

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

"Three Churches One Faith Community"

BULLETIN

Sunday, April 4, 2021 – Easter 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 15th

Alpha Online - *Who will you invite?*

Registration Open

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

**** No weekday Masses this week on Tuesday and Wednesday ****

Thursday, April 8th 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church

Doris Kierstead

Friday, April 9th 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church

Joseph & Jacqueline Kincade

Saturday, April 10th 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church

Deceased Members of Toth Family

Sunday, April 11th 8:45 pm - St. Patrick's Church

Jordan Brewer

Sunday, April 11th 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church

Dell Mitchell

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

OUR LADY OF PEACE FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekly Offertory - March 28, 2021

Sunday Contributions: \$2,736.00

Auto Debit (average): \$1,982.00

Total: \$4,718.00

Weekly Budget Needs: \$5,400.00

Excess (Shortfall) (\$ 682.00)

Capital Infrastructure: \$ 35.00

Special Collections: \$ 620.00

Other: \$ 210.00

Year-to-Date

Offertory: \$ 60,165.00

Budget Needs: \$ 70,200.00

Excess (Shortfall): (\$ 10,035.00)

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

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



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.



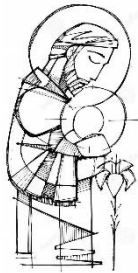
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

Thank You

Thank you all who made our Holy week and Easter such a beautiful and uplifting time; those in the Music Ministry, our Lectors and Altar servers, our Ministers of Hospitality, those responsible for decorating the Church and the members of our Pastoral Team. Rejoice for the Lord has truly risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Wish you all a very Happy and Holy Easter!

Fr. Maria



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 15th at 7:00 pm

Who? Alpha is for **YOU!**

To register call or email Patty Cameron at 444-6070 or pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

FORMED

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- Go to 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

PARISH NURSING

Online Yoga ~ There will be no yoga on Monday, April 5th. Next session will be Monday, April 12th from 3 to 4 pm via Zoom. Anyone interested to join can contact Emma at 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 to book your swim time.



Easter Message 2021

“Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing choirs of angels! Exult, all creation around God’s throne! Jesus Christ, our King is risen! Sound the trumpet of salvation!”

This great proclamation of joy begins our Easter Vigil celebration - truly, an occasion to rejoice! Over the past year many have grown weary, but the joy of the resurrection reminds us that Jesus has won the victory. Truly, he is risen! This is indeed good news!

As we enter this holiest of weeks I do so with great anticipation of being able to share in these liturgies with the faithful. Last year was a year like no other. Indeed, we never expected that we would be unable to celebrate the Easter liturgies with the physical presence of the faithful. Liturgies are meant to be celebrated as a community of faith around the table of the Word and Eucharist, and the knowledge that we are now able to do so in person brings me great joy.

Just as Sunday is the highlight of our week, Holy Week is the highlight of our liturgical year, especially the Easter Triduum. These three days form a unity which reveals the unfolding of the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ. Jesus came to destroy death and restore life, and through his death and resurrection he brought us new life and gave perfect glory to his heavenly Father.

In these days of uncertainty, the Church continues to proclaim with great jubilation the apostles’ message that Jesus, the crucified one, is risen from the dead and remains with his people. After a year of pandemic, we need to be reminded of this hope, to pull us out of our weariness. The Lord is truly alive, he is with us in our difficulties, and each one of us can believe personally that Jesus Christ came to conquer sin and death. He came to shine a light in our darkness, to give us hope, and to restore us to new life.

As we contemplate the gift of family during this Year Amoris Laetitia Family, we are aware that Jesus, who shared in family life with Mary and Joseph, shares too in our family life, especially those moments when we come together in faith. In living these holiest days of the Easter Triduum may we be particularly attentive to the domestic Church, helping and supporting each other towards a renewed encounter with the risen Jesus.

Pope Benedict XVI wrote: “In the sacrament of the altar, the Lord meets us, men and women created in God’s image and likeness (cf. Genesis 1:27) and becomes our companion along the way.” (*Sacramentum Caritatis*, #2). As we celebrate our victory with Christ, I invite you to renew your commitment to Sunday Mass – the little Easter. It is in this encounter with the risen Lord that our fears and anxieties give way to joy, just as they did for the first witnesses of the resurrection. We experience God truly alive and with us – we are not alone.

“Today, as pilgrims in search of hope, we cling to you, Risen Jesus. We turn our backs on death and open our hearts to you, for you are Life itself.” (Pope Francis, Easter Vigil 2020). May the light of Christ shine brightly in each of us, so that by our witness others will come to know that the Lord has truly risen from the dead. May we encounter the risen Jesus in a personal way this Easter, and find in him the fullness of joy, peace, and life itself.

With great hope in the joy of the resurrection, I remain faithfully yours in Jesus with Mary,

✠ Christian Riesbeck, CC
Bishop of Saint John

March 29, 2021

2020 Financial Statement ~ Finance committee members will make formal presentations at each of the three churches the weekend of April 10th and 11th. 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.

Community Volunteer Income Tax Program – CVITP
Steve Linton, a parishioner at St. Anthony’s Church and volunteer for CVITP, will be available by **appointment** to prepare your income tax and benefit returns. For more information, please contact **Steve Linton** for further information at 506-261-7600 or lintons21@outlook.com

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>.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE WEEK OF APRIL 8TH TO APRIL 11TH

St. Anthony's – Tuesday @ 10:00 am

St. Theresa's – Wednesday @ 12:00 pm

Screeners/Ushers		
Lector		
St. Anthony's – Thursday @ 10:00 am		St. Theresa's – Friday @ 12:00 pm
Screeners/Ushers	Sue Inkster Ken Harris	
Lector	Sue Inkster	Gisele Weatherhead
St. Anthony's – Saturday 4:00 pm		St. Theresa's – Sunday at 11:00 am
Screeners/Ushers	Bonnie Bowlen Vicky Knight	
Lector	Greg Forsythe	Barry Miller

Our Sacred Stories

Easter: Season of New Life and Rebirth for Jesus...and for Us

"[He] suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose from the dead." (Apostles Creed)

It should come as no surprise that what we call the Triduum, the three days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and then through the Easter Vigil to Easter Sunday lies at the center and core of our faith. It is the feast of all feasts for us. With it, we mark the passing of Jesus from death to new life. The words of our Apostles Creed express our faith in the whole Christian story. What we might miss is that it is also the passing of ourselves from death to new life.

The resurrection stories in the Gospel present the disciples and friends of Jesus, the crucified one seeking him at the tomb, among the dead. They do not find him there. Nor would they find him in any place that represents domination, death, violence, greed, oppression and bondage. They would find him in the places of life and light, liberation and peace. This is where the risen one is to be found.

The resurrection sends Jesus back into the world. His resurrection proclaims that there is life after death, there is hope and promise and that the power of evil, oppression and bondage is broken. The world and humanity are given new life.

Our faith tells us that like the risen Jesus, we too are sent back into the world and that we bring the risen one with us. We carry Jesus into our world of families and friends, of commerce, economics and politics. We carry him into the places of oppression, bondage and poverty, of violence and suffering and yes, even into pandemics. As Jesus, we carry the resurrection and its hope. We bring what the risen one brings – PEACE. This is the Good News. We believe in the possibility of new life for all.

The spiritual writer, Carlo Carretto in Blessed Are You Who Believed describes the presence and power of the risen Jesus that we welcome into our lives and that we bear into our world. It is lived faith for us.

When you forgive your enemy
When you feed the hungry
When you defend the weak
you believe in the resurrection.

When you have the courage to marry
When you welcome a new-born child
When you make a home together
you believe in the resurrection.

When you wake at peace in the morning
When you sing to the rising sun
When you go to work with joy
you believe in the resurrection.

The risen life of Jesus takes flesh and comes alive in us. Alleluia!