

RICHMOND E-NEWS

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RICHMOND THIS SUNDAY

- **Parish service** of Morning Prayer at **Holy Trinity** (10 am) [**note time/place**]

Among those we uphold in prayer: **Allen, Cecil, Charles, Christine, Cole, Connie, Debbie, Doris, Fern, Frankie, George, Græme, Helen, Joyce, Lawrence, Lynn, Maddie, Melba, Michelle, Nadine, Nicole, Peggy, Phyllis, Robert, Ronald, Scott, Shawn, Sheldon, 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/>

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](#) This week there's a **gorgeous photo** of one of our senior parishioners.

Public worship in Richmond this Sunday (4 February) will be at **Holy Trinity** beginning at **10 am**. Invite a friend.

The parish of **Richmond annual meeting will be held on Sunday 18 February** (11 am) following a parish service of Morning Prayer at Holy

Trinity (10 am). **Shawn Branch** has indicated willingness to be chosen as chair.

Volunteers are needed to put their name forward for various parish offices, especially **warden (2), vestry (6) and vestry clerk**. We need all generations represented in the parish corporation.

Parish financial results for the General Fund at the end of 2023 were not strong, but a broader look at the numbers offers real encouragement. Special offerings for **Camp Brookwood** totalled over \$3700. Contributions to the **Primate's World Relief and Development Fund** were nearly \$9000.

Pancake Supper -- Help Wanted St Luke's will continue a long tradition of hosting a Pancake Supper this **Shrove Tuesday (13 February)**, 4:00 pm to 6:30. It will be both dine-in and take-out. St Luke's invites volunteers to help in: buffet line serving; kitchen area and cooking; cashiers; cleaning up; cake baking -- the list could go on. Come for an hour or stay for the day. Your help will not be turned away! **Contact St Luke's** at: **328-4304** or stlukes@nb.aibn.com

Lenten book study The parish Lenten book study will be based on *Lent with the Beloved Disciple* (2023). The book gives a bird's-eye view of Jesus's final days through the lens of the gospel of John, the disciple who stayed by Jesus from Last Supper to Crucifixion. Contact Bonnie or Cindy for the book. The group meets on **Tuesdays at 10:30 in the Library of the Parish Centre**. The first session (**Tuesday 20 Feb**) will look at the book's Prologue and Chapter 1.

Preparing for the Clergy couple The wardens of Woodstock and Richmond will have a planning meeting at the Rectory on Sunday 4 February, 3pm. They will finalize what's needed in a practical way to receive the rector and husband properly, how to prepare, etc. Stay tuned for updates.

Vocation Day -- Saturday 6 April Are you discerning a Christian vocation? Have you wondered what it means to be an **evangelist, priest, deacon, layreader, parish nurse or pastoral visitor**? Join for a day of presentations on these ministries and explore what God might be calling you to. **Hear from others** how they heard God's call and explore some questions you might be wrestling with. See [Discerning Your Ministry? | Vocations | Anglican Diocese of Fredericton](#)

Final Final! The final, final, final regular service schedule for February and March is attached to this e-news. (Arrangements are ongoing for special services on Ash Wednesday (14 February), Good Friday (29 March) and Easter Sunday (31 March).)

The **Compassion Fund** continues active and it's time for us to consider adding a Compassion Fund donation to weekly offerings. Since September the Fund **has provided assistance in the amount of \$1,200**. This includes a Sobeys gift card and monetary assistance for a person living alone and recovering from surgery; a Sobeys gift card for a mother with young children at Christmas; a Christmas donation and personal hygiene items (much appreciated) for Sanctuary House; and a donation and Superstore gift card for a family in need.

Again this year **Cheryl Jacobs, Bishop Edwards** and a Synod Office crew will be walking in the **Coldest Night of the Year** fundraiser (Saturday 24 February). It is in support of the **John Howard Society's** work with ex-offenders. See [PLEASE SPONSOR Anglican Energy \(e2rm.com\)](http://PLEASE SPONSOR Anglican Energy (e2rm.com))

Did you know that **Maria Shepherdson's** current charge includes a church building that has bits surviving from the 9th century? Did you know that the church and its village are surrounded by the largest pre-historic megalith in the world, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site? Stones, village and church can be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zwhPBjkRfjU>

RICHMOND NEXT SUNDAY

- Communion at **Holy Trinity** (9 am) & **St John's** (11 am); Morning Prayer at **St Mark's** (9 am)