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February 14th, 2016 (Year C)

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.

**Office Hours: Mon-Thurs: 9 am - 1:30 pm
Friday: 9 am - 12 noon
From the Rector's Desk**

We have moved from the season of the Epiphany to the season of Lent. Our Lenten season began on Wednesday past with what we call "Ash Wednesday".

Lent will be for us the next forty days. This will be a time to follow and prepare ourselves as we move toward the great sacrifice of our Saviour upon a cross for each one of us. Over the next forty days, we will have a chance to reflect upon ourselves to examine our lives in relation to the cross.

"Today we hear of Jesus' 40 days in the desert. Lent is our desert experience: our confrontation with the

forces of evil, our journey with Jesus to the fullness of life that we celebrate in this Eucharist.

Our tradition is to observe Lent in three ways: fasting, almsgiving and prayer. All of these are related to the temptations of Jesus in today's gospel and thus to our own experience of temptation.

When we are tempted to manipulate the goods of the earth, we can fast, using carefully and wisely all that we're given. When we are tempted to manipulate the lives of others, we can give alms, giving back to the poor the dignity and respect that belong to them. When we are tempted to manipulate God, we can pray, acknowledging God as our Creator, Saviour and Sanctifier whom we love.

We do not need to go away into the desert; the temptations are always with us. We'll make it through as Jesus did if we hold firm in our belief that the power of the Spirit sustains us. When we participate in the Eucharist, we have a perfect opportunity to experience together the strengthening and encouraging power of the Word of God and the Bread of Life." (an excerpt from "First Sunday of Lent" by Mary Ellen Green)

Rev. Ed.

Church Chuckle

One day, a woman named Shirley had a heart attack and was taken to Cedars Sinai Hospital. While on the operating table, she had a near-death experience. She saw God and asked, "Is this it?"

God said, "No, you have another 30 - 40 years to live."

Upon her recovery, she decided to stay in hospital and have collagen shots, cheek implants, a face lift, liposuction, etc. She even had someone dye her hair. She figured since she had another 30 - 40 years, she might as well make the most of it. She walked out of the hospital lobby after the last operation and was killed by an ambulance speeding up to the hospital.

She arrived in front of God and said, "I thought you said I had another 30 - 40 years?"

God said, "Shirley, I didn't recognize you."

A Stewardship Thought for the Week

As boys, our neighbourhood gang needed to collect money to buy a basketball, so we carefully divided out how much each fellow would have to raise. "I've done my part," each one said. "Where's yours?"

Not long ago a group of men were collecting travel expenses for a visiting speaker. No one worried about the quotas, or what the other man chipped in. "What's left over, we'll give to the camp," they said. "They can use it."

As our faith in Christ and love for his church grows, that's what happens here. We may start by asking, "How much do we have to make up?" Later we move to, "We'll give, and pray that there is extra left for spreading the gospel and Christ's kindness even further."

Stewardship Statement

Feb. 7th & Feb. 10th

Regular Givings:	\$1,517.00
Maint. Fund	\$ 820.00
E-Giving Jan/15	\$1,115.00

Preauthorized Payment (e-Giving) of Church

Offerings is an option for our parishioners. Many people find it 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.

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.**

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.

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 Centre can call the church office at 895-0715.

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary, Page 353:

We shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.

We welcome through the waters of Holy Baptism:

Lennon Josephine Mae
daughter of Robbie & Nicky Royal

Mason Richard John Thomas
son of Brad & Danielle Sharpe

Schedule of Services

First Sunday in Lent February 14th

8:30 am - Holy Communion (BCP) **Eucharistic Assistant:** Carol Bartlett

10:30 am - Holy Eucharist (BAS) & Holy Baptism
Eucharistic Assts: Jennifer Tucker & Harve Hiscock
Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle **Sidesperson:** Don Morgan

Wednesday, February 17th

7:00 pm Lenten Service

Second Sunday in Lent February 21st

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

10:30 am - Holy Eucharist (BAS)
Eucharistic Assts: Ches Barfitt & Joan Tucker
Counters: Lori Mercer & Linda Thomas **Sidesperson:** Karen Puglisevich

Notices

The ACM Pancake & Sausage Supper has been rescheduled to Tuesday, February 16th, 5:00 pm. The cost per ticket is \$8.00 and tickets are free for children under 6 years of age. Tickets must be pre-sold and are available at the church office or from the members of the ACM.

Pot-Luck Lunch and Annual Congregational Meeting to be held on Sunday, February 21st following the 10:30 a.m. service.

ACM Meeting, Wednesday, February 24th, following the mid-week Lenten Service.

Lenten Quiet Time – Saturday, March 5th

Theme: Four Hours of Grace

Leader: Bishop Geoff

Place: Church of the Good Shepherd

To Register, Call 747-1022.

Notices (Cont'd)

DAMA Winter Meeting, Sunday, February 28th at 5:00 pm – St. Augustine's Church. Please let Rev. Keeping know if you wish to attend.

The new ACW Altar/Cleaning Schedule is available in the foyer.

Pews from the old church building are now on sale in the Foyer for \$250.00.

“Belize Project” I want to thank the people of the parish who have given to this project. We are asking each family to give a gift of \$10.00. We have received \$1,354.00 as of today. Our goal is \$1,500.00 for the parish.

2017 Confirmation: Notice to Parents of children who will be confirmed in 2017. We have begun the new **Two Year Confirmation Program** for candidates **who will be confirmed in 2017.** Please note candidates must attend this two-year program in order to be confirmed. Please contact the church office as soon as possible if you want your child to attend.

Please check the clothes closets in the church foyer to see if any of these coats, sweaters, etc. belongs to you.

Over the next few weeks, any unclaimed items will be removed and given to the needy.

“Prayerfully consider your parish in your estate planning.”

Milestones

If you know of anyone in the Parish celebrating a milestone in their lives, please contact the Church Office so that we can share the good news in our church bulletin.

Noteworthy Events

Portugal Cove ACW - Monthly Card Games are held the third Tuesday of each month (or the 2nd last Tuesday, if applicable) at St. Lawrence Parish Hall at 8:00 pm. Cost \$5.00 and lunch is served.

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, please see the brochure in the foyer or see the Diocesan website.

TOUR MAGNIFICENT SPAIN AND PORTUGAL -

Join us for an exciting 18 days (September 23 – October 10, 2016) touring Spain and Portugal. Come and feel the breath of history as we wander the narrow streets of ancient town and explore palaces, castles and monasteries of former great powers and relax on beaches of the Mediterranean. This will be a journey of a lifetime featuring fascinating history, distinctive cultures and extraordinary scenery. The price is all-inclusive. Brochures available and questions answered by calling 709-754-8720 or emailing: wdkn10@gmail.com.

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 - 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 First Sunday in Lent

Scripture Readings for today, February 14th

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 1 – 11 Psalm 91: 1 – 2; 9 – 16 (Gloria Earle)

2nd Reading: Romans 10: 8b – 13 (Dave Earle)

Gospel: Luke 4: 1 - 13 (Rev. Ed Bonnell)

Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin, give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 our refuge and strength, receive all we offer you this day, and through the death and resurrection of your Son transform us to his likeness. We ask this in his name. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison): Faithful God, in this holy bread you increase our faith and hope and love. Lead us in the path of Christ who is your Word of life. We ask this in his name. 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): Mac and Sandi Tucker, Margaret Tucker (St. John's), Margaret Tucker, Margaret Rose Tucker and their families.

In our Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Parish of Forteau (4 congregations); Rev. Norman Cutler, Priest in Charge, and The Parish of Cox's Cove/McIvers; Rev. Charlene Laing, Rector.

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church of the Province of Central Africa; The Most Rev. Albert Chama, Archbishop of Central Africa & Bishop of Northern Zambia.