

Parish of Richmond E-News

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Season of Hope

In this Advent Season of Hope we pray especially for **Meghann Palmer** and the success of her lung transplant. We pray also for the donor family who turned private tragedy into new hope for a stranger.

RICHMOND ADVENT SUNDAY

- *COMMUNION AT HOLY TRINITY (9 AM) & ST JOHN'S (11 AM); MORNING PRAYER AT ST MARK'S (9 AM)*
- *SUNDAY SCHOOL AT THE PARISH CENTRE (11 AM)*
 - Find Sunday's readings in full text at:
<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=2>
 - Find each day's Morning, Mid-Day & Evening Prayer and Compline (modern language) at:
<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-daily-prayer>

Among those we hold up in prayer: **Barbara, Billie, Carolyn, Cathy, Clara, Cole, Connie, Corinne, Doreen, Frankie, Freda, Glenn, Helen, James, Jason, Jeff, Jeremy, Joanne, Joe, John, Josh, Kate, Kevin, Lawrence, Linda, May Izabella, Meghann, Melba, Melissa, Nadine, Pauline, Peter, Robert, Russel, Steven, children in foster care**

This coming week's birthdays: **Patricia Margison, Nancy Clarke, Emma Sewell, Susan Black**

Please remember the Food Bank when you shop. They especially need pastas (dry and tinned), soups, cereal & luncheon meat. Next deliveries: **Holy Trinity** (16 December); **St John's** (23 December); **St Mark's** (30 December)

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

https://www.facebook.com/pg/parishofrichmond/posts/?ref=page_internal

This coming Monday (9 December), **Barry Craig** offers an Advent meditation at the Beaverbrook Crowne Plaza (Fredericton), 12:15 pm.

Next Thursday, **Vestry** holds a potluck at the Rectory, 6 pm.

Bishop Hockin's presentation on Monday to the Fredericton Christian Forum was appreciated by a large audience at the Crowne Plaza, including a number from Richmond. Most Hockin Advent and Lenten talks for the last decade can be heard at

<http://billhockin.ca/downloads.html#Latest>

Season for thanks-giving ~

- Gifts for the **Seafarers' Mission** are ready for delivery to Saint John.
- Congratulations to the organizers, bakers and patrons who made last Saturday's coffee party and bake sale a success. \$850 was raised for raised for the **Compassion Fund**.
- The Mothers' Union used book table has raised \$105 to be donated to **Sanctuary House**. Thanks to those who donated books and those who purchased them.
- **Thanks** to everyone who filled **Operation Christmas Child** shoeboxes. **Fifty-four** boxes went from our parish. Thanks also to those who helped at the local collection centre, which sent out 1662 boxes.

GET YOUR GOAT!! Vestry have decided that we should honour the forthcoming marriage of **Debbie Collicott** and **David Edwards** by buying the PWRDF a **herd of goats**. If you would like to add to the Richmond **goat fund**, just put in a special offering and mark it "goats". Let's see how many goats we can add to this wonderful cause. Note that **for every \$30 contributed for goats, the government of Canada will add \$180. Incredible.**

Fact: Last Christmas season Chris Hayes' parish Sunday School were able to **purchase 51 goats** for Primate's World Relief.

Anyone looking for alternate Christmas gifts should consider the range of opportunities offered by the **Primate's World Relief and Development Fund**. In many cases (such as the goats - see above), the federal government matches the gift by **600%**:

<https://pwrdf.org/world-of-gifts/>

Forthcoming events:

- On Sunday 15 December, Parish service of **Lessons & Carols** at St Mark's, 7 pm
- On Monday 16 December, **Albert Snelgrove** offers an Advent meditation at the Beaverbrook Crowne Plaza (Fredericton), 12:15 pm
- On Tuesday 17 December, Parish **caroling in Woodstock** takes place at Riverside Court (5:15) and at the Women's Institute Home (6:00). Please meet at Riverside Court about 5:00 pm.
- On Wednesday 18 December, Parish **caroling in Hartland** takes place at Hawthorne Place & Ruth Ann's. Please meet at Hawthorne Place (8 Hawthorne St.) at 5:45 pm.
- On Saturday 4 January, **Bishop Edwards & Debbie Collicott** marry at the Cathedral, 11 am. The whole diocese is invited. Just RRSP by voice or text to **506-260-3412** by 15 Dec. Do it now. On marriage, the Bishop will reside in Fredericton.

Monday night Bible study continues at 24 Hillcrest Ave, Hartland, 7 pm. Study book is Bishop Hockin's book on the Parables.

The **Compassion Fund** helps us respond to immediate needs in our neighbourhoods and has been very active of late. Please assist.

The parish has received bequests under the will of the late **Doris Kennedy Gartley Scott** (1921-2016) of Centreville and several others,

in this case to support the **St John's Cemetery fund**. 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/>

RICHMOND ON THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

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