Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humiity, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God, now and forever. 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.

<u>Prayer over the Gifts:</u> (In Unison): God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

<u>Prayer after Communion:</u> (In Unison): God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. Amen.

<u>Parish Cycle of Prayer:</u> We pray for our parish families. (Each week we remember several of our families in our Prayers of the People): Ronald & Lori Mercer, Rose Marie Mercer, Vera Mitchell, Chad & Michelle Mitchelmore, Renee & Jerred Moore and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Diocese of West Buganda – (Uganda) The Revd Henry Katumba-Tamale

<u>Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer</u>: We pray for Western Newfoundland Synod Office Staff: The Most Rev. Percy D. Coffin, Ms. Rebecca Pennell, Ms. Gloria Grouchy <u>and</u> Executive Director, Killdevil Camp and Conference Centre: Mr. Malcolm Turner.

<u>Provincial Prayer Care:</u> We pray for the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador - Bishop Geoffrey Peddle

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA.

Primate: The Most Rev. Fredrick Hiltz

Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador

Bishop: The Right Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Peddle

Anglican Church of St. Philip

Rector: Rev. Randy Lockyer (Church) - 895 - 0715 Deacon: The Rev. Edgar Bonnell

Honorary Assistants
The Rev. Canon Shirley Gosse
The Rev. Canon Don Morgan The Rev. Russell Osmond



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Rector's Warden – Harvey Hiscock – 895-2011 People's Warden – Gary King - 895-6239 Dec. 3rd, 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.

A Warm Welcome

To Our New Rector

Rev. Randy Lockyer

We are so pleased this morning to welcome Rev. Randy, his wife Ada and their family to our parish.

We look forward to our time of ministry and fellowship together as we move forward.

A hearty welcome from all of us here at St. Philip's.

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

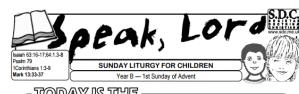
If you would like to book the church hall for birthday parties, adult functions, dances, etc., please book through Janice or Donna Spurrell at 895-3581 or cells 725-1057 or 725-0163

Additional Notices

St. Thomas' Men's Service Club will host their annual public Christmas card party in Canon Wood Hall, Military Road, on Wednesday, December 6th beginning at 7:30 p.m. Prizes will be turkeys and chicken. Admission \$5.00. Please bring your own cards and baskets.

Topsail United Church Men's Club Annual Breakfast with Santa - will be held on Saturday December 9, from 8 Until 11 A.M., Usual Great Menu. Cost \$8- Adults, Children under 12- \$4, Face Painting, coloring and Pictures with Santa. All are Welcome.

Children's Corner





THE YEAR OF THE CHURCH BEGINS TODAY Jesus says:

because you don't know when I will come again.



Advent Word Search



Find these words above:

Advent, angel, baby, birth, candle, celebration, Christmas, hope, Jesus, Joseph, joy, love, Mary, message, peace, pink, purple, waiting, white, wreath

About Advent

Advent is a season of	for the coming of baby
We light candles on	a for each
Sunday of Advent. Today, we light a	candle, the candle of
There are	candles representing each
Sunday in Advent. The fifth, centre candle	e is called the
candle. We will light this candle on	

Word Bank:

Christmas Eve Jesus wreath Christ waiting Hope purple four

Church Chuckle

A small girl was asked why it was important to be quiet in church. "So we don't wake anyone up" she replied.

Stewardship thought For the Week

Seventy years are given to us! Some may even reach eighty. But even the best of these years are filled with pain and trouble; soon they disappear, and we are gone. Teach us to make the most of our time so that we may grow in wisdom.

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.

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.

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 Nov. 26 th .	
Regular Giving	\$ 850.00
Maintenance	\$ 70.00
Rec'd Year to Date	
Regular Giving	\$ 70,075.87
Maintenance	\$ 12,392.69
Total brought in for Sunday, Nov. 26 th .	\$ 5,264.00

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. 31^{st,} 2016, we are paying **\$653.93** per month.

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary Page 268

Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.

First Sunday of Advent – Dec. 3rd
8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)
Eucharistic Assistant – Mose Tucker

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) &
Sunday School and Pot Luck Lunch
Eucharistic Assistants – Jennifer Tucker &
Carol Bartlett
Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle
Sidesperson: John Parrell

Second Sunday of Advent – Dec. 10th. 8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP) Eucharistic Assistant – Charlie Gosse

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) & Sunday School Eucharistic Assistants – Ches Barfitt & Joan Tucker Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle Sidesperson: Don Morgan

The Collect, Epistle and Gospel for

Today – Dec. 3rd.

Scripture Readings

1st Reading – Isaiah 64: 1-9

Psalm 80: 1-7, 16-18 Page 812

(Harvey Hiscock)

2nd Reading – 1st. Corinth.1: 3-9 (Ruth Hiscock)

Gospel: Mark 13: 24-37 (Deacon Bonnell)

NOTICES

<u>Flowers For The Altar</u> – Anyone wishing to place flowers on the Altar for the Christmas Season in memory of departed loved ones can now pick up a Sanctuary envelope in the foyer.

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

<u>Please Note</u> – Moose Sausages are available. If you are interested, please contact one of the Vestry Members.

Note: Our regular monthly Pot Luck Lunch, usually held the last Sunday of the month, is being held today, as this is Rev. Lockyer's first Sunday with us.

Refugee Family As you are aware our Parish has committed to sponsoring a family of Syrian refugees to our Province. Due to the on-going red tape with Immigration Canada, this process is taking much longer than we had anticipated. We are continuing to work with the Association for New Canadians to bring the Sukar family to Canada, hopefully, in 2018. All the money you have so generously given continues to be held in a trust fund that will be available to the family once they arrive. Thank you for your continued interest and support, and please keep the Sukar family in your prayers.

<u>Lions Clubs</u> 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.

ACW - Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, Dec. 6th, 10:30 am

General Cleaning of the Church

Saturday, December 9th at 9:00 am. We would appreciate it if as many men and women as possible could join us for this very essential task and that would make the work lighter and faster.

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



The church is on Facebook

www.facebook.com/stphilipsanglicanchurch

Take a look!