

RICHMOND E-NEWS

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“Not only with our lips but in our lives”

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SERVICES THIS COMING SUNDAY (10-16 NOV)

- Communion at **St Mark's** (9 am) & **St Luke's** (11 am); Morning Prayer at **St John's** (10:30)
- **Sunday School** at the Parish Centre (10:30)
- 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, 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/>

This week's birthday: **Bonnie Sparks**

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

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

The theme of the next **Talking Tuesday** discussion (12 November) will be **Prayers God Always Says Yes to**: 2 pm at the Parish Centre & 7 pm at St Luke's.

Last week's **Diocesan Synod** began with a remembrance of frequent Synod attenders from the past. Among them was our own **Wendell Parkinson**. Highlight of the day was reports on various forms of community outreach, presented from all parts of the province. Some poor congregations in forgotten places are doing amazing work, which begins with thinking hard about what the neighbourhood around actually needs.

Where the Saints Have Trod With sufficient interest the rector is willing to lead a **pilgrimage to Ireland** next September. **See attached poster for basic details** and attend an information session the first of which is next Wednesday (13 November) 7pm at the Rectory and on Zoom.

Operation Christmas Child The blessing of the Christmas shoeboxes takes place on Sunday 17 November, Filling the familiar with small items useful or interesting to a girl, boy or either.

This year's **advent group study** in the Rich/Wood parishes takes the form of a virtual journey to Bethlehem. It begins Monday 25 November at St Luke's, 7 pm and continues weekly both on both Monday afternoons (Richmond) and Tuesday evenings (St Luke's). **See attached poster.**

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 via [Advent Retreat | Discipleship Resources | Anglican Diocese of Fredericton](#)

The familiar blue **Seafarers' Mission boxes** in our churches invite 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.

The photo circulating with this week's e-News shows some of the **backpacks and school supplies** that congregants and our Compassion Fund recently provided students. Those pictured came from St Mark's.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

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