

## RICHMOND E-NEWS

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6 May 2021

*“Not only with our lips but in our lives”*

### **RICHMOND THIS SUNDAY**

- Morning Prayer at **St Mark's & Holy Trinity** (9 am) and at **St John's** (11 am)
- **Sunday School** at the Parish Centre (11 am)
- Find Sunday's Bible readings:  
<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=91>
- **Find every 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: **Billie, Carolyn, Cathy, Cole, Doreen, Frankie, Freda, Gail, Gary, Glenn, Helen, Jack, James, Jason, Jean, Jeremy, Joanne, John, Katherine, Kevin, Lawrence, Lewis, Linda, Marg, Margaret, May Izabella, Meghann, Melba, Melissa, Nadine, Nicole, Pauline, Peter, Robert, Russel, Steven**

To **add** (or delete) a **name** to the parish prayer list, speak to Pat Margison (328-8146) or Wendell Parkinson (325-9519).

Today's birthdays: **Joanne Goodwin, Gary Hoyt**

Please **remember the Food Bank** when you shop. **Particularly needed** are tinned tomatoes, vegetables and soups and tinned tuna, ham etc suitable for school lunches.

Have you checked out the **parish Facebook page** lately?

<https://www.facebook.com/parishofrichmond/>

On Tuesday 11 May the parish **layreaders are leading a clean-up morning** of the lightly wooded area between the rectory

and the Parish Centre, 10:30. They invite all to bring a rake and a leaf bag and join them for socially-distanced fun and fellowship.

The **THY KINGDOM COME** world-wide prayer event begins on Thursday May 13. At the heart of it is **constant prayer for 5 people on our hearts to experience the call of Jesus**. Prayer is focussed in the days Ascension to Pentecost Sunday.

Resources are in each church to assist with praying for your 5 and there will be daily features **on the parish Facebook**. For resources for children and family activities, see

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global> On the world-wide Thy Kingdom Come map, this parish's little light is again shining as we pray together "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done".

**Last Sunday the wardens spoke in the three congregations about the letter they have written to parishioners asking for greater and more regular contributions to the general fund.**

(A copy of their letter is attached.) It makes the point that if the parish mission is to have the benefit of a full-time cleric, then offerings need to increase. It particularly recommends that **people consider the many benefits of e-offering**. Cindy Derksen is our parish co-ordinator for e-offerings.

**Daffodils and May baskets** were in evidence at the churches last Sunday. "Ten thousand saw I at a glance" wrote William Wordsworth in a famous poem of how his depression was lifted on sighting a "cloud" of daffodils. If **you** want to see thousands of daffs and other narcissi in bloom, drive to **Ernest & Heather How's** place at the end of the Bell Settlement Rd (just before St Mark's). There may not be another such sight in all NB. Against their green background, they look gorgeous even on a damp day.

**Each Wednesday evening** since the covid crisis began the Archbishop and others meet on Zoom for a brief service of

Litany. Find the Zoom link at <https://nb.anglican.ca/events/litany-6/2021-02-17>

Last week Archbishop Edwards spoke at the convocations of the Wesleyan Bible college in Sussex:

<https://nb.anglican.ca/newsletters/161/display> If you have noticed that the bishop is more involved in speaking and leading educational initiatives than in the past, it is the desired result of the **Diocesan Council's decision two years ago to hire a Synod administrator** to take on much of the management burden so that the bishop can spend more time being bishop. It has worked well. The Synod's administrative officer is David Peer, a retired naval architect/engineer and priest.

From Easter to Pentecost this parish is collecting socks for a **Warm the Toes** donation to **Sanctuary House**. There are collection boxes in each house of worship.

Did you know that since January **parishioners have donated** more than \$1200 to the **Primate's World Relief and Development Fund**? As we continue to support the PWRDF, the Mothers' Union reminds us that until June the Canadian government will match donations to the Fund's **All Mothers and Children Count** appeal on a **6-1 basis**. Every donated dollar generates 6 further dollars. Read and donate at <https://pwrdf.org/give-today/>

On Monday evenings **Archbishop Edwards** and **Archbishop Mark MacDonald** (national indigenous bishop) continue their Zoom series on **How Shall We Forgive?** The duo is both engaging and challenging. Mark MacDonald is a particularly wise witty speaker. See the schedule and register for the Zoom link at <https://nb.anglican.ca/events/how-shall-we-forgive/2021-04-19>

***Bibleproject.com*** is a Bible understanding resource available in video format. For the books I checked, it has proved really good. **Have a look at the video on the oldest surviving**

**Christian writing**, the epistle to the Philippians:

<https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/philippians> You'll be impressed.

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

Please consider benefitting the "Corporation of the Anglican Parish of Richmond" **in your will**. The parish has received **many bequests** over the years, without the interest on which we could not make it financially.

*Richmond Next Sunday*

- Communion at **St Mark's & Holy Trinity** (9 am) and at **St John's** (11 am)