Sunday of Easter