

## Parish of Richmond E-News

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- *To see a parish half the size of Richmond managing to feed the hungry twice a week, read <http://anglican.nb.ca/wp/eneews/2017/11/21/this-is-what-its-all-about/>*
- *To see a parish with exactly the same income as Richmond managing to create a popular community playground on the church lawn, read p. 8 of this month's NB ANGLICAN: [http://anglican.nb.ca/nb\\_ang/pdf/nba1711.pdf](http://anglican.nb.ca/nb_ang/pdf/nba1711.pdf)*
- *To see what happens to a parish that buries its treasure in the ground, re-read last Sunday's gospel.*

### **RICHMOND THIS SUNDAY**

- Communion at **Holy Trinity** (9:00) & **St John's** (11:00); Morning Prayer at **St Mark's** (9:00)
- **Sunday School** at the Richmond Parish Centre (11:00)
- **Readings:** Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100; Ephesians 1: 15-23; Matthew 25: 31-46

Among those whom we hold up in prayer: **Billie, Cathy, Clara, Cole, James, Jason, Katherine, Martha, Nadine, Robert, Ron & Sandra, Saphira, Steven, Tammy**

This coming week's birthdays: **Adrian Bell, Rosanne Carpenter, Gail Lewis**

Kindly remember the Food Bank when you shop. Next deliveries: **St Mark's (27 November)**; Holy Trinity (11 December); St John's (18 December)

For pastoral emergencies and other concerns and home visits, contact the Rev Rod Black at the Rectory 328-3042.

Did you know that the parish's Facebook page has new photographs added almost daily? See <https://www.facebook.com/parishofrichmond/>

**Adrian Bell** is flourishing in his new residence at Riverside Court, where he invites old friends to call on him.

Please note that the Parish's **Compassion Fund** needs replenishing as we continue to show others God's love for them.

Tonight **singing fun with Lise-Anne Grant** resumes at the Richmond Parish Centre, 7 pm. All voices welcome.

This Saturday **Irene & Harry Parkinson** will mark their **50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary** by receiving family and friends at the Parish Centre, 2-4pm. Best wishes only. Ladies (& gents), please bring refreshments.

Also on Saturday our tireless neighbouring parish of WWPA hold their annual **musical fundraiser at the Juniper Community Centre**, 6-9 pm. Among the performers are the fabulous **Glass Girls**. Freewill offering goes to the parish's Christmas outreach to local families and **Sanctuary House**.

Beginning Monday **Bishop Hockin** (with Barry Craig) is once again offering a series of Monday noon **Advent meditations** at the Crowne Plaza (Beaverbrook) hotel in Fredericton.

Mothers' Union branches across Canada are holding their annual **White Ribbon campaign**. Please support the Parish of Richmond MU in **raising awareness of gender violence**. White ribbons will be available in each congregation. Should people choose to give a loonie or two for a ribbon, any proceeds will be given to **Sanctuary House**.

**Marilyn Wilson** is collecting toiletries, adult mittens and caps, puzzle books etc, for the **Seafarers' Mission**, Saint John. They should fit into a shoebox and should be **unwrapped**. Donations welcome.

The **Salvation Army** is looking for volunteers to watch their kettles during their Christmas Campaign. Sign-up sheets with more information are at each church.

**Confirmation preparation** begins in January for those who will be 12 years old or older by the end of 2018. There will also be adult preparation. Anyone one interested please email the rector or call the rectory.

### **Small Group ministries ~**

- On Sundays, **Bible discussion** takes place at St Mark's, 10:15. Text is Ron Blankley's *John's Letters: Discovering Genuine Christianity*.
- On Mondays, **Bible discussion** takes place at 24 Hillcrest Ave (Hartland), 7pm. Study text is Bishop Hockin's *Gospel Therapy* (you don't need a copy).
- On Wednesdays, **Bible discussion** takes place at the Richmond Parish Centre, 7pm. Text is Bishop N. T. Wright's *Letters of John*.

### **Upcoming Events ~**

- On Sunday 10 December, parish service of **Lessons & Carols** at St Mark's, 7 pm
- On Thursday 14 December, **Vestry** meets at the Rectory, 7 pm
- On Sunday 17 December, the **Sunday School Christmas** exercise at St John's, 11 am
- On Tuesday 30 January, the **Woodstock Greater Chapter** (clergy, wardens, synod delegates/alternates) meets at Trinity Church Andover, 7 pm
- On Tuesday 13 February, **Camp Brookwood's** annual meeting takes place. Details TBA.

The parish has received a bequest under the will of the late **Gladys Tracey**. When writing your own 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.

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

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<http://anglican.nb.ca/wp/eneews/> **Find Diocesan forthcoming events**  
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