

# OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

*"Three Churches One Faith Community"*

## BULLETIN

**Sunday, March 28, 2021 - Palm Sunday**

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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

**Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**

Alpha Online - *Who will you invite?*

*Registration Open*

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church**

Earle Paul

**Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup> 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**

Jordan Brewer

**Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup> 7:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**

Mary Catherine Savoie

**Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> 8:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**

Susie Wrynn

**Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup> 8:45 pm - St. Patrick's Church**

Elise Cleveland

**Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church**

Ron McBride

**Triduum and Easter Schedule - See inside Bulletin**

**Reservation Deadline is Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

### OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

#### Weekly Offertory - March 21, 2021

Sunday Contributions: \$3,285.00

Auto Debit (average): \$1,982.00

**Total: \$5,267.00**

Weekly Budget Needs: \$5,400.00

**Excess (Shortfall) (\$ 133.00)**

Capital Infrastructure: \$ 95.00

Special Collections: \$2,505.00

Other: \$ 67.00

#### Year-to-Date

Offertory: \$ 55,447.00

Budget Needs: \$ 64,800.00

**Excess (Shortfall): (\$ 9,353.00)**

Information inquires should be directed to:

Frank O'Donnell 472-0145

(mbfod@nbnet.nb.ca) or Greg Feener

472-9364 (glf@nbnet.nb.ca)

### WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

[www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](http://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)

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



**@Ourladyofpeaceparishfredericton**

*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



**OUR LADY OF PEACE  
ONLINE MASS**  
Sunday at 11:00 am  
Facebook Live

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

## **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 Mass to 12:15 pm**

We encourage our parishioners who are not able to attend Mass in person to watch Mass at home online at 11:00 am and then make their way to St. Theresa's Church if they wish to receive Communion.



## **EUCCHARISTIC 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.*

## **YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH**

**Dec. 8, 2020 to Dec. 8, 2021**

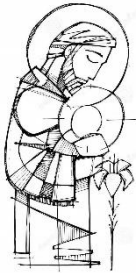
Learn more about St. Joseph on FORMED "Saint Joseph" (4-Part Series).

St. Joseph: Old and New

St. Joseph: Guardian of the Redeemer

St. Joseph: Patron of the Universal Church

St. Joseph: Patron of the Domestic Church



## **This Week's Lenten Symbol - Palms**



Palms are sacramental, that is, signs which bear a resemblance to the sacraments. Each year on Palm Sunday, new palm branches are blessed and are carried home by the faithful as a symbol of Christ's presence in the place where they live.

## **Triduum and Easter Mass Schedule**

The Masses of the Triduum are the pinnacle of the Catholic liturgical year. It is a time when we need to be open and welcoming to all, a time when our best should be offered in the Mass. With all restrictions, guidelines and the whole parish community considered please find below Our Lady of Peace Parish Triduum and Easter Mass Schedule.

***This year attendance at Triduum and Easter Masses will be by reservation only.***

You may reserve your spot calling the parish office at 444-6010 or emailing [parishoffice@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto:parishoffice@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca).

**Reservation Deadline Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

When registering for Mass, please provide a main contact name, phone number, email address, the number of people in your group, and which Masses you would like to attend.

## **Triduum and Easter Mass Schedule**

### **Holy Thursday**

7:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church  
(Livestreamed)

### **Good Friday**

10:00 am at St. Patrick's Church  
12:00 pm at St. Anthony's Church  
3:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church

*(Livestreamed with distribution of Communion in the parking lot)*

### **Easter Vigil**

8:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church

### **Easter Sunday**

8:45 am St. Patrick's Church  
11:00 am St. Theresa's Church

*(Livestreamed with distribution of Communion in the parking lot)*

**Chrism Mass** ~ Participation in the Chrism Mass this year is by invitation only. Clergy, consecrated and lay faithful are invited to join via the live-stream on our Diocesan Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/DioceseofSaintJohn/> on Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm from the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Saint John.

## Holy Thursday Visitation

This year the Altar of Repose will be located in the classroom located behind the Altar at St. Theresa's Church. The Blessed Sacrament will be transferred there after the Mass on Holy Thursday and parishioner are invited to visit in prayer until 11:00 pm. Due to COVID restriction there is limited space. To reserve a time please email [pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto:pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)



## OUR LADY OF PEACE LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Tuesdays of Lent after the 10:00 am Mass  
St. Anthony's Church

Wednesdays of Lent after the 12:00 pm Mass  
St. Theresa's Church

Wednesdays of Lent after 1:00 pm Adoration  
St. Patrick's Church

**2020 Financial Statement** ~ Last week the Parish Finance Committee release the parish 2020 Financial Statement. Committee members will make formal presentations at each of the three churches the weekend of April 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions regarding the 2020 financial statement you may contact Greg Feener at 472-9364 or Frank O'Donnell at 472-0145.

**Survey for Affordable Housing in the Upper Nashwaak Valley Area** ~ Atlantic Garden Homes is conducting a survey exploring the need for affordable and manageable rental houses in the Upper Nashwaak Valley. Survey is available <https://atlanticgardenhomes.ca/stanley>.

## PARISH NURSING

**Online Yoga** ~ **There will be no yoga on Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup> and April 5<sup>th</sup>.** Next session will be Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 3 to 4 pm via Zoom. Anyone interested to join can contact Emma at [eecout@gmail.com](mailto:eecout@gmail.com). Everyone welcome.

**Fredericton Indoor Pool** ~ If you would like to use our Parish Nursing program to access swimming at the indoor pool please contact Vicky Knight at 454-8583 or by email at [vicky.knight@bellaliant.net](mailto:vicky.knight@bellaliant.net) to book your swim time.

## Are You Watching "The Search" with Fr. Maria?

This Lent Fr. Maria is watching "The Search" on FORMED. Every Wednesday we will post on the parish Facebook page and website a link to watch an episode of *The Search* on FORMED along with a couple of questions for reflection and discussion. Share your thoughts each week on Facebook.



## Online Alpha Course

Have you ever thought:

- Does my life have a purpose?
- Why does our world have so much pain?
- Is it possible to truly love?

Do you wish you had a place to discuss these questions in a non-judgmental and open space? Alpha is for people of all faith traditions, or none, the curious and those looking to reconnect. Our Alpha online course allows you to participate from the comfort of our own home, or anywhere you can access the internet. The course is free and all are welcome!

When? Beginning Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

Who? Alpha is for **YOU!**

To register call or email Patty Cameron at 444-6070 or [pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto:pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)



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**Registering for FORMED is EASY!**

- Go to [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup)
- Select our parish by Our Lady of Peace Parish or entering our Postal Code – E3A 3N5
- Register with your name and email address
- Check your email account for a link to begin using FORMED

# MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEK OF MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup> TO APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup>

	St. Anthony's – Tuesday @ 10:00 am	St. Theresa's – Wednesday @ 12:00 pm
Screeners/Ushers	John Walsh      Merla Spires	Mary Billings      Betty Flanagan
Lector	Merla Spires	Shelia Gillespie
	St. Anthony's – Friday @ 12:00 pm	St. Theresa's – Sunday at 11:00 am
Screeners/Ushers	Bonnie Bowlen      Mona & Ray McCarthy	Michelle McCann      Mary Fitzpatrick Martin Colford      Ed Theriault      Marilyn Brennan Allison Wrynn      Darren Richard
	Kelly Bowlen      Ken Harris Sr. Karen Kelly	Pam Shields      Shelia Gillespie

\*Ministries for Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil have been contacted

## Our Sacred Stories

### Holy Week: A Pilgrimage through Death to Life, Darkness to Light

This Sunday we enter what we call Holy Week, that sacred season from Passion Sunday to Easter. As we bless the palms and listen to the Passion story once more, we begin a pilgrimage in solidarity with our world. It is a journey of faith which calls us to reflect on the suffering and death of Jesus. Ultimately our trek will take us to Easter and the resurrection of Jesus. From darkness to light.

Our pilgrimage unfolds on three levels. We take this pilgrimage personally, looking inward at our own life. Each of us has our experiences of pain, suffering and encounters with evil. We also embark on this pilgrimage communally, for we journey with the whole Christian community. It too, is often broken and suffering, struggling with the shortcomings and flaws within us.

Beyond this, our journey is also one we share with all of humanity, and the whole of creation. We witness the face of evil and pain and suffering with all the peoples and nations of our world. In every place and every age, this has been our global reality. So often, we are a world of darkness - inequalities, injustice, war, threats of climate change and the dread of a pandemic. We are so often less than we can be or even want to be.

In this season of Holy Week – Easter we are called to reflection, prayer and a movement of heart, mind and action through the experience of evil and death, to new and transformed life. It is season of hope and promise, a pilgrimage through death to new life, from darkness to light.

Our journey begins at a high point with acclamation and celebration, as we hear the story of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem to the cheers and accolades of the crowd (Mark 11:1-10). We end our pilgrimage on another high point - the resurrection of Jesus with Easter, from darkness to light.

As we journey from one high point to the next, however, we must descend into the valley, the darkness of challenge, of struggle, of suffering, of pain, evil. It is a valley where we journey with Jesus through his passion and ultimately his death. This is a valley of darkness. Our human experience reveals it as something we all face in life. We encounter it in ourselves and we encounter it in our world.

Evil poses questions that have challenged reason and religious faith down through the centuries. Despite all efforts to "explain" it, evil defies rational explanation. No one has identified the ultimate cause of evil. The principal religious traditions of the world: Buddhism, Hinduism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam, have all noted the existence of evil. But why do we face it? Where does it come from?

Religious traditions can identify no ultimate cause, but they do aid us with the challenge. What helps us is how these traditions present the divine. Christianity, Judaism and Islam all present us with an image of God who is above all else, compassionate. We may not know why there is evil, but our Christian faith does offer us a response to it. It is the response of Jesus – to be compassionate as our God is compassionate.

In other words, the challenge of evil is not addressed by discovering who caused it or why we face it.

It is addressed by how we respond – by compassion and care, for one another and for our world. This is a week of moving from darkness to light, death to new life. Jesus embodies God's compassionate love for all humanity