

# Our Lady of Peace Parish

*"Three Churches One Faith Community"*

## Bulletin Sunday Nov 6th 2022 – 32nd 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

Parish Office will be closed Nov 11th

We are pleased to announce that  
Bishop Riesbeck will be celebrating Mass on  
November 13<sup>th</sup> at St. Theresa's

### Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday Nov 8th 12:00 St. Theresa's

*Miguel Sueyras*

Wednesday Nov 9th 10:00 St. Anthony's

*Connie Sueyras*

Thursday Nov 10th 12:00 St. Theresa's

*Kay Trevors*

Friday Nov 11th 10:00 am St Anthony's

*Rita Fox*

Saturday Nov 12th 4:00 pm St. Anthony's

*Mass for the People*

Sunday Nov 13th 8:45 am St. Patrick's

*Gordon Clarkson*

Sunday Nov 13th 11:00 am St. Theresa's

*Jack MacNeil*

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

### Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

#### Weekly Offertory Oct 30, 2022

Sunday Contributions:	\$ 3,469.00
Auto Debit (average):	<u>\$ 2,044.00</u>
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>\$ 5,513.00</b>
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$ 5,000.00
<b>Excess (Shortfall)</b>	<b>\$ 513.00</b>
Capital Infrastructure:	\$ 50.00
Special Collections:	\$ 50.00
Other:	\$ 515.00

#### Year-to-Date

Offertory:	\$ 209,246.00
Budget Needs:	<u>\$ 220,000.00</u>
<b>Excess (Shortfall):</b>	<b>(\$ 10,754.00)</b>
Information inquires should be directed to:	
Frank O'Donnell 472-0145	
(mbfod@nbnet.nb.ca) or Greg	
Feener 472-9364 (glf@nbnet.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](http://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)

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



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Fr. Maria's Office Number 444-6070

## Parish Council Notes

**Church Parking Lots and Use of Accessible Parking** ~ At St. Anthony's and St. Theresa's churches, please park only in marked parking areas, all other areas are to remain clear for emergency vehicles. As accessible parking spaces are limited accessible parking permits must be displayed in vehicles parked in designated accessible parking spaces.

**Gifts and Talents** ~ Our parish is rich in people with amazing gifts and talents, we are asking all to share these gifts with our faith community, one way to do this would be to be on a Wellness leadership team. This teams focus will be to develop, coordinate and implement various programs or events that will enhance the wellness of health and spirit for the people in our diverse parish community. If you are feeling called to this ministry or would like more information, please reach out to a pastoral council member, or leave your contact information with Irene at the parish office and someone will call you.

**Sunday Missals** are available at each of the Churches. Cost per missal is \$5.00.

### Financial Report

Last week's bulletin included the latest financial report for the period **Jan-Sep 2022**.

Highlights from the financial results, for the past nine months, will be presented the weekend of **Nov 19 & 20th** at each of the Parish Churches.

### Ministers of Holy Eucharist

Do you have a family member, a neighbour, or a friend who is in the hospital or nursing home that would like to receive Holy Communion? We can help. We have Ministers of Eucharist that are willing, able and ready to visit and distribute Holy Communion. For further information and to make arrangements, please call Allison Wrynn at 506-470-9390.



## Is Coming to our Parish

The Portrait Studio have reached out to everyone in our Parish to book an appointment. However some on our data list had no phone numbers or no voice mail. If you have not booked an appointment to be included in our Parish Photo Directory please get involved. The dates start the 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. Please call Irene at the Parish Office and she will forward your number to Universal. Let's make this the best Photo Directory ever. Lots of evening appointments still available.



The Knights of Columbus Council 8654 in conjunction with Our Lady of Peace Parish wants to collect again for those in need in our communities. We will be asking for any donations through the month of November. All items will be distributed to local clothing banks and shelters in early December.

### PLEASE HELP BY DONATING NEW OR YOUR GENTLY USED ITEMS.



Please bring a donation of any winter item to church this weekend! Our Share the Warmth campaign is underway and we want to fill the bins! Thanks for your support.

#### How to help:

- ♥ Collection boxes will be set up at each worship site.
  - ♥ **Look for the big blue bins!**
  - ♥ Donate any item. We are collecting hats, gloves, mittens, scarves and socks.
  - ♥ Tell your friends about the campaign
- For those parishioners who would like to donate, you can also drop off items at the Pastoral Office at 603 Union Street between 9 am and 4 pm.



***Irma Tucker  
Offered by Brenda & Marc***

***St. Anthony's Church***



Knights of Columbus Council 8654 wish to thank St. Anthony's for the donation of a used kitchen range for the church hall at St. Theresa's. Our old backup stove was no longer functional. This gift greatly helps with various kitchen activities.

***Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Freda Byno***

**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.



### Development and Peace-Caritas Canada @ 55

Did you know that this October marks the 55th anniversary of [Development and Peace - Caritas Canada](#)? That means we have been fighting to give a voice to our marginalized sisters and brothers in the Global South since 1967! But none of our work would have been possible without our members' support. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts! For our 55th anniversary, several members and partners expressed their wishes for D & P in a video which is embedded in this special newsletter issued to highlight our 55 years of fighting injustices: [Join the celebration!](#)

### 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 [eecout@gmail.com](mailto:eecout@gmail.com)

**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. Contact Lucille Aube 455-1511

**Our Lady of Peace Book Club** continues on the Second Tuesday of each month at 11:00 am under the direction of Allie Hicks 450-155

**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 your own supplies. For more info please contact Lorraine Nimegeers at 472-8800

**Please note** 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.

### Events Happening Around our Community



**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.

**Join us on Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm** for a Power Point Presentation on Residential Schools in Canada Inculturation in the Indigenous Context & Catholic Church and the Papal Visit – Presenter: Graydon Nicholas will offer a Power Point presentation in the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre Gym (St. Dunstan's Church). Everyone is welcome to come and bring a friend.

**Christmas Bazaar**, Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 9am - 1pm @ St Francis of Assisi Church Hall. Crafts, Baking, Books etc. Tables available @ \$10. To reserve one, call Pauline at 452-1090.

**Christmas Music Event** November 27<sup>th</sup> at Marysville Heritage Center. All proceeds to Liberty Lane in support of Making Christmas special for the children.

**Knights of Columbus Monthly Community Breakfast**, Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 10:00AM to 1:00PM, 170 Regent Street. Breakfast sausage, scrambled eggs, beans, French toast, pancakes, hash browns, juice, coffee and tea. Adults: \$ 8.00, Children \$ 5.00, Family \$ 25.00. Eat in or take out. Everyone welcome

## Ministry Schedule Nov 12th & Nov 13th

	St. Anthony's	St. Theresa's
Hospitality	Bonnie Bowlen	Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Andre Paier, Allison Wrynn, Darren Richard, Ed Theriault
Eucharistic Ministers		Mary Ellen & Lawrence Holleran
Alter Server	Merla Spires	Joe Adimalor, Julia Paier, Vlad Gabe
Lector	Ken Harris	D. Allen

### Our Sacred Stories “Ain’t Life Mysterious – Need for Faith & Hope

We seek certitude. Not knowing, being uncertain, wondering how it will all turn out is uncomfortable. We want some kind of clear conclusion to things. This is one reason why we are attracted to mystery novels or movies or TV series. Uncertainty that is not resolved does not sit easily with us. We want to know how it all ends.

In Luke’s Gospel, Jesus has a conversation about resurrection with the Sadducees a segment of the Jewish people (Luke 20:27-38). They did not hold any belief in the resurrection and were unable to think outside the box with what might be possibilities of life after death. Whatever view they might have, was quite fixed. Risen life could only be more of the same, more of the current life.

Seeing risen life as a continuation of our current life has an attraction for us. We can relate to it. We can recognize it. Such a view responds to our longing for clarity and certitude. It is a lot easier to see risen life as an extension of our current existence. But Jesus challenges this view and certitude with another expression of faith. He challenges them (and us) to take the risk of seeing God’s promise differently, a view that is outside the box they are in.

Jesus’ challenge had two aspects. The first is, there is indeed a life after death: “Now God is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to God all of them are alive” (Luke 20:38). The second, unsettling for the Sadducees (and us), is that it is not simply an eternal continuation of present life. This was tough for the Sadducees. And it is tough for you and me. It takes us to uncertainty. As much as we accept in faith that there is life, resurrected life with God, we do not know how this is to be. This is unsettling.

All of us have experienced grief in the death of a loved one – a spouse, a parent, a child, a friend. In our grief we look for answers to our confusion and questions. We so want the certitude that our loved one continues, that our relationship somehow continues. This is where faith and hope connect.

In faith we encounter our eternal, loving God. We don’t know everything about this God, but we do hold something – it is revealed to us in the person of Jesus. This is what we mean by *mystery*. *Mystery* is to know something whose meaning cannot be exhausted. The more we know, the more there is to know. *Mystery* applies to the God of our faith. It applies to our relationship with God. (In some amazing way it seems to apply as well to our relationships of human love.)

This is where *hope* enters. Hope allows us to look beyond our present, even our grieving present, to possibilities which surpass our control and imagining. The Sadducees would struggle with this, as we often do. To *hope* is recognize that we do not, cannot know it all. There is *mystery* in life,... and in death and it demands that we trust and allow for the unexpected, the surprise.

Life is full of uncertainties, aspects we do not and cannot know, so too with death and risen life. At the same time, it is full of possibilities. This is the life-giving role of *mystery* – inexhaustible possibility. Risen life, revealed in Jesus assures us that “God is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to God all are alive.” We do not know how, but faith reveals this in Jesus own resurrection and it engenders in us the possibility of *hope*.

In some way, what Luke presents as God’s words to Mary at a time of possibility in her life are God’s words to us, especially in times of grief: “Nothing will be impossible with God” (Luke 1:37). May we hold to this trusting faith and healing hope in our moments of pain and loss.

John Jennings 32 Sun Ord Time