

Our Lady of Peace Parish

“Three Churches One Faith Community”

Bulletin Sunday October 22nd 2023 – 29th 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

Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday Oct 24th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Lillian Couchie

Wednesday Oct 25th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's
Elvis Sacobie

Thursday Oct 26th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Kay Trevors

Friday Oct 27th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's
Alice Giovannetti

Saturday Oct 28th 4:00 pm St. Anthony's
Earl Rediker

Sunday Oct 29th 8:45 AM St. Patrick's
Sharon Weaver

Sunday Oct 30th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's
Mass for the People

Upcoming Events

Sunday October 29th St. Theresa's 12:00 PM
Important CWL Meeting (See Page Two)

Friday November 3rd St. Anthony's Church 7:00 pm
Service of Remembrance

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Oct 15 th 2023		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	\$ 4,759	Offertory	\$ 4,759
Capital Infrastructure	75	Budget Needs	(5,255)
Special Collections	35	Excess (Shortfall)	\$ (496)
Other	470	Year-to-Date	Contributions
Total	\$ 5,339	Offertory	\$ 215,003
		Budget Needs	218,415
		Excess (Shortfall)	\$ (3,412)

Our Lady of Peace is sustained by the generosity of our parishioners through time, talent and treasure. For all you do, THANK YOU!

Website & Social Media

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

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news and weather cancellations!



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Office Numbers

Fr. Maria's 444-6070

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Ministry Schedule October 28th & October 29th

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Mona & Ray McCarthy	George Fernandez, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Darren Richard, Ed Theriault
Eucharistic Minister	Merla Spires	Mary Ellen and Lawrence Holleran
Altar Servers	Bonnie Bowlen	Al Adimalor, Will Horsely, Kevin Fernandez, Lucas Daigle
Lector	Ken Harris	Terry Murphy & Miguel Yamane
Sacristan		Debbie Heustis

This week the
Sanctuary
Candle
burns in memory of ...



St. Anthony's Church
+ *Mary Wrynn* +
Offered by Allison Wrynn

St. Theresa's Church
+ *Lawrence Bohan* +
Offered by Giselle Weatherhead



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. Anthony's Church on Friday, November 3rd 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 25th.

Mark your calendars! NET Team Retreat for Youth! ~ Experience a NET Retreat and engage your faith! A team of vibrant



young missionaries will be visiting our area to provide youth in grades 6 to 12 an opportunity to hear the message of God's love and a chance to experience the Gospel personally. We promise it will be a day of faith, fun and friendship! Saturday, November 18th from 10:30 am to 5:00 pm at the Msgr. Boyd Family Center (St. Dunstan's). Lunch and snacks will be provided. Please let us know if you will be joining us by contact Patty Cameron at pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca or (506) 444-6018.



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

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Our Lady of Peace Parish Leadership Meeting

Leaders from our various ministries, committees, and groups will meet Sunday October 22nd at 12:00pm in St. Theresa's church hall. Rochelle

St. Theresa's CWL Sunday October 29th St. Theresa's Church 12:00 PM



Meeting for the Amalgamation with St. Patrick's CWL Council.

Meeting is for Discussion & Voting.

This is an Important Meeting where everyone who can should attend.

St. Anthony's Shawl Ministry It is Knitting Time Again. The ladies have started on the shawls and meet the second Tuesday of each month at 1:00pm in the quiet room off the altar at St. Anthony's. New members are certainly welcome to join.



Do you know of someone who is sick and needs comfort? The Parish office has a great variety of Prayer Shawls available. Stop by during office hours and have a peek.

St. Anthony's Painting Group



The painting group lead by Lorraine Nimegeers will start up on Wednesday October 25th in the Church Hall at 10:00 am. Mentorship and partnering. New members certainly welcome to join. Must bring your own supplies. Any questions or need more information please contact Lorraine at 506 472-8800

Liturgical Ministers Needed ~ The Liturgy Committee invites previous and new volunteers to consider serving at Mass. We are looking for Hospitality, Eucharistic Ministers, 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.



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"**

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.



Our Sacred Stories Encountering God in our World

Does God really care? Does God actually enter our human life? Our history? Sometimes this is hard to recognize. Evidence to the contrary may be drawn from the wars and political upsets around the globe, the inequalities and injustices that mark so much of the world's peoples. Even within our own personal and communal lives there are so many instances where facing health, economic, and relational issues leave many of us wondering about our faith in God's presence among us and whether in fact, God does care.

Our Jewish ancestors in the Old Testament as well as our Islamic cousins hold the view of Christians that God indeed does care and does speak to us and enter into our story. We can recognize this encounter with God time and again in the stories of our faith, our scriptures.

Many years ago I was fortunate enough to have a very capable and wise scripture professor. He noted a principle that helps us to recognize the manner in which God speaks to us. He stated the principle in this way: *If God speaks to humanity, God speaks in human language. If God did not use human language, humanity could not hear God.* We hold in faith that God does care and that God does touch our human story. How then, does God speak in human terms?

God speaks or acts in human history by way of created instruments. Just as we know an artist or an author through the works of the artist or the author, so too we come to recognize or hear God through the works of God that are all around us. We sense God in the marvels and wonders of nature and of humanity. Just think of the sense of wonder that comes from looking at the heavens on a clear starry night. Or recall a moment when you were able to gaze on a new-born child. These are wonders of God the Creator, the giver of life. They are ways in which we encounter God-with-us.

The readings of this Sunday help us to see further how God speaks to us in human terms. In our scriptures, both the Old and New Testament we hear of God using human instruments to enter our human story. In the first reading this Sunday, the prophet Isaiah, himself an instrument of God speaks of the Persian King, Cyrus. As Isaiah describes it, Cyrus, a pagan king becomes the instrument by which God saves the People of Israel from exile and returns them to their land. Cyrus is the means by which God intervenes in the history of God's People.

In Matthew's Gospel, we hear one of the stories of Jesus' discussing with the Pharisees. They try to trap him into denying his Judaism or into speaking against Roman authority. Jesus response to them is to do neither. As we hear this story, however, we are drawn into a recognition that faith and our relationship with God is lived out in the midst of the secular world. Jesus points out to the Pharisees that they are to give to God what belongs to God and to the emperor what belongs to him.

We live in a complex world of the secular and the spiritual. Neither denies or excludes the other. The story of Christian faith is founded on what we refer to as the Incarnation. That is, one of the foundations of our faith is that God enters our human condition in the person of Jesus Christ, God and human. This basic belief is the fullest expression that God speaks to us in human terms. This belief is a proclamation that all humanity, all human life, all human history is touched by the presence of God. God truly does speak to us in human terms? Do we hear and recognize God in creation, in humanity, in one another? To do so is to know that God really does care and that we can see it all around ourselves.

John Jennings

29th Sunday Ordinary Time

