

# Our Lady of Peace Parish

*"Three Churches One Faith Community"*

## Bulletin

**Sunday, October 31, 2021 - 31<sup>th</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

**Mass with Consecration to  
St. Joseph**

Monday Nov 1<sup>st</sup> 10:00 St. Anthony's Church

**Service of Remembrance**

Friday November 26<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm

St. Anthony's Church

### Mass Times & Intentions

**Tuesday, November 2nd 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**  
Michael Cunningham

**Wednesday November 3rd 10:00am - St. Anthony's**  
Arnold Gordon Polches

**Thursday, November 4th 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**  
Joan Cripps

**Friday November 5<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church**  
Marion White

**Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church**  
Dora McEachern

**Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup> 8:45 pm - St. Patrick's Church**  
Deceased Members St. Patrick's & Previous Missions

**Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church**  
Carney Heustis

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

### Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

#### Weekly Offertory – Oct 24, 2021

Sunday Contributions:	\$2,634.00
Auto Debit (average):	<u>\$2,146.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,780.00</b>
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$5,400.00
<b>Excess (Shortfall)</b>	<b>( \$620.00)</b>
Capital Infrastructure:	\$ 125.00
Special Collections:	\$ 50.00
Other:	\$ 340.00

#### Year-to-Date

Offertory:	\$ 210,087.00
Budget Needs:	<u>\$ 232,200.00</u>
<b>Excess (Shortfall):</b>	<b>(\$ 22,113.00)</b>

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!



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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

## COVID Protocol Update

Effective this weekend the Province of New Brunswick is requiring all places of worship in New Brunswick to put the following COVID-19 measures in place. Please note that you will not be asked to show proof of vaccination to attend Mass.

- Masks are required at all times in church buildings.
- Each of our churches will operate at 50% or less capacity.
- Maintain two metres of physical distancing between different households. The only exception to the 2m between households are for those who have arrived together in the same vehicle.
- No congregational singing. A cantor is permitted during Mass.
- No physical sign of peace is to be exchanged during Mass.
- Record names of all attendees and contact information by row or have a consistent assigned seating plan for contact tracing.
- Parishioners will be screened at the door for COVID-19 symptoms and asked if you have been instructed to self-isolate.

Other activities using parish facilities, including Parish Nursing activities, meetings, presentations, workshops and Religious Formation for children, youth and adults will require proof of vaccination or provincially approved proof of exemption to attend for people over 12 years of age.

We encourage parishioners to continue to monitor their health before attending Mass and choose to attend/not attend accordingly. Your cooperation and understanding as we navigate these new restrictions is very much appreciated.



## Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays 1:00 at St. Patrick's Church \*  
Thursdays 11:30 at St. Theresa's Church \*  
Fridays 9:30 am at St. Anthony's Church \*

*\* if there is no weekday Mass on Thursday or Friday, Adoration is also cancelled.*

## 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 "our lady of peace"

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.**

## Truth and Reconciliation

**Website Resources** ~ Our Lady of Peace Parish website has been updated to include a page entitled "Truth and Reconciliation" with resources, articles and prayers for all ages. Resources will be added as they become available.

## Religious Formation

To register for Our Lady of Peace Religious Formation programs please contact Patty Cameron at [pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto:pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)

## You are Invited!

St. Mary's Faith Community's Annual Reflection Mission

November 3rd, 4th and 5th at 7:00 pm

St. Mary's Chapel, Base Gagetown

Mission Leader: Father Bill Burke

Pastor of Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys, Sydney NS & former head of Liturgy for the CCCB



**Proof of double vaccination required**



## October's Bronze Rush **WE HAVE A WINNER**

**Sylvia Donovan**

To enter November's "Bronze Rush" contact Irene at the parish office (444-6010). Draw will be made on Nov 30<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds from this last RUSH will help with our Christmas Outreach Program in our communities. .

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### Parish Nursing

**From War & Anxiety to Reason & Peace** ~ two hour mental health workshop, Tuesday November 2<sup>nd</sup>

**POSTPONED TILL LATER DATE**

**NEWSLETTER Fall 2021 Parish Nursing.** We've all faced immense hardships as a result of the pandemic. If you're willing, share your story by sending me an e-mail of any significant moment or event and how you coped or celebrate (approx. 250 words). Our stories resonate with one another and let us know that we are a community. We are all in this together [vicky.knight@bellaliant.net](mailto:vicky.knight@bellaliant.net)

As of Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> those wanting to take part in Parish Nursing activities must be prepared to show proof of vaccination or provincially approved proof of exemption.



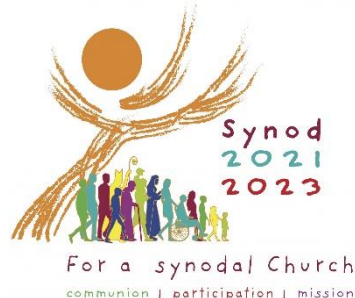
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### **Year of St. Joseph**

**Dec. 8, 2020 to Dec. 8, 2021**

**Consecration to St. Joseph** Mass will take place Monday, Nov 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am at St. Anthony's

**Have you heard about the AMEN app?** ~ New from the Augustine Institute the free Amen app is a Christian approach to mindfulness. Amen provides faithful prayers rooted in Tradition to calm restless hearts; Catholic meditations to deepen your relationship with Christ, and nourishing Scripture to feed hungry souls. The app is available on the Apple App store or visit [amenapp.org/signup](http://amenapp.org/signup).



**Wondering what is happening in the parish?** ~ Check out the parish monthly activity calendar available at each of our parish churches and online.

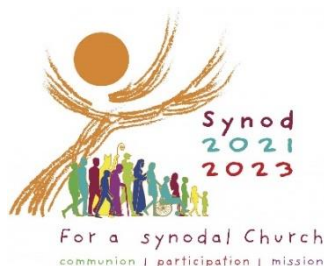
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  - Select our parish by Our Lady of Peace Parish or entering our Postal Code – E3A 3N5
  - Register with your name and email address
- Check your email account for a link to begin using FORMED.



On October 10, 2021, Pope Francis inaugurated a 2-year-long synodal process for the universal Church "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission".

Dioceses worldwide opened the Synodal process at the local level on October 17, including the Diocese of Saint John.

A consultation process at the local church and diocesan level will soon begin. Everyone will be invited to add their voice as we listen and discern together. Please watch the bulletin for more details how you can take part. A letter from Bishop Reisbeck can be found on our parish website [www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](http://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca).

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### **Parish Take-Out Supper – Another Great Success!**

Thank you to Les Clements and all the workers who helped organize, prepare, cook, serve and clean up after the meal. Thank you to Irene for ticket sales and Patty for the promotion and coordination of our youth volunteers. Assistance came from the entire Parish. Finally, thank you to all parishioners who purchased **180** tickets and made generous donations in support of this successful Parish fundraiser, which realized a **net profit of \$3,650**.

## Ministry Schedule Week of NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> & 7<sup>TH</sup>

	St. Anthony's - Saturday 4:00 pm	St. Theresa's - Sunday at 11:00 am
Screeners/Ushers	Mary Feener, Mona & Ray McCarthy	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick Martin Colford, Allison Wrynn, Tracy Horsley Ed Theriault, Betty MacNeil
Lector	Greg Feener	Kendra VanLeeuwen

### Our Sacred Stories

#### A Faith Journey with Saints and Souls

*I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints.* These words and what they express are part of the Apostles Creed a gift to us from our earliest ancestors in the Faith. It comes down to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century from the Christian community of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Centuries. Among the things that are central to our faith and that we find in this creed is the testimony of our faith in the *communion of saints*. Creeds like the Apostles Creed or the Nicene Creed are more intellectual expressions of belief. They are descriptors of who we are and who we are to become.

What is this *communion of saints* and what does it mean for us today? The early Christians had a deep sense that their relationship with God and with Jesus was something that drew them into a community of faith. To be a disciple of Jesus was to live and work and pray with other disciples. In fact so strong was the bond that drew these believers together that it did not end with death. Their sense of being a community of believers included those who had died and gone before them. In addition, it included those who had not yet been born, but would be future disciples.

It is not unlike what we experience in our families. We fondly remember our grandparents, our uncles and aunts and all those of our family who have gone before us. We have an interest, a curiosity about our roots and the origins of our family. We tell many stories of these roots. At the same time, we are excited and rejoice when a new person enters our family, whether by a birth or a marriage. The basis of our family relationships is a bond of love that draws us together and allows us to identify with one another.

The *communion of saints* shares a similar bond. It is a community tied together by a shared experience of God who loves us into life, who sustains us in life and who ultimately draws us to an everlasting life of love with God's own self. We do not know how this all takes place, but we trust in faith that the love of God never dies, never ends and never leaves us.

Mark's Gospel describes Jesus in a debate with some of the authorities in the Temple (Mark 12:28-34). One of them, a scribe asks Jesus a fundamental question: "Which commandment is the first of all?" This is a basic question for all of us. How do we do what is right and good? How do we live in relationship with God who made and sustains us in life? In response, Jesus tells the scribe that at its heart, our relationship with God is one of love. Our response to God's love is to love God in return and to do so in how we love one another. This is the bond and the meaning of the *communion of saints*.

In our tradition, we celebrate two particular feasts - All Saints and All Souls (Nov. 1 & 2). These are celebrations of who we are. Our community of believers, past, present and to come is the *communion of saints* reaching back to the distant generations of God's beloved people. It regards all of the present beloved people of God and it anticipates all who are yet to come into this community of faith. What we express as our faith in the *communion of saints* is our belief that God's love knows no limits. There are no limits even in time. Past, present and future are all within the circle of God's love.

These two feast days celebrate the *communion of saints*. Is it any wonder that the day before these two feasts is Halloween (Holy Evening)? Both of these days point to the importance of the *communion of saints* for our faith. They help us to understand that our faith is not just about a relationship of God and me. It is God's loving relationship with all humanity, past, present and to come.

John Jennings

31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time