

# Our Lady of Peace Parish

*“Three Churches One Faith Community”*

## Bulletin Sunday May 5th 2024 –6th 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 May 7th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's**  
*Tina Christie*

**Wednesday May 8th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's**  
*Alice Giovannetti*

**Thursday May 9th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's**  
*James Daley*

**Friday May 10th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's**  
*Best Wishes Cheryl Nowe-Jensen*

**Saturday May 11th 4:00 PM St. Anthony's**  
*Mass for the People*

**Sunday May 12th 8:45 AM St. Patrick's**  
*Harry Nicks*

**Sunday May 12th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's**  
*Margaret Gorman*

### Upcoming Events

St. Theresa's Church



Sanctuary Lamp Burns in  
Memory of

**+ Clayton Theriault +**  
offered by Shelia Gillespie

Renewing Ourselves is Christ" a Parish Retreat  
Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm  
St. Theresa's Church

### Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Apr 28, 2024		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	6,091	Offertory	\$ 6,091
Capital Infrastructure	70	Budget Needs	(5,255)
Special Collections	75	Excess (Shortfall)	<b>\$ 836</b>
Other	590	<b>Year-to-Date</b>	<b>Contributions</b>
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 6,826</b>	Offertory	\$ 91,167
		Budget Needs	(89,335)
		Excess (Shortfall)	<b>\$ 1,832</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 May 11th & May 12th

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Bonnie Bowlen	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Betty MacNeil, Janet Matheson, Debbie Huestis
Eucharistic Minister	Leonard Cormier	Deborah Allen & Mary Firtzpatrick
Altar Servers	Merla Spires	Al Adimalor, Lucas Daigle, Phil VanLeeuwen, Miranda Alfaro
Lector	Allison Wrynn	Kendra VanLeeuwen & Deborah Allen
Sacristan		Bud Trevors

### 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.

### CWL Notices



#### DIVERSITY

The Catholic Women's League welcomes women of all ages and diverse backgrounds. Throughout Canada, you will find Catholic women growing in faith, caring through a wide range of service, and seeking true justice for all. Did you know non-Catholics can become associate members? Want to make a difference but not sure how to get started?

Your place is among us.

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. Second Draw for a **Unique Charcuterie Board**.

Get your tickets from a member of the CWL, after Masses or tickets will be available at the Parish Office. Proceeds from this fundraiser for community outreach. We thank for your continued support.

**Attention High School Graduates** of Our Lady of Peace Parish. St. Theresa's CWL are offering **two \$1000.00**



bursaries to any high school graduates continuing their education. Applications are available through the link on the Parish Website or can be found on the bulletin boards at the back of the churches. Application deadline is May 31<sup>st</sup> 2024.

**May is the Month of the Rosary.** The CWL will be saying the Rosary after each Tuesday Mass during the month



**Mother's Day Brunch Sunday May 12th From Noon until 1:30 pm**

Saint Theresa's Church 45 Royal Road, Fredericton, NB

**All Mother's Eat Free and Receive a Flower!**

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a special brunch to honour all Mothers.

The menu includes eggs, sausages, pancakes, hash browns and toast with coffee and tea.

Eat in only with no takeouts. This is a free will offering to support the many causes of the Knights including youth scholarships and various community projects.

***Come one and all especially Moms!***



**“Renewing Ourselves in Christ” a Parish Retreat** ~ join us on Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at St. Theresa’s Church for an intimate evening of song, teaching and reflection on the Word of God. We are excited to welcome Jim Anderson, Director of Missionary Discipleship Formation for the Diocese of Saint John as our retreat facilitator. Everyone is welcome! Come and bring a friend.

**Sacrament Preparation (1st Eucharist)** ~ Preparation for 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist takes place as part of the parish’s Faith Formation Program starting in September. Children in grades 2 and up are eligible to take part in 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist preparation. Please watch the bulletin over the summer and early fall for information on how to register or contact Patty Cameron, Director of Faith Formation at 444-6018 for more information.

***Mark Your Calendars!***

**Camp Sheldrake Sponsorship** ~ Our Lady of Peace Parish is pleased to be able to sponsor up to 3 children/youth who are part of our Faith Formation programs to attend Camp Sheldrake (Miramichi, NB) this summer. Applications can be found on our parish website. For more information about Camp Sheldrake and their programs, please visit [www.campsheldrake.ca](http://www.campsheldrake.ca). This opportunity is made possible by a generous offer from a parishioner.

**Steubenville Atlantic Conference Update**

We are so excited to have 13 parish youth attending the conference this July in Halifax, 11 as participants and 2 as Peer Leaders. These youth are involved in various programs and ministries in our parish including Confirmation Preparation, Altar Serving, Lector and Music Ministry.

The cost for each youth to attend the conference is \$300.00 and includes conference fees, accommodation, meals and transportation. Each youth has paid a deposit to reserve their spot. They will be fundraising to help cover the remaining balance. You can support them by either coming out to their fundraising event, donating refundable bottles/cans or making a cash donation.

Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> (Details to follow)  
Bottle/Can drop off at St. Theresa’s Sunday, May 19, 26 and June 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Donation jars are available at all churches starting May 19<sup>th</sup>

**Thank you!** ~ Thank you to everyone who contributed to our 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist celebration last week. A special thank you to the CWL and parishioners who helped with the reception, the music ministry and catechists for making the day memorable for all the children and their families.

**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.

We had a busy tax season at Our Lady of Peace tax clinic this year. The total number of tax returns filed was 106. This number is an increase of 37% over last year. We had a mix of retuning clients and newcomers. Almost all the clients were satisfied and appreciative (except those owing the government money). I would like to thank Irene for all her help in this endeavor, she helped make it a success.

Steve Linton

**Our Sacred Stories**  
**God's Plan of Love for All Humanity**

*As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you: abide in my love....*

*This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.*

Have you ever tossed a rock into the center of a pond? One thing we might notice is the splash as the rock hits the water. More interesting is what happens to the whole pond. As the rock breaks the surface at the center, ripples spread outward from this center and ultimately reach even to the far shoreline.

This Sunday (6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter) the Gospel shows Jesus leading us to see the loving relationship that is created between God as our loving parent and ourselves. This love of God, in fact brings a whole series of loving relationships into our world. As complex as Christian faith can seem to be, it is in fact founded on a simple revelation: God loves us, all of us.

Our scriptures reveal this relationship again and again. It is expressed in in the story of creation (Genesis), where God brings the gift of life out of chaos. We encounter it in the saving, liberating action of God as Israel is drawn from slavery in Egypt and led to become a People of God in the new land (Exodus). The prophet Jeremiah saw this love as a covenant of love written on the hearts of all peoples (Jer.31:31-34).

In the Incarnation, Jesus' birth is a signal of Gods expansive love. God reveals this love in Jesus himself (John 3:16-17) and from Jesus this revelation is to reach out through us. Like the rock thrown into the center of the pond, Jesus breaks through the surface creating ripples of God's love that reach to the far and distant shores of our world.

This is the chain of loving relationships that appears in our reading n this Sunday. (1 John 4:7-10 & John 15:9-17). Jesus received and accepted the Father's love. He loved his disciples with this same love. As disciples we are to love one another as Jesus has loved us.

God's plan for all humanity is a plan of love. The love of God is expressed in the gift of Jesus, God's Son, to us. Jesus expresses this love in word and action and so touches the humanity we share. From this touch comes our call to do what Jesus has done and what God has revealed. We are to love one another. This is the plan of God that comes into our humanity and that is expressed when we, when humanity, loves as Jesus has shown.

**- What is one practical way in which my life reveals God's love today?**

John Jennings

6<sup>th</sup> Sun of Easter

**POPE'S PATORAL WORKS SPECIAL COLLECTION** - The Pope's Pastoral Works collection was established by the bishops of Canada in 1970. This annual special collection on the Sixth Sunday of Easter supports the Holy Father in administering the Holy See and serving the Universal Church. One-third of the funds collected is for what is traditional known as Peter's Pence: donations used by the Pope for his charitable contributions to those most in need throughout the world. By contributing to the Pope's Pastoral Works, the faithful of Canada give a universal dimension to their charity. Please give generously, and use the designated envelopes provided.

**Rummage & Bake Sale Sainte-Anne-des-Pays-Bas** Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup> from 8AM to 4 PM and June 1<sup>st</sup> from 8 am till noon. All proceeds to towards parish activities.

**Note from the Parish Office** Please ensure that all notices for the bulletin are into the office by Thursdays at noon. If you are new to the Parish we would love to have you register in our date base. Forms are available to fill out at each of the Parish churches.