

Parish of Richmond E-News

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15 March 2018

RICHMOND THIS SUNDAY

- Communion at **Holy Trinity** (9 am) & **St John's** (11 am); Morning Prayer at **Home Church** (9 am)
- Readings: **Jeremiah 31: 31-34; Psalm 51: 1-13; Hebrews 5: 5-10; John 12: 20 - 33**

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

This coming week's birthdays: **Corrine Silverton, Annette MacFarlane; Jack Parkinson; Roger Parkinson**

Kindly remember the Food Bank when you shop. Next deliveries: **St John's** (19 March); **St Mark's** (26 March); **Holy Trinity** (16 April)

For pastoral matters contact the Ven Rod Black at the Rectory 328-3042.

Have you seen the latest photos on the parish's Facebook page? See <https://www.facebook.com/parishofrichmond/>

Tonight **Vestry** meets at Holy Trinity, 7 pm. Open to all.

This Sunday Home Church meets at the home of the Blacks of Bloomfield, 9 am. Room for all.

On Tuesdays **Confirmation class** meets at Holy Trinity, 7 pm.

On Wednesday Woodstock **Lenten services** continue at St James United, 12:05 pm.

It's time for the **Spring2Action 2018 Walk for the Homeless**. On Saturday 24 March **Ralph & Rosanne Carpenter** are again participating through Harvest House. They would appreciate your support in sponsoring them. If you are able and wish to do so, please contact them at 328-2582 or by e-mail rrcarpenter@live.ca Your past support is appreciated.

Also on Saturday 24 March the whole world marks **Earth Hour**, an annual observance raising awareness of the effects of climate change. Please consider joining people around the world in **shutting off your lights from 8:30 - 9:30 pm** to show support for our planet and the Anglican Church's 5th mark of mission.

The Diocesan Synod is looking for a Treasurer to succeed the just-retired Irene Adams. The job posting, with a deadline of Friday 23 March, is at

<https://www.careerbeacon.com/en/posting/731731/anglican-church-in-new-brunswick-diocese-of-fredericton/diocesan-treasurer/fredericton>

On Saturday 7 April there will be a parish **discernment day at the Richmond Parish Centre**, 10 - 3. The leader will be the amazing **Shawn Branch**, formerly the head of Threshold Ministries. This will be an important opportunity to consider what it is to become more mission-focused. The event will include a **combined parish service** at St John's on Sunday 8 April, our first parish service in years. Mr Branch will preach.

Operation Christmas Child reminds us that the post-Valentine season is a good time to be taking advantage of sales of stuffed animals etc that will come in handy at year's end.

BISHOP EDWARDS' PILGRIMAGE through the Woodstock archdeaconry begins **Wednesday 23 May** with a quiet service of Evening Prayer at St Luke's Woodstock. During his ensuing fortnight among us the Bishop will hold services - morning, noon or evening - in every Anglican house of worship from Temperance

Vale to Edmundston (which is a great many), plus **Camp Brookwood**. He and his aide-de-camp will sleep in a dozen of these churches. He will also follow the Malecite Trail to Hay's Falls, enjoy spring flowers in Ronald Bell's woods, walk the Longest Covered Bridge (twice), pack potatoes and perhaps tour a well-known French fry factory. If **you** have an idea of something else the Bishop should be seeing or doing in our communities, email Ernest Clarke: ernestaclarke@gmail.com

- A detailed pilgrimage itinerary will be available in early May. **The bishop invites EVERYONE and his/her dog/goat**, whether Anglican or not, to join in the various services and for some part of the pilgrimage, rain or shine. When one is a bit weary from walking, Evening Prayer is especially effective.
- On one night during his pilgrimage Bishop Edwards will be sleeping in Holy Trinity church (Hartland). Do you have a **rollaway cot** that you could lend? Please contact ernestaclarke@gmail.com

Small group ministries ~

- **Monday evening** Bible discussion based on Bishop's Hockin's book on the Lord's Prayer at the Clarkes (24 Hillcrest Ave, Hartland), 7 pm
- **Wednesday evening** Bible discussion based on Bishop's Hockin's book on the Lord's Prayer at the Parish Centre, 7 pm

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.

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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