

# OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

*"Three Churches One Faith Community"*

## BULLETIN

**Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> 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

#### August 25<sup>th</sup>

CWL Bursary Application Deadline

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church**

Geneva Anne Collette

**Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**

Kevin Ryan

**Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church**

Vera McAloon

**Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**

Nelson Dunn

**Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church**

Annie & Donald Rediker

**Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup> 8:45 am - St. Patrick's Church**

Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Church Community

**Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church**

Marie Shields

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

### OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

#### Weekly Offertory – August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Sunday Contributions: \$3,099.00

Auto Debit (average): \$2,029.00

**Total: \$5,128.00**

Weekly Budget Needs: \$5,860.00

**Excess (Shortfall) (\$ 732.00)**

Capital Infrastructure: \$ 125.00

Special Collections: \$

Other: \$ 90.00

#### Year-to-Date

Offertory: \$168,273.00

Budget Needs: \$193,380.00

**Excess (Shortfall): (\$ 25,107.00)**

Information inquires should be directed to:

Frank O'Donnell 472-0145

(mbfod@nbnet.nb.ca) or Greg Feener

472-9364 (glf@nbnet.nb.ca)

### WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

[www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](http://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)

Keep up to date on all activities,  
news and weather cancelations!



@OurLadyofPeaceParishFredericton

*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

## Thank You

After the big show at the lawn I was able to shift my things to the rectory. I felt the warmth of your love as I moved into the rectory that was well cleaned and decorated. Now I would say the North side is the best so far.

Thank you to all who helped welcome me to Our Lady of Peace. Thank you to those who helped to put the rectory in order by cleaning and decorating. Thanks also to those who helped to put together the installation both in the church and for the reception.

May the Lord bless you all and smile upon you always for all that you do to me.

*Fr. Maria*



### 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.



### 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.

### RELIGIOUS FORMATION UPDATE

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

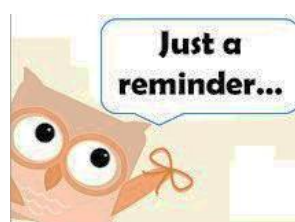
After receiving parent feedback, the parish has decided to proceed with a combination online/in person program this fall. Details can be found on our website.

**Families from ALL three churches are invited to register and join!** Please note that to receive 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist children 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](http://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)**

**Early registration will help us prepare materials and volunteers.**



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.**

We will continue to maintain the 6-foot distance while sitting in pews so that parishioners can remove their masks during Mass.

***Thank you for your continued cooperation!***

**Parish Office Summer Hours** ~ Beginning Monday, July 6<sup>th</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup> the parish office will be closed on Mondays. Irene and Patty will be available during office hours (9:00 am to 4:00 pm) Tuesdays to Friday.

We are working hard to find ways to bring back parish activities in the fall while working within public health guidelines to keep parishioners safe. Our methods of delivery or locations may change but our goal is to keep Our Lady of Peace Parish the vibrant community it has always been. Watch the bulletin, parish website and Facebook page for information on parish activities, including parish nursing as they become available.

## Adult Faith Formation Opportunities



**Who will you invite?** Alpha is an ecumenical program. It is perfect place to discuss the big questions of life. Introduce people to God or renew your own relationship with Jesus. **Our next course will start Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**The Wild Goose: Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit** ~ Beginning Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. This faith formation study focusing on the Holy Spirit in our lives will meet online bi-weekly.

Registration is now open for both programs!

To register please email:

[pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto: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"

**If you have any questions, please contact the parish office for assistance.**

**Attention High School Graduates** ~ Our Lady of Peace Parish, St. Theresa's CWL, is offering a \$700.00 bursary to any high school graduate continuing their education. Applications are available on the parish website [www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](http://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca). Application deadline is August 25<sup>th</sup>.

The parish is excited to offer to parishioners a valuable resource to explore the Catholic faith!

FORMED is a subscription based media platform that specializes in Catholic content. Diving into the beauty of the Faith has never been easier: at home, on the go, or from any internet connected device. Discover thousands of books, audio talks, movies, documentaries, and studies... there is something for every member of the family to help you grow closer to Christ and His Church.

We have purchased a parish subscription so that everyone can access FORMED.

## FORMED is our gift to you

Registering for FORMED is EASY!

- Go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup)
- Select our parish by Our Lady of Peace Parish or entering our Postal Code – E3A 3N5
- Register with your name and email address
- Check your email account for a link to begin using FORMED

## Patty's Pick of the Week on FORMED



**There is a large selection of books for the whole family on FORMED just waiting for you for you to discover!**

For the kids! **Ryan Defrates: Secret Agent**. An animated action-adventure series about a young spy with a whole lot to learn!

**Have you tried FORMED yet? Let us know what you have enjoyed on FORMED!**

**Scholarship Opportunity** ~ The Catholic Health Association of New Brunswick is offering 2 Scholarships in the amount of \$1000.00 each, they will be awarded to 1 student studying in a French educational institution and 1 student studying in an English educational institution. **Students must be entering their second year of studies or later**, in a post-secondary program in the field of health care. Information and application forms are available online at [www.chanb.com](http://www.chanb.com) or by email at [catholichealth@chpci.com](mailto:catholichealth@chpci.com). Applications must be post marked by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

# MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEK OF AUGUST 25<sup>TH</sup> TO AUGUST 30<sup>TH</sup>

St. Anthony's – Tuesday @ 7:00 pm		St. Theresa's – Wednesday @ 7:00 pm
Screeners/Ushers	Denyse Smart Cathy Bowlen Marilyn Brennan	Lawrence Holleran
Lector	Cathy Bowlen	Jeannette Cunningham
St. Anthony's – Thursday @ 10:00 am		St. Theresa's – Friday @ 12:00 pm
Screeners/Ushers	Merla Spires Ken Harris Sue Inkster	Mary Billings Patty Cameron
Lector	Merla Spires	Betty MacNeil
St. Anthony's – Saturday at 4:00 pm		St. Theresa's – Sunday at 11:00 am
Screeners/Ushers	Mary Feener Allie Hicks Vicky Knight	Janet Matheson Tracy Horsley Martin Colford
Lector	Maureen Buck	Leonce Savoie

## Living with Uncertainties and Discoveries In Life... and Faith

Six months of Covid-19, no end in sight. When will the limits and restrictions be lifted? When can we again cross borders? When will we be able to gather freely with family, with friends? When will schools, work, community gatherings return in fullness? Will there be treatments, vaccines? When? So many unknowns, such uncertainties. Life has so many

In a world filled with uncertainties, facing constant questions, we live with many challenges. Yet... it is from our questions and often, doubts that we come to discovery, to finding new ways and new understandings of our world, our lives and even our faith.

Several years ago, I met a student who had many questions – questions about faith, questions about the Church, questions about our traditions and practices. She thought that she could no longer be Catholic, because she had these questions. She felt she did not believe everything and so was not Catholic.

In fact, to have faith is to have questions, and we all have them, lots of them. To believe is to want to understand and this necessarily raises questions in us. Such faith discovery is not unlike any of our relationships. When we first meet someone, we begin to ask questions. If they are someone with whom we want a relationship, questions arise, maybe even doubts about them, about us, about our relationship. To question is part of human life and part of faith.

To live in the Catholic faith means we are on a life-long journey. As we identify our doubts and ask our questions we are led to changes in our lives and to action, living the faith that we are coming to understand. It is not possible to have faith in what God is revealing to us in Jesus, his life and his mission without accepting changes in the way we live. Our Faith starts with knowing, with grasping words and teachings. Then it grows into a “living faith”, that is a relationship, touching not only our head, but our heart. Like all relationships, it is alive. It grows over a lifetime.

When Jesus asks his disciples in Matthew's Gospel “Who do you say that I am?” there was a variety of responses (Matt 16:13-20). Peter gave a remarkable one, but we can be sure that he did not fully understand what he said. Every expression of our faith is more a beginning than a conclusion. It leads us to more uncertainties and further questions. As well, like a couple in a marriage, the commitment of faith will take us to action and to places that we would not otherwise have gone. When it does, then we can say we have a “living faith”. In doing so, we discover the wonder of building a new world in which we live – the Reign of God takes on a reality for us and we other.

Whether it is the questions, fears and uncertainties of Covid-19, or the doubts and challenges we face in faith, they are often the route to discoveries and new ways of acting and living. The challenges, uncertainties and questions open the door to discovering new life.

*John Jennings*