

Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Almighty God, you have shed upon us the new light of your incarnate Word. May this light, enkindled in our hearts, shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer over the Gifts: (In Unison): God of light, in the birth of your Son we see your glory. May we who share in this mystery grow daily in your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison): Source of truth and joy, may we who have received the gift of divine life always follow the way of your Son. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for our parish families. (Each week we remember several of our families in our Prayers of the People): Ethel Penney, Audrey Picco, Carl & Ann Picco, Louise Picco, John & Winnie Piercey, Diane Pollett, Bruce & Susan Powell and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Diocese of Zululand – (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Monument Makhanya.

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Parish of Upper Island Cove(3 congregations) Rev. Christine Lynch, Rector; Rev. Arch Young, Hon. Assistant; Rev. Howard Crane, Hon. Assistant and the Parish of White Bay (4 congregations) Rt. Rev. David Torrville, Priest-in-Charge and the Parish of Windsor/Bishop's Falls (2 congregations) Rev. Jeff Blackwood, Rector. We pray for the College of Deacons in the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland & Labrador and the Vocational Deacons serving the Dioceses of Central and Western Newfoundland. We pray that renewal will abound as we seek to recapture this historical Order of Ministry in the Church of God.

Provincial Prayer Care: We pray for the Anglican Church of Canada.

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA.

Primate: The Most Rev. Fredrick Hiltz

Metropolitan: Archbishop Ron Cutler

Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador

Bishop: The Right Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Peddle

Anglican Church of St. Philip

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The Rev. Canon Shirley Gosse

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Rector's Warden – Harvey Hiscock – 895-2011

People's Warden – Gary King - 895-6239

Dec. 31st, 2017 (Year B)

Parish Mission Statement

God's people in the Parish of St. Philip, in a covenant relationship with God through Baptism, are called....

- **To be Fishers of people in response to the call of Jesus, in the power of the Holy Spirit;**
- **To be a House of Prayer**
- **To be a Centre for Christian Teaching;**
- **To be Disciples in learning;**
- **To be a fellowship of Loving and Sacrificial Service;**
- **To be Witnesses to our Lord's Love through Word and Example.**

**Launching out into the
Deep...
Into New Spiritual
Depths**



A WARM WELCOME IS EXTENDED TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS WHO ARE WITH US TODAY. WE HOPE THAT GOD WILL BLESS US AS WE WORSHIP HIM HERE TOGETHER AT ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH.

Happy New Year from Rev. Randy & family:

We come to the end of yet another year, and, no matter what kind of year it was, we can declare that *2017 is past and 2018 is a brand new year ahead of us!* We cannot change one thing that happened in the past year, but we can give God thanks for guiding us through it, providing for us. For many, 2017 was a difficult year, having experienced health issues and/or the loss of loved ones, or some other thing that made life a bit difficult at times. For others the year may be remembered as one of great joy and blessings. The one thing we all share together is that God was with us through it all. Life is always a mixture of joy and sorrow, we thank God that, for the most part, our lives are happy, and, we have much to be thankful for. When we think back over the year, we give God thanks for His blessings upon us. As the Church, we give God thanks for each one of you, and the parish of St. Philip's, which draws us together as the family of God, loving and caring for each other. May the new year ahead of us be a year to really work together in our parish, encouraging and supporting one another in the work we do together, so that we might grow in our faith, and really make our parish a place where everyone will want to come together to share in the journey of faith. I don't know what 2018 will look like, but, I do know God is there to guide us through it. I take this opportunity, on behalf of myself and family, to wish you and your family a very Happy New Year! One filled with happiness, good health, and, a measure of prosperity.

Rev. Randy

Response after the Scripture Reading:

Reader:

For the Word of God in Scripture;
For the Word of God among us;
For the Word of God within us;

Response: We give you thanks, O God.

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.**

Rental Rates - The Vestry has approved the following rates for renting of the Parish Centre **effective January 1st, 2017:**

Baby Showers, Children's Birthday Parties, etc. - \$75.00

Adult Dinner/Dance, Birthday Parties with dance, etc. - \$150.00

If you would like to book the church hall for birthday parties, adult functions, dances, etc., please book through Janice or Donna Spurrell at 895-3581 or cells 725-1057 or 725-0163

Add'l Sanctuary Flower Fund

In loving Memory of

Husband

Harvey Penney

**Given By
Ethel Penney**

Children’s Corner



Speak, Lord

Genesis 15:1-6, 21:1-3
Psalm 104
Hos 11:8, 11:12, 17-19
Luke 2:22-40

SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

Year B — Holy Family



Put these letters in order to reveal today's feast.

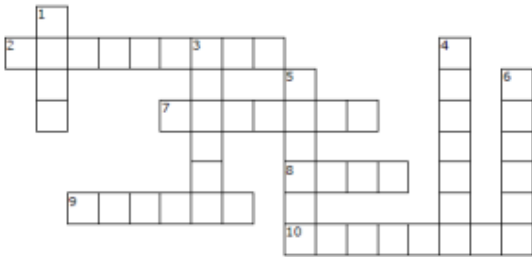
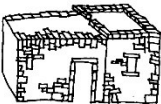
M H Y Y L F O A I L



Mary and Joseph took baby Jesus to the temple.

Simeon and Anna praised God for Jesus.

JESUS LIVED WITH HIS FAMILY IN NAZARETH



ACROSS

- 2. Deliverance from the penalty of sin
- 7. Something you said that you would do
- 8. The organs for seeing in the faces of humans and animals
- 9. A building dedicated to religious ceremonies or worship
- 10. The town where Mary, Joseph, and Jesus lived

DOWN

- 1. The mother of Jesus
- 3. The homeland of the Jewish people
- 4. A person who is not Jewish
- 5. The man who was promised he would not die until he had seen the Messiah
- 6. The earthly father of Jesus

TEMPLE	SALVATION	MARY	NAZARETH	ISRAEL
SIMEON	JOSEPH	GENTILE	PROMISE	EYES

Simeon Recognizes Jesus

Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ. Luke 2:25-26 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



V	C	Y	U	K	S	N	Z	W	O	X	R	H	M	G	D	I	O	T	P	J	F	L	B	A	E
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

- 1. 21-26-6-4-6 _____
- 2. 21-10-6-26-20-13 _____
- 3. 14-25-12-3 _____
- 4. 6-17-14-26-10-7 _____
- 5. 16-26-1-10-4-19 _____
- 6. 19-26-14-20-23-26 _____
- 7. 2-13-17-23-16 _____
- 8. 20-12-10-14-17-6-26-16 _____

MARY	CHILD	PROMISED	DEVOUT
JESUS	TEMPLE	JOSEPH	SIMEON



God is faithful to keep his _____.

VDSOE
AYMR
JHEPSO
OSMINE
PTSIRI

6

2

3 8 7

5 4

1

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

The Bulletin today is given to the Glory of God for the birth of our granddaughter,

Alexis Leila Ann Moore

Shared in celebration & Thanksgiving

Given by Tom & Leila Tulk

Stewardship Statement

Our budget for weekly regular giving this year is set at \$95,000.00. Please see chart below. This is good...but just a little shy of our goal. Your continued support is needed.

Prayerfully consider your Parish in your estate Planning

Yearly Budget for Envelope giving for 2017 - \$95,000.00 Needed Monthly - \$7,916.67 Needed Weekly - \$1,979.16	
Rec'd Dec. 31 st . Regular Giving	\$ 6,614.00
Maintenance	\$ 230.00
Rec'd Year to Date Regular Giving	\$ 80,559.87
Maintenance	\$ 13,667.69 \$ 11,887.59
Total brought in for Sunday, Dec. 31 st .	

Maintenance Fund We continue to ask our parishioners to give monthly through the Maintenance Fund to help us lower our debt on the new furnace. We have borrowed the amount of \$50,000.00 from the Bank of Montreal. This loan is out for seven years effective Dec. 31st, 2016, we are paying \$653.93 per month.

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship
today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary
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Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

First Sunday after Christmas – Dec. 31st.
8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)
Eucharistic Assistant – Mose Tucker

10:30 am – Baptism/Holy Eucharist (BAS) & Sunday School
Eucharistic Assistants – Charlie Gosse & Ches Barfitt
Counters: Tom Tulk & Todd Martin
Sidesperson: Gerald Sharpe

Second Sunday of Christmas – Jan. 7th.
8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)
Eucharistic Assistant – Joan Tucker

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) & Sunday School
Eucharistic Assistants – Dave Bartlett & Todd Martin
Counters: Tom Tulk & Todd Martin
Sidesperson: John Parrell

The Collect, Epistle and Gospel for
Today – Dec. 31st.
Scripture Readings

1st Reading – Numbers 6: 22-27
Psalm 8: Page 711-712
(Harvey Hiscock)

2nd Reading – Galatians 4: 4-7
(Ruth Hiscock)

Gospel: Luke 2: 15-21
(Deacon Bonnell)

NOTICES

“Today” and “Daily Bread” pamphlets:
Please pick up your copy of the “Today” and “Daily Bread” on the bookcases as you leave the church.

Please Note – **Moose Sausages** are available. If you are interested, please contact one of the Vestry Members.

Lions Clubs are collecting used and (even broken) eyeglasses and hearing aids to send overseas. For your convenience, a collection box has been placed in the church foyer.

REMINDER – As 2017 is coming to a close, for those who make their contributions by post-dated cheques, this is just a little reminder for your 2018 cheques.

If you play a musical instrument or like to sing don't forget to sign your name on the bulletin board. We are interested in finding out who would like to be part of a church band in the new year. No doubt we have a great number of individuals in our parish who are musical, and, music is a gift from God, that we would like to see used in worship from time to time. Rev. Randy would like to see such a group come together to lead the musical part of worship occasionally. In addition to that we would love to grow the numbers in our choir as well on a weekly basis.

Anyone interested in a weekly bible study?
In the new year Rev. Randy will be leading a bible study titled *If you want to walk on water you got to get out of the boat*. This study will consist of a weekly video, followed by discussion. A sign-up sheet will be posted once the start-up date is determined.

Church Chuckle

From a church magazine: “The Bishop spoke briefly, much to the delight of the audience.”



The church is on Facebook

www.facebook.com/stphilipsanglicanchurch

Take a look!

Stewardship thought For the Week

There cannot be a surer rule, nor a stronger exhortation to the observance of it, than when we are taught that all the endowments which we possess are divine deposits entrusted to us for the very purpose of being distributed for the good of our neighbour.

*Parishioners may give to the church through the **E- Giving Program**. Forms are available in the foyer, please pick up one and even if you are not a regular worshipper with us then you are helping with the expenses that we are daily incurring. Help your church through this method of giving.*