

Parish of Richmond E-News

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On Isabelle Hockin --

She said that after hearing Bishop David Edwards' New Year's Day sermon at the Cathedral, "I decided to switch things up. I took that nudge to heart." That nudge was to volunteer at Bishop's Court, Fredericton's Out of the Cold Shelter.

"It's quite surreal to walk into a place that used to be your own home that's now a homeless shelter," she said.

After a few turns helping guests settle in, "I realized I live in a bubble," she said. "The last time I was on snack duty, and that's where you really get to know them." One guy said, 'this is a lovely home. I hope I can have a home like this someday.' How gracious. He didn't say 'well, this is how the other half lives, huh?'"

RICHMOND THIS SUNDAY

- Communion at **Holy Trinity** (9 am) & **St John's** (11 am); Morning Prayer at **Home Church** (9 am)
- **Sunday School** at the Parish Centre (11 am)

Sunday readings in full text with related art and suitable hymns are available at <https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=122>

Among those we hold up in prayer: **Al, Andy, Billie, Cathy, Clara, Cole, Bishop David, Doreen, Frankie, Freda, Helen, James, Jason, Jeremy, Joe, Joanne, John, Kate, Kevin, Linda, May Izabella, Meghann, Nadine, Pauline, Peter, Robert, Ruby, Russel, Scott, Steven, Tammy, Wayne**

This coming week's birthdays: **Joanne Goodwin**

Please remember the Food Bank when you shop. They especially need pastas (dry and tinned), soups, cereal & luncheon meat. Next

deliveries: **Holy Trinity** (15 April); **St John's** (22 April); **St Mark's** (29 April)

Have you seen the latest photos on the parish's Facebook page?

https://www.facebook.com/pg/parishofrichmond/posts/?ref=page_internal In today's flashback a member of Holy Trinity becomes a Canadian citizen.

There's a list of major diocesan happenings and discipleship and learning opportunities at <https://nb.anglican.ca/events> This week's diocesan e-news invites all to join in the **bishop's pilgrimage** (30 May-10 June): <https://nb.anglican.ca/newsletters/49/display> The bishop says it's important for a bishop to be seen. It's just as important that we be seen with our bishop.

Teens and anyone interested in youth ministry can ask to be added to the Youth and Intergenerational Ministry team's email list by writing yigfton@gmail.com

Where should the Vestry be leading us? Pray, think, pray again and then send you thoughts for your congregation, your parish, your community to **Marilyn Wilson** momathome4@hotmail.com She will compile them and present them anonymously to the Vestry. It meets at Holy Trinity next Thursday, 7 pm.

The **Compassion Fund** has been active quite recently. This fund responds to local urgencies (burnt out families, gas money for hospital travel, etc). All funds come from our own extra offerings.

The final **Home Church** for 2019 happens this Sunday at the Bloomfield Blacks. Room for all.

Thanks to all who prepared and served yesterday's Lenten lunch at St Luke's, especially the coordinator **Judy Clark**.

Mid-week services will again be offered in the Parish this summer. **Bishop Hockin** will open the series at St Mark's on Wednesday 3 July, 7pm.

Meanwhile, in this parish:

- **Monday night Bible discussion** (favourite hymns and why) continues at 24 Hillcrest Ave, Hartland, 7 pm. Room for all.
- **Tuesday night Lenten study** continues at the Rectory, 7 pm. Room for all.

Growth Opportunities

- Next Saturday 13 April **Paul Ranson**, the young pastor at St John the Evangelist church, Nashwaaksis (Fredericton North), will lead a program on Jesus' life, mission and ministry and **asking the question what does it mean to imitate the Master?** Register at <https://nb.anglican.ca/events/discipleship-day-jesus>
- Help is needed with the St John's altar preparations. Speak to **Rosanne Carpenter**.

What's upcoming right here?

- This **Saturday** our local **St Joseph's Guild** is hosting a Bowling Fundraiser to raise money to **Strike Out Child Hunger**, beginning 9 am. It supports the local **Food Bank**. People are invited to form five-person teams. Many other congregations in NB will bowl on the same day. Come out to bowl, cheer or take embarrassing photos.
Note for Vestry: This diocese-wide bowling tournament to combat child hunger was begun by one small congregation. It has surprised the world.
- Our **Mothers' Union** will host the provincial annual rally on **Saturday 27 April**. This is for everyone who supports families, not just MU members! Consider joining people from across

the province in worship and fellowship hosted by this parish.
Please let **Pat Margison** know by April 1.

It's easier to fill **Operation Christmas Child** Shoe Boxes when seasonal items become available at a good price. Suggested are "Easter" sale items.

The parish has received bequests under the will of the late **Gladys Tracy** and several others. 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

<http://anglican.nb.ca/wp/eneews/> Find Diocesan forthcoming events at <http://anglican.nb.ca/wp/eneews/upcoming-events/>

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