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"Not only with our lips but in our lives"

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SERVICES THIS SUNDAY (1Feb)

- Communion at **St John's** (9 am) & **St Luke's** (11 am)
- Most weekdays the rector offers morning prayers and reflection live at 8:30 am and viewable any time later. See [Parish of Richmond and Woodstock - YouTube](#)
- **Sunday services from St John's** are broadcast live on the internet and remain available for viewing. Find them at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvnzfGEaRlzViE7bgTXvaTg>

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.

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 families rely on our weekly and monthly generosity.

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

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This Sunday's Richmond **parish Communion** is again at **St John's**, 9 am. Cindy Derksen will be distributing 2025 **income tax receipts**.

Pancake Supper - Somehow February is almost here, the days are getting longer and St Luke's annual **Shrove Tuesday pancake supper** approaches on **Tuesday 17 February**. Once again Woodstock parish is welcoming us to lend a hand: cooking, dish-washing, serving, clearing places, general clean-up and so on. Each job is divided into shifts. Also, they would really appreciate offers to bring a cake. There's a volunteering opportunity for everyone. Please surprise the busy **Jon Tait** by offering a cake or volunteering for a job. He will suggest something. Jon can be reached at jontait1974@gmail.com Note: the maple syrup consumed on this crowded occasion will come from Richmond.

Richmond's annual meeting approaches (7 March), meaning that reports on various activities must be prepared for printing.  Send your own report - if possible with suggested photographs - to **Marilyn Wilson**, who has the task of collecting all our parts into a document for the ages: Marilyn = momathome4@hotmail.com

Home visits - It's the season of snow drifts and extra home visiting. In times of crisis the rector will be there. Other visits can be arranged by speaking to her or leaving a call back message at **506-328-3042**.

Forthcoming ~

- *Tuesday 17 February: Pancake Supper* at St Luke's hall, details tba
- *Wednesday 18 February: Ash Wednesday* services at St John's (10:30 am) & St Luke's (7 pm)
- *Thursday 19 February: Vestry* meets at the Rectory, 7 pm
- *Saturday 7 March: Richmond annual meeting* at the Parish Centre, 10 am
- *Tuesday 10 March: general meeting* of Woodstock Archdeaconry Anglicans in preparation for Special session of the Diocesan Synod, at St Luke's hall, 5 pm
- *Saturday 18 April: Special Diocesan Synod on the future of Christ Church Cathedral* at Christ Church Cathedral
- *Saturday 7 November: Regular Diocesan Synod*, Christ Church Cathedral

Dementia Care and Spiritual Health - The Anglican Hospitals Chaplaincy (Saint John) is sponsoring a half-day workshop led by an

experienced counsellor on **A Spirit-Centred Approach to Dementia Care**. The goal is a more positive, connected, and life-affirming dementia care culture rooted in dignity, presence, and genuine relationship. It will be held at Christ the King Church (East Saint John) on Saturday 21 February. See details at <https://nb.anglican.ca/events/dementia-care-workshop-for-parishes/2026-02-21>

Quiet Day - On Saturday 14 March **Kathleen Snow** (world president of the Mothers' Union) leads a Lenten Quiet Day of space, prayer and reflection at Christ Church Cathedral beginning at 9:30. Details at <https://nb.anglican.ca/events/lenten-quiet-day/2026-03-14>

The federal government has launched a **public consultation to see how government programs might assist what it calls Rural Communities**. This presents an opportunity for us to contribute as individuals and as faith communities deeply rooted in rural life. The voices of those who live and serve in rural places -- families, farmers, small business owners, community volunteers, and church members -- should be heard in this conversation. Learn more and [participate here](#).

There is good news. Many parishes (including Richmond) are fortunate in having restricted trusts and other funds invested professionally via the Diocesan Synod. This week the Synod office announced that returns for 2025 were so strong that interest credited to parish investments would increase considerably. As Richmond managed to achieve a small 2025 operating fund surplus anyway, we are able to leave this interest for further investment.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

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