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"Not only with our lips but in our lives"

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SERVICES THIS SUNDAY (14 Dec)

- 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)
- 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, 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 – The Food Bank distributes its **Christmas hampers in mid-December, closing next Friday 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](#) Included are many photos highlighting the work of the **Seafarer Mission**.

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Archbishop and Debbie Edwards travel to England today at the illness of the bishop's father. They will remain until the new year.

Photos on the Parish of Woodstock's facebook page show **Sandra Culberson** being sent joyously into retirement with a blast (and three celebratory cakes). Hundreds of folks "loved", "liked" and offered comments: [\(5\) Facebook](#)

Parish Finances -- A **strong** December in offerings to the Operating fund would bring Richmond to 2025's budget projection.

☞ A much-appreciated New Year's gift to the parish would be to **contact Cindy Derksen** cinder46@bellaliant.net **to sign-up for e-offering**

This coming Saturday (13 December), Woodstock's Anglican Church Women (ACW) present their **annual Christmas bake sale** at St Luke's hall, 11 am–2 pm. ☞ The sale will feature a special **Richmond table**. Contributions for it can be dropped off at the hall on Friday between noon and 2 pm, or for pick-up call 328-8146.

Forthcoming ~

- **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
 - repeated **Tuesday 16 December** at 103 Searle St, Woodstock, 2 pm
- **Saturday 20 December**: **Christmas with The Beatles** at St Luke's, 3 pm
- **Tuesday 24 December**: **Christmas Communion** at Holy Trinity (11 am), St Mark's (4 pm), St John's (5:30 pm), and St Luke's (7 pm)
- **Wednesday 25 December**: **Christmas Communion** at St John's (9:30 am) and St Luke's (11 am)
- **Saturday 18 April**: **Special Diocesan Synod** on the future of Christ Church Cathedral at Christ Church Cathedral

This coming Wednesday (17 December) brings the third of Bishop Hockin's Advent broadcasts on **Finding the Light of Christ in the Darkness of December**. It is carried live on the Christ Church Parish

Church YouTube channel at noon:

<https://www.youtube.com/@ccpcfedericton2010/streams>

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 parishofrichmond@outlook.com, put your your name & email address in the comments window and, if a new donor, your postal address. Donations go 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. Last week's **Advent retreat** at Rothesay with Bishop Stephen Andrews was deeply thoughtful. Seven folk from the Woodstock/Richmond parishes were led to attend. Others present included **Pat Crowther**, who with the late Archdeacon Thomas Crowther served Richmond in the 1950s.

This week's e-News shows two new and colourful **banners at St John's**.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

- Richmond Communion at **Holy Trinity** (9 am) & **St Luke's** (11 am); Family/Sunday School service at **St John's** (3 pm); Woodstock Lessons & Carols at **Christ Church** (7 pm)