

# OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

*"Three Churches One Faith Community"*

## BULLETIN

**Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> - Feast of All Saints**

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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

#### Online Religious Formation

Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 am

Please register to receive access link

#### Parish Fall Supper (Take Out)

Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>  
St. Theresa's Church

#### Mass of Remembrance

Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm  
St. Theresa's Church

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church**  
Vera McAloon

**Wednesday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church**  
June Rose Wells

**Thursday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church**  
Gary Arbour

**Saturday, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church**  
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**Sunday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> 8:45 am - St. Patrick's Church**  
Jordan Brewer

**Sunday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church**  
Marie Shields

*Please note: No 12:00 pm Mass on Friday at  
St. Theresa's Church*

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

### OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

#### Weekly Offertory - October 25, 2020

Sunday Contributions:	\$2,616.00
Auto Debit (average):	<u>\$2,029.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,645.00</b>
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$5,860.00
<b>Excess (Shortfall)</b>	<b>(\$1,215.00)</b>
Capital Infrastructure:	\$ 295.00
Special Collections:	\$ 45.00
Other:	\$ 45.00

#### Year-to-Date

Offertory:	\$220,721.00
Budget Needs:	<u>\$251,980.00</u>
<b>Excess (Shortfall):</b>	<b>(\$ 31,259.00)</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)	

### 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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*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



**Online Mass Times**  
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 one of the church sites if they wish to receive Communion.

## OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH 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.



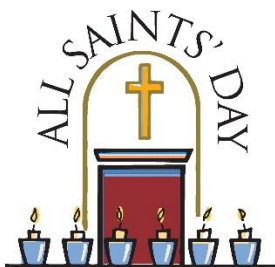
## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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.*



## November is a Month for Remembrance

During the month of November, as Catholics we have a long-standing tradition of praying and remembering those who have gone before us in faith. A Mass of Remembrance for Our Lady Peace Parish will take place at St. Theresa's Church on Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

**Books of Remembrance** ~ There will be Books of Remembrance set up in our three parish churches for the month of November. Please feel free to write names of deceased family members and friends you would like to remember. Due to COVID-19 protocol please use your own pen to write in the book.

## OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH COVID-19 PROTOCOL UPDATE

Last week the Diocese of Saint John amended COVID-19 Protocols for parishes. Our COVID-19 Recovery Team has reviewed the document and will be making changes beginning next weekend (November 7/8) in the three churches of Our Lady of Peace Parish.

Face masks must be worn at all times in the church building. The Province of New Brunswick does not permit face shields as a substitution for not wearing a face mask.

(<https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/e-co-bce/Promo/covid-19/MandatoryMasksFAQ.pdf>).

Parishioners who can not wear a face mask for health reasons are asked to talk the ushers and you will be seated in an area of the church, if available, that will meet Provincial requirements for your safety and the safety of your fellow parishioners.

Also starting next week singing will be allowed in churches once again under certain restrictions. Parishioners are encouraged to participate in singing at a very moderate volume, allowing you to engage in worship while attempting to reduce the risk of potential transmission. Choirs are permitted following the same requirements of masks/face coverings and 2m physical distancing between members of the choir who are not part of the same household. Hymnals and shared resources are not permitted.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to the COVID-19 Recovery Team through the parish office.

**Thank you for your cooperation!**

**Together we can keep our churches open and safe!**



## PARISH TAKE-OUT FALL SUPPER

Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>  
St. Theresa's Church

### Did you get your tickets?

We can't wait to serve you dinner!

Pick up times are printed on your tickets.

Pick up location St. Theresa's Church parking lot,  
1 William St.

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## PARISH NURSING UPDATE

**Online Yoga** ~ Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm.

If anyone is interested to join, please email to Emma Couturier at [eecout@gmail.com](mailto:eecout@gmail.com).

**Parish Nursing Newsletter** ~ articles are begin accepted for the Parish Nursing Newsletter "Helping Hands". Deadline for submission is November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Flu Shots** ~ Local pharmacies now have the flu shot available. Remember to make an appointment to get yours!

**Launch of 211 Service in New Brunswick** ~ 211 is a free, confidential information and referral line that will help New Brunswickers navigate and connect to the network of community, social, non-clinical health and government services available across the province. When you don't know what is available or where to turn to, call 211 and the community navigators will help you find the right service in your area, if it's available. 211 does not provide case management or crisis counselling – it's a referral resource: the community navigators will help you track down the community and government supports that are out there and ready to help.

**Use of Parish Facilities** ~ Due to COVID-19 protocols requiring the sanitization of rooms following each use, meeting rooms and hall spaces at each church must be booked in advance of use by contacting Irene Jewett at 444-6010 or [parishoffice@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto:parishoffice@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca). Please note, persons booking any space are responsible for following all pertinent COVID-19 protocols including screening, 6'(2m) distancing regulations and contact tracing.

## RELIGIOUS FORMATION UPDATE

**Kindergarten to Grade 8** ~ will meet Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> online at 9:30 am. Access links will be emailed to registered families the Friday before each session.

**Confirmation Preparation** ~ will meet Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup> online at 6:30 pm. Access links will be emailed to registered families the Friday before each session.

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## 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](mailto: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.**

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**Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation Program** ~ Are you called to join other Canadian Catholic women learning how your leadership has the power to transform where you work, volunteer and live? Applications are now available for the 2021-2022 Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation Program. The in-person and online program, facilitated by the Providence School of Transformational Leadership and Spirituality at Saint Paul University (Ottawa) runs from April/21 to May/22. Visit [www.cwlfcanada.ca](http://www.cwlfcanada.ca). Application deadline is November 20, 2020.

**Discipleship in Today's World** ~ You are invited to attend a special presentation given by Father Owen Burns, Episcopal Vicar for Evangelization, on Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup> from 10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. at Our Lady of Fatima Church. Bring along your own brown bag lunch. Beverages will be provided. The presentation will be followed by Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament from 12:45 - 2:00 p.m. Confessions will be available at the same time. Register before Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, by calling 444-6029 or email: [olfatima1962@gmail.com](mailto:olfatima1962@gmail.com)

# MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> TO NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>

St. Anthony's – Tuesday @ 10:00 am		St. Theresa's – Wednesday @ 12:00 pm
Screeners/Ushers	John & Elizabeth Walsh Merla Spires	Mary Billings
Lector	John Walsh	Jeannette Cunningham
St. Anthony's – Thursday @ 10:00 am		St. Theresa's – Friday @ 7:00 pm
Screeners/Ushers	Sue Inkster Ken Harris	Barry Miller Janet Matheson
Lector	Ken Harris	Sheila Gillespie
St. Anthony's – Saturday at 4:00 pm		St. Theresa's – Sunday at 11:00 am
Screeners/Ushers	Mary Feener Mona @ Ray McCarthy	Michele McCann Mary Fitzpatrick Martin Colford Tracy Horsley Allison Wrynn
Lector	Maureen Buck	Betty Flanagan

## Our Sacred Stories: God and Us God Takes Delight in Us

In the midst of a pandemic, faced with challenges to our climate, concerned about the fragile peace of our world, encountering upset and uncertainty in global social and political life, it is not surprising that we can be anxious. Perhaps we need to consider how God sees us.

If we take a look at the first chapter of the Book of Genesis, we find that the author reflected that at the end of creation God viewed it. The writer says: *God saw all that was made, and indeed it was very good* (Gen.1:31). There is probably no clearer statement of the goodness of creation, our world and each and every creature on the earth – including ourselves. Genesis is a reminder that God takes delight in all these works that form creation. God does indeed see you and I and every created thing as *a blessing*.

Many years ago, traveling in Ireland, I witnessed an expression of blessing. Sitting in a pub for lunch, we noticed a group of truckers at the bar who were finishing off their Guinness. As each one got up and began to leave, the others called out to him, “God bless you now, safe drive.” They knew that God took delight in each of them.

What do we do when we bless someone? Essentially, we are imitating God. We are indicating that like God, we take delight in that person, that this person is special to us. This is what the voice from heaven exclaimed as the Spirit descended on Jesus after us baptism in the Jordan: *This is my son, the beloved in whom I delight* (Matt.3:17). This delight is an expression of the Father’s favour resting on the Son. It is a blessing. Because we take delight in a person, like God we want the best for them. It is this that calls parents to bless their children, friends to bless their friends, members of a community to bless one another, and yes, truckers to bless their fellow truckers in an Irish pub.

Such delight appears in Matthew’s Gospel as the introduction to what we call the Sermon on the Mount (Matt 5:1-12). Jesus begins the Sermon with a series of blessings (Beatitudes). These are blessings conferred on us, all of us in the many experiences of our lives. God constantly sees the goodness that rests in us and in all creation. Jesus will go on in the Sermon to call us to let this goodness, this “salt” and “light”, shine before our world. But it is important that we first recognize that God blesses us with this goodness – even when we do not feel that goodness.

We need to know that God indeed does take delight in us and in all of creation. Our universe and all that it contains is the handiwork of God. If God takes delight in it, so too should we. This is the sense of the final words of Pope Francis’s encyclical, *Laudato si: On the Care of Our Common Home*. He concludes his thoughts with what can be a prayer of us all, as we face the challenges of our time.

*God, who calls us to generous commitment and to give him our all,  
offers us the light and the strength needed to continue on our way.  
In the heart of this world, the Lord of life, who loves us so much is always present.  
He does not abandon us, he does not leave us alone,  
for he has united himself definitively to our earth,  
and his love constantly impels us to find new ways forward.  
Praise be to God.*

John Jennings