RICHMOND E-NEWS

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"Not only with our lips but in our lives"

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SERVICES THIS WEEK (2-8 MARCH)

- On Sunday, Communion at St Mark's (9:00 am) & St Luke's (11 am)
- On Wednesday, imposition of ashes at **St Luke's** (7 pm)
- 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, Ronnie, Rosanne, Shirley, Steven

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/

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

Debbie and David Edwards are thankful for prayers and support received at a sad and difficult time. Debbie was able to attend her father's funeral.

Yesterday was the **one-year anniversary** of the arrival of Maria and Philip Shepherdson. Spem reduxit.

We have been spared to enter into a busy fortnight. Take note especially of the **Ash Wednesday** service, marking the first day of Lent.

- Tomorrow evening (Friday 28 February) the **Saint John String Quartet** presents a concert at **Holy Trinity** church, Orser Street,
 Hartland. All proceeds go to support the music program at
 Hartland's Community School.
- This Saturday (1 March) **Richmond's annual meeting** takes place at the Parish Centre, 10 am. Printed annual reports are available in the churches.
- This Sunday (2 March) Richmond's **parish service** is at St Mark's, 9 am.
- This coming Shrove Tuesday (4 March) **St Luke's** offers its annual **pancake supper**, 4-6:30 pm. (Take-out is also available.) To volunteer to work, or to arrange for take-out, call 324-5543.
- Also this Tuesday the Lenten discussion group studies begin.
 Attend at either the Rectory (2 pm) or St Luke's hall (7 pm). The full program is available in the churches and re-circulates with this e-News.
- On Ash Wednesday (5 March) a joint Woodstock/Richmond imposition of ashes service takes place at St Luke's, 7 pm. See attached poster.
- Next Friday (7 March) a **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**
- On Thursday (13 March) Woodstock's L. P. Fisher Library opens an exhibition entitled *Artopia: Paintings and Carvings by Ernest and Nancy Clarke*, 6:30 pm. It features dozens of works, both retrospective and recent.
- On Saturday (26 April): Richmond parish gathers for a **Dream with God** visioning discussion at the Parish Centre, 10 am

Philip Shepherdson, who is to speak at next Friday's World Day of Prayer service at St John's, shares some of his life adventures in this week's Diocesan e-News: see https://nb.anglican.ca/news/my-journey-here-philip-shepherdson Even more photos are in March's **NB Anglican**. If you don't get the print version, it will soon be on the Diocese of Fredericton website under the News tab.

On this day the Church commemorates the life and testimony of **George Herbert**, priest and poet (1593-1633). Here is a rendering of "The Call", one of his characteristically head-scratching but somehow uplifting poems. In **Common Praise** it is hymn 569, set to music by Ralph Vaughan Williams: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y3SSCuSMLK4

The Synod office's "Anglican Energy" team raised a whopping \$2400 this year on their **Coldest Night of the Year** trek in aid of the Fredericton John Howard's Society's outreach to the marginalized. Thanks to the Synod staff members who walked and to those who boosted them financially.

Spotted in St Luke's bulletin:

Coffee Fund Project -- During December and January, you provided \$580 to purchase 58 x \$10 Tim cards for the most needy. These cards are distributed by Outreach Workers supporting the homeless, couch surfers and those with inadequate housing. During these cold months, the coffee cards are greatly appreciated.

Underwear Project -- We asked what other items are needed and have been advised that men's and women's underwear in all sizes, as well as sleeping bags are needed. We will put a box at the back of St Luke's for these items; and you can also leave money in an envelope in the labelled container if you wish for the outreach committee to purchase underwear. Please note on the envelope whether the money is for coffee or undergarments or either.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

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