## **RICHMOND E-NEWS**

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Public worship continues in circumstances of risk mitigation.

## RICHMOND THIS WEEK

- On Sunday, Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity [Flower Sunday] (9 am) and St John's (11 am)
- o On Wednesday, Evening Prayer at **St Mark's** (7 pm)
- Find Sunday's Bible readings at https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=152
- Find every day's Morning, Mid-Day & Evening Prayer and Compline (modern language) at: <a href="https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-daily-prayer">https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-daily-prayer</a>

Among those we hold up in prayer: Barbara, Billie, Carolyn, Cathy, Cole, Connie, Corinne, Doreen, Frankie, Freda, Gary, Glenn, Graeme, Helen, James, Jason, Jean, Jeremy, Joanne, John, Josh, Kevin, Kim, Lawrence, Linda, May Izabella, Meghann, Melba, Melissa, Nadine, Pauline, Peter, Reg, Robert, Robin, Russel, Steven

This coming week's birthday: Sandra Black

Please remember the Food Bank when you shop. Next deliveries: St Mark's (27 July); Holy Trinity (17 August); St John's (24 August)

Have you checked out the **parish's facebook page** this week? This week there is a wardenic meditation on the approach of **Flower Sunday** at Holy Trinity and a couple of garden

photos, one of them of a gorgeous onion going to seed: https://www.facebook.com/pg/parishofrichmond/posts/?ref=page\_internal

The **rector is on vacation** leave these next two weeks. We are grateful to our layreaders for stepping in.

Two weeks of Sunday/Wednesday sermons on sowers and seeds have been well-timed to emphasize the blessing of abundant verdure. Nine vases of blooms adorned last night's evening prayer at St Mark's. This was but a foretaste of the coming Sabbath's Flower Sunday at Holy Trinity, 9 am. Everyone is invited to adorn the worship of God with flowers, grasses and weeds from the fields, gardens, line fences and roadside ditches of our lives. Judging from the past, some offerings will be pretty, some petite, some wild, and some exuberant. Some will be from the garden and others right out of the ditch. God accepts praise for all.

There's an important new history of what used to be called "women's work" in the Anglican church, based on the Conception Bay region in the middle of the 20th century: Bonnie Morgan, Ordinary Saints: Woman, Work and Faith in *Newfoundland*. Here's a description: *From their everyday work* in kitchens and gardens to the solemn work of laying out the dead, the Anglican women of mid-20<sup>th</sup>-century Conception Bay understood and expressed Christianity through their experience as labourers within the family economy. Women's work in the region included outdoor agricultural labour, housekeeping, childbirth, mortuary services, food preparation, caring for the sick, and textile production. Ordinary Saints explores how religious belief shaped the meaning of this work, and how women lived their Christian faith through the work they did. In lived religious practices at home, in church-based voluntary associations, and in the wider community, the Anglican women of Conception Bay constructed a female theological culture characterized by mutuality, negotiation of gender roles, and resistance to male authority, combining feminist consciousness with Christian commitment.

Remember that there's a convenient way to get a cheery greeting to **someone stuck in hospital**. The hospital will deliver it. Check out: <a href="https://en.horizonnb.ca/home/facilities-and-services/services/other-services/send-a-message-to-a-patient.aspx">https://en.horizonnb.ca/home/facilities-and-services/services/other-services/send-a-message-to-a-patient.aspx</a>

The parish has received **many bequests** over the years, without the interest on which we could not make it financially. When remembering the parish in 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).

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