

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 17th , 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

Jerusalem Sunday

You will notice on our Church Calendar that Sunday, May 17th is Jerusalem Sunday. This is something new, which began to be celebrated in 2014. I think it is important to celebrate Jerusalem Sunday in our worship, particularly in these hostile times in these regions, and to provide some information for the benefit and instruction of the people.

In July 2013 the Joint Assembly of the Anglican Church of Canada made and accepted the following motion:

Be it resolved that this General Synod:

Invite Anglicans in Canada each year:

- ‡ To observe the Seventh Sunday of Easter, commonly known as the Sunday after Ascension Day, as Jerusalem Sunday;
- ‡ On that day give special attention to the work of the Anglican Church in the land of our Lord's birth, death and resurrection, and;
- ‡ On that day take up a special financial offering as a gift to the diocese of Jerusalem.

From the web page of the Anglican Church of Canada

Jerusalem Sunday is a new annual church observance to celebrate companionship in God's mission with the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem in Jerusalem, Israel, Palestine, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria. The Diocese is a historic and active member of the Christian, ecumenical and interfaith community of the Middle East. It is home to several thousand Arab Anglicans in thirty parishes and situated in one of the world's holiest destinations for Christian, Jewish and Muslim pilgrims.

Regrettably, few religious tourists to the Holy Land today encounter Palestinian and other Arab Christians, or visit a parish

church, school or hospital. Jerusalem Sunday introduces us to the “living stones” of the local Anglican Church, to the ancestors of the first Christian communities indigenous to the region. Jerusalem Sunday is an opportunity to meet Arab sisters and brothers in Christ in the Anglican Communion, and to hear them talk about discipleship in the 21st century.

The ministries of the Diocese of Jerusalem bring hope, skills, health; a peaceful future to those they serve. Jerusalem Sunday is also an opportunity for Anglicans in Canada to send a measure of financial support to these ministries, especially the Penman Medical Clinic, Zababdeh, in the northern area of the West Bank. The Penman Clinic, housed by the parish of St. Matthew, is a busy gathering place for townspeople, villagers and farmers seeking diagnostic tests, examinations and medical consultation. It is the only clinic for many miles around, serving thousands of families per year. Many who receive treatment in this and other diocesan institutions haven’t the money to pay for tests and prescriptions. The Directors of the Diocese’s medical ministries plan to relocate the Penman Clinic into its own building, refurbished with additional consultation rooms, diagnostic equipment and health care workers. This will become a reality through the generous support of local, regional and international companions.

Parish or personal offerings can be sent by cheque to the Anglican Church of Canada to:

Jacqueline Beckford
Resources for Mission
Anglican Church of Canada
80 Hayden Street
Toronto, ON M4Y 3G2

If you intend to make an offering, please write in the cheque’s memo: Jerusalem Sunday 2015.

Rev Ed

A Stewardship Thought for the Week

On vacation we visited one of the great churches in the Mid West (USA). Before the service started, the young couple behind us leaned up to say, “Welcome to **our** church!” It was a glad expression of their investment. However long they had been members, they had learned to say “**our**” church.

Church Chuckle

CHURCH SIGN:

Count
Recount
And then hand count....
your blessings!

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, that this may need to be taken care of at this time. Post-dated 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**

The Bulletin today is given to the glory of God:

**In Loving Memory of
Mother, Ethel Rees
By: Gloria Myles**

**In Loving Memory of
A Dear Son, Brother,
Brother-in-law and Uncle
Walter Tucker
By: Mom, Catherine, Baxter, Michael & Family**

**In Loving Memory of
A Dear Son & Brother
Stefan E. Gibbons
“We love and miss you always”
By: Parents, Bill & Daisy and
Sister, Melanie**

In Loving Memory of
Hilda Dove Mercer
1939 – 2011
“Forever Loved”
By: William Lamswood

Schedule of Services

7th Sunday of Easter, May 17th

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP) Eucharistic Assistant: Ann Lambert

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

Eucharistic Assts: Jennifer Tucker, Mose Tucker

Counters: Ruth Hiscock & Don Morgan

Sidesperson: Todd Martin

The Day of Pentecost, May 24th

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP) Eucharistic Assistant: Charlie Gosse

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

Eucharistic Assts: Ches Barfitt, Larry Bradley

Counters: Ruth Hiscock & Don Morgan

Sidesperson: Gerald Sharpe

MILESTONES

Congratulations to:

Canon Shirley Gosse

Who celebrated the 23rd anniversary of her ordination as Deacon on April 29th.

And

Rev. Russell Osmond

Who celebrated the 24th anniversary of his ordination as Deacon on May 14th.

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 will be 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 10th, 2015

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| Regular Givings | \$ 1,072.00 |
| Maintenance Fund | \$ 160.00 |
| E-Giving – | \$ |

Maintenance Fund – I do ask you to give regularly to this fund. In the spring, major work around the windows of this building will be required. Repairs are needed immediately to the main door of our church. Please continue to use your “Pink Envelope” to contribute to this Fund so when the time comes for repairs there will be funds available.

Memorial Request

Recently, we installed projectors and screens in the Sanctuary. Because of the amount of light coming through the window at the back of the church, we considered blinds but instead would like to go with stained glass.

If anyone would like to donate the stained glass as a memorial for a departed loved one, we have been given a quote of \$3,450.00 plus installation plus H.S.T. This could be an individual donation or a group of families. Please give this your prayerful consideration.

Update - We have begun receiving donations toward the stained glass window. If you are interested in making a donation, now is the time.

Notices

ACM Meeting: Wed., May 20th, at 7:30 pm.

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

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.

Mission: The role of the Church is to teach the faith and help people to grow spiritually; to come to know the love and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ in their own personal lives. Therefore, our Parish will begin a time of spiritual renewal and growth as we move forward year by year.

I have asked Rev. Dr. Rudolph Anthony to join us in our first teaching mission in the Parish from June 1st to June 15th, 2015.

FOR SALE – Here at the Church, we have five (5) chairs (2 types) to sell for a small price. One of each type is on display in the foyer this morning.

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 want to rent the parish hall can call the church office at 895-0715.

Topsail United Church - Aurora Ladies Choir – Friday, May 22nd at 7:30 pm.

Tickets - \$15.00 (Regular)
-\$12.00 (Seniors & Students)
- Children under 12 free

Reception to follow

Food item for CBS Food Bank accepted.

For tickets – Call – 834-0216 or 240-0525

Noteworthy Event

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.

Grief & Bereavement Information Support Group:

8 weeks of support for those grieving the loss of a loved one.

- Facilitated by Jean White-Coady & Erik Seaward every Thursday from April 9th, 2015 to May 28th, 2015
- Time: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
- Location: Canon Wood Hall (St. Thomas's Church, 8 Military Road
- Registration is required:
- Call 368-7050 or email jean.jay@nf.sympatico.ca

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 the 7th Sunday of Easter (Jerusalem Sunday)

Scripture Readings for today, May 17th

1st Reading Acts 1: 15 – 17; 21 - 26 Psalm 1 (Page 705) (Todd Martin)

2nd Reading: 1st John 5: 9 - 13 (Nina Martin Sheppard)

Gospel: John 17: 6 - 19 (Rev. Ed Bonnell)

The Scriptural Sentences for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary, page 344:

I will not leave you desolate, says the Lord; I will come to you.

Collect for the Day. (In Unison) Almighty God, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven. Mercifully give us faith to know that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth to the end of time; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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) Source of all joy, receive our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Keep us in the love of Christ and bring us to the vision of his glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: (In unison) Eternal God, may we who share Christ's banquet be one with him as he is one with you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, the risen and ascended 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: **Kevin & Joyce Whelan; Jeff & Faye Williams; Mark & Glenda Winter; Dave & Ruby Woodward and their families.**

In our Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Parish of Daniel's Harbour (3 congregations), Rev. Terry Rose, Priest in Charge and the Parish of Pistolet Bay (5 congregations), Rev. Mark Wilkoff, Rector.

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for North Eastern Caribbean & Aruba – (West Indies), The Rt. Rev. Leroy Brooks.