

# Our Lady of Peace Parish

*“Three Churches One Faith Community”*

## Bulletin Sunday February 9, 2025 – 5<sup>TH</sup> 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

### Mass Times & Intentions

**Saturday February 15th 4:00 PM St. Anthony's**

*Mass For The People*

**Sunday February 16th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's**

*Sauna Matheson*

**Sunday February 16th 1:30 PM St. Patrick's**

*Faye Gilmore*

### Upcoming Events

Office Hours Mon – Fri 9:am – 4:30 pm

All weekday Masses and Adoration at St. Anthony's Church and St. Theresa's Church are cancelled until Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>.

### Income Tax Receipts

Tax receipts are available in your church.

St. Anthony's  
Church

+ **Perry Tucker** +

Offered by  
The Family

St. Theresa's  
Church

+ **Anne Wrynn** +

Offered by  
Allison Wrynn

*This week the  
Sanctuary  
Candle  
burns in memory of ...*

### Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

February 2, 2025		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	\$6,101	Offertory	\$6,101
Capital Infrastructure	846	Budget Needs	( 5,255)
Diocesan Collections	90	Excess (Shortfall)	<b>\$ 846</b>
Other	143	<b>Year-to-Date</b>	<b>Contributions</b>
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$7,180</b>	Offertory	\$25,656
		Budget Needs	(26,275)
		Excess (Shortfall)	<b>\$ ( 619)</b>

*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

## Ministry Schedule February 15th & February 16th

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Bonnie Bowlen	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford George Fernandez, Darren Richard & Marilyn Brennan
Eucharistic Minister	Greg Forsythe	Mary Billings & Marg Anderson
Altar Servers		Phil VanLeeuwen, Isaiah Bonaventura, Caitlyn Salazar & Mathea Pahati
Lector	Greg Feener	Betty MacNeil & Reign Bonaventura
Sacristan		Rochelle Ivey

### Our Lady of Peace Parish Adoration Schedule

Thursdays at 11:30 am at St. Theresa's Church before 12:00 pm Mass \*

Fridays at 9:30 am at St. Anthony's Church before 10:00 am \*

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm at St. Theresa's Church (1 hour) \* If Mass is cancelled so is Adoration.

## Faith Formation Update

**Family Faith Formation** ~ Join us Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:30 am in St. Theresa's Church Hall. The Liturgy of the Eucharist is pretty much the same each week. The same prayers, the same responses, the same actions. Why do we repeat these things? In our session "In Living Memory" we will learn together about this part of the Mass. All families with children in Kindergarten to grade 7 are invited to attend.

**Attention St. Patrick Families** ~ Families with children in grades 2 and up wishing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist are asked to join us on Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12:00 pm in the church hall for information and start the preparation process. We will also be looking to see if there is an interest in a Family Formation for families with children in grades kindergarten to grade 7. To help us prepare please contact Patty at [pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto:pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca) before Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>

**It's cold out there.** And on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, youth and leaders from our Confirmation Preparation classes are going to do something about it. Together with thousands of Canadians across the country, we will be walking and fundraising to support people and families experiencing hurt, hunger, and homelessness in our community and you can help! Sponsor one of our youth by visiting <https://cnoy.org/location/fredericton> and search for our team Our Lady of Peace Confirmation. With your support we can make a difference in our community!

**Season 4 of "The Chosen"** ~ Threatened by the reality of Jesus' growing influence, religious leaders do the unthinkable – ally with their Roman oppressors. As the seeds of betrayal are planted the disciples struggle to keep up with Him. Join us Monday evenings beginning February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the meeting rooms at St. Theresa's Church as we watch and discuss season 4 of The Chosen. Everyone is welcome!

### Our Lady of Peace Parish Council 2025-2026 is as follows:

Father Maria Arokiam Chinnappan

Co-Chairs: Marilyn Brennan & Rochelle Ivey

Secretary: Darren Richard

Members: Ken Harris - Julie Gallant Daigle - Ricarda Bradley - Ryan Joy





## ST. THERESA'S CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE

are hosting a BRIDGE LUNCHEON  
LOCATION: St. Theresa's Church Hall

DATE: February 20, 2025 TIME: 12-3 pm  
To Register contact Betty MacNeil 506 260-4680



**SOCIAL JUSTICE** Called by sacred scriptures, church teachings and tradition, Catholic Women's League members commit themselves to furthering God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Join us on this exciting journey to create God's justice here and now



We are excited to announce that the Knights of Columbus Council 8654 will be hosting the Shrove Tuesday Dinner once again! We've taken your feedback to heart and made improvements from last year's event. Stay tuned for more details to come. Looking forward to seeing you there!

On behalf of our Knights, would anyone in the parish have a good used refrigerator they would consider donating to St. Theresa's kitchen? A little extra refrigerator space when we have a variety of kitchen events would sometimes make our work easier. Note: we would want to plug the refrigerator in for only the duration of the event then unplug and clean it when the event is finished. This would minimize electricity use and help to keep the area sterile. If yes, contact David Hayes (452-7061) or Gary Moore (470-1929) for pickup and delivery.

**Free-Throw Championship.** On Saturday February 15th, all Knights across the city are hosting the Free-Throw Championship. This friendly competition is a lot of fun and who knows, you might even be the International winner for the Knights of Columbus across the WORLD! All kids from **9 to 14** are welcome, it will be at Mgr Boyd starting at 9 am, for more information or to register [nb.kofc.freethrow@gmail.com](mailto:nb.kofc.freethrow@gmail.com)

**Sunday Brunch** First I personally want to thank everyone that came to the last brunch, it was a great success once again! I'm constantly amazed to see all of you as we support one another! I honestly thought that with my 40 pounds of potatoes I would have plenty... Next time I'll peel and dice 60 pounds! It's a good opportunity for me to pray the rosary! Our next Brunch will be **February 16th**, come hungry!

**Liturgical Volunteers Needed** ~ We at Our Lady of Peace parish are so thankful for our parishioners who participate in one or more of our Liturgical Ministries. However, we have a variety of opportunities for you to be come part of our Liturgical Ministries - Hospitality, Lectors, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans and Music Ministry. We are asking you to volunteer your time and energy to help in these important ministries. Please contact the parish office at (506) 444-6010 to volunteer. If you want to volunteer but are a little nervous because you are not sure how, don't worry we will have you up to speed in no time!

**Last Year's Palms** ~ starting next weekend, there will be baskets at each church to collect last year's palms. Collected palms will be used to make ashes for our Ash Wednesday Masses. The last date to drop of your palms is Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Our Sacred Stories - How About Fishing: Call and Conversion

Very Shortly, Ash Wednesday will be upon us (March 5) and we will enter the Lenten Season once more. Lent is all about conversion. It can be about the conversion process embarked upon by a new member of the Christian community. Or it can be about the on-going conversion that is the part of the life of those of us who were baptized as infants or long ago. In every case, conversion is an invitation offered to us. And it is the acceptance of this invitation, when it is offered and in a continuing fashion throughout our lives.

This Sunday, Luke tells us a story of invitation (Luke 5:1-11). Jesus gathers all kinds of people around him. To deal with the crowd, Jesus makes use of the setting and the situation in order to reach out to them. It is in a fishing area and so Jesus makes use of one of the fishing boats from which to teach. When he had finished speaking to the crowds, he asked the boat's owner, Simon to go fishing with him.

For Luke, the occasion of fishing becomes an opportunity to illustrate the conversion of Simon and his partners. What can we learn about *call and conversion* through fishing? In Luke's story, we can see several stages of the fishing enterprise. First of all, Jesus invites Simon to go fishing. Then accepting to do so, Simon and Jesus together set out in search of the fish. They let down the nets in hope of finding them. Secondly, many fish are caught in the nets, so many that Simon need the help of his partners. Thirdly, with this cooperative effort they pull the fish into the boats and take them ashore.

*Call and conversion*, follows something of this experience. There is an initial quest – setting out to find. It is seeking, questioning, wondering and searching, always with much uncertainty. Then, somehow, we have an encounter. We find something of what we are seeking – we are hooked or netted. This is the first discernment of a call, a surface conversion. But it needs to go deeper. Having been touched by God, we need to allow this first contact to touch our very heart – a conversion of life. Simon simply went fishing. Ultimately he was touched in the depths of his heart – and became a committed disciple.

In our fishing image from Luke, at each stage of the fishing or the conversion process there are others who are involved, partners. In our own *call and conversion*, there are always partners. Conversion is not a solitary experience. Nor is conversion just for "me". Like Simon and his partner's conversion leads us to share with others who are also "fishing" or seeking.

Luke closes this story with Jesus issuing an explicit invitation to Simon and his partners to join him in his mission. Like the fish, they are caught, like the fish, they are brought on board with Jesus. Having been brought on board, they leave what they have been about and follow Jesus as disciples and ultimately as partners, sharing the mission.

In our own conversion process, as we see in Luke's story, the conversion, the quest is repeated, again and again.

**Q. As we approach Lent 2025, where are we in our own "fishing", our own conversion?**

John Jennings  
5<sup>th</sup> Sun Ord Time

**Thank You** to those of you who filled out a registration form and got it to my office by putting it in the offertory basket. It is important that our data base is up to date and accurate. A few of you asked for offertory envelopes which were available for you. Irene