## Our Lady of Peace Parish

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

### Bulletin Sunday, Oct 23rd 2022 - 30th Sunday in 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
45 Royal Road
Fredericton, NB
Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 am

#### Upcoming Events

Friday October 28<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm – St. Theresa's

BOO Bash Halloween Party.

Friday November 4<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm – St. Theresa's

Service of Remembrance

#### Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday Oct 25th 12:00 St. Theresa's

Elaine Carr

Wednesday Oct 26th 10:00 St. Anthony's

Connie Sueyras

Thursday Oct 27th 12:00 St. Theresa's

Lillian Johnston

Friday Oct 28th 10:00 am St. Anthony's

Alice Giovannetti

Saturday Oct 29th 4:00 pm St. Anthony's

Earl Rediker

Sunday Oct 30th 8:45 am St. Patrick's

Deceased Members of the McHale Family

Sunday Oct 30th 11:00 am St. Theresa's

Mass for the People

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

#### Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Weekly Offertory Oct 16, 2022			Year-to-Date		
<b>Sunday Contributions:</b>	\$ 3	3,004.00	Offertory:	\$	199,369.00
Auto Debit (average):	<b>\$</b> 2	<u>2,044.00</u>	Budget Needs:	\$	210,000.00
Sub total	\$ 5	,048.00	Excess (Shortfall):	(\$	10,631.00)
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$ 5,000.00		Information inquires should be		
Excess (Shortfall)	\$	48.00	directe	d to:	
Capital Infrastructure:	\$	235.00	Frank O'Donn	ell 47	2-0145
Special Collections:	\$	40.00	(mbfod@nbnet.nb.ca) or Greg		
Other:	\$	165.00	Feener 472-9364 (g	glf@n	bnet.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

Fr. Maria's Office Number 444-6070

#### 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 online 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.

### Parish Nursing Update

In light of our Parish Nurse leaving her position recently, Pastoral Council requested a meeting with the Parish Nursing Committee members to discuss the future of Parish Nursing in our parish community. Last Wednesday Pastoral Council met with the one remaining member of the Parish Nursing Committee. In the absence of a trained parish nurse and a parish nursing committee to support the ministry, there are programs we will no longer be able to offer however, there are a few existing programs which can still be provided in the parish as wellness initiatives, these will continue until the new year. At that time each program will be reviewed.

Understanding the nursing shortage in the province we are aware it may be a while before we can fill the role of parish nurse. To sustain or initiate a variety of wellness programs and events in the future that will meet the needs of our diverse parish we will be looking for volunteers to form a wellness committee. If you or someone you know is feeling called to this ministry or would like more information, please contact Irene at the parish office and someone from Pastoral Council will or reach out to you with more information.



#### Is Coming to our Parish

A list of our Parishioners has been sent to Universal Studios and they will start calling you to book your appointments this coming week for our Parish Pictoral Directory. They

will start the photo shoot on Nov 8<sup>th</sup> and finish on the 19<sup>th</sup>. All Photos taken at St. Theresa's Church and St. Patrick's Church. This directory is a very helpful tool, especially with a merged Parish. Nice to put a face to a name. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call Irene at the Parish Office of ask Universal when they call you.



**BOO** Bash Family Halloween Party ~ Friday, October 28th from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church Hall. Karaoke, Dancing, Crafts, Games and More! \$10.00 per family. Everyone welcome!

#### **Music Event Fundraiser Results**



A Heartfelt Thank You to the 165 + in the audience who came to support the Music Event last Sunday in support of Holy Family Youth

Group. Special thank you as well to the volunteers and of course the musicians and special guests. It was a huge success with total raised \$3,020.00. After expenses including rent for the Hall the net amount for the Youth Group \$2,780.00

#### Grene Gewett



On behalf of our Knights of Columbus Council 8654, our sincere appreciation to all of you who were able to attend and support our recent Breakfast / Brunch celebration held at Saint Theresa's Hall on October 16, 2022. The opportunity to gather together and in-person was truly a welcoming experience for one and all. Again, THANK YOU, from all of us Knights of Columbus; and we look forward to, hopefully, more such events in our future!!

Knights of Columbus, Council 8654

#### **MY CWL 2022**

Women of the Church, please join us for a day of sisterhood and learning! Sunday, October 23rd, 2022 1 - 4 pm, Monsignor Boyd Family Centre, 120 Regent St, Fredericton. To reserve your seat, please contact: Judy Ingram, jakmingram@gmail.com call 459-3401 or Mary McMahon, maggeo106@gmail.com call 457-0093 Sponsored by New Brunswick Provincial Catholic Women's League of Canada

#### **Faith Formation Update**

**Family Faith Formation** ~ Our next session will be on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 am in St. Theresa's Church Hall. Families with children in kindergarten to grade 7 are invited to join us!



**Children's Liturgy of the Word** ~ Offered during the 11:00 am Mass (St. Theresa's) provides an opportunity for children to hear and understand the Sunday's Gospel message that is age appropriate through music, activities, and prayer. All children up to and including grade 1 are invited to attend.



#### **Liturgy Ministers Needed**

The Liturgy Committee invites previous and new volunteers to consider serving at Mass. We are looking for Hospitality, Eucharistic Minsters, Lectors, Altar Servers and Sacristans to serve during Mass at all three of our parish churches. New volunteers are welcome,

and training will be provided. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the parish office at 444-6010 with your contact details and in which church you would like to serve.

**Annual Service of Remembrance** ~ Our Lady of Peace Parish Annual Service of Remembrance to pray for relatives and friends of our parish who have died in the past year will be held at St. Theresa's Church on Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Invitation letters have been prepared for families who had funerals for loved ones performed in the parish. These letters are addressed to the family contact provided by the funeral home. If you wish to add the name of a loved one you have lost during the past year, whose funeral was outside of Our Lady of Peace Parish, please contact the parish office at 444-6010 no later than Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>.



**Stanley High School Craft Sale** November 19<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm. Afternoon Includes Christmas Baking, Knitting & Crafts, CWL Table with tickets for cash prizes, Turkey Dinner Take outs sponsored by Graduating Class.

**Third Age Center** October 26, 2022 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at the Willie O'Ree Place, Community Room 3. Guest speaker is Linda Caissie and Dr. Deborah Van den Hoonaard on "Presentation of Retired Women Baby Boomer." Register at 3rdage@stu.ca or call 452-0526

#### Previous Programs Resuming This Fall

**Mindful Movement and Meditation Program** will continue on Zoom October 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:30. New participants are welcome. To register for this class please email Emma Couturier at <a href="mailto:eecout@gmail.com">eecout@gmail.com</a>

**Shawl Ministry** October 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in the Church Hall. This group will meet every second Tuesday of the Month. New knitters are always welcome.

**Our Lady of Peace Book Club** continues on the Second Tuesday of each month at 11:00 am under the direction of Allie Hicks

**Painting Group** continue on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 in St. Anthony's Church Hall. Must be experienced as this is a mentoring painting group. New members welcome, please bring you own supplies. For more info please contact Lorraine Nimegeers at 472-8800

<u>Please note</u> that in the event of a funeral either at one of the Parish Churches or being held at a Funeral Home regular scheduled Mass will not be held. Mass Intentions will be carried forward. If in doubt please call the Parish Office.

#### Ministry Schedule Oct 29th & Oct 30th

	St. Anthony's	St. Theresa's
Hospitality	Bonnie Bowlen	Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Andre Paier, Allison Wrynn, Darren Richard, Ed Theriault
Eucharistic Ministers		Betty MacNeil & Janet Matheson
Alter Server	Ken Harris	Julie Paier, Vlad Gabe, Kevin Fernandez
Lector	Michelle Gabe	M. Castellonas

#### Our Sacred Stories Who Am I, Really?

A while ago, I watched a High School soccer game. It was a single elimination game in the playoffs and so the winner moved on to the next round while the loser was eliminated. Such a crucial game is hotly contested. Despite the competition, when the game ended losers and winners lined up to shake hands. It is a scene repeated over and over in many sports. Despite the competitive spirit throughout the game, when it is over, the contesting sides realize they have a common love of the sport and the game, and that this is a shared experience.

All of us, in our humanity share many things in common. We might have differences in views, diversity in tastes and be marked by a variety of faiths, cultures and languages. But fundamentally we all share a common humanity, no matter our race, colour or creed. Perhaps too often we forget or disregard that commonality and we focus on our differences as a way to express who we are.

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus presents us with a parable (Luke 18:9-14). It tells the tale of two persons going up to the Temple to pray. One is a Pharisee, the other, a tax collector. The Pharisee rhymed off all that he did to keep the law, including fasting and donating. He pointed out that he was different from others including the tax collector. The tax collector stood far away and simply said he was a sinner.

Each of the two began their prayer by identifying something of themselves. Whether they focused on their gifts as the Pharisee did or their flaws as the tax collector did, they noted their differences. That was what stood out for them and expressed who they were.

There is a uniqueness to us all. We are marked by our own special gifts and it is important for us to recognize, value and express them. We also have our own flaws, failures and sins. We need to acknowledge these as well. Perhaps most important of all, however, we have to recognize that there is more than gifts and flaws that define us. The two persons in Jesus's parable both came to the Temple to pray. They shared a common faith and had a need to express it in prayer. More than that, they shared a common humanity.

For all our uniqueness we are part of God's life-giving gift of creation. As well, we are the focus of God's eternal love. Our faith in the Incarnation, the way God has chosen to be among and share our humanity in Jesus expresses this oneness. This unity seems to come to the forefront when we face challenges, floods, fires and other disasters. It is then that we notice we come together as communities, sharing gifts and resources. Then we recognize our common humanity.

Pope Francis emphasizes this in his encyclical letter "Laudato Si" where he called on all Catholics, all Christians, all faiths, indeed all of the human family to recognize our responsibility for the creation we share. Our impact on climate and our environment pose a concern for the whole human family. As Francis expresses it – the earth is our "common home". It is given over to all of us for our shared well-being. And, it is our responsibility to care for it, all of it, all of creation.

As Catholic Christians at Eucharist, we express an awareness of being one with all. This sacrament, gathering us around the table to express our shared gratitude to God and acknowledging our oneness in faith draws us together as one people. It also feeds us to reach out in care and compassion for our common home and our common family of humanity.

Who are we, really? We are members of one human family and Christians who come together to celebrate our shared faith in a God who loves all of our human family without reservation, no matter what.

John Jennings 30<sup>th</sup> Sun Ord Time