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RICHMOND THIS SUNDAY

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

Among those we uphold in prayer: Brian, Carlene, Carolyn, Cecil, Cole, Dana, Doris, Frankie, Freda, Gail, Gary, Græme, Harry, Helen, Jake, Joanne, Joyce, Lawrence, Lynn, Marg, Melba, Michelle, Nadine, Nellie, Nicole, Peggy, Shawn, Steven, Trina, Wendell, Wendy

To **add/delete a name** to the parish prayer list, speak to Pat Margison (328-8146).

Whom do you know in hospital? There's a convenient way to get a cheery greeting to the hospitalized. The hospital delivers it. Parishioners receiving these notes have mentioned how important they are. Check out: https://horizonnb.ca/patients-visitors/send-a-message-to-a-patient/

From **St Luke's** bulletin ~ **Lenten Sacrificial Food Bank Offering** For those willing to do the 40-Day Sacrificial Food Bank offering during Lent, we encourage you to donate **one item per day**. Bring your box to church on Palm Sunday, April 2. This will be the 2nd year that St. Luke's has participated in this Food Bank drive.

Have you checked the parish's Facebook page lately? (16) The Anglican Parish of Richmond, Diocese of Fredericton | Facebook

This **Saturday** (25 February) the **Richmond parish Annual Meeting** takes place at the Parish Centre, 10 am. **Shawn Branch** will be proposed as chair.

Also this Saturday **Archbishop Edwards** and other members of the Diocesan Synod office in Fredericton are taking part in the **Coldest Night of the Year** fundraiser. If you would like to post an encouraging note to

the team or make a donation to the cause (which is supporting the **John Howard Society's efforts to reduce homelessness and provide support to vulnerable persons**), go to

 $\underline{https://secure.e2rm.com/registrant/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=990014\&langPref=en-CA}$

This Tuesday (28 February) **Lenten book discussion** begins at the Parish Centre, 10:30. The book is <u>Let Me Go There - The Spirit of Lent by Paula Gooder</u>. Cindy Derksen has copies. All invited.

Next Sunday (5 March) **World Day of Prayer will be marked at St John's**, 11 am. All Richmond congregations are invited. The host country is **Taiwan**. Again this year, the video has a couple of surprises for our Parish. Following the service will be a time of fellowship, so please bring a bagged lunch for yourself. Hot and cold beverages will be available, as well as treats from Taiwan.

Endnotes ~

- From the liturgy of Ash Wednesday: Dear People of God ~ The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to the fellowship of the Church. Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Saviour, and of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith. I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word.
- **Ash Wednesday Evensong** in the time of covid, exquisitely offered by King's College choir from the chancel of St Luke's Cathedral, Halifax: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mDdD6ZfSbBg

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