

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**

September 07th, 2014 (Year A)

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

We are now in the season when church activities start up in full swing and when we place emphasis on service, church programs and renewal of our many ministries. You will notice some emphasis on this in our Sunday Bulletin as we encourage and invite involvement and help in some area of ministry. For example, we need Sunday School teachers (our Confirmation Classes will begin in September), and I hope that we can add a few members to our prayer group in the ministry of preparing and leading the Prayers of the People.

I hope to begin our Fall Ministry with some emphasis on teaching and learning, which is an important component in our Parish Mission Statement. I have invited our honorary assistants to help me by sharing some thoughts on various aspects in our Parish Mission Statement, beginning in September. In this regard, I remain hopeful that we will have a guest clergy in our parish for about four days in November. I have invited Rev. Greg McMullin, a priest in the Diocese of Fredericton, who has promised to visit us and spend some time with us in a teaching mission.

The Rev. Dr. Donald Peel suggests that an appropriate model of Church is the **School of Christ**. This model understands ministry where Christians see each other as "partners in ministry", and not just with each other, "but with God himself". These Ministries help us live out and deepen our baptismal covenant which we have made with our Lord. It helps to deepen our spirituality and strengthen us in our shared ministries. Remembering words from St. Paul, this is also about building up the Body of Christ and maintaining the unity of the Spirit.

Please place all this in your prayers and do all you can to support and be involved in our Parish Ministry in some particular way. It is my prayer that we are all open to this kind of spiritual development and growth.

God bless us all,
Rev. Ed.

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

Our dear father and grandfather
William G. Tucker
by Catherine, Baxter, Michael, Tanya & newest great-granddaughter Zoe, Rose.

**Harold W. Sheppard
Sept. 6, 1911 – Dec. 14, 2003**

“Rest eternal grant unto him, O Lord, and light perpetual shine upon him”
by Nina & family

In our service this morning, we welcome into our family, two children who will be baptized:

Jaxon George McGuire
child of John & Nicolle McGuire
and

Harrison Malcolm Smith
child of Andrew Smith & Megan Smith

This Fall we are going to be doing deeper teaching on our faith. Today we begin with some teaching on our baptismal service. This teaching will be like an “instructed baptism”.

Schedule of Services

13th Sunday after Pentecost, Sept. 7th

8:30 AM – Holy Communion (BCP)
Eucharistic Assistant: Ches Barfitt
10:30AM – Holy Eucharist (BAS) and Holy Baptism
Eucharistic Assistants: Larry Bradley, Joan Tucker
Counters: Ruth Hiscock & Don Morgan
Sidesperson: Don Morgan

14th Sunday after Pentecost, Sept. 14th

8:30 AM – Holy Communion (BCP)
Eucharistic Assistant: David Bartlett
10:30AM – Holy Eucharist (BAS)
Eucharistic Assistants: Todd Martin, George Sharpe
Counters: John Parrell, Gloria Earle
Sidesperson: Karen Puglisevich

A Stewardship Thought

How can an imperfect institution like the church – with its glory days, and its normal, plodding times, and its fractured moments – represent the eternal God? So human, yet divine? Should we commit ourselves and our resources to this?

Yes! It is God’s plan.

We can participate in something much bigger than ourselves.

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs: 9 am - 1:30 pm
Friday: 9 am – 12 noon

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 there, watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith and in love”.

NOTICES

Cards & Darts will resume on Wednesday, Sept. 10th at 8:00 pm in the Parish Centre.

ACM Meeting, Wednesday, Sept. 17th, at 7:30 pm in the Board Room.

Rev. Wayne Parsons will be inducted as Rector of St. John the Evangelist, Topsail, on **Wednesday , Sept. 24th, at 7:00 pm.**

Pot-Luck Lunch and Alzheimer’s Coffee Break, Sunday, September 28th after our 10:30 a.m. service.

National Seniors’ Day Celebration at Portugal Cove-St. Philip’s Recreational Centre – Wednesday, October 1st – 2:00 – 4:00 pm. Call 895-8000, Ext. 4, to register. Refreshment served. Music provided. Come and enjoy a great afternoon with friends.

The Property & Cemetery Committee would like to express our thankfulness to the people of the **Community Heritage Committee** and individuals who came out to work on the cemetery this past summer. Thank-you also to our summer student, Jordon Moss, for his work throughout the summer.

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.

This year our budgeting focus will be on our weekly envelope giving. Please keep in mind our goal is a minimum of \$500 per year per family.

Our next Vestry Meeting has been rescheduled to Monday, September 15th at 7:30 pm. All members are asked to note the change and to attend this meeting if possible.

Prayers of the People: Our ministry team will meet on **Tuesday, Sept. 16th at 7:30 pm** in the Board Room. We encourage anyone who would like to join this team to come along and share in this ministry.

We are looking for a Sunday School teacher and some assistants to help with our Sunday School program starting in September. **Registration for Sunday School will be held on Sunday, September 14th at 10:00 a.m.** Please call Lisa Lake at 895-2824 or email llake99@hotmail.com, if you would like to get involved in this ministry.

Confirmation Classes: If your child has reached the age of 11 and would like to be confirmed in 2015, we will be holding registration on **Sunday, September 14th at 10:00 am.** Candidates are required to attend classes during the 2014 – 2015 school year.

Gaither Homecoming Artist, **“Lynda Randle in Concert”, September 25th at 7:30 pm, Salvation Army Citadel, 25 Adams Ave., St. John’s.** Tickets \$32.00, available from The Book and Bible House, Thorburn Road – 753-6464 or S.A. Christian Bookstore, Adams Ave. – 579-3291.

Our Parish is also in need of a **second volunteer organist.** God has given us many gifted musicians within our congregation and it would be wonderful to have them share these talents with us. We also invite anyone who would be able to lead some of our Sunday

services with other musical instruments such as piano, guitar, accordion, etc. If this could be your way of saying thank-you for your give of music, please give Rev. Keeping a call.

For your devotional reading this Fall, please pick up the booklets "Today" and "Our Daily Bread", available in the foyer.

"Life in the Eucharist" – If you feel your child is ready to receive "the Body & Blood of Christ" at our Sunday morning worship (at the age of 5 – 7 years), you can register them by calling the church office at 895-0715. The time and dates of preparation classes will be discussed with the parents.

The parish is looking for one or two more volunteers to help with typing the weekly church bulletin and other office duties. Normally, this would require one morning toward the end of the week. Please call Rev. Keeping if you are able to help.

There are many ministries being carried out in this parish that need the support of our people. Therefore as we begin our fall, I would like to see people get involved more in these ministries. Just speak to the rector or call the church office to become involved.

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 for birthday parties, weddings, Anniversary Parties, etc. Please consider renting the hall for your next important event. - Any person wishing to rent the parish hall may 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.**

Maintenance Fund Offering – Please use your pink envelope to contribute to the maintenance fund. If you are not already contributing to this fund, please consider it to help us with the ongoing upkeep of our complex.

Collect, Epistle and Gospel for the 13th Sunday after Pentecost
Scripture Readings for today, Sept. 7th

1st Reading: **Exodus 12: 1 - 14** **Psalm: 149** (Page 908) (Wendy Decker)

2nd Reading: **Romans 13: 8 - 14** (Joyce Keeping)

Gospel: **Matthew 18: 15 - 20** (Deacon Ed Bonnell)

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary, page 378:

God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation. (2 Corinthians 5:19)

Collect for the Day. (In Unison) **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

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) **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**

Prayer after Communion: (In unison) **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**

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: **Amelia & Joseph Dalton, Wendy Decker, Gary & Shelley Duff, Cavell Durdle, David & Gloria Earle, Winnifred Farrell and their families.**

In our Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Parish of Gander (2 congregations): **Rev. John Watton, Rector, Rev. Brian Candow, Associate, Rev. Harvey Bullen, Part-time Assistant; and the Parish of Carbonear, Rev. Ken Penney, Pro-tem.**

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: **The Episcopal Church of the Sudan: The Most Rev. Dr. Daniel Deng Bul Yak, Archbishop of the Episcopal Church of the Sudan and Bishop of Juba**