



Excerpts From
Parish of Richmond e-News
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This coming week's birthday: **Andrew Bell**
Anniversary: **Mark & Niki Carpenter**

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- Saturday 7 March: Richmond **annual meeting** at the Parish Centre, 10:00 AM
- Tuesday 10 March: **General meeting** of Woodstock Archdeaconry Anglicans in preparation for Special session of the Diocesan Synod, at St Luke's hall, 6:00 PM
- Saturday 18 April: Special Diocesan Synod on **the future of Christ Church Cathedral** at Christ Church Cathedral



UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday, January 4, 2026 - Second Sunday After Christmas

- Light breakfast at **St John's Parish Centre** (8:00 AM)
- Communion Service at **St John's** (9:00 AM)
- Communion Service at **St Luke's** (11:00 AM)

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Welcome to
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Parish of Richmond
Diocese of Fredericton
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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

December 28, 2025 9:00 AM

Holy Communion Service

Book of Alternative Services (BAS - Green Book)

Collect Of The Day

Almighty God,
you have shed upon us the new light
of your incarnate Word.
May this light, enkindled in our hearts,
shine forth in our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



We respectfully acknowledge the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded and unsundered territory of the Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqey peoples.

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Order of Service for December 28, 2025

♪ **Processional Hymn**

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♪ **Recessional Hymn**

Dismissal



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Prayers for December 28, 2025

Prayer List

Among those we uphold in prayer: **Allen, Cole, Connie, Doris, Ivan, Joyce, Lynn, Melba, Michelle, Peggy, Phyllis, Shirley, Sonja, Steven** ~ *and those on our hearts and minds.*

Prayer over the Gifts

God of light,
 in the birth of your Son we see your glory.
 May we who share in this mystery
 grow daily in your love.
 This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer After Communion

Source of truth and joy,
 may we who have received the gift of divine life
 always follow the way of your Son.
 This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**



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Gospel Reading for December 28, 2025

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 2:13-23 NRSV

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

13. Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him."
14. Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt,
15. and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son."
16. When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men.
17. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:
18. "A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more."
19. When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said,
20. "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead."
21. Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel.
22. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee.
23. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazorean."

The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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Psalm 148

found on Pages 907-908 in the BAS

We will read responsively, breaking at the half verse.

1. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens;
* **praise him in the heights.**
2. Praise him, all you angels of his;
* **praise him, all his host.**
3. Praise him, sun and moon;
* **praise him, all you shining stars.**
4. Praise him, heaven of heavens,
* **and you waters above the heavens.**
5. Let them praise the name of the Lord;
* **for he commanded, and they were created.**
6. He made them stand fast for ever and ever;
* **he gave them a law which shall not pass away.**
7. **Praise the Lord from the earth,**
* you sea-monsters and all deeps;
8. **Fire and hail, snow and fog,**
* tempestuous wind, doing his will;
9. **Mountains and all hills,**
* fruit trees and all cedars;
10. **Wild beasts and all cattle,**
* creeping things and winged birds;
11. **Kings of the earth and all peoples,**
* princes and all rulers of the world;
12. **Young men and maidens,**
* old and young together.
13. **Let them praise the name of the Lord,**
* for his name only is exalted, his splendour is over earth and heaven.
14. He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants,
* **the children of Israel, a people who are near him.**
Hallelujah!

We pray together: **Blessed are you, Lord our God, creator of heaven and earth; you open our eyes to see the wonders around us, and our hearts and mouths to praise you. Now give us strength for loving service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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First Reading for December 28, 2025

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

Isaiah 63:7-9 NRSV

7. I will recount the gracious deeds of the Lord, the praiseworthy acts of the Lord, because of all that the Lord has done for us, and the great favor to the house of Israel that he has shown them according to his mercy, according to the abundance of his steadfast love.
8. For he said, "Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely"; and he became their savior
9. in all their distress. It was no messenger or angel but his presence that saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**



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Second Reading for December 28, 2025

A READING FROM BOOK OF HEBREWS

Hebrews 2:10-18 NRSV

10. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings.
11. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters,
12. saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."
13. And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, "Here am I and the children whom God has given me."
14. Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil,
15. and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death.
16. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham.
17. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people.
18. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

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