

Parish of Richmond E-News

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A Warden's prayer at the New Year

For 2017, with its times of sadness and perhaps disappointments, let us still rejoice and give God praise and glory for the many Blessings received in our Parish of Richmond. We have been blessed with a new Rector, new layreaders in training, our summer services on Wednesday evenings and our various shared fellowship events both inside and outside of God's House. We are blessed with a Sunday School, Bible studies, a singing group, and a Parish Centre financial commitment that was met. We rejoice for parishioners who give freely of their time and talent. We pray for God to led and direct us into this New Year.

Patricia Margison (31 December)

RICHMOND THIS SUNDAY

- Communion at **Holy Trinity** (9 am) & **St John's** (11 am); Morning Prayer at **Home Church** (9 am)
- Readings: **1 Samuel 3: 1-20; Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-17; 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20; John 1: 43-51**

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

This coming week's birthdays: **Alice Flewelling, Robert Flewelling, Jordan Graham, Mallory Martin, Jennifer Sewell**

Kindly remember the Food Bank when you shop. Next deliveries: **Holy Trinity** (15 January); **St John's** (22 January); **St Mark's** (27 January)

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/>

This Sunday Home Church meets at **Riverside Court** (3rd floor Community Rm), 9 am. Everyone welcome.

Next Thursday **Vestry** meets at the Parish Centre, 7 pm.

Next Friday it's **Teen Movie Night** at St John's, 7 pm. Admission is free but items for the food bank are always appreciated.

Small group ministries resume as follows ~

- **Monday evening** Bible discussion based on Bishop's Hockin's *Gospel Therapy* book at the Clarkes (24 Hillcrest Ave, Hartland), 7 pm
- **Wednesday evening** video series on the historical and cultural context of the Hebrew scriptures at the Parish Centre, 7 pm

Confirmation preparation begins this month 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.

During Lent the parish will be studying **Bishop Hockin's popular meditation on the Lord's Prayer**. The cost is \$10. **Email the rector ASAP** if you want a copy as the Synod office is pre-ordering them.

During Easter this parish will join the rest of the diocese in studying **Surprise the World** by Michael Frost, the book recommended by the recent Diocesan Synod. The cost is \$8. **Email the rector ASAP** if you want a copy as the Synod office is pre-ordering them.

Upcoming Events ~

- 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.
- On Saturday 17 February, Richmond **annual meeting** at the Parish Centre, 10 am

The parish has received a bequest under the will of the late **Gladys Tracy**. 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).

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/>

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