## **RICHMOND E-NEWS**

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"Not only with our lips but in our lives"

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## SERVICES THIS COMING WEEK (4-10 May)

- Communion at St John's (9 am) & St Luke's (11 am)
- On most days the rector offers a brief **morning prayer time** live at 8:30 am (and viewable at any time later). See <u>Parish of Richmond and Woodstock YouTube</u>

Among those we uphold in prayer: Allen, Cole, Connie, Doris, Ivan, Joyce, Lawrence, Lynn, Melba, Michelle, Nadine, Peggy, Phyllis, Ronnie, Shirley, Steven

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

Who doesn't know someone 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: <a href="https://horizonnb.ca/patients-visitors/send-a-message-to-a-patient/">https://horizonnb.ca/patients-visitors/send-a-message-to-a-patient/</a>

This coming week's birthday: **Trina Weeks** Anniversary: **Mac & Marg Wilson** 

**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

This Sunday (4 May) Richmond's service will be at **St John's** at 9 am (**note time**). For the first time it will use **Common Praise** hymnbooks kindly donated by parishioners of the late St Philip's church, Moncton.

This coming Monday (5 May) the **World Day of Prayer** service (with Debec UCC) takes place at **St John's** (7 pm) preceded by optional potluck supper (6 pm). Special speaker: **Philip Shepherdson** 

**Celtic Spirituality: Why It Matters Now** is the title of a talk to be offered by well-known Celtic teacher and writer **John Philip Newell**. It is hosted by Christ Church Cathedral on Wednesday 7 May, 6 pm, and it is Newell's only Canadian engagement. See

https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/130353592RR0001-christ-church-cathedral/events/celtic-spirituality-why-it-matters-now/

**Baptism** With joy renewed we greet last Sunday's news of yet another adult baptism at **St Luke's**.

The US government has ended most of its foreign aid to crises and development projects around the world. In response **Alongside Hope** (better known as Primate's World Relief and Development Fund) is inviting Anglicans to contribute to a **Resilience Fund** that will pick up a bit of the slack. An anonymous donor stepped forward to match the first \$250,000 that people contribute. Visit <a href="https://alongsidehope.org/news/anonymous-donor-will-match-gifts-to-resilience-fund-up-to-250000/">https://alongsidehope.org/news/anonymous-donor-will-match-gifts-to-resilience-fund-up-to-250000/</a>

Details on the **four nominees to be the next primate** of the Anglican Church of Canada are available at <a href="https://gs2025.anglican.ca/election/">https://gs2025.anglican.ca/election/</a> Materials now include short videos from each of them setting out ideas on the role of the General Synod and the office of Primate. To see the videos, click on a nominee's photo, then activate the link at the bottom of the enlarged photo.

April's issue of the **River Valley Sun** contains two items of special interest.

- Page 8 shows Patti Connors and Mary Whiteway accepting a
   Community in Bloom award for their admirable summer work at St
   Luke's. It's the highlight of Woodstock's Main St.
- Page 26 carries an interview with Ernest & Nancy Clarke reflecting on their exhibition of painting and carving at Woodstock's Fisher Library. (Exhibit continues for a little longer.)

**Tokens of Spring abundance** are suddenly upon us – forsythia, daffodils and the millions of white bloodroot filling woodside ditches and

announcing that fiddleheads are close behind. This week's e-News shows the blaze of bluebells in a parishioner's dooryard.

## SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

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