# Our Lady of Peace Parish

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

### Bulletin

# Sunday, October 10, 2021 - 28th 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

#### **Touched by Cancer Mass**

Friday, October 15th 7:00 pm St. Anthony's Church

#### **Sacrament of Confirmation**

Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup> 3:00 pm St. Anthony's Church

#### **Family Religious Formation**

Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup> 9:45 am St. Theresa's Church Hall

#### **Parish Fall Take-Out Supper**

Sunday, October 24th

#### Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church June Wells

Wednesday October 13<sup>th</sup> 10:00am–St. Anthony's Church No Intention

Thursday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church John Wells

Friday October 15<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 pm St. Anthony's Church Touched By Cancer Mass

Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church Special Anniversary Wishes

Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup> 8:45 pm - St. Patrick's Church Elsie and Boyd Cleveland

Sunday, October 17<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 – Oct 03, 2021		Year-to-Date	
Sunday Contributions:	\$3,481.00	Offertory:	\$ 195,783.00
Auto Debit (average):	\$2,146.00	Budget Needs:	\$ 216,000.00
Total:	\$5,627.00	Excess (Shortfall):	(\$ 20,217.00)
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$5,400.00	Information inquires should be	
Excess (Shortfall)	\$227.00	directe	ed to:
Capital Infrastructure:	\$ 704.00	Frank O'Donn	ell 472-0145
Special Collections:	\$ 170.00	(mbfod@nbnet.nb.o	ca) or Greg Feener
Other:	\$ 340.00	472-9364 (glf@	nbnet.nb.ca)

Our Lady of Peace is sustained by the generosity of our parishioners through time, talent and treasure. **For all that you do, THANK YOU!** 

### Website & Social Media

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

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



@Ourladyofpeaceparishfredericton

### 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**

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

#### 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.

Wondering what is happening in the parish? ~ Check out



the parish monthly activity calendar available at each of our parish churches and online

at

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca.

## Religious Formation

**Family Religious Formation** ~ Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 9:45 to 10:45 am at St. Theresa's Church Hall.

To register for Our Lady of Peace Religious Formation programs please contact Patty Cameron at pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

**Sacrament of Confirmation** ~ the Sacrament of Confirmation for youth completing Confirmation Preparation will be celebrated on Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm at St. Anthony's Church. Due to current COVID restrictions the Mass will be limited to Confirmation Candidates, their families and invited guests only. Please keep these youth in your prayers.



### October's Bronze Rush is Filling **Fast**

So far this month 52 people have entered to play Bronze Rush. Only \$5.00 for a chance to win.

To enter October's "Bronze Rush" contact Irene at the parish office (444-6010). Draw will be made on Oct 29th.

### Parish Nursing Note from Vicky Knight, Parish Nurse

Fall Registration for Activities. If you're interested in joining any programs - activities for the FALL- please let us know ASAP as instructors need to plan and spots are filling up! Please give me a call at 454-8538 or send me an e-mail at vicky.knight@bellaliant.net

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 email 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

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.

# **FORMED**

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#### **Registering for FORMED is EASY!**

- Go to <u>formed.org/signup</u>
- 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.



### **Our Lady of Peace Parish** BIKE AND HIKE

Thank you to all who participated in the

Bike and Hike.

Huge success and fun was had by all.

### Our Lady of Peace Parish Take-Out Fall Supper Sunday, October 24th St. Theresa's Church

Roast beef dinner, including potatoes, gravy, vegetables, roll and apple crisp for dessert.

> \$20.00 / meal Includes at \$5.00 tax receipt Tickets sold in advance only at Parish Office Take-out times at 4:00, 4:30, 5:00 and

Due to COVID restrictions we will not be able to accept food donations for the Parish Supper. If you would like to help

5:30 pm

out with the cost of the supper you can make a cash donation by placing your donation in an envelope marked Parish Supper Donation with your name, envelope number or address clearly marked. Donations can be placed in the collection baskets at the three churches or dropped at the parish office. Donations will be added to your tax receipt for 2021.

Volunteers are needed Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> for meal prep and Sunday, October 24th to cook and package COVID protocols will be followed and all meals. volunteers must be fully vaccinated and masks must be worn at all times. If you are able to help out, please contact the parish office at 444-6010 or email Les Clements at clements@nbnet.nb.ca

#### **Update**

Parish Supper is still scheduled for Oct 24<sup>th</sup>. We will only cancel if the Fredericton area goes into a lockdown or circuit breaker shutdown. In that event refunds will be issued. The supper committee is well into the planning stages. Donations of funds are still appreciated and we are still looking for volunteers. Please contact Irene at the Parish Office if interested in helping.

Pray that we can pull this off again this year! Together we can make this a great fundraiser for our parish!

### Ministry Schedule Week of October 16th and 17th

	St. Anthony's - Saturday 4:00 pm		St. Theresa's - Sunday at 11:00 am	
Screeners/Ushers	Mary Feener	Bonnie Bowlen	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick	
	Vicky Knight		Martin Colford, Elaine Read, Tracy Horsley	
			AJ Horsley, Darren Richard	
Lector	Mary Anne VanOostwaard		Aloysia Adima-ulor	

#### **Our Sacred Stories**

#### What Am I Doing? What Does My Life Mean?

A man approached Jesus and asked him] What must I do to inherit eternal life?... Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor,... then come, follow me."

(Mark 10:17-30)

A standard practice in our lives is to check out the cost of things. Looking at a purchase, we need to know the cost. Before we act, we want to know what we have to do in order to achieve our goal. This is wise human behavior. But perhaps there are sometimes other considerations that may influence our decision-making. For instance, a relationship with another person calls for much more than a consideration of goals and costs. A simple friendship or a decision to marry involves more than an accounting exercise or a campaign plan.

The person who approached Jesus in Mark's Gospel, is so much like ourselves. He is checking out what it will take to assure eternal life. "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" The man wants to have a clear sense of what he will have to put into this quest for eternal life. Sometimes, it seems that the aim of our faith is to assure ourselves that we have a place in heaven and what that will cost us. Perhaps we are missing the point. Jesus shows us to a different way.

After the man asks his question, Jesus recalls the commandments to him. In response, the man indicates that he has kept all of them since his youth. Jesus' response to the man is both interesting and instructive. Mark tells us, "Jesus looking at him, loved him." Then he goes on to say: "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor." Here is the core of our Christian faith.

First of all, we need to know that Jesus loves us, always loves us. More than this, the Incarnation is the great sign that God loves us and will always love us, unconditionally. In Jesus, God has come among us and shares our humanity as a sign of this great loving act of God. The Gospel writer John has expressed it: "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

Mark relates that Jesus says more to the man. The love that we receive from God and that we can see in Jesus is not just for ourselves. It is a love that must always be shared. It has to move outward, especially to those who are the most vulnerable and the most in need. The message we have received from Jesus and that we hold in Christian faith, necessarily leads us outward in compassion, caring and service.

So, what is our faith all about? It is in fact about eternal life but not as something solely future. It is about finding God's love expressed in the here and now. The way Jesus looked at the man in Mark's Gospel was with a look of love. The man was called to take that same look of love, expressing it in actions of love to the most vulnerable where he was. He was looking for answers and meaning for his life. Isn't that us. The answer the man received is the response we all receive. God's love is unconditional for us. Our love in action is called to reflect the same – for all, everywhere, at all times.