

RICHMOND E-NEWS

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"Not only with our lips but in our lives"

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SERVICES THIS COMING SUNDAY (7-13 Sept)

- Communion at **Holy Trinity** (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 [Parish of Richmond and Woodstock - YouTube](#)

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

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

This coming week's birthdays: **Ken Tompkins, Ronda Foster, Karen Parkinson**

Anniversary: **Ken & Kim Tompkins**

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 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 rector has returned from the Old Country.

This coming Sunday's Parish service (7 Sept) is at **Holy Trinity**, 9 am (note time).

Tomorrow (Friday) evening we are summoned to continue our **Dream with God** discernment work. Where are we, as a parish, being prompted? Are we listening? Do we have the courage to respond? Decline is familiar, even cosy. Listening for and to God takes work. The evening begins **at the Parish Centre with a potluck supper at 6 pm**, with presentation/discussion following.

Offerings and donations to the parish **by interact transfer** are now possible. Direct them to parishofrichmond@outlook.com (There is no longer a need to create a security question.) In the Comments window, give your name, email address and, if you are 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.

Forthcoming events/services ~

- *Monday 8 September: **Between the Birches** outdoor meditation at the Rectory, 7 pm*
- *Tuesday 9 September: Talking Tuesday on **God, Bible & Gender Orientation** at the Rectory (2 pm) & St Luke's (7 pm)*
- *Sunday 21 September: **Blessing of the Animals**, Holy Trinity lawn, 4:30 pm*
- *Sunday 28 September: **Memorial services** at St John's (9 am) & St Mark's (3 pm)*

There is good news. Once upon a time – it was in August 2024 – we arrived at Holy Trinity on Sunday morning **to find a bicycle** propped neatly against this building. Perhaps this was a cross-Canada cyclist arriving for morning service before setting off for another day. But no – it was a mystery. **Ken Tompkins** continues the story: We brought it into the church to keep it safe, and I advertised in the community asking if anyone was missing a bicycle. I received no response and the bicycle was kept at the church for the past year. Last Friday I went to Holy Trinity to collect the brush and weeds that **Marilyn Wilson** had pruned from around the church. A young lad (**Brayden**) from the apartment across the street from Holy Trinity came over and asked if he could give me a hand because it had started raining. I was very thankful for the help. After we bagged the brush I asked him if he had a bicycle. He did, but his older brother didn't have one. So I offered him the bicycle and told him he could keep it

himself or give it to his brother. I also went across the street and spoke with his father to let him know the story of the bicycle. Since the day Brayden received the bicycle he's been riding it around the neighbourhood, and just a few minutes ago we met up and he thanked me again for it. He does very much appreciate it.

This week's e-News shares Holy Trinity's ex-**mystery bicycle** (now Brayden's), a glimpse of **late-summer sun streaming** through the McBride memorial window and striking the altar at last evening's crowded harvest songs of praise service at St Mark's, and some of the attenders at **last Thursday's Do Drop Inn** gathering at the Parish Centre (missing are the wonderful blueberry tarts on offer).

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

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