

## Parish of Richmond E-News

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### *A #heartbeatprayer from the parish of Richmond*

Heavenly Father, we praise you from our beautiful St John River valley. As nature awakens from the long winter sleep, so is our call to serve You being renewed. Your Son taught us to “love God and love people”, so we are seeking new ways to show this love. We seek your guidance and wisdom on how best to serve our seniors, those who are lonely, and families who are struggling. May our churches be places of belonging for all. May we go beyond our walls. Show us how to overcome the challenges to building community in rural ministry.

We celebrate our three church identities -- St John's, St Mark's and Holy Trinity -- the things that make us different and the things we hold in common. Keep us mindful that all we do, we do for You. We pray for our Church beyond our peaceful valley. May the Holy Spirit guide all that we do, and fill, renew and strengthen us as we go in peace to love and serve our Lord and our neighbours. AMEN

### ***RICHMOND THIS 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 readings in full text at:

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=136>

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, Russel, Steven, Tammy, Wayne**

This coming week's anniversary: **Ronald & Linda Bell**

**Please remember the Food Bank when you shop.** They especially need pastas (dry and tinned), soups, cereal & luncheon meat. Next deliveries: **Holy Trinity** (13 May); **St John's** (20 May); **St Mark's** (27 May)

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

[https://www.facebook.com/pg/parishofrichmond/posts/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/parishofrichmond/posts/?ref=page_internal)

To get involved in **flood clean-up as a volunteer** visit [SamaritansPurse.ca/NBfloods2019](http://SamaritansPurse.ca/NBfloods2019)

There's a list of major diocesan happenings and discipleship and learning opportunities at <https://nb.anglican.ca/events> They include:

- **This Saturday 11 May with Bishop Edwards on "The Church"**. What did Jesus mean when He said His followers would become the Church? What does it mean for us to be the Church today? Join Bishop David as we explore The Church together. This day with the Bishop takes place at St John's Church, Fredericton North, 10 - 3. Register at [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScKk\\_rvixZwgDeI3z03euoR2swpjzPjhSNMEp2b4ck69YUTBw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScKk_rvixZwgDeI3z03euoR2swpjzPjhSNMEp2b4ck69YUTBw/viewform)
- The **Bishop's 5<sup>th</sup> spring pilgrimage** (Saint John and Kings County) takes place 29 May - 12 June. The Bishop invites all to join him for an hour or a day. See route details at <https://nb.anglican.ca/the-bishop/bishops-pilgrimage/pages/2019-route-details>
- Friday/Saturday 14-15 June: a **Putting Down Deep Roots gathering at UNB with Michael Frost**. This is a major Diocesan event, with accommodation available at UNB. Details and registration at: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/deep-roots-2019-diocesan-gathering-registration-56429559331>
- Sunday 23 June: **Ordination of Harold Boomer** at Christ Church Cathedral, 4 pm.

Tonight **Vestry** meets at St Mark's, 7 pm.

This Sunday **Ron & Leng Kue Viergutz**, missionaries to Thailand, speak at St John's, 11 am. All are invited hear of their work.

Next Thursday the interment of **Adrian Bell** takes place at St Mark's churchyard, 6 pm.

On Wednesday 22 May a **Memory Cafe** will be held at St Luke's hall, 12 noon to 2 pm. Volunteers are always welcome to help with setting up and the clean-up.

Read a powerful obituary of the late **Jean Vanier**:

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/obituaries/jean-vanier-who-gave-homes-and-dignity-to-the-intellectually-disabled-dies-at-90/2019/05/07/31bd8bb2-650a-11e9-8985-4cf30147bdca\\_story.html?utm\\_term=.bcbdd4717449](https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/obituaries/jean-vanier-who-gave-homes-and-dignity-to-the-intellectually-disabled-dies-at-90/2019/05/07/31bd8bb2-650a-11e9-8985-4cf30147bdca_story.html?utm_term=.bcbdd4717449)

Attention ladies -- On Thursday 23 May a bridal shower in honour of **Bonnie Sparks** takes place at the Parish Centre, 6-8 pm. Bring along your favourite dish for a pot luck supper. To email contributions for Bonnie's surprise bridal shower gift please contact **Susan Black** at [susanmrblack@gmail.com](mailto:susanmrblack@gmail.com) or **Nancy Robinson** at [robinsonbook@hotmail.com](mailto:robinsonbook@hotmail.com)

Make Memories Matter! On Sunday 26 May a **Walk for Alzheimers** starts at the NBCC in Woodstock, 1 pm. Consider walking or sponsoring a walker for this event. For information, contact **Cindy Derksen** or **Marilyn MacDonald**. This is a chance to practice for the Bishop's Pilgrimage.

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

**Tuesday night Bible discussion** (book of Acts) continues at the Parish Centre, 7 pm. Room for all.

It's easier to fill **Operation Christmas Child** shoe boxes when seasonal items become available at a good price. Suggested are underwear, craft items and beads.

The parish has received bequests under the will of the late **Doris Scott** 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/>

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