

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

MARCH 1, 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

What are you giving up for Lent?

"I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Lord, to observe a holy Lent by self-examination, penitence, prayer, fasting and almsgiving, and by reading and meditating on the word of God." (BAS p282)

This is a part of the Lenten challenge to her people which is usually read at our Ash Wednesday Service. **Each of us will have to make up our minds** on how we will respond to this challenge; which really is all about how we respond to God in preparation for the celebration of our redemption through the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. What does our Lord's sacrifice mean to us? **Shall we come to Good Friday and Easter not having done any preparation at all for these GREAT EVENTS? Think about it seriously!**

A few hints:

Make a determined effort for weekly sacrifice by giving up some time to attend our **mid-week Lenten Services** and bring a friend with you; be resolved to attend **Holy Week Services**, especially on **Maundy Thursday** and on **Good Friday**.

Sacrifice some time for quiet examination of how you live out your faith in God. See if God is leading you in some area of self-sacrifice for the benefit of God's church and God's world....and make your prayerful response.

Sacrifice some time each day to be closer and dearer company with the Lord through being more attentive to prayer.

Sacrifice whatever it takes to improve upon your discipleship and stewardship. Maybe you could resolve to make better use of your Lenten Envelope and offer service to help lessen the load that others offer in service to God's church.

In almsgiving, **sacrifice a bit more to do good to others** in God's world that are in need. A good way to do this is to make better use of the envelope for the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund.

Sacrifice time and find a quiet place to read and meditate on the Scriptures. Here are some suggested gospel passages which you might read:

**Mark 1: 9-15; Luke 4: 1-13; John 3: 1-17; Matthew 19: 1-9;
Mark 8: 31-38; Mark 9: 1-9; Luke 13: 31-35; Luke 9: 28-36;**

John 2: 13-22; Luke 13: 1-9; John 9: 1-41; John 3: 14-21;
Luke 15: 1-2, 11-32; John 12: 1-33; John 13: 1-5; Mark 14: 12-
26; Luke 22: 7-20; John 18: 1-42; John 20: 1-18; Matthew 28:
1-10; Mark 16: 1-8; Luke 24: 1-9.

Sacrifice by being attentive to your surroundings and look for opportunities to share God's love and peace for others...in the supermarket, at the mall, in every place where we find God's people.

This Lent, make some choices about what you give up... for in the sacrifices you make you will find that the "giving up" leads into what you resolve to "take up".

This year, as a spiritual discipline and spiritual exercise, experience spiritual renewal by being resolved to make important choices that make your Lenten observance and Good Friday and Easter more special and more meaningful.

God bless you in your resolve to work on this!

Rev. Ed+

A Stewardship Thought for the Week

The church keeps on talking about growth and being larger and building. Why?

We don't want to grow big just to get the recognition of people. We want to grow in order to serve Jesus Christ better and better and to gather material and human resources that can be employed to touch thousands of people – even thousands of miles away – for Christ.

Church Chuckle

Sunday after church, a mom asked her very young daughter what the lesson in Sunday School was about.

The daughter answered "Don't be scared, you'll get your quilt."

Needless to say, the mom was perplexed. Later in the day, the pastor stopped by for tea and the mom asked him what the morning Sunday School lesson was about.

He said, "Be not afraid, the Comforter is coming."

MILESTONES

If anyone knows of someone in the Parish celebrating a milestone in their lives, please contact the Church Office.

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.

Annual Financial Statements

Your Annual Financial Statements are available in the foyer. Please pick them up as you leave the church today.

There are a few packages of the **2015 Church Envelopes** left in the foyer. If anyone could deliver these, it would be most appreciated.

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.

February 22nd, 2015

Regular Givings	\$1,830.00
Lenten Service	\$ 220.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 360.00
E-Givings	\$

Lenten Givings: We have set a budget of \$3,500 for our Lenten Givings. Please give this your prayerful consideration during Lent.

Memorial Request

Recently, we installed projectors and screens in the Chancellery. 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.

If you are not receiving "Anglican Life" and would like a copy to come to your home, please call the Church Office at 895-0715.

Daily Morning Prayer (Mon thru Friday) is being held at 10:00 AM at the church. Anyone who would like to share in this service is welcome to come along.

Noteworthy Events

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.

The Bulletin today is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of:

**My husband, John Lewis Picco
May 1, 1937 – Feb. 28, 2014
"Always in our Hearts"
by wife, Louise & Family**

Schedule of Services

The Second Sunday of Lent March 1st

8:30 AM – Holy Communion (BCP)
Eucharistic Assistant: Jennifer Tucker

10:30 AM - Holy Eucharist (BAS), Sunday School.
Eucharistic Assts: Mose Tucker, Charlie Gosse
Counters: John Parrell, Gloria Earle
Sidesperson: Karen Puglisevich

Wednesday, March 4th

7:00 pm Lenten Service (no Eucharist)
Lenten Theme: Parables of the Gospel

The Third Sunday of Lent March 8th

8:30 AM – Holy Communion (BCP)

Eucharistic Assistant: Larry Bradley

10:30 AM - Holy Eucharist (BAS), Sunday School.

Eucharistic Assts: Joan Tucker, Dave Bartlett

Counters: Lori Mercer, Linda Thomas

Sidesperson: Todd Martin

Notices

Sale of Moose Sausages: As mentioned some time ago, St. Philip's Anglican Church was granted a moose license and we have a moose in cold storage which will be used for fundraising events. We will be taking orders for moose sausages and have placed an order sheet in the foyer. We will have the sausages made up when there are sufficient orders to use the meat available for this purpose. The cost of the sausages is \$5.00/lb.

ANNUAL REPORTS – Available upon request. Please see Rev. Ed.

World Day of Prayer, Friday March 6th, 2015

At St. Philip's Anglican Church. Service will begin at 7:30 pm. There will be a lunch served afterwards. Everyone is welcome.

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.

**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.

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 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.

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.

Recyclable Donations: - 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. This is a project of the ACM. If you can help with sorting the recyclables on Monday or Tuesday nights please call John Parrell. Your help is needed.

**Collect, Epistle and Gospel for the Second Sunday of Lent
Scripture Readings for today, March 1st**

1st Reading: **Genesis 17: 1 – 7** **Psalms 22: 22 - 30** (pages 730 & 731) (Joyce Keeping)

2nd Reading: **Romans 4: 13 – 25** (Larry Bradley)

Gospel: **Mark 8: 31 - 38** (Rev. Ed Bonnell)

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary, page 288:

I do not glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Collect for the Day. (In Unison) Almighty God, whose son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross, give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who lives 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) God of wisdom, may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: (In unison) Creator of heaven and earth, we thank you for these holy mysteries, which bring us now a share in the life to come, through Jesus Christ our 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: **Viola Squires, Winston & Ena Squires, Thelma Squires Hicks, Don and Sandy Squires and their families.**

In our Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for **The Parish of Heart's Delight (4 congregations), The Rev. Eli Evans, Rector,** and **The Parish of Catalina, (4 congregations), The Rev. Valerie Gillam, Rector.**

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for **Mbale – (Uganda), The Rt. Rev. Patrick Gidudu.**

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