

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

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Jan 9th and 16th, 2022 (Year C)

NOTICES/MEMORABLE DATES

January 12, 2022 – ACW Meeting - 7:30 pm

January 18, 2022 – Vestry Meeting - 7:00 pm

Updated Covid-19 protocols. With new measures in place, worship services are being conducted by Rev. Randy each Sunday morning at **10:30 am** from the foyer of the church. Services can be viewed online through Facebook/Facebook Live or in person from church parking lot by tuning into the 98.5 FM radio frequency (must be in church parking lot to get channel).

When do I stand, sit or kneel? Some call this “Anglican Calisthenics”... sometimes people are confused especially when others around them are kneeling, standing or sitting. But feel free to follow your preferences. Our goal is worship and not conformity, so, whatever you choose to do is right for you. For some members of our congregation, it may be difficult to stand as long as others because of mobility issues, we encourage them to please sit if that is more comfortable for them.

Dismissal Song

**Go now in peace;
never be afraid.
God will go with you
each hour of every day.**

**Go now in faith,
steadfast strong and
true. Know he will guide
you in all you do.**

**Go now in love
and show you believe.
Reach out to others so
all the world can see.**

**God will be there
watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith
and in love.**

The Ballicatter After-school program still has openings for children that need this service. The pandemic has made it difficult for them to keep their numbers up, especially when so many parents were working from home. This program has been a tremendous benefit to our parish budget bringing in \$20,000 annually in rent. Please, if you know of any parents needing afterschool care for their children tell them about this great program we have right here in our parish centre.

Fundraisers and parish hall rentals continue to be down because of the pandemic. This has created a decline in our overall parish revenues to date. Our regular envelope offerings are up but what we budgeted from other sources are down. We want to stress the importance of all our parishioners helping us to meet our financial obligations as we enter 2022.

2022 church envelopes are now available in the foyer. It would be much appreciated if you could take other belonging to your family and/or neighbours and deliver them as well. If yours is not there please speak to Charlie Gosse (Envelope Secretary) or Rev. Randy and we will ensure you receive a pack. As well, if you are new to the parish, and not yet on the envelope list, please let us know.

Maintenance envelopes in your box of envelopes are very important. So far this year we have noted a decrease in maintenance offerings. Your maintenance offering helps to pay our outstanding parish loan (cost of the geo-thermal heating system) of \$653.93 per month and other items of regular maintenance around the church. We look forward to retiring this outstanding loan in a couple more years and we ask all our parishioners to consider using the maintenance envelope each month.

The 98.5 FM frequency is always in use whenever we are gathered for worship. If our numbers inside exceed the permitted numbers, there is still the ability to listen to the service through your car radio while in the parking lot of the church.

Our Food Bank Box is located in the foyer so that parishioners can drop non-perishable food items in there regularly. Last year we encouraged people to do it even more so through the season of Advent, which we do again this year. **On each Sunday of Advent we ask everyone to be extra generous** with their food contributions to the box. Each time the box is full we take the items to St. Lawrence's Pop-Up Pantry (Food Bank).

Thank you to parishioners who contributed to the food bank boxes in the foyer in 2021. Several times over the past year the food boxes were filled and the food taken to St. Lawrence's Pop-up Pantry, where it was used in food hampers for those in need. We will continue to collect food in the coming year and remind everyone that the food collection boxes will remain in the foyer.

Bulletins will continue to be printed every second week for the foreseeable future. We do encourage parishioners to go online at: stphilipsanglicanchurch@nf.aibn to read the bulletins.

Would you be interested in volunteering with Sunday School? Our Sunday school ceased when we entered the pandemic two years ago, however, it is time for us to try to get reestablished again. At the present time we have two volunteers, Jayde Strickland and Luke Fowlow, a young couple who recently moved to the area. Jayde's grandfather (Gordon Jackman) is a member of St. Philip's Parish and Luke is the grandson of Bishop Don Young. If we can get a few more to add to the list we can get going in the new year with restarting Sunday School.

Sunday School we also would like to see up and going again. This will require several volunteers to do so. We are now looking for teachers and leaders to help with this. The date we resume will not be known until we have our volunteers in place. This is a vital part of our parish life that got sidetracked during the pandemic, that we hope to get up and going again soon. Please speak to Rev. Randy if you have an interest in getting our Sunday School up and going again.

Do you know the old stories of your community? How old is that house? Who used to have a wharf over there? That family has an old root cellar. We would love to hear from you! The PCSP Heritage Committee is an advisory group to Council. It comprises citizens who appreciate the history in our community and are striving to ensure its' preservation. If you have something to tell us, please contact:

- Rev. Bonnell – 895-2111
- Julie Pomeroy (Town Rep.) – 895-8000 x229
- Michael Pretty (Chair) – 727-4674

Email any pictures and stories to mpretty2@nl.rogers.com

The Canon E.B. Cheeseman Parish Centre is now available for rental for birthday parties, showers, etc. We will still need to exercise care and caution when using the parish centre, and we are not yet at a point where we can rent it out for maximum occupancy, as we must still observe the rule of physical distancing. If anyone is interested in renting the Centre please contact Donna or Janice Spurrell and they will be able to inform you of the current rules around its use. These rules can change at any time based on direction from our Chief Medical Officer and/or our Diocesan Covid team.

Our parish website can be accessed now through a **QR Code** (Quick Response Code). By scanning the code with your cell phone, tablet or some other compatible device you will immediately be taken to the parish website. We are also in the process of updating our website so it can be current. Here is the QR Code:



Jan. 9th

Collect for the Day: (In Unison) Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit, keep your children, born of water and the Spirit, faithful to their calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer over the Gifts: (In Unison) God of life and freedom, we celebrate the revelation of Jesus as the Christ who makes all creation new. Accept all we offer you this day and make us new in him, who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison). Gracious God, lover of all, by this sacrament you make us one family in Christ your Son, one in the sharing of his body and blood, one in the communion of his Spirit. Help us to grow in love for one another and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ. We ask this in his name. Amen.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for our parish families – this week we remember: Donna Spurrell, Glen & Lisa Spurrell, Janice Spurrell, Catherine Squires, Christine & Randy Squires and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for Iglesia Anglicana de Chile.

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Anglican Military Ordinariate: LCdr – The Rev. Canon Jennifer Gosse, Maj. – The Rev. Dennis Newhook, LCdr. – The Rev. Beverly Kean-Newhook, Lt. (N) – The Rev. John Hounsell Drover, Maj. – The Rev. Canon Shawn Samson (Reserve) and Capt. – The Rev. Canon Kris Gosse (Reserve); Parish of the Ascension – Rector, The Rev. David Burrows, Asst. – The Rev. Lynn Courage; Parish of Badger's Quay/Pool's Island (3 congregations) (Vacant).

Provincial Prayer Care: We pray for the Dioceses of Newfoundland and Labrador, Archdeacons and Synod office Staff.

Jan. 16th

Collect for the Day: (In Unison) Almighty God, you inspired Simon Peter, first among the apostles, to confess Jesus as Messiah and Son of the living God. Keep your Church steadfast upon the rock of this faith, so that in unity and peace we may proclaim the one truth and follow the one Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer over the Gifts: (In Unison) Living God, accept the offering of your holy church. As Peter confessed Jesus, the Messiah and your Son, give us courage to follow him, the Lord who reigns with you for ever. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison) Keep us, Father, in this fellowship of faith, the Church of your Son Jesus Christ, and help us to confess him as Messiah and Lord in all we say and do. We ask this in his name. Amen.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for our parish families - this week we remember: Cynthia Squires, Gerald Squires, Gordon & Jackie Squires, Halley Squires, Joseph & Evelyn Squires and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for The Church of England.

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Parish of Bay D'Espoir (2 congregations): Rector – The Rev. Hubert Vallis and the Parish of Bay de Verde (3 congregations): Priest-in-charge – The Rev. Michael Carruthers.

Provincial Prayer Care: We pray for the Dioceses of Newfoundland and Labrador, Archdeacons and Synod office staff.

Scriptural Readings for our worship as appointed in our BAS Lectionary.

Jan. 9th

The Baptism of the Lord

**Scriptural Sentence
(Page 348)**

*A voice came from
heaven, saying, "This is
my beloved Son with
whom I am well
pleased."*

**1st Reading
Isaiah 43: 1-7**

**Psalm 29
Page 738**

(Ches or Ethel Barfitt)

**2nd Reading
Acts 8: 14-17
(Todd Martin)**

**Gospel
Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22**

(Deacon Bonnell)

Jan. 16th

Second Sunday after Epiphany (Confession of St. Peter)

**Scriptural Sentence
(Page 399)**

*Jesus is the Christ,
the Son of the
living God*

**1st Reading
Acts 4: 8-13**

**Psalm 23
1-7, 10-14**

(Debbie Collis)

**Gospel
Matthew 16:
13-19**

(Deacon Bonnell)

Church Chuckle

A University professor, vacationing in the country, struck up a conversation with a local. When the Prof. learned his acquaintance was a country preacher, he asked the man, "Do you honestly believe that Jonah spent 3 days and 3 nights in the belly of a huge fish?"

The preacher responded "I don't know, sir, but when I get to heaven, I will ask him."

"But just suppose he isn't there?" The Professor pressed.

"Then you ask him."

Stewardship thought for the Week

We flinch at soaring grocery prices, gasoline costs, and other energy bills, and more. But, has our giving inflated with income and costs, or have we felt that somehow the tasks of the church are joyously exempt from any of that.