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"Not only with our lips but in our lives"

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SERVICES THIS SUNDAY (4 Dec)

- Richmond Parish Communion at **St Mark'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, Lynn, Melba, Michelle, Peggy, Phyllis, Shirley, Steven

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

This coming week's birthdays: **Patricia Margison, Nancy Clarke, Emma Sewell**

Anniversary: Stephen & Lisa Kennedy

Who doesn't know someone in hospital? There's a convenient way to get a cheery greeting to the hospitalized: hospital volunteers deliver it. Folk receiving these notes have mentioned how important they are. Check out: https://horizonnb.ca/patients-visitors/send-a-message-to-a-patient/

Food Bank – The Food Bank distributes its Christmas hampers in mid-December, closing on 19 December until the New Year. To make our difference, we need to do so forthwith.

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

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Thanks to those who worked at and brought items to Advent Sunday's parish breakfast. Next breakfast: Sunday 4 January 2026!

Forthcoming ~

- Tuesday 9 December: "Born in Poverty" Advent study w/ Jane Hanson at 103 Searle St, Woodstock, 2 pm
- Sunday 14 December: deadline for **Seafarer Mission** contributions
- *Sunday 14 December*: Richmond service of **Lessons and Carols**, St Mark's, 7 pm
- Monday 15 December: "Born a Saviour" Advent study at the Rectory,
 2 pm
 - o repeated Tuesday 16 December at 103 Searle St, Woodstock, 2 pm
- Saturday 20 December: Christmas with The Beatles at St Luke's, 3 pm
- Wednesday 25 December: **Richmond Christmas Communion** at St John's, 9:30 am
- Saturday 18 April: **Special Diocesan Synod** at Christ Church Cathedral

This coming Wednesday (10 December) brings the second of Bishop Hockin's Advent broadcasts on **Finding the Light of Christ in the Darkness of December**. It will be carried live on the Christ Church Parish Church YouTube channel at noon:

https://www.youtube.com/@ccpcfredericton2010/streams

One of our forms of Christmas outreach is support for the Saint John branch of the Christian **Mission to Seafarers**. See

https://www.sjseafarers.com/
The familiar blue hampers in each of the churches invites donations of toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, shampoo, razor, shaving cream, deodorant, hand cream), warm clothes (toque, gloves, mittens, scarfs, wool socks, foot warmers), playing cards, puzzle books, flashlight or headlamp with batteries, Canadian souvenirs like mugs, and snacks.

The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund – now renamed as **Alongside Hope** – offers many ways to show generosity to those in less

fortunate parts of the world this Advent/Christmas season. Its gift catalogue is here: https://wog.alongsidehope.org/world-of-gifts Some NB parishes challenge themselves to see how many goats or bee colonies etc they can provide. Financial gifts to Alongside Hope may also be made through our weekly offerings, either envelope or e-offering. E-transfers to Alongside Hope are now possible: etransfer@alongsidehope.org Be sure to include your name, postal and email addresses if you would like a tax receipt.

Likewise, when making **interac transfers** to <u>parishofrichmond@outlook.com</u>, put your your name & email address in the comments window and, if a new donor, your postal address. Donations will be directed to the parish's Operating fund unless the donor directs otherwise. Eligible donations generate a tax receipt early in the new year.

The McCain Gallery (Florenceville) continues its 2025 **Small Works exhibition**, running to 20 December. Fine art and quality crafts will be on sale and display, including from parish artists. Always worth viewing or showing to a visiting friend.

There is good news. Holy Trinity is mounting an eye-catching set of **outdoor Advent candles**. See attached photograph.

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Communion at St John's (9 am) & St Luke's (11 am); Morning
Prayer at Holy Trinity (9 am); Richmond Lessons & Carols at St
Mark's (7 pm)