

Parish of Richmond E-News

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RICHMOND THIS SUNDAY

- Morning Prayer at **St Mark's & Holy Trinity** (9:00) and **St John's** with Advent lessons & carols (11:00)
- Sunday School at the Parish Centre (11:00)

Prayers of the people list: Bobby, Boobo, Cathy, Clara, Cole, little Colin, Gladys, Louise, Peter, Robert, Ronald, Steven, Tammy

This coming week's birthdays: **Sharon Lutwick, Lisa Cummings**

Kindly remember the **Food Bank** when you shop. Next deliveries: **St John's** (19 December); **St Mark's** (27 December); **Holy Trinity** (16 January). *Please note that the Food Bank welcomes paper towels and toilet tissue in the donation bins.*

The **Compassion Fund** has been active in preparation for Christmas with support for four recipients/families, including Sanctuary House. Please help the Fund show our compassion.

And remember our **ministry of mittens and caps**. Just as last year, a kindly and industrious parishioner has donated a large box of hand-knit mitts and caps.

From St Luke's (Woodstock) bulletin:

- **Cookies for Shut-ins** (December 18) **Nancy English, Marilyn Sherman, Dot Love and Linda Porter** are coordinating delivery of sweets to the sick and shut-ins on Sunday, Dec 18. Please contribute sweets (some sugar-free recipes would be appreciated) and drop them off at the hall kitchen before church on the 18th. After church the children and parents are invited to help deliver them.

- **Meals-on-Wheels** This involves taking meal orders for deliveries at noon on Thursdays to seniors and shut-ins. For more information please call **Monica Inman-Riley** (325-9393).

The bishop has accepted **Harold Boomer** (Woodstock) as a postulant in discernment and training for ordained ministry.

One key to personal spiritual growth and a healthy parish life is small groups that meet for fellowship. Parishioners are invited to attend a Bible discussion:

1. Monday night at the **Parish Centre**, 7pm. Bring a Bible and the latest issue of **Upper Room** (available at all the churches) *RESUMES 3 JANUARY*
2. Monday night at **the Clarkes** ((24 Hillcrest Ave, Hartland), 7 pm. The discussion guide is Bishop Hockin's **Gospel Therapy** but you do not need a copy. *RESUMES IN JANUARY*
3. At **St Mark's** the *Northern Witness* Bible study has concluded. *PLANS FOR JANUARY TBA*

Forthcoming Events:

- Sunday, 18 December: **St John's** Lessons & Carols, 11 am
- Christmas Eve: Communion at **St John's** (4:30) & **St Mark's** (7:00); Compline at **Holy Trinity** (10:00)
- Thursday 12 January: **Vestry** meets, 7:00

To add a name (with permission) to the **parish prayer list**, speak to Pat Margison (328-8146) or Wendell Parkinson (325-9519).

Cheques to assist Carleton County's **support for Syrian refugees** should be made out to *St Gertrude's Parish – Refugee Fund*. They may be dropped off at the parish office (105 Union St, Woodstock E7M 2W4).

Find this week's **Diocesan e-News** at <http://anglican.nb.ca/wp/eneews/> Find Diocesan **forthcoming events** at <http://anglican.nb.ca/wp/eneews/upcoming-events/>

When writing a will, do not leave money to a specific congregation as individual congregations are not incorporated. The way to handle it is to leave money to the parish *for the purpose of* supporting a particular congregation or house of worship, if that is what you want. For Camp Brookwood, you would leave money to the Diocesan Synod of Fredericton *for the use of* Camp Brookwood.

Courtesy of **Ken Tompkins**, the parish of Richmond has one of the nicest websites in the diocese: <http://www.parishofrichmond.ca> Websites always need fresh content. Ken welcomes scanned, **well-captioned photos** and even short video clips directed to webadmin@parishofrichmond.ca

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