

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

BULLETIN

Sunday, August 16th - 20th 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

Online Mass

Sunday at 11:00 via Facebook Live

August 25th

CWL Bursary Application Deadline

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Tuesday, August 18th at 7:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church

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Wednesday, August 19th at 7:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church

Kevin Ryan

Thursday, August 20th at 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church

Hazel Munn

Friday, August 21st at 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church

Jo-Anne Colford

Saturday, August 22nd 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church

Earl Rediker

Sunday, August 23rd 8:45 am - St. Patrick's Church

Deceased Members of the Gallagher Family

Sunday, August 23rd 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church

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Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekly Offertory – August 9th, 2020

Sunday Contributions: \$3,355.00

Auto Debit (average): \$1,907.00

Total: \$5,262.00

Weekly Budget Needs: \$5,860.00

Excess (Shortfall) (\$ 598.00)

Capital Infrastructure: \$ 245.00

Special Collections: \$

Other: \$ 50.00

Year-to-Date

Offertory: \$163,145.00

Budget Needs: \$187,520.00

Excess (Shortfall): (\$ 24,375.00)

Information inquires should be directed to:

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WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

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

Welcome

This weekend we are pleased to welcome Bishop Christian Riesbeck to our three parish churches as he installs Fr. Maria as our new parish priest.

There will be an opportunity for parishioners to meet Bishop Riesbeck after each Mass. Meet and greets will take place outside the churches and light refreshments will be served. We ask that you respect social distancing protocols, sanitize your hands and wear your masks when not eating.



Online Mass Times
Sunday at 11:00 am
Facebook Live

Recording of Mass will be posted on our website for those who can't access Facebook.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. *Amen*

No Distribution of Holy Communion after Mass this weekend due to meet and greet with the Bishop.

Development and Peace Aid to Lebanon ~

Development and Peace partners on the ground working to assess the situation and help those impacted by the disaster. Affected communities will need food, clean water, health care and shelter. The explosions destroyed a large portion of seed stored in the port, leading to fears of increased food insecurity that was already greatly unstable. How can you help? Donations can be made to the D&P Emergency Fund – Crisis in Lebanon. Visit www.dev.org and click on donate now or call toll free 1-888-234-8533

Reconciliation Times ~ Fr. Maria is available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the following times:
Saturdays at 3:30 pm at St. Anthony's Church
Sundays at 8:30 am at St. Patrick's Church
Sundays at 10:20 am at St. Theresa's Church
Or you may call the office to make an appointment.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION UPDATE

Online registration for Kindergarten to Grade 8 Religious Formation and Confirmation Preparation (Grade 9) is now open.

After receiving parent feedback, the parish has decided to proceed with a combination online/in person program this fall. Details can be found on our website.

Families from ALL three churches are invited to register and join! Please note that to receive 1st Eucharist children must be registered and attending sessions beginning in the fall. Feel free to pass this information on to any families that may be interested.

To register go to
www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

Early registration will help us prepare materials and volunteers.



You are asked to wear a mask as you approach the church buildings. **Only when Mass has started you may remove your mask while you are seated.**

We will continue to maintain the 6-foot distance while sitting in pews so that parishioners can remove their masks during Mass.

Thank you for your continued cooperation!



PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Beginning Monday, July 6th to August 31st the parish office will be closed on Mondays. Irene and Patty will be available during office hours (9:00 am to 4:00 pm) Tuesdays to Friday.

We are working hard to find ways to bring back parish activities in the fall while working within public health guidelines to keep parishioners safe. Our methods of delivery or locations may change but our goal is to keep Our Lady of Peace Parish the vibrant community it has always been. Watch the bulletin, parish website and Facebook page for information on parish activities, including parish nursing as they become available.

Adult Faith Formation Opportunities



We finished our first online Alpha Course this past Thursday. It was an amazing experience for both guests and leaders!

We are already planning our next course that will begin Thursday, October 1st.

Who will you invite? Alpha is an ecumenical program. It is perfect place to discuss the big questions of life. Introduce people to God or renew your own relationship with Jesus.

The Wild Goose: Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit ~ Beginning Monday, October 5th. This faith formation study focusing on the Holy Spirit in our lives will meet online bi-weekly.

Registration is now open for both programs!

To register please email:

pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

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"

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office for assistance.

The parish is excited to offer to parishioners a valuable resource to explore the Catholic faith!

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- Register with your name and email address
- Check your email account for a link to begin using FORMED

Patty's Pick of the Week on FORMED



There is a large selection of books for the whole family on FORMED just waiting for you for you to discover!

This week I am reading **"Something Other Than God"** By Jennifer Fulwiler. It is a poignant, profound and often funny tale of one woman who set out to find the meaning of life and discovered that true happiness sometimes requires losing it all.

Have you tried FORMED yet? Let us know what you have enjoyed on FORMED!

Attention High School Graduates ~ Our Lady of Peace Parish, St. Theresa's CWL, is offering a \$700.00 bursary to any high school graduate continuing their education. Applications are available on the parish website www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca. Application deadline is August 25th.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEK OF AUGUST 18TH TO AUGUST 23RD

St. Anthony's – Tuesday @ 7:00 pm		St. Theresa's – Wednesday @ 7:00 pm
Screeners/Ushers	Denyse Smart John & Elizabeth Walsh	Lawrence Holleran
Lector	Cathy Bowlen	Deborah Allen
St. Anthony's – Thursday @ 10:00 am		St. Theresa's – Friday @ 12:00 pm
Screeners/Ushers	Merla Spires Ken Harris Sue Inkster	Mary Billings Patty Cameron
Lector	Sue Inkster	Betty MacNeil
St. Anthony's – Saturday at 4:00 pm		St. Theresa's – Sunday at 11:00 am
Screeners/Ushers	Mary Feener Ray & Mona McCarthy	Michele McCann Barry Miller Martin Colford
Lector	Ann Boise	Kim Poffenroth

How wide is our World? How broad is our Vision?

We are part of a global, human community. Unfortunately, we are not always ready to pay attention to this. Our vision can be short and our concerns quite local. When we first heard of the corona virus, it was somewhere else, not here where we were. It was not our concern. Then suddenly we became aware that it is our concern. We are part of a global community and for good or for ill, we share this planet. In fact, with time, we discover that in all things, we are in this together. That is how God made us; how God gifted all Creation with life; how God loved us and the rest of humanity into life. Jesus and the Incarnation are an expression of God's great love for all humanity and all creation. We are a global community.

Every so often I visit the neighbourhood in which I grew up. As I do this I am surprised by how small everything seems to be. The street is now so short. What seemed as a child to be a long, steep hill is now a gentle grade. Those big backyards are tiny now. The bushes we used to hide in are sparse little shrubs. What happened to my big neighbourhood? How did it become so small?

Perhaps nothing happened to it. But a lot happened to me. I grew in both size and in experience. I left my little neighbourhood and moved into the larger world. What was my whole world as a child is now but a tiny piece of my world. As the years passed, my world grew, it encompasses many other neighbourhoods, many cultures and beliefs. As my world grew, so too did my vision. Even my vision of faith and of God and of God's plan has broadened.

In fact, this broadening of vision is not just limited to you and to me. The people of the Old Testament like other peoples in the ancient world viewed God in a limited way. Each people had their own gods who looked after them, just as other peoples were cared for by their gods. The Israelites began with such a vision.

Over time for the Israelites this limited view of God began to change. Very gradually, their One God began to be seen as the One God not just for Israel but for all peoples. We find indications of this growing vision of a universal God, caring for all peoples in the Prophet Isaiah: *And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord,... these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer;... for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.* (Isaiah 56:6-7)

Matthew's gospel recognizes this growing vision. He tells the story of Jesus encountering a Canaanite woman. She wanted him to free her daughter from torment by a demon. The disciples thought it inappropriate that a foreigner, a Gentile should expect Jesus to call on the God Israel. Jesus himself seems reluctant to include her in his mission – *I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.* (Matt 15:21-28)

Only with her insistent faith does Jesus turn and reach out to her. He acknowledges that her faith is great. It revealed a broad vision of the God of Israel. She saw and expressed what Isaiah had proclaimed - God is for all humanity. All are welcome in God's reign. We are in this together.

Reflection Question ~ How wide and welcoming is our faith? How open are we to the "other" - the foreigner, the one who is different from us in race, in culture, in creed and belief?

John Jennings