OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

BULLETIN

Sunday, February 23rd - 7th 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

February 25th

Pancake Supper - St. Anthony's

February 26th

Ash Wednesday 10:00 am St. Anthony's Church 5:00 pm St. Patrick's Church 7:00 pm St. Theresa's Church

February 28th

Family Fun Night - St. Theresa's

March 14th

St. Patrick's Church Supper - St. Patrick's

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Tuesday, February 25th 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Azarias Doucet

Wednesday, February 26th 2:00 pm – Nashwaak Villa Thursday, February 27th 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Special Intention for Healing

Friday, February 28th 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Mary Ralston

Saturday, February 29th 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Mary Bowlen

Sunday, March 1st 8:45 am - St. Patrick's Rita Legere

Sunday, March 1st 11:00 am - St. Theresa's

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Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE Weekly Collection Total = \$9,643.90

	St. Anthony's	St. Patrick's	St. Theresa's
Sunday Envelopes	\$1,931.00	\$ 350.00	\$1,143.00
Loose Collection	\$ 78.00	\$ 6.90	\$ 126.00
Auto Debit	\$ 668.81	\$ 25.00	\$1,215.74
Capital Infrastructure	\$ 125.00	\$	\$3,450.00
Special Collections	\$	\$	\$ 25.00
Adult Faith Formation	\$	\$	\$ 320.00
Votive Candles	\$ 229.00	\$	\$ 179.45
Total	\$2,802.81	\$ 381.90	\$6,459.19

WEBSITES & SOCIAL MEDIA

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and weather cancelations!



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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Ash Wednesday Services Wednesday, February 26th

10:00 am St. Anthony's Church 5:00 pm St. Patrick's Church 7:00 pm St. Theresa's Church

available.

2019 Tax Receipts ~ Receipts are available for all

churches are available at the back of each church.

Replacement receipts may not be immediately

Please keep your receipts in a safe place.

Thank you for your continued generous support!

Community Volunteer Income Tax Program – CVITP

Do you look forward each year to preparing and filing your annual income tax return? Many Do Not!

Our Lady of Peace Parish, in collaboration with the Canada Revenue Agency, is pleased to announce that a tax preparation clinic will be provided (Free of Charge) at the Parish Pastoral Centre to prepare tax returns for individuals who have a modest income and a simple tax situation. The tax preparation service will commence March 2nd.

Steve Linton, a parishioner, will be available by appointment to prepare your (2019) income tax and benefit returns.

The service does not include tax returns for complex situations such as: returns for deceased persons; individuals who file for bankruptcy; self-employed individuals; individuals who report capital gains or losses; or individuals who report employment expenses, or business rental income or expenses.

Should yourself or others you know be interested in this community service please contact Steve Linton for further information at 506-261-7600 or lintons@nbnet.nb.ca

LENT RESOURCES

Lent in a Bag ~ Resource bag for families and individuals that includes symbols, readings, reflection questions and music selections to bring you closer to God this Lent. There are a limited number of bags so please only take one per family.

Little Black Books ~ Daily reflection books for adults available at the back of each church.

"A" is for Ashes ~ Reflection book for children.



Pancake Supper

St. Anthony's Chalice group Shrove Pancake Supper in support of Chalice projects and Leo Hayes Safe

Grad, Tuesday, February 25th from 4:00 to 6:30 pm at St. Anthony's. Adults \$7.00 and children \$3.00. Menu: pancakes, sausages, beans, dessert, tea, coffee and juice. Sign up sheets on bulletin board at St. Anthony's for volunteers and donations. Tickets can purchased at Mass Saturday at St. Anthony's and Sunday at St. Theresa's. Tickets will also be available at the door.

St. Theresa's Kitchen Update ~ Renovations to the kitchen have started. Demolition is complete and new flooring, cabinets and counter tops have been ordered. To date there have been a couple of extra expenses that insurance does not cover, such as a new grease trap, improved insulation and extending the new floor into the coat room. Donations to the St. Theresa's Building Fund for the next couple of months will be used to cover these extra costs. Extra envelopes for the Building Fund are available at the back of the church. Any help that you can provide is greatly appreciated.

This week Our Lady of Peace Parish
Sanctuary Lamps are lit for:
St. Anthony's Church
Bob Johnston
ST. Theresa's Church
Sandra MacLean

St. Anthony's Bingo – February 26th Prizes!

Sputnick \$251.00 + Jackpot \$1250.00 + Lucky Seven \$663.00 + Letter H \$903.00 + Loonie \$?? +

Wednesdays – Early Bird at 6:30 pm and Regular Games at 7:30 pm



Nerf Battle

Friday, February 28th 6:30 to 8:00 pm St. Theresa's Church Hall.

The Knights of Columbus will be building cardboard box structures for an evening of indoor fun! Grab your Nerf guns (Nerf bullets supplied) and come out for this all ages event. Everyone welcome!

Religious Formation Update

Kindergarten to Grade 8 ~ Religious Formation from 10:00 to 10:50 am Sunday mornings at St. Theresa's.

Confirmation Preparation ~ Sunday, February 23rd from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at St. Theresa's.



Saturday, March 14th 10:30 am to 4:30 pm (lunch provided) Msgr. Boyd Family Centre

We're so excited! The NET team are a group of young adults who travel across Canada to provide retreats for middle and high school students. And, the retreats are FUN! The events are packed with games, engaging talks and live music. It's always a huge hit with our teens. This is an event you won't want to miss! For Grades 6 - 12 (bring a friend, all faith traditions and beliefs welcome).

Walking Toward Eternity (Adult Faith Formation) ~ will meet on Thursday, February 27th at 7:00 pm in the meeting rooms at St. Theresa's.



St. Patrick's Church Annual Church Supper Saturday March 14th at St. Patrick's Church 3:00 – 6:00 pm.

Great home cooking. Everyone welcome. Storm Date Sunday, March 15th, same time.

From Around the Community

Worldwide Marriage Encounter ~ April 3rd to 5th at Our Lady of Hope Renewal Centre, Cavendish, PEI or June 5th to 7th at Our Lady of Grace Monastery, Monastery, Nova Scotia. For more information, email renewmarriage@gmail.com or text or call 902-314-8541

World Day of Prayer 2020

The Women's Inter-Church Fredericton is having the World Day of Prayer Services in the Fredericton Areas. The World Day of Prayers is being prepared by the Women of Zimbabwe. The Theme is "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk." Open to the Public: Men, Women and Children. Refreshment and Fellowship after the services.

Northside: Salvation Army on Friday, March 6th at 7:00 pm. Storm Date: Sunday, March 8th at 2:00 pm.

Hanwell/New Maryland/Forest Hill /Lincoln: St. Peter's Anglican Church, 2365 Woodstock Road on Sunday, March 8th at 2:00 pm.

Southside: Wilmot United Church, Sunday, March 8th at 2:00 pm.

Stanley: St. Patrick's Church on Friday, March 6th at 6:30 pm. Everyone welcome! Storm date: Sunday, March 8th at 2:00 pm.

PARISH NURSING MINISTRY Activity Schedule

Yoga - Mondays at 1:00 pm at St. Anthony's.

Zumba Gold - Fridays at 10:00 am at St. Theresa's.

Knitting - Our knitters are on a break! Watch bulletin for the next gathering.

Quilting - Wednesdays at 1:00 pm at St. Anthony's. **Book Clubs** - Monday, October 7th at 7:00 pm St. Theresa's and Tuesday, October 8th at 11:00 am at St. Anthony's.

Painting - Tuesdays at 9:30 am at St. Anthony's Hall. Bring your supplies and paint in a relaxed and fun environment.

Congratulations to Emma Couturier Winner of the Valentine Basket Raffle and George Gillam winner of a Rum Cake!

Thank you to everyone who supported this fundraiser. \$802.00 was raised to support Parish Nursing programs in the parish.

Aquacise - At the Fredericton Indoor Pool.

Aquatic Exercise Schedule Aquatic Stretching

Monday to Friday 11:30 am to 12:15 pm

Aquacise

Monday/Wednesday 7:30 to 8:30 pm Tuesday/Thursday 2:00 to 3:00 pm

Fitness Swimmer

Tuesday/Thursday 8:30 to 9:30 pm



Our Lady of Peace Parish Nursing Ministry has arranged for parishioners to participate in the Aquatic Stretching, Aquacise and Senior Exercise Swim

programs at the Fredericton Indoor Pool free of charge. Sign in at the front desk

MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEKEND OF FEB. 29TH & MAR. 1ST

St. Anthony's - Saturday @ 4:00 pm

St. Theresa's - Sunday @ 11:00 am

Sacristan			Phillis Munro	Donna Styant	
Hospitality	Ernie Adams	Gerry White	Debbie Heustis		
Altar Servers	Bonnie Bowlen		Mike & Lubyca Heni	Mike & Lubyca Hennessy	
Lectors	Ken Harris	Kelly Bowlen	Betty Flanagan	Dave Coleman	
Eucharistic	Leonard Cormier	Greg Feener	Mary Fitzpatrick	Sheila Gillespie	
Ministers					
Gift Bearers	Ernie & Penny Ada	ms			

A Lenten Suggestion: Prayer and the Love of God

As we prepare to enter our season of Lent, this week, it might be helpful for us to reflect a bit on your prayer life. What is it like for us? Is there a life of prayer that we desire? How might we go about nurturing it, beginning with this Lent 2020

Prayer is a conversation with God. Like any conversation, it is all about relationship. In any conversation, there are moments of speaking and moments of listening, times of talking and times of silence. Often there are also moments of sitting in silence as well as moments of action. In short, prayer is much like the way we live in relationship with family members and with friends. Prayer is how we live in relationship with our God, through Jesus.

In any relationship, there is a bond which is built up and nurtured by what we share with each other. St. Paul speaks of this shared spirit when he reminds us about our relationship with God: "Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you" (1 Cor.3:16)? It is this Spirit that calls us into conversation with God. To acknowledge the Spirit in us is to recognize that we are spiritual and can have a spirituality. And it leads us to prayer.

How do we go about taking up prayer and nurturing our spirituality? There may be many ways to do so. Here are two a couple of suggestions to help for a prayer life and practice that responds to the Spirit:

- 1) This first, is one that we probably have already taken. We are part of a faith community and gather with that community for formal prayer when we come together for Eucharist. To do so is to recognize that we need one another. We draw strength from God, but also from each other. The Spirit touches us through others as well as through our own personal experiences of life.
- 2) The second, is to take some time and space alone with our God, in Jesus. This time with God through Jesus as our companion is essential. In doing so, the paramount approach is one of thanksgiving. It will be most fruitful when we make it a daily practice. The time need not be long. Just a few minutes is a good start.

The Spirit leads us to see that we are, in all things, to be the face of Jesus in the midst of our world. This is what Matthew's Gospel presents us with this Sunday, that we may love and act as Jesus does.

You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your God in heaven; for God makes the sun rise on the evil and on the good, ...

Question: What is my prayer life like? This Lent, how might I enrich my prayer life?

"You don't know how to pray? Put yourself in the presence of God, and as soon as you have said, 'Lord, I don't know how to pray!' you can be sure you've already begun."

-Saint Josemaría Escrivá