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This week's birthdays: Allan Clark, Roberta Hoyt, Ryder Sewell
Anniversary: Jeremiah and Karen Miller

Food Bank: Let's fill those boxes and show gratitude to God by sharing with our neighbour the blessings we have been given.

For another month parishioners are asked to participate in **Operation Christmas Child** by filling the familiar shoe boxes with small items useful or interesting to a girl, boy or either.

The familiar **blue Seafarers' Mission boxes** are now appearing in our churches. They solicit donations for seafarers from distant parts who arrive at the **port of Saint John**. Donations are unwrapped and financial donations are also accepted. Learn more about the Seafarers' Mission by visiting their website at <https://www.sjseafarers.com>.

The Synod Office is organizing an overnight **Advent retreat**. It will be held in Rothesay Friday/Saturday 13-14 December. Leader will be the gifted Bishop Sandra Fyfe of Nova Scotia/PEI. Register at <https://anglican.nb.ca/events>.

RICHMOND NEXT WEEK
Sunday, November 10, 2024

- Communion Service at **St. Mark's** (9:00 AM)
- Communion Service at **St. Luke's** (11:00 AM)



**WE WILL
REMEMBER**



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Welcome to St. John's Anglican Church

Parish of Richmond

3667 Route 540, Richmond Corner, NB

Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

November 3, 2024 9:00 AM

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Collect Of The Day

Almighty God,
whose chosen servant Abraham obeyed your call,
rejoicing in your promise
that in him the family of the earth is blessed,
give us faith like his,
that in us your promises may be fulfilled;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever .

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♪ **Processional Hymn**

Gathering of the Community

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♪ **Gradual Hymn**

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♪ **Offertory Hymn**

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♪ **Recessional Hymn**

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Space to Breathe - Between the Birches

Meditation and Prayer in Creation LAST SESSION before winter Monday 4th November - BONFIRE and toasted mallows unless raining. An invitation to all interested in this quiet time of prayer especially those who have come previously to gather for a short time outdoors then come inside for a hot drink a chat about when to begin again in the spring.

TALKING TUESDAYS 2:00 PM Parish Centre St. John's Richmond Corner and 7:00 PM at St. Luke's Hall Woodstock

- **November 5th: Finding God in the faith of others - an introduction**
 A chance to explore the work and writing of eminent theologian Barbara Brown Taylor 'Holy Envy—finding God in the faith of others' - Is it possible? What might we learn about God we learn from others? How do we explain our faith in a 'spiritual but not religious' culture?
- **Tuesday, November 12th: 10 Prayers God always says 'Yes' to!**
 And God does...really. Every time. Explore how we pray through the writings of Anthony De Mello, priest and theologian who claims there are 10 prayers God will always answer with a YES!
- **Tuesday, November 19th:** Fall Social Review our Learning and look ahead to more courses.
All participants welcome at EITHER venue
RSVP essential for catering on the 19th.

This Saturday (2 November), the 139th meeting of the **Diocesan Synod** takes place at the Cathedral. Parish delegates are **Jesse Smith, Pat Margison, and Judy Clark.**

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Gospel Reading

**THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
ACCORDING TO MARK**

- One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that Jesus answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?"
- Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."
- Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbour as oneself,' - this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices."
- When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question .

Mark 12:28-34



Prayer over the Gifts

God of freedom,
accept all we offer you this day.
May we embrace the law of your service
and know the glorious liberty of the children of God.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Psalm 146 - Praise the Lord, O my soul!
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1. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! **I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**
2. Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, **for there is no help in them.**
3. When they breathe their last, they return to earth, **and in that day their thoughts perish.**
4. Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! **whose hope is in the Lord their God;**
5. Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; **who keeps his promise for ever;**
6. Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, **and food to those who hunger.**
7. The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; **the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;**
8. The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; **he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.**
9. The Lord shall reign for ever, **your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

God our creator and redeemer, inspire your people, in prosperity or adversity, to turn always to you, eternal source of life, health, and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayer List

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

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First Reading

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF RUTH

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had considered his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me." Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; Where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die, I will die - there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

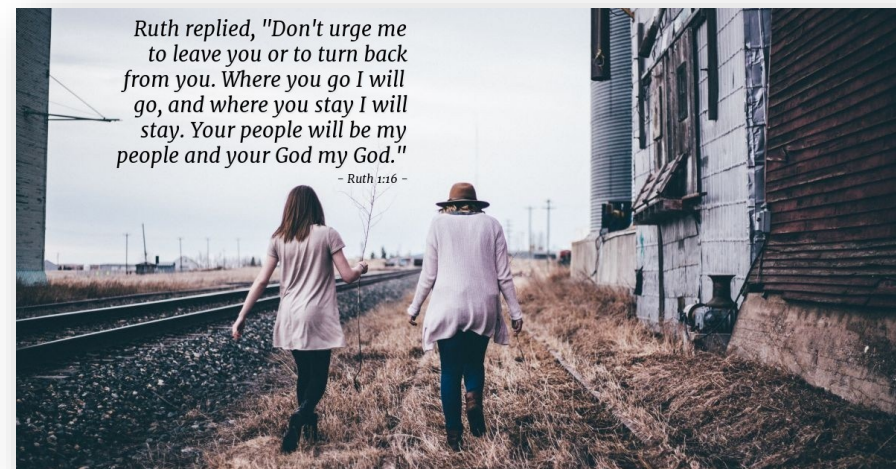
RUTH 1:1-18

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Second Reading

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

- But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption.
- For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

Hebrews 9:11-14



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St Viola – As we enter the octave of All Saints, it is fitting to report that the 90+ surviving diaries of Viola Letitia Bell (1896-1988) have reached the Provincial Archives, Fredericton. Of 150 diaries held by the Archives Viola's is now the longest (1917-1984) and largest. Some of her volumes run to more than 100 pages, recording in all upwards of half a million words. In great detail they chronicle neighbourhood life in the Oakville/Jackson Falls vicinity, with particular reference to the Methodist/United Church meeting at Briggs Mill and her beloved St Mark's.