

# RICHMOND E-NEWS

<http://www.parishofrichmond.ca>

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

12 September 2024

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

Contacting the Rev Maria Shepherdson: [maria.shepherdson@anglican.nb.ca](mailto:maria.shepherdson@anglican.nb.ca)

Contacting e-News: [richmondparish@gmail.com](mailto:richmondparish@gmail.com)

Contacting parish officers: [parishofrichmond@outlook.com](mailto:parishofrichmond@outlook.com)

## SERVICES THIS COMING WEEK (15-21 SEPT)

- On Sunday, Communion & Memorial service at **St John's** (10:30 am); Morning Prayer at **Holy Trinity** (9 am) & **St Luke's** (11 am)
- **Sunday School** at the Parish Centre (10:30 am)
- On Wednesday, Harvest Celebration at **St Mark's** (7 pm)
- On most days the rector offers a brief **morning prayer time** live at 8:30 am (and viewable at any time later). See [Parish of Richmond and Woodstock - YouTube](#)

Among those we uphold in prayer: **Alice, Allen, Betty, Cecil, Christine, Cole, Connie, Debbie, Doris, George, Græme, Helen, Ivan, Joyce, Lawrence, Lynn, Melba, Michelle, Murray, Nadine, Nicole, Peggy, Phyllis, Ronald, Shawn, Sheldon, Shelley, Shirley, Steven, Tara**

Please advise Pat Margison (328-8146) of name deletions as well as name additions.

**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/>

Kindly remember the **Food Bank** when you shop.

This coming week's birthday: **Roger Lutwick**

Anniversary: **Robert & Karen Parkinson**

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

**This Saturday** 14 September, **Rob and Becky English**, missionaries on leave from their work with prisoners in the Philippines, will offer a

slide presentation on their ministry. Woodstock's Filipino Worship Band will lead the music. The presentation is at **St John's**, 7 pm. There will be an opportunity for a free will offering to help with their ministry. They return to the Philippines in January.

This Saturday is also the final day of the **Open Doors** event at Holy Trinity, 1-3pm, with prayers of thanks-giving at 2:30.

This Sunday 15 September the **annual Memorial service** takes place at **St John's**. The **St Mark's** Memorial service will be Sunday 22 September.

Sunday is also the day **Linda Nicholls**, our beloved and hard-working primate, reaches mandatory retirement. In this month's **Anglican Journal** she reflects on the ups and downs of her time in service.

The Fall's **Talking Tuesday** initiative is running at both St Luke's hall (evenings) and the Richmond Parish Centre (afternoons). A leaflet detailing the first nine sessions is in the churches. Anyone in our broader communities is welcome.

- This coming Tuesday's discussion topic will be "Faith in a world of chaos - of **what use is prayer?**"

St Mark's mid-week services for 2024 conclude next Wednesday evening with a service to give special **thanks for the harvest** of farm and garden. **St Luke's choir** will be in attendance.

On Thursday 19 September **Vestry** will meet at a place tba.

Next Friday 20 September is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of **Archbishop Edwards'** consecration and enthronement. In this month's **NB Anglican** he shares his thoughts on his time in office:

<https://dq5pwpq1q8ru0.cloudfront.net/2024/08/30/14/10/43/55dd2ec4-f8ef-47e0-b19a-02e5235cf9b0/SEPT24%20NBAng%20webready.pdf>

September's **NB Anglican** also has a cover feature on **Walter Williams** as vicar of St Mark's Kings Landing.

**Momma Mary!!** A **casting call** goes out for this lavish musical production to take place at St Lukes on the Saturday afternoon before Christmas. Needed are many: An Innkeeper asking us to 'Take a chance on me?' A Wife who chases him with a broom for daring to charge a poor

young couple? Shepherds who think 'It's a rich man's world'? A sheep? A chorus of Angels asking if there is 'Something in the Air tonight' and could you 'tonight at Bethlehem' ...see a baby boy? Also needed are: Wisemen who squabble, a much put upon Joseph and a forward planning Mary, who puts all her needs in one basket. Could you be a mangy Donkey or Spitting Camel or one of Herod's grovelling henchmen? Can you drum or play keyboard? or Sing (even off-key would do)? Also needed are helpers front of house, backstage hands and collectors for donations. (Note that the part of Herod has been taken by Archbishop Edwards.) **Where/when to show up: Friday 20 September and Thursday 26 September 7pm @ St Lukes Hall.**

Saturday 28 September is **PWRDF Day** in this area. For decades Canadians have made **Primate's World Relief and Development Fund** their main vehicle for disaster response and economic development abroad and at home. Compared to our size, Richmond's parishioners give the PWRDF solid financial support. But there's more to PWRDF than money and on 28 September **Debbie Edwards** will be with us to facilitate PWRDF day at the Parish Centre, 9 am - 3 pm. All the area clergy from Edmundston to Woodstock will be on hand. See the leaflet in the churches and register by emailing [revbonnieanglican@gmail.com](mailto:revbonnieanglican@gmail.com)

**Who was Jesus?** Sage, mystic, magician, healer, trickster, messiah, founder of a "church"? the Jesus of the Gospels (which gospel)? the Jesus of St Paul? How did Jesus see himself? For two millennia people in the Jewish, Christian and Muslim traditions have been on a quest to understand the Jesus of history and come to terms with the Jesus of faith. **Beginning next Tuesday** (17 September) the president of the Atlantic School of Theology offers a Tuesday evening Zoom study/discussion on **Who is Jesus?** running through 22 October. To sign up for this wonderful opportunity, visit [Who Is Jesus? Tickets, Tue, Sep 17, 2024 at 7:30 PM | Eventbrite](#)

The **Compassion Fund's** ministry to purchase backpacks for children in need continues for the approaching school year. Congregants are invited to supply the materials to fill them -- **notebooks/scribblers, pens/pencils, coloured pencils/markers, highlighters, pencil cases, erasers, rulers, glue sticks, binders, water bottles** and anything else students might need.

The familiar blue **Seafarers' Mission boxes** are appearing in our churches. They solicit donations for seafarers from distant parts who

arrive at the **port of Saint John**. Donations are *unwrapped*. With each box is a list of suggestions, such as toiletries, warm items (esp gloves, scarves), playing cards, game books, individually-wrapped candy, and all such. Financial donations are also accepted. Bev from the Mission is amazed each year that our landlocked parish supports this **outreach to welcome strangers** to NB.

One feature of Holy Trinity summer worship is the opportunity to place flowers at quite a few spots in the nave. With this week's e-News are photos of three offerings from last Sunday - roses, sunflowers and strange grasses all the way from the Argentine.

### **SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY**

- Communion at **Holy Trinity** (9 am) & **St Luke's** (11 am); Morning Prayer at **St John's** (10:30 am); Memorial service at **St Mark's** (3 pm)