

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

“Three Churches One Faith Community”

BULLETIN

Sunday, October 4th - 27th Sunday of 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

1 William St.
Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

Online Mass

Sunday at 11:00 via Facebook Live

Wild Goose: Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit

Monday, October 5th at 7:00 pm

Touched by Cancer Mass

Friday, October 16th at 7:00 pm
St. Anthony's Church

Sacrament of Confirmation

Sunday, October 18th at 3:00 pm
St. Theresa's Church

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

No Weekday Masses

Saturday, October 10th 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church

Arlene Johnston

Sunday, October 11th 8:45 am - St. Patrick's Church

Bradley Hawkes

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

Marie Shields

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekly Offertory – Sept. 27, 2020

Sunday Contributions:	\$3,554.00
Auto Debit (average):	<u>\$2,029.00</u>
Total:	\$5,583.00
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$5,860.00
Excess (Shortfall)	(\$ 277.00)
Capital Infrastructure:	\$ 100.00
Special Collections:	\$ 418.00
Other:	\$ 190.00

Year-to-Date

Offertory:	\$199,444.00
Budget Needs:	<u>\$228,540.00</u>
Excess (Shortfall):	(\$ 29,096.00)

Information inquires should be
directed to:

Frank O'Donnell 472-0145
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472-9364 (glf@nbnet.nb.ca)

WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

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news and weather cancelations!



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*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



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.



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

Fr. Maria Away Next Week ~ Fr. Maria will be away from the parish between October 5th to 9th taking part in the annual Priest's Retreat. There will be no weekday Masses while he is away.

Touched By Cancer Mass ~ St. Anthony's Church will resume holding the monthly Touched By Cancer Mass commencing October 16th. Mass is at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend. Pandemic protocols will be followed and masks are required to worn.



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.**

Thank you for your continued cooperation!



The New Freeman is Online!

You can access the New Freeman weekly on the Diocese of Saint John website at:

<https://www.dioceseofsaintjohn.org/news>

RELIGIOUS FORMATION UPDATE

**Sessions will begin Sunday, October 25th
with a Mass at 4:00 pm (Registered Families Only)**

Online registration for Kindergarten to Grade 8 Religious Formation and Confirmation Preparation (Grade 9) is now open!

Format for this year will be 3 online sessions from 9:30 to 10:30 am and the 4th session will be an in person dedicated Family Mass at 4:00 pm. Program materials will be distributed at the Mass.

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

THE WILD GOOSE 

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.

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.

PARISH NURSING UPDATE

Online Yoga ~ The Parish Nursing Committee is pleased to be able to offer yoga online, via ZOOM, with instructor Nancy Anderson. Classes will be Mondays from 3:00 to 4:00 pm beginning October 5th. To register and received link to join the class please email Emma Couturier at eecout@gmail.com.

Fredericton Indoor Pool ~ If you would like to return the activities at the Fredericton Indoor Pool you may continue to sign your name at the front desk to access the Parish Nursing Program.



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- Check your email account for a link to begin using FORMED

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Prayer Shawls



Through the spring and summer members of our Prayer Shawl Ministry have been busy knitting prayer shawls. A fresh supply of shawls has been blessed by Fr. Maria and are available at the parish office for those in need of comfort, encouragement or sympathy.

Pray Shawl Ministry ~ will meet on Tuesday, October 13th in the quiet room at St. Anthony's Church from 1:30 to 3:30 pm.

Use of Parish Facilities ~ Due to COVID-19 protocols requiring the sanitization of rooms following each use, meeting rooms and hall spaces at each church must be booked in advance of use by contacting Irene Jewett at 444-6010 or parishoffice@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca. please note, persons booking any space are responsible for following all pertinent COVID-19 protocols including screening, 6'(2m) distancing regulations and contact tracing.

Feast of St. Francis (October 4th) Blessing for Pets ~ Blessed are you, Lord God, maker of all living creatures. You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air, and animals on the land. You inspired St. Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters. We ask you to bless this pet. By the power of your love, enable it to live according to your plan. May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord God, and all your creatures!
Amen

MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 29TH TO OCTOBER 4TH

St. Anthony's – Tuesday @ 10:00 am		St. Theresa's – Wednesday @ 12:00 pm	
Screeners/Ushers	No Mass	No Mass	
Lector			
St. Anthony's – Thursday @ 10:00 am		St. Theresa's – Friday @ 12:00 pm	
Screeners/Ushers	No Mass	No Mass	
Lector			
St. Anthony's – Saturday at 4:00 pm		St. Theresa's – Sunday at 11:00 am	
Screeners/Ushers	Mary Feener Bonnie Bowlen	Michelle McCann	Tracy Horsley
	Shirley Bourque	Mary Fitzpatrick	
Lector	Cathy Bowlen	Sheila Gillespie	

Our Sacred Stories: God and Us

Sacred Spaces: Finding Our Spiritual Centre

Took a hike, recently through some of the trails of Mactaquac Provincial Park. The trails wind through forests and around beaver ponds. The forests in the fall are a collage of green, and yellow and red. The ponds are places showing the work of the beavers, the energy of the squirrels and presence of deer and moose. The ponds and the forests are filled with a host of different birds. Over it all there is a wonderful sense of calm and peace. This is, indeed, a sacred space. Walking through it one can sense the presence of the Spirit.

We have a long history of finding such sites as places where we experience the presence of God among us. The Ancients, Celts found this in springs, wells and other water sources. These were the places where life was supported for them, signs of the divine presence for them. Here they knew that God touches their human experience in real ways.

In our Scriptures the image of sacred spaces appears frequently. In the New Testament we see it in Matthew's Gospel, 21:33-46, where Jesus employs the image of a vineyard for his message of God's reign among us. This image is an echo of what we can find in the Old Testament. In Psalm 80, it represents the whole People of God. In the Prophet Isaiah (5:1-7), God's People are the object of a love song. For Isaiah, for the psalm and for Matthew, "the vineyard" is the place where we center on God.

Wade Davis is a Canadian anthropologist. He holds the position of Explorer-in-Residence for National Geographic. In November 2009, he delivered the CBC Massey Lectures as part of the *Ideas* programs on CBC. The series was entitled *The Wayfinders: Why Ancient Wisdom Matters in the Modern World*. One of the lectures was "Sacred Geography."

Davis' lecture focused on a number of places around the world, northern B.C., the Andes in for us South America and the desert of central Australia. There he found places which over the centuries have been deemed sacred by the indigenous peoples who live there. They are places which long have been seen as sources of life for them.

We still need these spaces to bring meaning to our own lives. We have many personal ones. They may include a room in our home where we tend to go to be at peace. The site may be our local church or a community gathering place. Sometimes there is a particular place or path in the woods where we enjoy a sense of "getting it all together". Whether we realize it or not, we all have our sacred spaces. And we need them.

Often, we do not recognize that everyone of us has a "natural spirituality". Whoever we are and wherever we are we have a spiritual centre. There we discover something that offers peace and brings meaning to our lives. Such spirituality is life-giving to every human being on earth. Fr. Richard Rohr noticed this in the writings of an English Benedictine monk, Bede Griffith.

Rohr quotes Bede's insight: "According to the Letter to the Colossians, in Christ 'all things were created, in heaven and on earth... all were created through him and for him' [Col. 1:16]. This is truly a cosmic vision embracing the whole created world, which we now know to be an integrated whole, ... which is capable of embracing all humanity." (from: Rohr. Reflections 25 Sept 2020)

Where do I find my sacred spaces? How do I nurture my own spiritual life?

John Jennings