Our Lady of Peace Parish

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

Bulletin Sunday June 1st, 2025 – Ascension of the Lord

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Churches & Mass Times



St. Anthony's Church 603 Union St. Fredericton, NB

St. Patrick's Church 31 Main St. Stanley, NB

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

St. Theresa's Church

Mass Time Saturdays at 4:00

Mass Time Sundays at 9:00 AM

Mass Times & Intentions

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Regional Jubilee Mission 6:30 - 8:30 with Bishop Riesbeck See Details within the Bulletin Thursday June 5th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's Scott Webster Friday June 6th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's **Emily Polches** Saturday June 7th 4:00 PM St. Anthony's **Agnes LeBlanc** Sunday June 8th 9:00 AM St. Patrick's Gratitude to Saint Anne Sunday June 8th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's

Mass For The People

This week The Sanctuary Lamps Burn In Memory Of

St. Anthony's Wayne Carr Offered by a John & Elizabeth Walsh

St. Theresa's Alix Martin Violette Offered by **Gisele & Family**

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

May 25, 2025		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	\$5,032	Offertory	\$5,032
Capital Infrastructure	55	Budget Needs	(5,471)
Diocesan Collections	575	Excess (Shortfall)	(439)
Other	945	Year-to-Date	Contributions
Total Contributions	\$6,607	Offertory	\$110,327
Parishioner (Avg.) Contribution		Budget Needs	(112,511)
Envelope & Auto Debit	\$ 25	Excess (Shortfall)	(2,185)
Budget Needs	\$ 39		
Avg. Weekly Shortfall	\$ (14)		

Website & Social Media

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

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



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Contributions are Welcome at: olpdonations@gmail.com

Ministry Schedule June 7th - June 8th

St. Anthony's St. Theresa's

Hospitality Bonnie Bowlen Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford,

Janet Matheson & Marilyn Brennan

Eucharistic Minister Greg Feener Marg Anderson & Christopher Durieu

Altar Servers

Lector Sue Inkster Pam Shields & David Saunders

Sacristan Mary Feener Rochelle Ivey

Our Lady of Peace Parish Adoration Schedule

Thursdays at 11:30 am at St. Theresa's Church before 12:00 pm Mass *

Fridays at 9:30 am at St. Anthony's Church before 10:00 am *

3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm at St. Theresa's Church (1 hour) * If Mass is cancelled so is Adoration.

The Catholic Young Adults of Fredericton would like to invite Our Lady of Peace Parishioners to a Summit Night at St. Theresa's June 13th, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

The evening includes Eucharistic Adoration, music, a testimony, confession, fellowship, and a potluck provided by CYAF. Hope to see you there!

Steubenville Atlantic Conference ~ One bus is full! Join Catholic teens at Steubenville Atlantic Conference at Dalhousie University, Halifax, from July 11-13. This conference is designed to evangelize, equip, and empower those aged 14-18 (grades 9-12). Registration fee: \$350.00 (including transportation) with a \$50 non-refundable deposit. If you are interested in attending the Steubenville Atlantic Conference as a participant, please contact Patty Cameron at pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca or (506) 444-6018.

FREDERICTON REGIONAL JUBILEE MISSION: on June 2-4, Bishop Riesbeck will preach a three-day Jubilee Mission on the theme, "Rejoice in Hope." Inspired by *Spes Non Confundit*, the Jubilee Bull of Indiction of Pope Francis, Bishop Riesbeck will speak on our need for hope in these times, the relevance of Jesus as the anchor of our hope, and the role of the Holy Spirit as the agent of hope empowering us to mission as apostles of mercy and hope. These missions will take place at Saint Theresa's Church (Our Lady of Peace Parish) beginning from 6:30 pm-8:30 pm, ending with a reception. Each session will begin with Mass followed by a teaching, with a healing rosary on Monday, Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday and commissioning prayers on Wednesday. Come and be a seeker of hope! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=khOPjj3hbUg

St. Theresa's Catholic Women's League

Attention High School Students, St. Theresa's CWL are offering two \$1000.00 Lady of Good Counsel Bursaries. Open to any graduate continuing their education. Applications are available on the bulletin board at the back of Our Lady of Peace Churches or through a link on the Parish Website www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca The deadline for applications is May 31, 2025.

You are cordially invited to attend the Baccalaureate Service for the Class of '25, Stanley Consolidated School, on Fri., June 13, at 5:30 p.m., at St. Patrick's Catholic Church

Dear Parishioners of Our Lady of Peace,

Thank you for your generous support to our council throughout the year. Your participation in events like our brunches, Shrove Tuesday, and the Fish Fry has allowed us to serve both our parish and those in need with things like: the Nerf Ambush, distributing 50 winter coats, or many other initiatives.

Join us for our final brunch before summer break, after Mass on June 15th! Free Will Offering with a 10\$ suggestion

To the men of our parish: if you've ever wanted to make a difference, consider joining us. Together, we can do even more good.

With gratitude Simon Delisle Grand Knight 8654



Are you interested in a pilgrimage to Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré, Québec?

Our Lady of Peace Parish is looking to see if there is an interest in a five-day pilgrimage to Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré, Québec mid September 2025. We have gathered preliminary quotes for a bus, accommodations, guided tours in Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré and Old Québec City.

Based on one bus, fifty-six Pilgrims, double occupancy lodging, and two tours, we estimate this five-day pilgrimage would cost approx. \$1000.00 per person. Before we go further with plans, we need to know if this is something that parishioners in other Fredericton region parishes would be interested in. If there is enough interest, we will have an information meeting with more details.

If you are interested in this pilgrimage, please contact Ricarda Bradley by email Ricarda_b@outlook.com or by phone (506)367-2005 by May 30th.

Pentecost Sunday ~ As we prepare to celebrate Pentecost next weekend parishioners are encouraged to wear red to Mass. "Come Holy Spirit and fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in them the fire of Your love!

Amen."

Congratulations to our parish youth who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend.

David Alfaro Aaron Duterte Annabelle Okoye

Matthew Armstrong Alysson Duterte Jessie Wilson

Miguel Buenaventura Karol Jimenez Andrea Yamane

Emli Cabungcal Owen Murdock

Imogen Clendenning Naomi Nagbe

May the strength of the Lord guide you, today and for always.

Ascension: A Story of Letting Go - A New Beginning

Change is a reality of our lives. Sometimes it takes us to new and even exciting places and experiences. There are however changes in our lives that bring a sense of loss and pain. The death of a partner or friend or a move that takes us away from the persons or places that we consider home. Such changes, such departures are part of our lives. Saying farewell is always painful. But it can also be a new beginning.

One of the hard experiences in life for me has been moving from one parish community to another. In doing so, the close ties of the community are broken and the circle of friendships that emerged in the former parish can disappear. This is a loss, but it is part of service in parish communities, or any other setting dedicated to building relationships and community. An example might help here.

Many years ago, shortly after ordination, I found myself working part-time in a largely Italian community in Toronto. After almost four years, I realized that I had grown to see the parish as "my community". Personal relationships had grown, friendships and connections had developed so that I felt part of the families and individuals in the parish. Then I had to move on. What I discovered was that letting go of this community was hard. But I also discovered that it would in fact make room for another community elsewhere to emerge. Letting go led to a new beginning. Over the years, there have been the blessings of many communities, many new beginnings. Farewells were never a complete break.

The memories and the blessings of that earlier experience have remained. Gifts of all the communities served continue to mentor my present experiences. Many of those whom I met over the course of the past five decades continue to be in contact, in friendships, visits, phone calls and emails. The new beginnings simply made the experiences broader and wider over the years. Though we left each other's physical presence we had not really left one another. There is a presence that continues, a sense of being apart and yet still together, of "leaving yet remaining" with one another.

When the Scriptures speak of the Ascension, it may seem that Jesus is somehow leaving his disciples, but when we look more closely at the Gospel accounts it is evident they speak of leaving and at the same time staying. There is a sense of Jesus leaving and yet remaining with his disciples.

The classic image of the ascension of Jesus is captured in the story that we find in the Acts of the Apostles. The writer of the Acts tells the story of the earliest Christian communities after the resurrection of Jesus. Acts begins with the story of Jesus leaving the disciples and ascending, or put another way with the return of Jesus to the Father. It is a story of "leaving yet remaining."

After telling of the appearances of the risen one to the disciples and of the way in which Jesus promises the gift of the Holy Spirit, the disciples are called upon to be the *witnesses* to all they have heard and seen, that is, to the message and the mission of Jesus. Filled with the promised Spirit, they are to take what they have experienced to the whole world, to the ends of the earth. Jesus leaves them yet remains among them. Thus, they are to be the ongoing presence of the risen Jesus for our world.

In every Eucharist we hear the words **Do this in memory of me**. As a community of faith we recall in living fashion Jesus' whole life, death and resurrection, what we call the Paschal Mystery. Each time we gather at the Table sharing Eucharist we celebrate together that Jesus who has returned to the Father, continues through the Spirit to be with us. Each time we celebrate together, we remember and enact this "leaving yet remaining" story as disciples of this **Risen Jesus**, and share this Good News with our world, near and far.

Feast of the Ascension

John Jennings