

## Media Release

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### **Celebration of Faith in Diversity Sunday, March 29 at 1 pm**

Members of different religious communities will come together to celebrate faith in diversity on Sunday, March 29 from 1 pm to 5 pm in the Kinsella Auditorium, McCain Hall at St. Thomas University.

The event celebrates Fredericton's faith communities and includes presentations, traditional dishes, and performances, all under the theme of hospitality. The public is invited to attend the afternoon celebration, and refreshments prepared by the communities will be served at 4 pm.

Members of Fredericton's faith communities, including Anglican, Baha'i, Buddhist, Catholic, First Nations, Hindus, Jewish, Muslim, and Unitarian, have been meeting together over several months in preparation for the event.

Faith in Diversity, which is a Religious Studies class project, is organized by students. They are encouraging teachers, medical professionals, social workers, protective forces, government official to attend.

"We hope that this event will serve as a base from which Fredericton's faith communities can learn about and from each other, identify common goals and needs, and articulate those goals and needs to the larger public, including government policy makers, educators, and others," said Professor Alexandra Bain of the Religious Studies Department.

This is the fourth Faith in Diversity event held at St. Thomas University. Earlier celebrations were held in 2010, 2012 and 2014.

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