Our Lady of Peace Parish

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

Bulletin Sunday June 4, 2023 – Most Holy Trinity

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Churches & Mass Times



St. Anthony's Church 603 Union St. Fredericton, NB Mass Time Saturdays at 4:00 PM

Upcoming Events

Sunday June 4th St. Theresa's Church **Confirmation 7:00 PM**

Sunday June 11th St. Theresa's Church Fundraiser for Steubenville Atlantic Conference See Page Two for Details



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 June 6th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's (No Mass) Funeral Mass Shelia Barlow St. Anthony's Wednesday June 7th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's **Eleanor Raab** Thursday June 8th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's Jackie Cook Friday June 9th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's John McAloon Saturday June 10th 4:00 pm St. Anthony's Gillie LeBlanc Sunday June 11th 8:45 AM St. Patrick's Mass for the People Sunday June 11th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's Jossy Joseph

Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office. 444-6010

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update						Website & Social Media www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca
May 28, 2023			Weekly	Contributions		
Offertory Capital Infrastructure	\$	4,853 50	Offertory Budget Needs	\$	4,853 (5,255)	Keep up to date on all activities, news and weather cancelations!
Special Collections Other		90 150	Excess <mark>(Shortfall</mark>) Year-to-Date	\$	(402)	Find us on: facebook。
Total	\$	5,143	Offertory	\$	112,726	@Ourladyofpeaceparishfredericton
			Budget Needs		113,315	5 Office Numbers
			Excess <mark>(Shortfall</mark>)	\$	(589)	Fr. Maria's 444-6070
Our Lady of Peace is sus talent			nerosity of our parishio r all you do, THANK YOU		rough time,	Patty Cameron 444-6018

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<u>**Confessions</u>** Fr. Maria will hear confessions one half hour before each weekend Mass at all our Parish Churches.</u>



St. Theresa's Church This week the Sanctuary Lamp Burns in Memory of *Harry Mullin*

Offered by Claudette

SAVE THE DATE: JULY 9, 2023



Plans are underway for Our Lady of Peace Feast Day. This being the fifth anniversary of our three churches becoming one parish we are planning a celebration everyone can

enjoy! So, mark your calendar's and free up your schedule for July 9th and plan to join in on the celebrations!

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.

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.

Pease fill one out and drop it in the offertory basket or drop it by the Parish Office.

Note From The Office: Thank you to all who have dropped into the office to pick out a Prayer Shawl. There are still some left if you know of someone who could use a beautiful blessed Prayer Shawl for comfort.

Fundraiser for Steubenville Atlantic Conference ~ youth attending the Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference will be holding a fundraiser on Sunday, June 11th. Join us for a special coffee after Mass in St. Theresa's church hall with coffee, tea, juice and delicious treats. The youth will also be washing cars in the parking lot for a donation and collecting recyclable bottles. Bottles can be dropped off before or after Mass. Please look for our donation jars at each of our churches. The youth are excited to attend this event with other catholic youth from Atlantic Canada and thank you for your support.

Annual Collection for the Cathedral Restoration. As you know, the results of our diocesan planning study are still being reviewed and a path forward discerned, hopefully by the summer. I want to thank you for your support of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception over the past year, especially through the 2022 Corpus Christi Collection. Proceeds from this collection as well as other donations made around this time contributed more than \$90,000.00 towards restoration efforts. In addition to this, two large gifts totaling \$1 million helped to fund the ceiling restoration work that was recently completed. The gift of kind benefactors enabled the insulation of the ceiling and the restoration of the Virgin's Chapel and the front doors. I am truly humbled by the generosity and sacrifices of our parishes to help preserve our mother church. Bishop Christian Riesbeck

Cathedral Restoration Envelopes are available at all Our Lady of Peace Churches.

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.

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 <u>www.campsheldrake.ca</u>. This opportunity is made possible by a generous offer from a parishioner.

Congratulations Confirmation Candidates!



The following Confirmation Candidates will be confirmed this Sunday at 7:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church by Bishop Christian Riesbeck. Please keep them in your prayers as they embark on the next phase of their faith journey.

Hudson Adams	Aloysius Adima-Ulor	Josaphat Adima-Ulor
Ella Estey	Jayla Etheridge	Clara Guitard
Payton Murdock	Mary Nagbe	Cameron Neal
Jackson Ramier	Azi Rodrigo	Erick Saunders



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<u>https://nbmc-cmnb.ca/resources-for-ukraine/volunteers-hosts-and-donations/</u>



Coming soon the **Summer Bronze Rush** is back. Watch the bulletin for all the details and start date. Good Luck to all who choose to play.

Our Lady of Grace is having it's Lasagna Supper Sunday, June 11 at Sts. John and Paul Church, New Maryland from 4:30 to 6:00pm. There will be Caesar salad, garlic bread and home made desserts. There will also be a bake sale and silent auction. The cost is Adults \$15 and Children \$6

	St. Anthony's	St. Theresa's	
Hospitality	Mona & Ray McCarthy	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Andre Paier, Darren Richard, Ed Theriault	
Eucharistic Minister	Merla Spires	Deborah Allen & Marg Anderson	
Altar Servers	Bonnie Bowlen	Vlad Gabe, Joe & Al Adimalor, David Gutierrez	
Lector Greg Feener		A. Adima-ulor	
Sacristan		Mary Fitzpatrick	

Ministry Schedule June 10th & 11th

Our Sacred Stories - Trinity: The Language of God

Language is a remarkable thing. We all have it. We all use it. For the human species, language is one of our primary characteristics. The fact that we communicate with each other in such a complex fashion is something that differentiates us from other living creatures. No other species on earth can communicate and relate to one another in the way that we do.

But language can also express how we differ. We know that there are many instances where language is an expression of our differences and can even create divisions among us. Even in Scripture we find a recognition and expression of this negative side of language, for example in the story of the Tower of Babel (Gen.11:1-9). For the most part, however, language is a positive thing. It is how we speak to one another. Language builds our relationships.

As human beings, one of our deepest longings is to know that there is something beyond ourselves. We may not know what this involves, but we do recognize that we are not complete, there must be something more. This quest for "something more, something beyond" is a spiritual quest. It is the search for God and for how we relate to this God. In the Jewish and Christian tradition, we have a faith that while we are in search of God, God is also questing for us. The 19th century English poet, Francis Thompson, captured this in his poem, *The Hound of Heaven*. As he fled from God, this God of ours was always in pursuit.

This is the image of God that we find throughout our Scriptures, a God of *covenant love*. The God of Jews, and Christians (and of Islam) is a God that loves us and seeks to establish a relationship with us. What is God's language? How does God speak to us?

God speaks in the many instances of covenant care and loving outreach that our Scriptures reveal to us. We see it in the great covenant that God makes with Moses and the Israelites in their escape from Egypt in the Exodus. This is referred to in the first reading today (Ex.34:4-6, 8-9). The prophets of the Old Testament continually sought to have God's People accept and live by this covenant of love to which God called them.

This covenant of love is renewed in Jesus and the Incarnation. It is a love so strong that God comes into our humanity in the person of Jesus the Christ. What a way to speak to us! What a language to use! The language of God is in the person of Jesus. It is this language of God that draws us into relationship with our God. It creates a bond between us and our God. It speaks to us of what God is. God is **Trinity** – a loving relationship of three persons in One God.

What is the language of God? It is an expression of God's own self, the loving relationship of **Trinity**. It has been expressed in the covenant love shown throughout our Scriptures. It has been revealed in the gift of the Incarnation and Jesus. It continues to be the language of God in our own lives with the gift of the Spirit given to each of us. **Trinity** has been, is now and will be the language of God's love for us.

John Jennings Feast of the Trinity