

RICHMOND E-NEWS

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“Not only with our lips but in our lives”

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RICHMOND ADVENT SUNDAY

- Parish Communion Service at **St John's (10 am)**
- **Sunday School** at the Parish Centre, 10 am

Among those we uphold in prayer: **Allen, Cecil, Cole, Connie, Debbie, Doris, Frankie, George, Græme, Helen, Joyce, Lawrence, Lynn, Marg, Max, Melba, Michelle, Nadine, Nicole, Peggy, Phyllis, Ronald, Shawn, Sheldon, Steven**

The prayer list is long again. Please advise Pat Margison (328-8146) of name deletions as well as additions.

This week's birthdays: **Rosanne Carpenter, Gail Lewis**

This coming week's birthdays: **Lewis Parkinson, Glenn Martin, Patricia Margison**

Whom do we 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/>

Archbishop Edwards has authorized **Cindy Derksen to provide home communion** to people associated with the parish of Richmond. For further information please contact her at 506-375-4642 cinder46@bellaliant.net

Please continue to remember the Food Bank when you shop. They are currently in need of canned beans, saltine crackers, canned cranberry sauce and non-sugary breakfast cereal.

Have you checked the parish's Facebook page lately? [\(16\) The Anglican Parish of Richmond, Diocese of Fredericton | Facebook](#) Included are heartfelt appreciations of **Wendell Parkinson**.

Thanks to all those who came together to comfort the **Parkinson family** at the funeral and reception. Wendell and Melba Parkinson have been mighty in good works, very models of humble service. May Wendell be numbered with the Saints in glory everlasting. The family continues in need of prayer and support.

Note that parish worship this **Advent Sunday** (3 December) takes the form of a **Communion service at St John's**, 10 am. (**Note time/place.**)

- Our five parish layreaders will receive their credentials for 2024.
- By special request **parishioners are asked to populate the front seats.**

Among the names on our Prayer List is that of the parish treasurer. For this reason cheque-signing may be a bit delayed in the next while.

Tonight (Thursday 30 November) St Luke's is offering a **take-out turkey supper**, 4:30-6pm. Adults \$16, children 12 and under, \$8. Family rate of two adults and two children \$40. Tickets available St. Luke's church office, 328-4304. To pick up your meal, please drive down Church Street and stop at the end of St Luke's driveway. We will pass you your dinner for your paid ticket. You do not even need to get out of your car!

We are delighted to hear that last Sunday Archbishop Edwards confirmed the invaluable **Sandra Culberson** at St Luke's. She must have had one of the longest preparations of all time.

Operation Christmas Child Thanks to everyone who packed a shoebox this year. There were 1044 Gospel opportunities packed this year, from Edmundston to Nackawic. This is up nearly 10% from last year. Many children will be blessed by these boxes.

On Tuesdays **Advent book discussion** continues at the Parish Centre, 10:30 am. The book is Paula Gooder's *The Meaning is in the Waiting: The Spirit of Advent*: https://www.christianbook.com/the-meaning-the-waiting-spirit-advent/paula-gooder/9781557256621/pd/256621?utm_source=google&kw=161716281504&mt=&dv=c&event=PPCSRC&p=1186432&gclid=CjwKCAjwnOipBhBQEiwACyGLumlpCw3hz1cMAdm0MbWxR1pz0wO4J6KbN5mSKLn0yvlA8d66vHuTxoC_pEQAvD_BwE

Next Friday/Saturday 8-9 December the popular missionary Fr **Bill Brennan** will lead a diocesan **Advent Retreat** at Villa Madonna,

Rothesay. For details see <https://nb.anglican.ca/events/advent-retreat--704/2023-12-08>

Parish events ▾

- On Sunday 10 December the "**New Star**" Christmas production by the Sunday School kids takes place at St John's, 11 am
- Also on Sunday 10 December an **Advent service of Lessons & Carols Service** takes place at St Mark's, 7 pm
- On Thursday 14 December **Vestry** meets at the Parish Centre, 7 pm
- On Sunday 7 January Archbishop Edwards will lead a **Richmond parish service**

Attached to this e-News is a photo of **St's John's altar** vested for last's Sunday's reign of Christ service. Also attached is a **December service schedule**. Thanks to those who work hard to put this together.

The e-News resumes after two weeks in which it could not be sent. Thanks to **Ken Tompkins**, who was able to circulate notice of Wendell Parkinson's death. It was very regrettable not to have the use of e-News at such a time.

RICHMOND NEXT SUNDAY

- **Holy Trinity** - Morning Prayer, 9 am
- **St John's** - Morning Prayer & Sunday School Christmas presentation, 11 am
- **St Mark's** - Advent Lessons & Carols, 7 pm