

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

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**A WARM WELCOME IS EXTENDED TO ALL OUR
PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS
WHO ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY**

May 31st, 2015 (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**



From the Rector's Desk

Welcome to Trinity Sunday! From today to Sunday, Nov. 15th we are into the season of **Trinity** in the life of our church. It is the longest season of the church's year.

It is one of the few feasts that are celebrated as a doctrine instead of an event. It is also symbolic of the unity of the Trinity.

The church services focus on the concept of the Trinity, which refers to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit being one God. The belief of one God in three elements is distinctive of the Christian faith but the early church was plagued by contrary views.

You will notice today the church has white as its color. Sometimes, there are symbols depicted representing the Father, Son and Holy Spirit – the three elements of the one God. The Trinity is sometimes symbolized by a triangular shape formed by three overlapping oval rings or loops, each featuring one of the following images: (clockwise) the Crown (Father) within the top loop; the Lamb (Son) within the second loop and the Dove (Holy Spirit) within the third loop.

The ordinal Sundays following Trinity Sunday are focused on Christian growth and discipleship after a long period of emphasis on the life and ministry of Jesus.

We come together to worship the Father, Son and Holy Spirit as one God in three persons.

I would encourage you today to read from the Book of Common Prayer, the Creed of Saint Athanasius on page 695. This creed was often used on this Sunday – The Feast of the Trinity.

No **person** can help you to understand the fullness of the Trinity.

Let us focus on the Father who created us; the Son who redeemed us; and the Holy Spirit who sanctified us.

Let us have a joyful and peaceful Trinity Season.

Rev. Ed

A Stewardship Thought for the Week

Wouldn't it be nice if the Lord's work could be done without money? We wouldn't have to worry about offerings, drives, paying for buildings, or supporting local and world ministries.

No, it wouldn't!

Jesus talked more about our use of things than he did about anything else. How we handle our getting, keeping and giving is all-important. In the dedicated giving we do now, we are able to be part of a great undertaking – sounding, sending and growing in the gospel.

Church Chuckle

A father was approached by his small son, who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!"

His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you know what the Bible means?"

The son replied "That's easy, Daddy. It stands for **Basic Information Before Leaving Earth.**"

"**BIBLE**". Think about it.

Chaplaincy Services at Hospitals in St. John's

When you are being admitted to a hospital in St. John's, you should be asked, "While you are admitted to hospital, would you like to have a visit from a chaplain or pastoral care worker?" Be sure to say "Yes" if you would like a pastoral visit. You will then be asked to identify your religion, and your name will be added to the chaplain's visitation list, and you will then receive a visit from the denominational chaplain within a day or two.

Also, the Anglican, Roman Catholic, Salvation Army and United Church Chaplaincy Teams are continuing a pilot project to assess ways to share resources. The four denominations will share First-call Chaplain responsibilities at the hospitals in St. John's. This means that each night one chaplain will receive all after-hours calls (5:00 pm to 8:00 am). That First-call Chaplain will determine if the chaplain from the patient's own denomination is needed to provide particular services or supports (anointing/ communion). Patients and families can request their denominational chaplain, if they so wish. The denominational chaplains will follow up with patients seen by the First-call Chaplain.

Please call your Parish Priest as well.

If any members of our congregation have a new e-mail address or changed his/her e-mail address, would you kindly e-mail us your new address.

EUCCHARISTIC ASSISTANTS NEEDED

The hospital chaplains are looking for Eucharistic Assistants to assist with Holy Communion at St. Clare's Hospital and the Leonard Miller Centre.

Eucharistic Assistants are needed at St. Clare's from 8:30 am – 9:30 am and at the Leonard Miller Centre from 1:00 pm.

If any Eucharistic Assistants are willing to volunteer, please see your Rector.

Just a reminder to Parishioners who make their church contributions through post-dated cheques. These cheques may be dropped off at the office or placed in the offertory plate. Thank you.

MEMORIAL BULLETIN: We encourage you to donate the weekly bulletin as a memorial to a departed loved one. The envelopes and information are available from the pamphlet rack in the foyer.

Recyclable Donations: -Recycling is a fundraising project of the **ACM and your assistance is needed.** "*We thank you for your co-operation in removing screw top covers from all bottles – plastic & glass - and further ask that you remove corks and screw tops from alcoholic beverage containers.*" For your convenience, boxes are located near Sharpe's Store on Thorburn Road and Country Convenience, corner of Old Broad Cove Road and Bennett's Road. If you can help with sorting the recyclables on Monday or Tuesday nights please call John Parrell. **The ACM could really use your help.**

Schedule of Services

Trinity Sunday, May 31st

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP) **Eucharistic Assistant:** Joan Tucker

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS), Sunday School & Confirmation Class

Eucharistic Assts: Dave Bartlett, Todd Martin

Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle

Sidesperson: Gerald Sharpe

2nd Sunday after Pentecost, June 7th

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP) **Eucharistic Assistant:** George Sharpe

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS), Sunday School & Confirmation Class

Eucharistic Assts: Debbie Collis, Harve Hiscock

Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle

Sidesperson: John Parrell

Please pick up a copy of the devotional booklets "Our Daily Bread" for your personal devotions. You will find the booklet on the bookcases in the foyer

MILESTONES

Congratulations to:

Canon Bert Cheeseman

Who will celebrate the **64th** anniversary of his ordination as Deacon on June 3rd.

Ches and Ethel Barfitt invite all our church family to help **Lisa** celebrate her **40th birthday** with a Pot Luck Supper at 6:00 pm (music to follow) in the Parish Hall on Saturday, June 6th. (Best wishes only).

Preauthorized Payment (e-Giving) of Church Offerings can now be offered to our parishioners. Many people find that this is a safe and convenient way to make their offerings and, if you are interested, please complete the form which you will find in the pamphlet rack in the foyer.

For those who are giving by Pre – Authorized (e-Giving), there are plastic cards available in the foyer which read “Giving Electronically to the Anglican Parish of St. Philip”. We want our people to think about giving to the church by this method.

May 24th, 2015
Regular Givings \$ 769.00
Maintenance Fund \$ 20.00
E-Giving –

Maintenance Fund – We want to thank you for your continued support. It is very important for us to build on this fund so that the necessary repairs to the church can be completed in a timely manner. Please keep in mind that we were encouraged after the church was debt free to continue to give a dollar per day to this fund.

Stained Glass Window – The window has now been ordered. We have received a number of donations and there is still time for anyone wishing to make a donation to do so over the next number of weeks through the church offering.

Notices

Pot Luck Lunch: Sunday, May 31st – There will be a Pot Luck Lunch following the 10:30 am service this morning.

Select Vestry – will meet on Monday, June 1st at 7:30 pm in the Boardroom.

Mission: Rev. Dr. Rudolph Anthony will be joining us in our first teaching mission in the Parish from June 1st to June 15th, 2015. The themes for his time with us will be as follows:

- ‡ Stewardship
- ‡ Reconciliation
- ‡ Loving Yourself
- ‡ Worship & Responding to Faith
- ‡ Equip for Ministry
- ‡ Personal Relationship with God

Old Church Building – Since the Town Council made a decision about our former church, there have been two unauthorized entries. We want people to be aware that anyone caught entering the building without consent will be prosecuted.

DAMA: Sunday, June 7th, 2015. General Meeting at St. Peter’s, Upper Gullies.
Evening will begin with supper at 5:00 pm, following a short business meeting. Rev. Dr. Rudolph Anthony, Belize, will address the gathering. Worship will begin at 7:00 pm and will include the induction of the officers elected at the annual general meeting on April 11th, 2015. Clubs are asked to provide the count of the number of attendees (important for food preparation) from their club to Joe O’Quinn, Secretary, by Saturday, May 30, 2015; either via email or via phone at 727-1122. This event is for members only.

STUDENTS: We are looking to hire a student for work in our cemetery during the summer beginning on June 30th. The term will be for 7 weeks – 35 hours per week. **Students between the ages of 15 and 30 and who will be returning to school (high school or post-secondary) in September are eligible to apply.** Please contact the church office at 895-0715 for more information.

SOUND SYSTEM – We are in need of people to operate our sound system on Sunday mornings. If you are interested and are willing to be trained, please see your rector.

Parish Hall Rentals: The Parish Centre is available to members of the congregation and the public to rent for birthdays, weddings and anniversaries. Please consider renting the hall for your next important event. Any person wanting to rent the parish hall can call the church office at 895-0715.

Noteworthy Events

Flea Market – Saturday, June 6th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm St. Michael & All Angels Parish, 75 Kiwanis Street, St. John’s.
Admission \$1.00.

Holy Innocents Music Night – June 6th at 8:00 pm (doors open at 7:00 pm). Admission \$5.00 at the door. Canteen services and a 50/50 draw.

Beaumont Hamel – On the Trail of the Caribou – June/July, 2016 – 10 days/16 meals – Bishop Geoff will be leading a tour to Beaumont Hamel to mark the 100th Anniversary of the First World War.

For further information, see the Brochure in the foyer or see the Diocesan website.

Dismissal to be sung at the end of the service:
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.

Collect, Epistle and Gospel for Trinity Sunday
Scripture Readings for today, May 31st

1st Reading **Isaiah 6: 1 - 8 Psalm 29 (Page 738)** (Jeanette Osmond)

2nd Reading: **Romans 8: 12 - 17** (Lloyd Osmond)

Gospel: **John 3: 1 – 17** (Rev. Ed Bonnell)

The Scriptural Sentences for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary, page 346:

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.

Collect for the Day. (In Unison) Father, we praise you: through your Word and Holy Spirit you created all things. You reveal your salvation in all the world by sending to us Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Through your Holy Spirit you give us a share

in your life and love. Fill us with the vision of your glory, that we may always serve and praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Collect for Launching out into the Deep (In unison) Bless, O Lord our God, the worship and work of this church. Grant that it may faithfully Launch Out into the Deep and respond to the call of Jesus to be fishers of people. By the power of your Holy Spirit make it a house of prayer, a Centre of Christian teaching and disciples in learning, a community of loving and sacrificial service, and a witness to your redeeming love through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer over the Gifts: (In unison) Living God, receive all we offer you this day. Grant that hearing your word and responding to your Spirit, we may share in your divine life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: (In unison) Almighty and eternal God, may we who have received this eucharist worship you in all we do, and proclaim the glory of your majesty. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Today in our Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for our parish families: Each week we remember a number of our families in our Prayers of the People: Shirley Belbin, Rev. Ed & Debbie Bonnell, Clyde & Cecile Bradbury, Dr. Greg Brown and Lisa Lake and their families.

In our Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Parish of All Saints, Corner Brook, Rev. Tanya White, Rector, Rev. Monica Coffin, Hon. Asst. and the Parish of Indian Bay (4 congregations), Rev. David Coffin, Rector.

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the work of the Anglican Centre in Rome and the Anglican Diocese of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island, Canada – The Rt. Revd. Ronald Wayne Cutler.