

Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Almighty God, by your grace alone we are accepted and called to your mission. Strengthen us by your Holy Spirit and make us worthy of our calling; Awaken us to our role as servants and embolden us to serve you in that mission; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Prayer over the Gifts: (In Unison): God of faithfulness, in every age you call men and women to make known your love. May we who celebrate this eucharist today be so strengthened in the mission to which we are called, that we may always witness to your holy name. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison): God of transformation, open our hearts and minds so that we may see you at work, and send us into the world to share in your mission, and live the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for our parish families (this week we remember): Vera Mitchell, Chad & Michelle Mitchelmore, Renee & Jerred Moore, Canon Don & Florence Morgan, Greg & Michele Moss, and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America – Right Revd Julio Murray Thompson, Primate of IARCA, Bishop of Panama.

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for: the Parish of Brooklyn (8 Congregations), Rector – Rev. Isaac Hutchings; the Parish of Buchans (2 Congregations), Rector (awaiting appointment).

Provincial Prayer Care. We pray for: the Diocese of Montreal, Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson.

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February 23rd, 2020 (Year A)

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.

From the Rector's desk:

Here we are on the final Sunday of Epiphany, about to embrace another Lenten season. It all begins on Shrove Tuesday as we come together for our sausages and pancakes. Shrove Tuesday is the day before Lent starts on Ash Wednesday. The name Shrove comes from the old middle English word '*Shriven*' meaning to confess and to say sorry for the wrong things we've done. Lent always starts on a Wednesday, so people went to confess on the day before. This became known as Shriven Tuesday and then Shrove Tuesday. The other name for this day, Pancake Day, comes from the old English custom of using up all the fattening ingredients in the house before Lent, so that people were ready to fast during Lent. The fattening ingredients that most people had in their houses in those days were eggs and milk. A very simple recipe to use up these ingredients was to combine them with some flour and make pancakes! Shrove Tuesday is also an opportunity for the faith community to share together in a meal of celebration and fellowship before the more somber days of Lent begin. As the church, we still adhere to some of these customs of Lent, as lots of things ordinarily happening in the life of the parish is halted until after Lent, Holy Week and Easter day, especially fundraising activities. It really is about reflection and self-denial. Many of you remember when we would take our Lenten dime cards (later quarters and loonies) and make a habit of placing a coin in the card each day of Lent. These were called *Lenten Self-Denial cards*, as we deny ourselves the pleasure of what these

coins may have otherwise been able to provide (candy or other treats) for a greater cause. Oftentimes the money collected in Lenten cards were used to support overseas missions or PWRDF, as a token of denying ourselves so that others less fortunate could be helped. The 5 weeks of Lent and Holy Week are solemn times for us to remember and reflect on the life of Jesus, from his wilderness experience of fasting and being tempted by Satan, to his betrayal, arrest and crucifixion on Holy Thursday and Good Friday. It is only when we have a deep appreciation of the sacrifices that Jesus made for us that we can truly grasp the joy of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday. Like the weeks of Lent and Holy Week are a journey to Easter, so too, our lives are a journey from life to death and new life. It begins with our birth and baptism into the family of God, we journey through life and at the sunset of our days comes death, but then the great joy of new and eternal life in the Kingdom of God. I invite you to join with us each Wednesday of Lent (starting Ash Wednesday) and make that journey together until we arrive at Easter Sunday, then join us in proclaiming the joy of the Resurrection, and claiming the hope we have in Jesus Christ – the resurrected Lord who loves us and claims us for his own.

(Rev. Randy)

CHILDREN'S PAGE

Dismissal Song

14	13	12	WALK THE LENTEN PATH...				
15	 Lent	11	2 nd Sunday of Lent	10	9		8
16	Prayer, Fasting & Almsgiving						7
		34	33	32	31		
3 rd Sunday of Lent					30		6
17							5
18	35						1 st Sunday of Lent
19	36				5 th Sunday of Lent		4
20	37				28		3
21			39 Good Friday		27		
22				40 Holy Saturday	26		2
	4 th Sunday of Lent	23	24	25			1
					Lent		ASH WEDNESDAY

**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.**

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

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**Whoever keeps the word of Christ,
grows perfect in love for God.**

Last Sunday After Epiphany/

Mission Sunday – February 23rd

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)

Eucharistic Assistant – Moses Tucker

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS)

Eucharistic Assistants – Charlie Gosse & Ches Barfitt

Counters: Susan Powell & Karen Puglisevich

Sidesperson: Canon Don Morgan Team

Altar Duty: Ruth Hiscock/Karen Puglisevich

Ash Wednesday – February 26th

7:00 pm – Holy Communion

Eucharistic Assistant – (TBD)

Sidesperson: Canon Don Morgan Team

Altar Duty: Jeannette Osmond/Pheobe Parrell/
Joan Osmond

1st Sunday in Lent - March 1st

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)

Eucharistic Assistant – Dave Bartlett

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS)

Eucharistic Assistants – Todd Martin & George Sharpe

Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle

Sidesperson: Karen Puglisevich Team

Altar Duty: Jeannette Osmond/Pheobe Parrell/
Joan Osmond

**The Collect, Epistle
and Gospel for
Today – “Mission Sunday”
(Last Sunday
After Epiphany)**

**1st Reading:
Isaiah 6: 1-3, 6-8**

**Psalms 65: 1 and 5-14
Pages: 785-786**

(Joyce Keeping)

**2nd Reading:
Acts 2: 38-47**

(Debbie Collis)

**Gospel
Luke 10: 1-20**

(Deacon Bonnell)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb 23rd - Today is known as *Mission Sunday* in our diocese. A time for us to focus on the mission of the church in our parish and diocese. This is to help us be more mission oriented and outward looking as we seek to renew our church and invite others to join us on the journey of faith. The readings, intercessions, collect, offertory prayer and prayer after communion are written to reflect the mission of the church today.

Feb. 23rd - Following the 10:30 am worship service this morning we will be having a congregational pot-luck lunch and annual meeting. All are invited to join with us. The annual meeting is an opportunity for us to discuss the business of the parish and to ensure that adequate numbers of people are elected to vestry. The annual meeting is actually the governing body of the church which gives the elected vestry authority to act on behalf of all the people until the next annual meeting.

Feb. 23rd - St. Lawrence Anglican Church in Portugal Cove will be hosting a Gospel Music Hour this evening. Hosted by their band, Jacob's Passage, admission is free with an opportunity for a free-will offering. Music starts at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome!

Feb. 25th - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - Please note the change in time for the Pancake Supper this Tuesday. The supper will begin at 6:30 pm instead of 6:00 pm. This is because the after school group do not typically finish up until 6:00 pm. So we need to give them time to leave before we open the doors for supper. Donations of sausages, pancake mix, syrup or money are welcome.

Feb 25th - The ACW Card Game will be held on Tuesday, February 25th, at 8:00 pm following the Pancake Supper. The cost is \$5.00 and lunch will be served. This will be the last card game until after Lent & Holy Week.

Mar. 8th - The next available Sunday for baptism will be March 8th. Anyone desiring to have their child baptized should contact Rev. Randy so as to be included in the baptismal preparation necessary.

Mar. 31st – Will be the deadline for those wishing to be confirmed this year to register. Again, this year the Bishop will be coming to the parish for Confirmation on December 6th. Anyone wishing to enroll in classes must be 11 years of age on or before December 31st.

Notes

This year the ACW will be having a gift card tree as their Lenten/Easter fundraiser instead of filling a sock. The value of this tree is \$500.00. They are asking for your support by contributing a gift card of any value to their tree. The draw date will be after Easter in April.

God Willing, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Peddle will ordain Mr. Dale Careen to the transitional Diaconate on Sunday March 1, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Church of St. Lawrence, Portugal Cove. Dale did his parish internship at St. Lawrence back in the Fall, and, is now completing his studies at Queen's College. He is also a member of our refugee committee. All are welcome to attend the service.

Ballicatter after-school group are now hiring! They are a Non-Profit, fully licensed program. They operate under the Child capacity initiative, charging \$14.00 a day and \$30 for PD days. Must be level 1 Early Childhood Educator or willing to train at a local college. Must have all up-to-date checks and first aid. Hours are Monday to Friday 2pm – 6pm. Guaranteed 20 hours. Also open on PD days from 8:00 am – 6pm. Located in the Canon EB Cheeseman Parish Centre. Above average pay and part-time supplement hours are also achievable with this position. The school schedule is followed and are closed for Christmas, Easter and Summer break. This is a lovely program and a great position for someone who would like to join our lovely team. If you or someone you know is interested please forward your resume, certification and required up-to-date documentation to ballicatterasp@gmail.com

Envelope boxes are still available for pickup in the foyer. Most of them are already taken but there are still some. If there are any there belonging to your family or neighbors please deliver them. If you did not receive your box of envelopes, or you are new to our parish and would like a box, we have plenty. Call our Envelope Secretary, Charlie Gosse at 895-0585 or the parish office at 895-0715.

Additional Sides persons are needed! Currently we have about 5 teams that alternate, which means each group is on duty one week out of 5. A couple of the teams need additional help because their numbers are smaller. Duties include greeting parishioners and visitors on Sunday morning, raising and taking down the flags, passing out service books and bulletins, taking up the offering, ringing the bell, etc. If this is something you would consider doing please speak to Rev. Randy. Youth are also invited to be a part of this important ministry.

Invitation to be part of our Mission Team. As we enter into a new year (2020) we are going to make mission a big part of our congregational development. As the diocese of Eastern Newfoundland & Labrador continues to emphasize the need for parishes to do some work in the area of mission, it is suggesting that every parish institute a mission team with goals and objectives to enable growth, including spiritual growth and renewal. If you have an interest in being part of this team we would love to have you join with us.

Please remember your Queen's College appeal envelopes that were included in last Sunday's bulletins. Your support will be much appreciated by the college as it continues to offer theological education and training for people seeking ordination or simply to help them in parish lay ministry.

We need to increase our regular envelope offerings in 2020. Of course we were able to meet our 2019 parish budget, however, our regular envelope offerings were slightly lower than we had budgeted at the beginning of the year. We would like to see many more of our congregational members that did not contribute anything in 2019 to consider doing so this year. Thankfully we had an excellent year with rentals from the Canon EB Parish Centre which is a big chunk of our annual income. We must get our regular offerings up because we may not always have this rental income to depend upon. We encourage those who are not currently contributing to consider doing so, and, more than that to get involved in our parish life.

PORTUGAL COVE ST PHILIPS LIONS CLUBS SPEAK OUT CONTEST
Open to all level 1, 2 or 3 students who are residents of Portugal Cove St. Philips. Date for competition not yet set but will be on or before March 15, 2020. We require at least 3 speakers for this to go ahead. Cash prizes for the top 3 winners. The winner will advance to the Region level on March 29, 2020. The region level includes all lions' clubs on the Avalon. (5 to 7 speakers) The next level in District and includes all clubs Gander & east. (5 to 7 speakers) The final level is our multiple district which includes a speaker from each Atlantic Province. Please contact Lion Fred Thompson at 740-0393 or thompsonfred52@gmail.com for detailed information before March 1st.

January financial statements are available at the back of the church. Vestry determined earlier that the weekly financial updates in the bulletin don't really give an accurate picture of the revenue and expenditure of the parish monthly. It was decided that a more detailed report would be given once a month following the regular meeting of Vestry. At Tuesday's meeting it was decided that we should provide, to the congregation, the same report as is provided to Vestry each month with all revenue and all expenditures. Please note that not all monies that come in weekly are applied to parish operational expenses, such as PWRDF and Queen's College, as these are flow-through offerings for specific purposes, and are forwarded entirely for their specific purpose. These offerings are also vital to receive as they are for mission and theological training beyond our own parish, so please do continue to support PWRDF and Queen's College. If you would like to be informed on the finances of the parish monthly please take a statement from the back. Please note that our expenses exceeded our revenue in January, mainly because of weather and the fact that January typically is a slower month.

Church Chuckle

"An Awful Truth" – Absence makes the heart grow fonder. If that is so, a huge bunch of people sure love their church!



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Prayerfully consider your Parish in your Estate planning.

Stewardship thought for the Week

"The Lord loveth a cheerful giver, but He also accepteth from grouches!"

Vestry financial reports will now be provided in the bulletin on a monthly basis rather than weekly. This report will be given on the Sunday following each vestry meeting and will be for the previous month.

Please keep our building secure. We have had no major security issues, but from time-to-time it is good for us to remind everyone entrusted with a key to the building that it is the responsibility of that person to safe guard the key, and to ensure the key is never given to any unauthorized person. Please ensure that all lights are turned out, the door securely closed and locked. If a person receives a key for a specific duty and that person is no longer in that role the key must be returned so it can be given to the new person in that role.