

Parish of Richmond E-News

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A prayer for the church choir

Keep far from us, O searcher of all hearts, vain and wandering thoughts; enable us to avoid all conceit of our own skill, jealousy of others, and slothfulness in our duty; and may we rest content with the good and pleasant work of ever more praising Thee.

Bishop Medley, "Prayers for a Church-Choir" (1850)

RICHMOND THIS SUNDAY

- Morning Prayer at **Home Church & Holy Trinity** (9:00) and **St John's** (11:00)
- **Sunday School** at the Parish Centre, 11:00

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

This coming week's birthdays: **Lesa Kennedy, Gail Wilson, Nellie Morgan**

Kindly remember the **Food Bank** when you shop. Next deliveries: **Holy Trinity** (16 January); **St John's** (23 January); **St Mark's** (30 January). *Please note that the Food Bank welcomes paper towels and toilet tissue in the donation bins.*

Deadline for getting organizational and activity reports to Marilyn Wilson for the 2016 annual report is not later than **THIS SUNDAY EVENING**. Your report should have at least one **photo** and it should have a **caption** identifying the vent and the people. Marilyn's email is momathome4@hotmail.com

Location of Home Church:

- on any **Sunday with Communion**, Home Church is at **Adrian Bell's** (106 Sherwood Drive, Woodstock)

- on any **Sunday with Morning Prayer**, Home Church is at **the Blacks'** (1629 Route 550, Bloomfield)

At a home church there is always room for one or two more.

Parish of Richmond **annual meeting** takes place at the Parish Centre on Saturday, 11 February, 10 am. Canons **MacMullin** and **McKenna** will be in attendance.

Dr **Ken Neilson**, the diocese's Spiritual Development Officer, meets with vestry and layreaders next Wednesday, 1 February. This is preparatory to a wider parish discernment process.

Wednesday noon Lenten services in Woodstock begin on 1 March. All will be held at St Gertrude's, 12:05 pm. **Richmond will provide the luncheon on Wednesday, 5 April.** Quite a few volunteers are needed to make soup and bread and to help serve it on the day. **Speak to Pat Margison** (328-8146) as soon as possible.

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:

- Monday night at the **Parish Centre**, 7pm, studying the book of James
- Monday night at **the Clarkes** (24 Hillcrest Ave, Hartland), 7 pm, using Bishop Hockin's **Gospel Therapy** but you do not need a copy.
- At **Home Church** on Morning Prayer Sundays the congregation discusses a portion of Bishop Hockin's well-received study of the Lord's Prayer.

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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