# **OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH**

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

### BULLETIN

Sunday, May 16, 2021 – Ascension of the Lord

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#### CHURCHES & MASS TIMES

St. Patrick's Church

31 Main St.

Stanley, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 8:45 am



**St. Anthony's Church** 603 Union St. Fredericton, NB Mass Time Saturdays at 4:00 pm

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tuesdays in May** Rosary after Mass at St. Anthony's Church

Wednesdays in May Rosary after Mass at St. Theresa's Church Rosary at 1:00 pm at St. Patrick's Church

> Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup> Return of Online Mass

**Friday, May 21**<sup>st</sup> Touched by Cancer Mass - St. Anthony's Church



St. Theresa's Church 1 William St. Fredericton, NB Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 am

#### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church No Intention

Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church Mary and Mike Currie

Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary John and Judy McAloon Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup> 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church Natalie Benoit

Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup> 7:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church Touched by Cancer Mass

Saturday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church Bob Hunger

Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> 8:45 pm - St. Patrick's Church Mary Ellen Pringle

Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church Ray Cogswell

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

#### Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Weekly Offertory – M	ay 9	9, 2021
Sunday Contributions:	\$2	,870.00
Auto Debit (average):	<u>\$2</u>	,044.00
Total:	\$4	,914.00
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$5	,400.00
Excess (Shortfall)	(\$	486.00
Capital Infrastructure:	\$	385.00
Special Collections:	\$	350.00
Other:	\$	80.00

.00	Offertory:	\$ 90,938.00	
.00	Budget Needs:	<u>\$ 102,600.00</u>	
.00	Excess (Shortfall):	(\$ 11,662.00)	
.00	Information inquires should be		
.00)	directed to:		
5.00	Frank O'Donnell 472-0145		
0.00	(mbfod@nbnet.nb.ca) or Greg Feener		
.00	472-9364 (glf@nbnet.nb.ca)		

Year-to-Date

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!



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# Parish Announcements



### Sunday Mornings at 11:00 am

Watch Our Lady of Peace Mass live at 11:00 am on our Facebook page

(Our Lady of Peace Parish Fredericton). Recording of Mass posted on our website later in day.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION IN CHURCH PARKING LOTS

To provide Communion to those parishioners who are not able to attend Mass in person we will have distribution of Holy Communion Sundays at:

# St. Theresa's Church after the 11:00 am Mass to 12:15 pm

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Thursdays 9:30 at St. Anthony's Church Fridays 11:30 am at St. Theresa's Church Wednesdays 1:00 pm at St. Patrick's Church

\* if there is no weekday Mass on Thursday or Friday, Adoration is also cancelled.

#### **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.



**Remember Someone with a Mass Intention** Whenever a priest celebrates Mass, he has two specific intentions. The first intention is to celebrate the Mass according the rubrics of the Church for how to say the Mass. The second is to apply the grace of that Mass toward a specific need or intention. These special intentions are offered to God as prayers of intercession and thanksgiving. If you would like to book a Mass intention to remember a loved one or for a special intention at any of our three parish churches, please contact Irene at the parish office at 444-6010. **WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE** Beginning Tuesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, weekday Masses at Our Lady

of Peace Parish will be as follows: Tuesdays at Noon at St. Theresa's Church Wednesdays at 10:00 am at St. Anthony's Church Thursdays at Noon at St. Theresa's Church

Fridays at Noon at St. Anthony's Church \*\*

\*\* except for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month when the Touched by Cancer Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 pm.

#### **Religious Formation**

# Do you have or know a youth entering grades 8 or 9 this coming September?

Changes to the Diocesan Confirmation program for this coming September will include youth in grades 8 and up. To help us plan we are asking all youth entering grades 8 and 9 (and up if not Confirmed yet) in the fall of 2021, who are wanting to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation to register online at

https://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca/confirmationpreparation

Please share with other families and youth that may not see this announcement. Thanks!

#### 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.

This week Our Lady of Peace Parish Sanctuary Lamps are lit for: St. Theresa's Church Sherwood Billings

### COVID PROTOCOLS

COVID protocols and screening procedures as required by the Province of New Brunswick are still in place in our parish churches. Please continue to have patience as our screeners collect contact information and allow our ushers to seat you according to current protocols procedures.

PARISH NURSING

Congratulations to the Parish Nursing Mother's Day Basket winner Joanne Jardine! Additional prize winners: Marie Cecile Duclos; Sister Karen Kelly; Jeannette Collette and Mary Brown.

Thank you to the Parish Nursing Committee for organizing this event, all who donated gift basket and prize items and helped out to make the Parish Nursing Mother's Day draw a success! It was a great way to celebrate all the wonderful women in our parish community!

**Online Yoga** ~ Last session! May 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 to 4:00 pm via Zoom. Anyone interested to join can contact Emma at <u>eecout@gmail.com</u>. Everyone welcome.

Fredericton Indoor Pool ~ If you would like to use our Parish Nursing program to access adult only swim times at the indoor pool please contact Vicky Knight at 454-8538 or by email at <u>vicky.knight@bellaliant.net</u> to book your swim time.

Knitting Class via ZOOM ~ We are looking to see if there is interest in knitting classes delivered via Zoom beginning in September. If anyone is interested please contact Vicky Knight at 454-8538 or e-mail <u>vicky.knight@bellaliant.net</u>

**Our Lady of Peace Book Club in Collaboration with the Fredericton Library** ~ will begin on Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am via Zoom. Open to all Our Lady of Peace parishioners from the all three churches. Maximum 14 participants and registration is first come first serve. You must register even if you have been part of book club in the past. Please call Vicky Knightat 454-8538 or e-mail <u>vicky.knight@bellaliant.net</u>.

## Our Lady of Peace Parish



**THREE \$500 WINNERS!** 

The parish is having a fundraiser to support the building funds for each our parish churches. Three 50/50 Boards will be drawn over the next 4 to 5 weeks. Each board will have a \$500 winner! There are 100 squares per board at a cost of \$10 per square. To buy your square please call Irene at 444-6010. (NB Lotter Permit #362206)

Lots of squares still AVAILABLE! The amount of money raised for our parish building funds will depend on filling the three boards.

1 Board Filled - Winner to be Drawn Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>!

1 x \$500 winner and \$166 to each building fund 2 Boards - 25% Filled!

2 x \$500 winners and \$333 to each building fund **3 Boards** 

3 x \$500 winners and \$500 to each building fund

#### Help Us Meet Our Goal to Fill 3 Boards!



A big thank you to Steve Linton and CRA's Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) for helping people in our

community prepare and submit

their 2020 income tax. Your time and expertise are very much appreciated!

**Do you have a love of decorating?** Would you be willing to share your talents in creating inviting, welcoming and prayerful spaces at St. Theresa's Church? Please contact Rochelle Ivey (451-7221), Patty Cameron (444-6070) or Fr. Maria (444-6010).

**Yard Sale and Bake Sale** ~ Gibson Memorial United Church (183 Gibson St.) will be hosting a Yard Sale and Bake Sale on Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> form 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Rain or Shine and COVID protocols will be followed.



#### St. Anthony's – Tuesday @ 10:00 am St. Theresa's – Wednesday @ 12:00 pm Screeners/Ushers John Walsh Merla Spires Mary Billings **Betty Flanagan Merla Spires Barry Miller** Lector St. Theresa's – Friday @ 12:00 pm St. Anthony's – Thursday @ 10:00 am Screeners/Ushers Sue Inkster Ken Harris Janet Matheson Lector Pam Shields **Gisele Weatherhead** St. Anthony's – Saturday 4:00 pm St. Theresa's – Sunday at 11:00 am Michele McCann Mary Fitzpatrick Screeners/Ushers Greg Feener Mona and Ray McCarty Martin Colford Tracy Horsley Amanda Horsley Darren Richard **Kelly Bowlen Betty McNeil** Lector

#### MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEK OF MAY 18<sup>th</sup> to may 23<sup>rd</sup>

#### Our Sacred Stories

#### Ascension: A Story of Leaving Yet Remaining

Some 40 years ago I met Jim and Pauline. Jim was with the OPP and Pauline worked in a Catholic school in Barrie. At the time I was on sabbatical researching. I lived and assisted in a parish in the north of Toronto. The three of us worked together in a marriage enrichment program. Over the course of the year we became good friends. Then I left to return to Fredericton.

One of the remarkable things is that the departure did not end the friendship. For the past 40 years we have maintained the friendship through letters, emails and phone calls. It was not always easy to maintain the contact but it did happen. Though we left each other's physical presence we had not really left one another. Somehow, there was a presence that continued. We continued to be with one another in our friendship. There was a sense of being apart and 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 Jesus still being present among them.

The classic image of the ascension of Jesus is captured in the story that we find in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 1:1-11). The writer of Acts tells the story of the earliest Christian communities after the resurrection of Jesus. Acts begins the story with the account of Jesus leaving the disciples and ascending to heaven, or put another way with the return of Jesus to the Father. It is a story of "leaving yet remaining."

The disciples have been given two important pieces of their call as followers of Jesus. They have been promised the gift and power Holy Spirit, and they have been told that they are to be *witnesses* to all that Jesus has proclaimed. In some way, the ascension is the end of the appearances of the risen Jesus. He leaves them yet remains among them through the continuing power of the *Spirit* that they will receive. Thus, they are to be the ongoing presence of the risen Jesus for our world.

Jesus might have left, but remains among us. The Incarnation continues with us, for we are the face of Jesus for our world. The final verses of Mark's Gospel present us with this mission. We are called to: "Go out into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation" (Mark 16:15).

With Jesus among us, and marked by the Spirit we are to be *people of the Good News*.

The last major Constitution of the Second Vatican Council closed the council in December 1965. This was the *Constitution on the Church in the Modern World*. Its title and opening words declared its principal vision:

The joy and the hope, the grief and the anxiety of the people of this age, especially those who are poor or in any way afflicted; this is the joy and hope, the grief and the anxiety, of the followers of Christ. Indeed, nothing genuinely human fails to raise an echo in their hearts. The Christian community is, after all, a community of women and men truly linked with humankind and its history, bearing a message of salvation [good news] intended for all peoples. (Gaudium et Spes, preface 1, Huebsch, trans. 1997)

#### Truly, Good News for all.