

Our Lady of Peace Parish

“Three Churches One Faith Community”

Bulletin

Sunday, January 23rd, 2022 – Third 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 1:30 pm



St. Theresa's Church

45 Royal Road

Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 am

Upcoming Events

Knights of Columbus

Parish January Food Drive Jan 1-Jan 31

Drop off donations to Pastoral Center

Parish Synod Discussion Group

January 23rd 1pm – 3pm

Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday, January 25th 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's Church

No Mass

Wednesday January 26th 10:00am - St. Anthony's

No Mass

Thursday, January 27th 12:00 pm - St. Theresa's

No Mass

Friday January 28th 10:00 am - St. Anthony's Church

No Mass

Saturday, January 29th, 4:00 pm - St. Anthony's Church

No Mass

Sunday January 30th 1:30 pm - St. Patrick's Church

No Mass

Sunday, January 30th 11:00 am - St. Theresa's Church

On Line Mass Only Patricia Gyuk

Reconciliation, Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office.

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Weekly Offertory Updated next week

Sunday Contributions: \$2,476.00

Auto Debit (average): \$1,978.00

Total: \$4,454.00

Weekly Budget Needs: \$5,000.00

Excess (Shortfall) (\$ 546.00)

Capital Infrastructure: \$ 290.00

Special Collections: \$

Other: \$ 575.00

Year-to-Date

Offertory: \$ 8,589.00

Budget Needs: \$ 10,000.00

Excess (Shortfall): (\$ 1,411.00)

Information inquires should be directed to:

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Website & Social Media

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

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

COVID Protocol Update

As the province moves into the Level 3 COVID-19 Winter plan at 11:56 pm on January 14th, no in-person Masses are permitted. Our Lady of Peace Parish will continue to offer parishioners the opportunity to participate in Mass Sunday mornings at 11:00 am live on our parish Facebook page (Our Lady of Peace Parish Fredericton). A recording of the Mass will be posted on our website after Mass has been completed. Due to the highly transmissible Omicron variant we will not be offering parking lot parking Communion at this time.

The parish office will be closed to visitors during Level 3. You will still be able to contact Irene and Fr. Maria by phone or email during regular office hours. We appreciate your patience during this time as we continue to find ways to support our parishioners.

A letter from Bishop Riesbeck to the Diocesan Faithful can be found on the parish website.

To attend all other activities using parish facilities, including Parish Nursing activities, meetings, presentations, workshops and Religious Formation, proof of vaccination or provincially approved proof of exemption is required in addition to wearing a mask and physical distancing

Eucharistic Adoration

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

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



Wondering what is happening in the parish? ~ Check out the parish monthly activity calendar available at each of our parish churches and online.

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

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.

To register for Our Lady of Peace Religious Formation programs please contact Patty Cameron at pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

Knights of Columbus January Food Drive

Stage 3 has hindered our food collection somewhat. We are now accepting cash donations as well. You can do an e-transfer to the Parish specifically for the food drive. Send your donation to: olpdonations@gmail.com. If you need to add a secure question, please use: "What is this food drive donation for?" and the answer "January".



Next week is the final weekend for our campaign. Thanks to everyone who contributed.

For those parishioners who would still like to donate, you can also drop off any food items at the Pastoral Office at 603 Union Street between 9 am and 4 pm.

From the Parish Office

Please ensure that all bulletin notices are submitted to the Parish office Thursday at noon at the latest. Your co-operation is very much appreciated in this matter.

The Parish Office will remain open during the Level 3 Restrictions. However no entry will be permitted. I will be available by phone or email during office hours which are 9 am – 4 pm.

Your 2022 Offertory Envelopes are now available at your Church. If you can't find yours please call the office for assistance. ..



Missals are now available at all three churches. To help with the cost of purchasing a \$5.00 donation is appreciated. There are containers by the missals to place your money. Missals are also available at the Parish Office.

BREAKING DOWN WALLS: YOUNG PEOPLE, FAITH, AND MENTAL HEALTH – Young people from all around Atlantic Canada are invited to join a special Facebook Live Event addressing issues around young people and their mental health on **Wednesday, January 26, at 7:00 pm (AST)**. Special guests for this **Bell Let's Talk** event will include Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick, Bishop of Antigonish; Joe Townsend, Community CARES Youth Outreach (Sydney Mines); Paige Cox, Author of "The Berlin Project: Breaking Down Walls," and John Ratchford, Faith Witness. Anyone can join the session through the website for the Diocese of Antigonish (www.antigonishdiocese.com/) or their Facebook Page www.facebook.com/antigonishdiocese). This event is a collaborative effort, hosted by the Diocese of Antigonish and sponsored by the Atlantic Association of Catholic Youth Ministers. For more information, please contact Margot McAloon-Parker at fredreled@dioceseofsaintjohn.org



On October 10, 2021, Pope Francis inaugurated "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission", a 2- year-long Synod for the universal Church. The Synod is asking the Church to reflect on how we journey together as Church, listen and respond to the working of the Holy Spirit in the Church and in the world, and how decisions are reached at all levels: who is involved, who is excluded and how can our processes be improved.

What is a Synod? A Synod is a formal process, used by the Church, in which a large number of people are consulted on a specific topic for discussion. Though it usually leads to a formal gathering from which a formal document is produced, Synods can involve countless discussion groups that precede the formal gathering, assuring the greatest amount of participation possible.

How Can I Be Involved in the Latest Synod? Everyone is invited to add their voice. A series of questions have been provided to parishes to gather input. Our Lady of Peace Pastoral Council invites everyone to participate in the discussion, either on their own or as part of a discussion group.

Three Ways to Participate:

- 1) Join Our Lady of Peace Parish Discussion Groups on Sunday, January 23rd.
- 2) The Synod discussion questions are available on the Our Lady of Peace Website and as an insert in the bulletin. Fill out the questions, individually or as a group, put it in an envelope labeled Synod Questionnaire and submit it to the Parish Office, drop it in the collection basket or e-mail to olppastoralcouncilfredericton@gmail.com by, January 23rd. **Please feel free to share with anyone you feel would like to have a voice in this process.**
- 3) The Diocese of Saint John has a link to the questions on their website at <https://dioceseofsaintjohn.org/synod-2021-2023> The last 6 questions will be the focus of our parish discussions.

Our Lady of Peace Parish Synod Discussion Groups ~ January 23rd 1:00pm – 2:30pm will be held via Zoom please call 444-6010 or email olppastoralcouncilfredericton@gmail.com to register. A confirmation email with a link to the Zoom group will be sent to you upon registration.

Following the discussion group and submissions of the completed questionnaires your Pastoral Council will submit a summary of the responses to the Diocese for inclusion in the Synod process.

Ministry Schedule Week of January 22nd & 23rd

	St. Anthony's - Saturday 4:00 pm	St. Theresa's - Sunday at 11:00 am
Screeners/Ushers		
Lector		

Our Sacred Stories

The Body of Christ: A Spirit-filled Community of Many Faces

The writer of the Gospel of Luke is a visionary. He presents the story of Jesus the Christ as an expression of the Spirit of God incarnate in the person of Jesus. Luke's faith is that of a Gentile (non-Jewish) Christian about two generations after the death and resurrection of Jesus, i.e. about 70-90AD. Tapping into his community's oral memory, as well as that of Mark's Gospel, Luke sees Jesus as a gift of God's love for all who share a common humanity and a common home in creation. For Luke this happens through the sharing of the same Spirit among all.

Luke begins the story of Jesus setting out on mission after his baptism by John in the Jordan and his time in the desert (Lk.3:21-22; 4:1-13). The focus and direction of the mission is described by Luke as the work of the Spirit and power of God (Lk.4:14-21). The rest of the Gospel will be centered on this universal gift of God's Spirit shared by Jesus with his disciples and then through them, with that same Spirit to the ends of the earth.

The sequel to this Gospel, the Book of the Acts of the Apostles, will express this ultimate goal of the Spirit spreading to all humanity. We can find it proclaimed by Peter early in the Acts as a way of great promise. He uses the words of the Old Testament prophet, Joel:

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.
Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit.
(Joel 2:28-29, cf. Acts 2:17-18)

In the early days of the Christianity, St. Paul traveled from one little community of believers to another. As he did so he seemed acutely aware that these early communities were families of believers. Though made up of many very different persons, they shared a common Spirit and were called to live in love, supporting one another. They were one body, unified by the Spirit and called to the same mission. He expressed this vision to a community in Corinth:

*Brothers and sisters: Just as the body is one and has many members,
and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is
with Christ. For the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body –
Jews or Greeks, slaves or free – and we were all made to drink of one
Spirit. (1 Cor. 12:12-13)*

To be baptized is to be in the Body of Christ, a Spirit-filled community that we call Church. This Body of Christ, this Church can be regarded as an organized institution with its beliefs and practices. For most of us, however, what offers us life is the community of persons that surround us. They welcome us, support us, accompany us and nurture us in our journey of faith together. One might say that for most us, Church, the Body of Christ has a face, or faces. These faces are Church for us. There we find the Spirit of the Living God.

Who are some of the faces who have been part of your faith journey?

John Jennings
3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time