

Our Lady of Peace Parish

“Three Churches One Faith Community”

Bulletin Sunday October 15th 2023 –28th Sunday in 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

Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday Oct 17th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Lillian Gouchie

Wednesday Oct 18th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's
Sr. Charlotte

Thursday Oct 19th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Paul Leger

Friday Oct 20th 7:00 PM St. Anthony's
Touched By Cancer Mass

Saturday Oct 21st 4:00 pm St. Anthony's
Mass For The People

Sunday Oct 22nd 8:45 AM St. Patrick's
Sr. Dora Bourgeois

Sunday Oct 22nd 11:00 AM St. Theresa's
Alexina Martin Violette

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

Sunday October 15th St. Theresa's Church 12:15 pm
CWL General Meeting

Friday October 20th St. Anthony's Church 7:00 pm
Touched by Cancer Mass

Sunday October 22nd St. Theresa's 12:00 pm
Parish Leadership Meeting

Friday November 3rd St. Anthony's Church 7:00 pm
Service of Remembrance

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Oct 8 th 2023		Weekly		Contributions	
Offertory	\$ 5,204	Offertory	\$ 5,204		
Capital Infrastructure	195	Budget Needs	(5,255)		
Special Collections	40	Excess (Shortfall)	\$ (51)		
Other	640	Year-to-Date	Contributions		
Total	\$ 6,079	Offertory	\$ 210,244		
		Budget Needs	213,160		
		Excess (Shortfall)	\$ (2,916)		

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

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Office Numbers

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Ministry Schedule October 21st & October 22nd

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Bonnie Bowlen	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Betty MacNeil, Janet Matheson, Elaine Read
Eucharistic Minister	Theresa Donaher	Mary Fitzpatrick & Deborah Allen
Altar Servers	Merla Spires	Joe Adimalor, Noah VanLeeuwen, Samuel & David Alfaro
Lector	Allison Wrynn	Manie Pahato
Sacristan		Mary Fitzpatrick

Family Faith Formation Next Sunday! ~ Family Faith Formation (Catechism) will meet next Sunday, October 22nd at 9:30 am at in St. Theresa's Church Hall. This is for families with children in Kindergarten to grade 7. During the session older youth in grades 5, 6 and 7 will have their own session. If you have not registered yet for Family Faith Formation you can register online at <https://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca/religious-formation-k-to-7>. All families are welcome to join us!

Mark your calendars! NET Team Retreat for Youth! ~ Experience a NET Retreat and engage your faith! A team of vibrant young missionaries will be visiting our area to provide youth in grades 6 to 12 an opportunity to hear the message of God's love and a chance to experience the Gospel personally. We promise it will be a day of faith, fun and friendship! Saturday, November 18th from 10:30 am to 5:00 pm at the Msgr. Boyd Family Center (St. Dunstan's). Lunch and snacks will be provided. Please let us know if you will be joining us by contact Patty Cameron at pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca or (506) 444-6018.



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Our Lady of Peace Parish Leadership Meeting

Leaders from our various ministries, committees, and groups will meet Sunday October 22nd at 12:00pm in St. Theresa's church hall.

Blessings
Rochelle

Sanctuary Lamp. On occasion a specific date is not available for a requested Mass Intention. Please consider having the Sanctuary Lamp burn in memory of your intention for seven days at Our Lady of Peace Parish. The cost is the same as a Mass Intention (\$10.00) and cards are available same as Mass Intention Cards.

St. Anthony's Shawl Ministry It is Knitting Time Again. The ladies have started on the shawls and meet the second Tuesday of each month at 1:00pm in the quiet room off the altar at St. Anthony's. New members are certainly welcome to join.



Do you know of someone who is sick and needs comfort? The Parish office has a great variety of Prayer Shawls available. Stop by during office hours and have a peek.

St. Anthony's Painting Group



The painting group lead my Lorraine Nimegeers will start up on Wednesday October 25th in the Church Hall at 10:00 am. Mentorship and partnering. New members certainly welcome to join. Must bring your own supplies. Any questions or need more information please contact Lorraine at 506 472-8800



St Theresa's CWL will hold their General Meeting Sunday Oct. 15th at 12:15 pm in the Church Hall. All Ladies welcome.



Annual Service of Remembrance ~ Our Lady of Peace Parish Annual Service of Remembrance to pray for relatives and friends of our parish who have died in the past year will be held at St. Anthony's Church on Friday, November 3rd at 7:00 pm. Invitation letters have been prepared for families who had funerals for loved ones performed in the parish. These letters are addressed to the family contact provided by the funeral home. If you wish to add the name of a loved one you have lost during the past year, whose funeral was outside of Our Lady of Peace Parish, please contact the parish office at 444-6010 no later than Tuesday, October 25th.

Heritage Fair 2023 presented by The Fredericton North Heritage Association. Join us **Saturday, October 21st** at the Kinsmen Community Center, 141 School St. You are welcome anytime between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm. Come socialize and browse a variety of community displays all remembering the past. A tickle trunk, photo booth, demonstrations, and door prizes all add to the fun, and it's Free!!! (Canteen provided by the Kin Club)

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.

Our Sacred Stories – Joining Together in the Kingdom of God

In our first reading this Sunday we hear from the Old Testament prophet Isaiah. Using the image of a banquet, Isaiah proclaims the breadth of God's dream for all humanity: *On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich foods* (Is.25:6).

In Matthew's Gospel, we once more listen to a parable of Jesus, one of those stories that Jesus told as he instructed his disciples about the Kingdom of God. He compared it to a wedding feast to which the King invited many guests. As the story unfolded, we see that those first invited, refused to come. The King then broadened the invitation to all who could be found. *Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet. Those servants went out and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests* (Matt.22:9-10).

Our God is a God of broad and open love. Both the Old Testament prophet and the Gospel writer captured this vision of God. Our faith in such a God presents us with great hope and an immense challenge. The hope and promise of loving openness offers a dream for all humanity. The challenge is our own role in sharing and planting this dream in our hearts and bringing it forth in our world.

This universal view and open invitation to **all** is what characterizes the church envisioned and hoped for in the Second Vatican Council (1962-65). Time and again in the documents of Vatican II we find the invitation to all to recognize that we are to be full and active members of the Christian community. To be in the community of Christians, the Church means much more than merely being present, being consumers and receivers. We are Church. We are what Vatican II says – the People of God living in our world.

Among the many ways in which such active participation was spoken of in Vatican II we might note the following call to reveal active holiness in our world: *“Love God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your understanding, with all your strength. Love one another as Christ loves you.” These commands in Scripture are really an invitation to be holy. By our holy love, we nurture in the world a way of life that is more gentle, more beautiful, more human* (Vatican II. “Constitution on the Church 39).

This past week, our Church began Session #1 of a synod, gathering in Rome. The preparations began around the globe in 2021. With this first session and a second session (October 2024) there is intent that a synodal structure for our church will become our way of listening to one another and to all others with openness and respect as the People of God. It involves all of us, not just bishops or only clergy, but women and men, laity and clergy from around the world, actively directing our faith community forward. The course to follow was set out in the “Instrumentum Laboris” (Working Document) for Session #1.

The Synod will grow a dynamic openness in the entire church, willing to listen as the People of God that we are called to be. As the “Instrumentum Laboris” states: *At the root of this process is the acceptance, both personal and communal, of something that is both a gift and a challenge: to be a Church of sisters and brothers in Christ who listen to one another and who, in doing so, are gradually transformed by the Spirit* (II 18). The foundation of what we call a *synodal church* is our common Baptism. Our Baptism has made us all equally, children of God, sisters and brothers of Jesus the Christ, filled with the one Spirit and called to the same mission of Good News in our world (cf. 1 Cor. 12:13).

John Jennings 28th Sun Ord Time