

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

BULLETIN

Sunday, January 5th - Epiphany of the Lord

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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

January 17th

Touched by Cancer Mass - St. Anthony's

January 28th

Movie Night - St. Theresa's

January 31st

Family Fun Night - St. Theresa's

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Tuesday, January 7th 10:00 am - St. Anthony's
Carlotta Everett

Wednesday, January 8th 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's
Mary Ralston

Thursday, January 9th 10:00 am - St. Anthony's
Parishioners

Friday, January 10th 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's
Tom Gorman

Saturday, January 11th 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's
Tom Howell

Sunday, January 12th 8:45 am - St. Patrick's
Sunday, January 12th 11:00 am - St. Theresa's
Marie Shields

OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

December 21st to December 29th Collection Total = \$31,312.10

	St. Anthony's	St. Patrick's	St. Theresa's
Sunday Envelopes	\$5,635.15	\$ 978.45	\$ 2,837.75
Christmas	\$7,014.00	\$ 620.50	\$10,223.25
Auto Debit	\$ 668.81	\$ 25.00	\$ 1,215.74
Capital Infrastructure	\$ 80.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 1,320.00
Special Collection	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$
Donation	\$ 30.00	\$	\$ 563.45
Total	\$13,467.96	\$ 1,683.95	\$16,160.19

Thank you for your continued support of Our Lady of Peace Parish

Please make cheques payable to Our Lady of Peace Parish

WEBSITES & SOCIAL MEDIA

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and weather cancelations!



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You are cordially invited to a concelebrated Mass of Thanksgiving to welcome Bishop Riesbeck as he begins his new responsibilities as Bishop of Saint John. St. Dunstan's Church on January 8th at 6:30 pm. A reception to follow.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



A big thank you to all who participated in liturgical ministries, music ministries and seasonal programs during

Advent, Christmas and New Year celebrations! Your gift of time and talents greatly enrich our parish.

Walking Toward Eternity: Daring to Walk the Walk Study Program (Adult Faith Formation)

An inspiring series designed to help participants live their faith more fully. This study introduces 7 Key Virtues and taking the steps to live them in your life. Beginning the 3rd week of January. To register please contact Patty Cameron at 444-6070 or pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca Sessions times will depend on the amount of people registered. Daytime and Evening options will be considered.

Winter is Here! ~ If you are wondering if a parish event is cancelled please watch our website or Facebook page. For parishioners in Stanley, if you wish to share your current phone/cell number and your email address with Mary so she can get in touch easily and quickly in case of cancellation of Mass or church activities, it would be appreciated. (367-2446 or megmcd@nbnet.nb.ca.)



Unbroken: Path to Redemption

Tuesday, January 28th at 7:00 pm, St. Theresa's in the old rectory meeting room. Based on the bestselling novel by Laura

Hillenbrand, Unbroken: Path to Redemption is the true story of Louis Zamperini. Haunted by his past as a prisoner of war, he is driven deep into despair. But when his wife turns to God her most fervent prayer for Louis is to find peace and forgiveness.

VACATION TIME!

Fr. Martin will be away from January 13th to February 13th. May God bless you during your travels. Enjoy your time with family and friends.

Fr. John Jennings will join us to celebrate Mass the weekends of January 18th/19th and January 25th/26th. Fr. Shawn Daley will celebrate Mass at St. Anthony's February 1st and 8th. Fr. Elie Zouein will celebrate Mass at St. Patricks February 2nd and 9th. Lay presided services will take place at St. Theresa's February 2nd and 9th.

Offertory Envelopes ~ Thank you for your continued generous support of Our Lady of Peace parish in 2019! New 2020 envelopes are now available. **Please do not continue to use 2019 envelopes.** All donations made starting this weekend will be credited to your 2020 tax receipt.



Parish Senior Taxi Service ~ If you or someone you know is having trouble getting to and from Mass (St. Anthony's or St. Theresa's) or any Parish activities please take advantage of our Senior Taxi Service. Just call Loyal Taxi at 455-6789. They will pick you up and deliver you to the church. Just sign a chit. **Please feel free to use this service if you drive and are not comfortable driving night to parish activities.**

RELIGIOUS FORMATION UPDATE

Kindergarten to Grade 8 ~ Sessions will resume on Sunday, January 12th.

Confirmation Preparation ~ Will meet again on Sunday, January 12th from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at St. Theresa's.

Annual Catechist Retreat "Christianity...a way of life not a religion...Pass on Our Story" ~ with Fr. Eugene (Red) O'Reilly. Villa Madonna January 24th to 26th. Cost \$175 (includes meals and accommodations).

Open to all ministries. For further information contact Margot McAloon-Parker 444-6025 or fredreled@dioceseofsaintjohn.org



Birthday Blessings
to 90's Elite Member
Irma Tucker

Blast from the Past! ~ A parishioner found an old St. Anthony's bulletin from 1981. Highlights...

- Pastor Rev. G. E. Riley
- Collection for the week \$1,060.55

And just to show the longevity and dedication of our volunteers, Henry Belliveau was on the ministry schedule. 39 years on and Henry is still a valuable parish volunteer. Thank you Henry and to all our volunteers for all that you do!



Friday, January 31st
6:30 to 8:00 pm St. Theresa's Hall. Movie and snacks! All families invited.

St. Anthony's Bingo – January 8th Prizes!

Sputnick \$1,253.00 + Jackpot \$900.00 +
Lucky Seven \$326.00 + Letter H \$576.00 +
Loonie \$93.00 +

**Wednesdays - Early Bird at 6:30 pm and
Regular Games at 7:30 pm**

FROM AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Knights of Columbus Monthly Community Breakfast ~ 170 Regent St., on **Sunday, January 12th**, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Cost: Adults \$7.00, children \$3.00, families \$20.00. Everyone welcome.

Welcome Community Walkers ~ We hope to see you at the Stanley School Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday. 8:30 to 9:30 am. Sign in at office, indoor sneakers, water, music if needed or your gift of gab! No walking during school closures, holidays.

World Day of Prayer Planning Meeting ~ The Women's Inter-Church of Fredericton is having a planning meeting for World Day of Prayer on Monday, January 13th at 10:00 am at Christ Church Parish Church, 245 Westmorland St.

*This week Our Lady of Peace Parish
Sanctuary Lamps are lit for:*

St. Anthony's

St. Patrick's

St. Theresa's

Jack and Eileen LaPointe

PARISH NURSING MINISTRY

Activity Schedule

Yoga - Will return on Monday, January 20th. New participants welcome.

Zumba Gold - Will return late January. Watch for details.

Knitting - Will return in the New Year!

Quilting - Will return on Wednesday, January 8th.

Book Clubs - Monday, January 13th at 7:00 pm St. Theresa's and Tuesday, January 14th at 11:00 am at St. Anthony's.

Sunday Night Music Lessons/Jam Session - Will return in the New Year!

Painting - Will return in the New Year!

Parish Nursing Newsletter is now available!

The Parish Nursing Committee is looking for items for a Valentine themed gift basket that will be raffled off in February. If you have an item to donate you can drop it off at the parish office.

Aquacise - At the Fredericton Indoor Pool.

Aquatic Exercise Schedule

Aquatic Stretching

Monday to Friday 11:30 am to 12:15 pm

Aquacise

Monday/Wednesday 7:30 to 8:30 pm

Tuesday/Thursday 2:00 to 3:00 pm

Fitness Swimmer

Tuesday/Thursday 8:30 to 9:30 pm



Our Lady of Peace Parish Nursing Ministry has arranged for parishioners to participate in the Aquatic Stretching, Aquacise and Senior Exercise Swim programs at the Fredericton Indoor Pool free of charge. Sign in at the front desk.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEKEND OF JAN. 11TH & JAN. 12TH

St. Anthony's - Saturday @ 4:00 pm

St. Theresa's - Sunday @ 11:00 am

Sacristan			Mary Fitzpatrick
Hospitality	Mary Mae Brideau	Ernie Adams	Ann Deane
Altar Servers	Bonnie Bowlen		Amanda Knowles Will Horsley
Lectors	Nick Theriault	Maureen Jeffries	Hannah LaRochelle Kim Poffenroth
Eucharistic Ministers	Sr. Karen Kelly	Greg Feener	Laurence Holleran Mary Ellen Holleran Communion in the form of Bread only
Gift Bearers	Ernie & Penny Adams		

Feast of the Epiphany: A Revelation of God's Gift

Epiphany, what do we mean? Literally, the word *epiphany* means a manifestation, a showing forth. The Feast of the Epiphany, which is part of the Christmas Season, calls us to see the birth of Jesus as a manifestation of God to us. Put another way, it calls us to see God's gift to humanity and to all creation shown in a very small package, the gift of this special child in a humble setting. The Incarnation expresses the way in which God's love for humanity has taken flesh in Jesus.

One of the aspects of our Christmas season is the tradition of gift-giving. Such a tradition has great value. The giving of a gift can be the expression of an inner sentiment. Take a moment and recall a Christmas when you gave someone a gift that had special significance for you. Or recall a Christmas when a gift from someone meant so much to you. In itself, the gift might have been small and simple. It was not the material value or the size of the gift that made it special. It was special because of what it said about the relationship that you had with the other person.

Gift-giving is really not about the material thing. It is a relational action. It allows us to bring what is invisible into the visible world. The gift, when best understood, and this is when it is most effective and real is an expression of the heart. As Jesus is an epiphany of God's love, so our gift-giving tradition can be an epiphany of human love for another.

The gospel of this Feast of the Epiphany is drawn from the Gospel of Matthew (2:1-12). It highlights the story of the wise persons, seekers who came to visit the child Jesus. They came from afar, from the East, and were ready to make great effort in their quest. They followed a star to Bethlehem and came to the place where the child was.

They were Gentiles, not Israelites and knew nothing of Israel's faith, the prophets or the expectation of a messiah. As Matthew tells the story however, they knew from the star, that this child this was an important person. Therefore, they brought significant gifts.

It is not the value of the gifts that is important in this story. Rather it is the pilgrimage made by these Gentile visitors from afar and the way in which they see the child Jesus as special for them. More than the gift itself, it is the act of gift-giving that is significant. In doing so, they express what is in their hearts.

Epiphany – On this day, do we see Jesus as God's gift to us? Can we respond with our own gift-giving in ways that build peace, harmony, and justice in our world and in our respect for God's creation.

