

Dismissal Songs

“Go Now in Peace”

*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.*

“Let There Be Love”

*Let there be love shared among us,
let there be love in our eyes;
may now your love sweep this nation,
cause us, Oh Lord to arise;
Give us a fresh understanding,
of Christian love that is real;
let there be love shared among us,
let there be love.*

“May God’s Blessing”

*May God’s blessing surround you each day,
As you trust Him and walk in his way.
May his presence within
Guard and keep you from sin,
go in peace, go in joy, go in love.*

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September 2026 (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. <i>Message from the Rector:</i> From the Rector's desk: How quickly summer goes, technically we are still in the summer season, but traditionally we tend to measure it from the time school is out in June until the passing of the Labour Day weekend, and children and young people return to schools, colleges and university. We are people of hope, and our hope is that summer-like weather will continue into September and perhaps even October. Here at St. Philip's church, we hope that you all had a very enjoyable and refreshing summer. Now we come to that time of the year when we begin to think about the startup of parish life and activities once more. It is our hope and prayer that we will have a very productive year to come, and that our parish life will flourish both within the church building and in the wider community. For that to happen we need to have as much participation in parish life as we can get. One of the struggles, since the end of the pandemic a few years ago, is to attract both children and adult volunteers for our Sunday School. We have, thankfully, been able to provide it on a very miniscule level some Sundays, but not on a consistent basis, which is difficult when you have one volunteer to do it. As we begin the new church year, it is our hope that parents will become involved by bringing their children to church, and by volunteering to help with Sunday School. The future of any church depends on the participation of both children and parents. We understand that children, and by extension parents, are very involved in all kinds of recreational and extracurricular activities, which places huge demands on their family time, for those of us who have young children or young adult children, we understand. As we nurture our children physically and emotionally, it is also important to nurture them spiritually, at least in those formative years, by following up on our baptismal promises to involve them in the life of the church. It is not uncommon for them to drift away once they become teenagers and young adults, but there is evidence to show that they never forget those formative years, including their participation in church life, and many find their way back to the church when they have their own families. For those who have no memory of church as a child naturally there is not that pull towards it in later life.	As we begin the church year together, I urge our young families to come along on September 20th for our <i>Youth Worship Service</i>. The service begins at 10:30 am, come worship, connect, and be part of the celebration. We will need youth to participate by being greeters, candle lighters, sidespersons, etc. Musicians are welcome, share your musical gifts. We are also going to have our regular monthly <i>Coffee Hour</i> prior to the service, so come have a snack before we begin. This will be shortly after the children return to school, so, we are also going to include <i>The Blessing of the backpacks</i>. We invite the children, young people and teachers to bring along their school backpacks for a special blessing. We will also accept donations of school supplies and gently used backpacks to donate to our local schools. It is so important for us to meet together, to be the whole people of God, and this special worship service can be a beautiful way for us to begin the new year together. If it proves to be successful, we might even do a similar service once a month going forward. Psalm 133: 1 says: <i>"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!"</i> Proverbs 22: 6 says: <i>"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old, they will not turn from it."</i> – Proverbs 22:6 What a beautiful way to begin our life together as a parish family by marking our calendar for September 20th, spreading the word and participating. See you there! Rev. Randy	Thank you to parishioners who continue to contribute to the food bank boxes in the foyer. Whenever the boxes are full Gloria Earle takes them to St. Lawrence's Pop-up Pantry, where it is used in food hampers for those in need. They are very happy to receive the food items, and we will continue to collect for this very worthy cause. Community Connector – A Mobile Place of Welcome and Belonging – YOU can help! This Mobile Ministry Bus, an initiative of the Diocese of Easter Newfoundland & Labrador, will help meet the needs of people from all communities in our province who come to St. John's for basic services. It is our hope that this endeavor will provide a space for those living on the streets to get warm in the winter, cooled in the summer, to provide a simple hot meal, coffee & tea or a cold drink, and provide basic clothing and hygiene & toiletry items. We are getting very close to being on the road. Thank you to those from all over Newfoundland and Labrador who have contributed with so many items and financial donations. How can you help? You can send or drop off donations to Church House, 22 Church Hill, St. John's, NL A1C 3Z9. Financial donations to "Mobile Ministry Bus" can be sent to the address above. A receipt for tax purposes will be issued. E-transfers and credit card donations can be made by contacting Rev. Fred Marshall. If you would like further information please contact: Rev. Fred Marshall - fredmarshall@gmail.com – Ph: 709-727-4346 Rev. Amanda Taylor - rectorstmarksnl@gmail.com Rev. Gail MacDonald – reverendgail@nl.rogers.com - Ph: 709-730-9290 Mary Lou Vokey - mlvokey@hotmail.com – Ph: 709-368-6975	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 (when weather permits), passing out service books and bulletins, taking up the offering, ringing the bell, etc. If this is something you would consider please speak to Rev. Randy. Youth are also invited to be a part of this important ministry. Rev. Randy is always available for the blessing of homes. Some people, especially as they move into their new home, like to have a blessing of the home. If this is something you would like to have you can speak to the rector and he will be happy to do this. The EB Cheeseman Parish Centre is available for rentals. Anyone interested in renting the parish hall should contact Donna and Janice Spurrell to arrange booking. All rental inquiries, such as rental costs should also be directed to Donna and Janice. They can be contacted at 709-895-3581 or 709-725-1057. All parish forms can be found in the large rack standing in the foyer. These include the Sanctuary Flower Fund, Memorial Bulletin, Columbarium Niche Purchase, Queen's College Envelopes, Leaving a Legacy Brochures, Christmas Tree of Remembrance (Dec. 15th), Cemetery Envelopes, Daily Bread Devotionals, E-Giving forms, etc. There are also a few books there that anyone can take and read. This large rack was generously given to us by the former St. Augustine parish.
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NOTICES /MEMORABLE DATES

Sept. 6 - We welcome into the church (Sunday Sept. 6th) by way of baptism, *Thomas John Earle*, son of Justin and Whitney Earle. Please pray that he will continue to grow in and be nurtured by God’s love and grace all the days of his life.

Sept. 15 - **September Vestry meeting** which would normally be the second Tuesday of the month will instead be held on the third Tuesday, September 15th at 7:00 pm in the Board Room.

The 34th session of our Diocesan Synod will be held September 18th and 19th at the Sandman Hotel, Kenmount Road. This year marks the 50th anniversary since the diocese of Newfoundland divided into three separate dioceses, Eastern Newfoundland & Labrador, Central Newfoundland and Western Newfoundland. Special guest for Synod will be our Primate, Archbishop Shane Parker. Synod begins with a special service on Friday the 18th at the Cathedral church at 3:00 pm, all are welcome to attend.

Sept. 20 - **Youth Service to be held on September 20th** at the 10:30 am worship service. Please read all about it from the bulletin insert. We want to encourage as many children and youth to attend and participate as possible. We will also include the *Blessing of the Backpacks*, and encourage students (of all ages) and teachers to bring their school bags for a special blessing at this service.

Sept. 20 - **Next Coffee Hour** will be held on Sunday, September 20th prior to the 10:30 am worship service. They will continue monthly until next June. If you are interested in sponsoring one of our coffee hours, please speak to Lisa Lake.

The 2027 church calendars are available from the parish office. We have a limited number, so if you are interested in purchasing one, they cost \$8 each.

Items for the church bulletin should be submitted by the 15th of the previous month. We print the bulletin on a monthly schedule so if you want to put in a memorial, donate the bulletin, flowers, etc. or any other notes, please get it in early. For example, if you have something to go in the bulletin for October, you should submit it by September 15th. By being mindful of this we can ensure everything gets included.

Thank you to our student, Cooper Day for his excellent job of keeping the cemetery and church grounds neat and tidy. We wish him well as he goes to Nova Scotia to begin grade 11 and play hockey.

We are receiving names for anyone wanting to be Confirmed in 2027. The deadline to signup for Confirmation classes will be October 11th. If we do not have adequate numbers to begin, we will try again for 2028.

Sunday School volunteers needed. This year we would really like to get our Sunday School going again, but to do so we need a few volunteers to help. If you would like to offer yourself to help with this important ministry, please speak to Rev. Randy.

Christmas Tree of Remembrance this year will be held on Tuesday, December 15th at 7:00 pm. Forms for this annual event can be found in the large rack in the main entrance.

THIS BULLETIN
IS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Canon Bert Cheeseman

July 16, 1927 – Sept. 10, 2016

“Always in our hearts”

Given by
Dawn and Family

<u>September 6th</u> <u>15th. Sunday after Pentecost</u> <i>“God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Exodus 12: 1-14 Psalm 149: Pages: / 908-909 <i>(Rev. Russell Osmond)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> Romans 13: 8-14 <i>(Joan Osmond)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Matthew 18: 15-20 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful People, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Great and holy God accept our offering of labour and love. May we bring you true and spiritual worship and be one with you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – Father, your word and sacrament give us food and life. May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your honour and glory, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen	<u>September 13th</u> <u>Holy Cross Day</u> <i>“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you..”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Numbers 21: 4b-9 Psalm 98: 1-6/ Page: 836 <i>(Rev. Russell Osmond)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> 1st Corinthians 1: 18-24 <i>(Joan Osmond)</i> <u>Gospel</u> John 3: 13-17 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself, may we who rejoice in the mystery of our redemption, have grace to take up our cross and follow him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Holy God, accept all we offer you this day. May we who are reconciled at this table bring wholeness to our broken world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – God of peace, in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen	<u>September 20th</u> <u>St. Matthew</u> <i>“Open our hearts, O Lord, to give heed to what is said by your Son.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Proverbs 3: 1-6 Psalm 119: 33-40 /Pages: 870-871 <i>(Canon Don Morgan)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> No appointed reading <u>Gospel</u> Matthew 9: 9-13 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, who through your Son called Matthew to be your apostle and evangelist, free us from all greed and selfish love, that we may follow in the steps of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – God of power, the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – Ruler of the universe, all creation yearns for its fulfilment in your Son. May we who have shared in holy things grow into maturity in him. This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen	<u>September 27th</u> <u>St. Michael and All Angels</u> <i>“My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Genesis 28: 10-17 Psalm 103 : 19-22 / Pages: 841-843 <i>(Todd Martin)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> Revelations 12: 7-12 <i>(Canon Shirley Gosse)</i> <u>Gospel</u> John 1: 47-51 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Eternal God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals. Grant that as your holy angels stand before you in heaven, so at your command they may help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Eternal God, in Jesus Christ we behold your glory. Receive the offering of your people gathered before you, and open our hearts and mouths to praise your great salvation, the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – Father in heaven, strengthen the unity of your Church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfil your will in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen	<u>October 4th</u> <u>19th Sunday after Pentecost</u> <i>“I chose you and appointed you, says the Lord, that you should go and bear fruit that will last.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Exodus 20: 1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Psalm 19: / Pages: 725-726 <i>(Gloria Earle)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> Philippians 3: 4b -14 <i>(Dave Earle)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Matthew 21: 33-46 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, you have built your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone. Join us together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may become a holy temple, acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – God of truth, receive all we offer you this day. Make us worthyservants, strong to follow in the pattern of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – Almighty God, may we who have been strengthened by this eucharist remain in your steadfast love, and show in our lives the saving mystery that we celebrate. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen
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