## Our Lady of Peace Parish

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

## Bulletin

## Sunday, June 12th 2022 – Most Holy Trinity

#### **Pastoral Office**

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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
45 Royal Road
Fredericton, NB
Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 am

#### Upcoming Events

Monday June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Feast of St. Anthony of Padua

Friday June 17<sup>th</sup> 5:30 pm
St. Patrick's Church
Baccalaureate Service for Graduating Class 2022
Of Stanley Consolidated School. All Welcome.
Friday June 17<sup>th</sup>
Touched by Cancer Mass 7:00 pm

Saturday July 9, 2022 Our Lady of Peace Feast Day

#### Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday June 14th 12:00 St. Theresa's
Catherine Anderson
Wednesday June 15th 10:00 St. Anthony's
Connie Sueyras
Thursday June 16th 12:00 St. Theresa's
David Elgee
Friday June 17<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm St. Anthony's
Touched by Cancer Mass
Saturday June 18th 4:00 pm St. Anthony's
Mass for the People
Sunday June 19th 8:45 am St. Patrick's
Jordon Brewer
Sunday June 19th 11:00 am St. Theresa's
James Barron

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

#### Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Weekly Offertory Jun 5, 2022			Year-to-Date		
Sunday Contributions:	\$ 4	1,305.00	Offertory:	\$	109,210.00
Auto Debit (average):	<b>\$</b> 1	L,978.00	Budget Needs:	\$	115,000.00
Total:	\$ 6	5,283.00	Excess (Shortfall):	(\$	5,790.00)
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$ 5,000.00		Information inquires should be		
Excess (Shortfall)	\$ :	1,283.00	directe	ed to:	
Capital Infrastructure:	\$	460.00	Frank O'Donn	ell 47	2-0145
Special Collections:	\$	70.00	(mbfod@nbnet.nb.	ca) or	Greg Feener
Other:	\$	180.00	472-9364 (glf@	nbne	t.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

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www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

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



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Fr. Maria's Office Number 444-6070

Wondering what is happening in the parish? **Parish** Calendar

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

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

#### **Parish Announcements** For Everyone's Safety and Protection

Now that COVID restrictions have ended we would like to acknowledge that parishioners will have different comfort levels and we ask for everyone's patience and kindness as parishioners assess their own level of risk and comfort.

Although no longer mandated, we encourage the continued use of masks in our church buildings for your protection and the protection of our vulnerable parishioners, those too young to be vaccinated and those with underlying health conditions. Hand sanitizer will continue to be available and you are asked to use it as you enter the church and before receiving communion.

Please continue to monitor your health and make decision to attend/not attend accordingly. Your cooperation and understanding as we return to pre-COVID restrictions is very much appreciated.

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Wednesday 1:00 pm - St. Patrick's Church

- \* Thursday 11:30 am St. Theresa's Church
- \*Friday 9:30 am 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 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.

Confirmation Preparation: Are you Interested in beginning your journey to Confirmation? ~ We are looking to see how many youth entering Grade 8 and up in the fall of 2022 are interested in participating in Confirmation Preparation with the date of the Sacrament of Confirmation during the 2024 Easter Season. If there is enough interest, sessions will begin in early October. Please contact Patty Cameron at 444-6018 pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca. Please feel free to share this information with families and youth who may be interested.

Looking for a way to become involved and get to know families in the parish? Our Lady of Peace Faith Formation Team is looking for leaders. Each month (September to May) our team leads family style faith formation sessions for parish families. Using an easy to use program you will help facilitate meaningful faith filled discussions and help families grow in faith together. Our team approach to leading sessions means that no one leader is responsible for a whole session. No experience is necessary. For more information, please contact Patty at 444-6018 or pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca



St. Anthony's Irma Tucker Offered Marg & Roy Anderson St. Theresa's **Kay Trevors** Offered Marg & Roy Anderson



Thanks to Hope Gardens & Nursery 71 Evans Road, Minto for supplying the beautiful Hanging Baskets outside our Parish Center.

#### **Urgent Call**

Green Village is in desperate need of non-perishable food items for the Food Bank. If you are able and would like to help out, please drop off your donation at the Parish Center. You can put your donations in the big yellow container at the back door if your coming after hours. Thank you.

#### **Cathedral Restoration Project**

Please find inserted in the bulletin a letter from Bishop Riesbeck concerning the restoration project for the Cathedral. Envelopes for donations have been placed at each church in our Parish.

#### **Data Base Updates**

Thank you to all who have called the office to ensure all their contact information is correct. I am still missing a lot of addresses, phone numbers and emails. I thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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# TO THE PARTY.

#### **Pastoral Council Notes**

## Our Lady of Peace Feast Day Saturday July 9th

All parishioners in of Our Lady of Peace Parish are invited to gather at St. Anthony's Church on July 9<sup>th</sup> at 4pm for an outdoor mass followed by a barbeque and social time. Please note that the Masses at St. Patrick's and St. Theresa's will be cancelled on July 10<sup>th</sup>. If you are able to help in the preparation of this celebration, please contact us by emailing the olppastoralcouncilfredericton@gmail.com or call Rochelle Ivey at 451-7221.

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#### **Support for Ukraine**

Pastoral Council is currently looking at different opportunities for our parish to help the people of Ukraine. Please join pastoral council in prayer for Ukraine.

Prayer For Ukraine and Russia
Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine and Russia,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.
We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength, and wisdom to guide
their choices.

We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world.

Amen.

You can reach out to Pastoral Council at any time by e-mailing olppastoralcouncilfredericton@gmail.com

#### **DEVELOPMENT & PEACE/ SHARE YEAR ROUND**

D & P monthly giving program allows you to make a real difference in the struggle of our partners in the Global South. By becoming a **Share Year-Round member**, you help the most marginalized people of the world take control of their lives and build a better future. Every donation you make is important and helps us achieve our goals of justice and peace in the world.

When you donate to D & P on a monthly basis, you can be assured that your donation will be used wisely. From March 2 to June 5, 2022\*, those who become monthly donors (or increase their monthly donation) will have their annual contribution matched dollar for dollar. For example, a monthly donation of \$10 will be matched up to \$120, and Development and Peace will receive a total of \$240 over the course of the year. This initiative is made possible by a \$160,000 matching fund endowed by benefactors and religious communities who generously support our work. Thank-You for considering this request, Allison Wrynn on behalf of Development & Peace.

#### PRAYER TO ST. ANTHONY

O HOLY St. Anthony, gentlest of Saints, your love for God and charity for his creatures made you worthy even on earth to possess miraculous powers. Miracles waited on your word which you were ever ready to speak for those in trouble or anxiety. Encouraged by this thought, I implore you to obtain for me my request (here mention your intention).

The answer to my prayer may require a miracle; even so, you are the Saint of miracles. O gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart is ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the sweet Infant Jesus, who loved to be enfolded in your arms, and the gratitude of my heart will be ever yours.

#### **FEAST OF SAINT ANTHONY**

The Feast of Saint Anthony this year falls on Monday, June 13; so special recognition will be observed during our weekend Masses on June 11 and 12, 2022. This special recognition will occur at all three Church Buildings in our Parish.

Also, for those devoted to Saint Anthony, and interested in Praying the Novena to Saint Anthony, it needs to start nine days prior to the Feast Day, hence this Saturday, June 4. I will have some hard copies with me this weekend; but I can also provide more detailed information by contacting me at 506-470-9390 or at <a href="mailto:firefly@nbnet.nb.ca">firefly@nbnet.nb.ca</a>. Allison Wrynn

#### Ministry Schedule June 18th & June 19th

	St. Anthony's	St. Theresa's
Hospitality	Bonnie Bowlen & Vicky Knight	Mary Fitzgerald, Martin Colford Andre Paier, Betty MacNeil
Eucharistic Ministers		Mary Ellen & Lawrence Holleran
Alter Server	Merla Spires	
Lector	Kelly Bowlen	Aloysia Adimaulor

#### Our Sacred Stories. Easter: Trinity – Questions and Mysteries???

What? How? Why? Who? So what? Our lives are full of questions. Sometimes, Google or Alexa offers an answer to some questions. But rarely do we find responses to our fundamental human questions, those that we discover in our hearts. What does my life really mean? Why am I here in this time and place? How can I be happy and content? Who are the significant persons in my life? These are our great questions and the answers are neither simple, nor readily clear.

There are certain points in our lives when these questions seem to loom larger and more pressing. For some this time of year is one of those moments. Spring for many is the time of graduation. It is one of those moments when our lives face change and so the questions of our heart are significant. Such moments be frequent in our lives, and the responses will always be fluid, still evolving, now and for the rest of our lives.

Faith addresses many of our questions of meaning. Faith is not about our head, it rests in the heart and it bears on our great questions. One of the big questions, directly addressed in our Christian faith is who or what is this God in whom we place our trust and to whom we are related in faith.

Watch a Mum hug her child. See a Dad hug his daughter. Notice a loving couple holding each other in an embrace. Witness a husband and wife hold each other in a hospital. A hug is a mysterious thing. Without words a hug seems to say it all. It expresses the love between two persons. It will bond, it will heal, it brings life, it offers comfort, it mends. A hug expresses a love that no words can describe. A hug is truly a mystery.

But a mystery is more than just something we cannot explain. A mystery is something the meaning of which can never be exhausted. Such a truth or experience will always be ever new, ever able to bring us to a new place in our lives. Much as we like clear, black and white answers, it is the mysteries of our lives that generate the most life, promise and hope. Hugs and the love they express are just such mysteries. Perhaps they help us recognize our God

Our God is Trinity – Father, Son, Spirit. This is one of the deepest and the earliest beliefs of the Christian Tradition. It is also most expressive of our image of God. To have an image of God that expresses love and harmony, compassion and care, healing and comfort – this is image of the Trinity. We can talk about it, we can provide analogies for it, but we can never explain or exhaust its meaning.

To see God as Mother or Father, a loving, life-giving parent is to see our God as creator, giving life to all that is. This is our God who gives and sustains life in all the universe. More than this, this is the God, who like a parent loves life into existence and supports it with this same inexhaustible love.

This loving, creating God has come among us in Jesus, the incarnation of God. So great is the love held in the heart of our God that it spills out in an overflowing flood as God takes on our humanity in the person of Jesus. God is with us, Emmanuel.

Such love cannot be just for a moment or a time. It is constant and forever. In the Spirit we are given the continuous hug of our God. We cannot win or lose it. It is ever with us, in our joys and sorrows, our good times and our bad. Like the hug of the mother, the embrace of the father, the love of our God, expressed in the Trinity has a warmth and comfort that draws us together. We are held in the heart of God. What an overflowing mystery!

John Jennings
Feast of the Trinity

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