

Our Lady of Peace Parish

“Three Churches One Faith Community”

Bulletin Sunday August 18, 2024 – 20th 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 8:45 AM

St. Theresa's Church

45 Royal Road
Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 AM

Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday Aug 20th 12:00 pm St. Theresa's
Alexina Martin Violette

Wednesday Aug 21st 10:00 AM St. Anthony's
Evelyn MacDougal

Thursday Aug 22nd 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Betty Miles

Friday August 23rd 4:00 PM St. Anthony's
Sr. Charlotte Lockhart

Saturday Aug 24th 4:00 PM St. Anthony's
Josie Mazzuca

Sunday Aug 25th 8:45 AM St. Patrick's
Mass for the People

Sunday Aug 25th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's
John LaPointe

Upcoming Events

Parish Office will be closed on Mondays starting
June 3rd until Sept 17th

**Please check your Church Bulletin Boards
For Posters of Upcoming Community
Events.**

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

St. Theresa's
Church
+Brian Whitlock+
Offered by
Marg & Roy Anderson

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Aug 4, 2024		Weekly		Contributions	
Offertory	4,560	Offertory		\$	4,560
Capital Infrastructure	355	Budget Needs			(5,255)
Diocesan Collections	-	Excess (Shortfall)		\$	(695)
Other	180	Year-to-Date		Contributions	
Total Contributions	\$ 5,095	Offertory		\$	169,216
		Budget Needs			(168,160)
		Excess (Shortfall)		\$	1,056

*Our Lady of Peace is sustained by the generosity of our parishioners through time,
talent and treasure. For all you do, THANK YOU!*

Website & Social Media

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

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



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Office Numbers

Fr. Maria's 444-6070

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Ministry Schedule Aug 24th & Aug 25th

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Mona & Ray McCarthy	George Fernandez, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Betty MacNeil, Janet Matheson, Tom & Nate VanLeeuwen
Eucharistic Minister	Cathy Bowlen	Janet Matheson & Deborah Allen
Altar Servers	Merla Spires	Miranda Alfaro, Caitlyn Salazar, Mathea Pahati Briela Otadoy
Lector	Greg Forsythe	Betty Flanagan & Andrea Y.
Sacristan		Rochelle Ivey

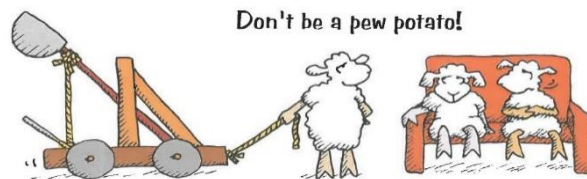
Our Lady of Peace Parish Adoration Schedule

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 *

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

Faith Formation Program Registration



Join us for Family Faith Formation (Catechism – Sunday School) as we explore and learn about the Mass together ~ All families with children ages 5 to 12 (kindergarten to grade 7) are encouraged to participate in Family Faith Formation. Come and learn and share faith as a family at monthly sessions that are family-focused, inviting and accessible. Children in grade 2 will receive preparation to receive 1st Eucharist in the spring of 2025. To register to please visit <https://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca/religious-formation-k-to-7>
Families attending St. Patrick's Church are invited to contact Patty Cameron for Family Faith Formation and 1st Eucharist Preparation options.

Confirmation Preparation ~ Youth in grade 8 and up, if not already Confirmed, are invited to begin Confirmation Preparation beginning this fall with the Sacrament of Confirmation celebrated the spring of 2026. To register please visit <https://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca/confirmation-preparation>

If you have any questions, please contact Patty Cameron at (506) 444-6018 or pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

REGISTRATION CLOSSES SEPTEMBER 18TH

Please note that late registrations for Sacrament Preparation may result in children and youth not receiving Sacraments as scheduled by the parish.

Visioning Youth Ministry in our Parishes – a day of prayer, discernment, and discussion about Youth Ministry – Tuesday, August 27, 9:30-4:30, Villa Madonna.

Do you feel a burden of spiritual concern for high school aged youth in your parish? Do you feel a nudge from the Holy Spirit to help address the needs for evangelizing young people? Patricia Lee and Jim Anderson will be facilitating a day of reflection and discernment for anyone interested in discussing the needs and initiatives for the evangelization of young people in our parishes. This is for current and new people drawn to building youth groups in your parish. The gathering will be held at the Villa Madonna Retreat House in Rothesay, on Tuesday, August 27, from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. Snacks and lunch will be provided. Please register by email catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org or by calling 506-627-6465.

St. Theresa's Music Ministry If you or someone you know would be interested in helping with the direction and planning for the music ministry at St. Theresa's Church, please contact Rochelle Ivey at olppastoralcouncilfredericton@gmail.com or (506) 451-7221.

Special Capital Fund Collection Appeal Envelopes are available to the back of the Churches for those who wish to donate to this fund. All donations will be included in your 2024 Tax Receipt. We thank you for your continued support.

Help



The Catholic Women's League was formed in the early 20th century to help immigrants arriving in Canada. Members continue to help the most vulnerable across the country. Come and add your helping hands to ours.

St. Theresa's CWL Twilight Retreat

St. Theresa's CWL invite all to their Twilight Retreat at St. Theresa's Church Hall on Sept 9th from 4:30 – 8:00pm. Come and take part in a Pot Luck Supper then enjoy our Facilitator Jim Anderson, Director of Missionary Discipleship Formation for the Diocese of Saint John. Everyone is welcome.

Dr. Michael W. Higgins is coming to Fredericton to launch his new Book, The Jesuit Disruptor: A Personal Portrait of Pope Francis, published by House of Anansi, and give a presentation on The Synod on Synodality. On Saturday, September 14th he will be at **Holy Family Church, 1500 Hanwell Road, Fredericton** from 10:30 am till 1:00 pm. This gathering will begin with a presentation on the Synod and Synodality (and Q and A) followed by the book launch and a social time with food and refreshments and book signing. Westminster Books will be present with books available.

Dr. Michael Higgins is well known to us as an author, English and Religious Studies Professor, former President and Vice Chancellor of St. Thomas University, journalist, documentarian, columnist with many prominent newspapers, commentator and analyst with CBC and CTV, and biographer of Henri J. M. Nouwen and Thomas Merton. He will be attending the next Synod gathering in Rome in October, as he did the first synod gathering as a credentialed journalist on behalf of Paulist Press. No registration or fee to attend! All are welcome

**Our Sacred Stories –
REAL PRESENCE & PEOPLE of GOD**

Every time we come together for Eucharist, we begin our gathering in the same way. First, we make the sign of the cross that represents the faith we share in the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. That is what draws us together as one community. Then the priest/presider will say: *The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be/is with you all.* In response the gathered community will say: *And with you/your spirit.* What are we saying?

What we are expressing is that in the community gathered at Eucharist we see the *Real Presence of Christ*. As Jesus tells his disciples: *Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among you* (Matt 18:20). The *Real Presence of Christ* is not only under the form of bread and wine. It is in the assembly around us as we celebrate together, walk together, share together and commit ourselves to sharing and sacrificing for each other. We are the *Real Presence of Christ* for our world

In many cultures, one of the signs of support for life is bread. To have bread means that we can sustain our lives. In the Old Testament Book of Exodus, as the Israelites trekked through the desert, they faced starvation. Their confidence flagged and their faith was threatened. Had God who promised liberation, in fact led them out into the desert to starve? Discovering the manna, bread-like feeding saved both their lives and their faith in their God. Their God was a life-giving and sustaining God.

Chapter 6 of John's Gospel is a very long discourse or sermon which begins with the wonder of Jesus feeding the crowd of followers around him with bread and fish. It was a miraculous event and the crowd who were fed were impressed by having been fed. They want more. They want another miraculous feeding. In chapter 6, Jesus calls for a faith that the fullness of life will come with the taking on of Jesus's life: *Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I in them* (Jn. 6:56).

There is a common saying that might help us to grasp what John is expressing: *We are what we eat.* Very often we hear this in a very narrow and literal sense. What Jesus calls for in chapter 6 is much greater. The Table, the Eucharist, is a sharing that opens us as disciples to the very mind and spirit of Jesus. Coming to the Table means that we are open to a conversion of life and spirit. We are to become Jesus for one another. More than this, we are to leave the Table that we might bear Jesus to the world in which we live. Each eucharistic experience is not so much a personal moment **for me and my faith**, it is more. It is a conversion to take what we have received and become the **Real Presence of Christ for our world**.

John Jennings 20th Sun Ord Time



A man had been shipwrecked on a remote island in the Pacific, and was alone for 20 years. When a ship finally arrived, his rescuers were impressed with the three buildings he had built and asked him about them.

"Well," the man replied, "this is my house, and that building over there is my church. It's a wonderful church and I hate to leave it."

"And what is the third building yonder?" a rescuer asked.

"Oh, that is the church I used to go to," the man replied.