

Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Most merciful God, by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you created humanity anew. May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Prayer over the Gifts: (In Unison): Eternal God, your only Son suffered death upon the cross to bring the world salvation. Accept the praise and thanksgiving we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison): Merciful God, you have called us to your table and fed us with the bread of life. Draw us and all people to your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for our parish families. (This week we remember): Denise Mercer, Dennis & Lori Mercer, Derek and Carol Mercer, Ernest & Barbara Mercer, Mildred Mercer and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Church of Ireland, the Most Revd Richard Lionel Clarke – Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland and Metropolitan.

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Parish of Epiphany, Hearts Delight/Islington, Rev. Eli Evans, Rector and the Parish of Flowers Cove (4 congregations), Rev. Omar Reyes, Priest-in-Charge.

Provincial Prayer Care: We pray for The Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, Archbishop Ron Cutler and the Provincial Council.

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

Primate: The Most Rev. Fredrick Hiltz

Metropolitan: Archbishop Ron Cutler

Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador

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April 7th, 2019 (Year C)

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: How quickly time zips along, we have arrived at the 5th and final Sunday of Lent. Next Sunday will find us waving our palm branches as we commemorate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, as the people welcomed him as their king. As we look back on history we realize just how disillusioned they were, they thought they were welcoming one that would lead them into battle against Roman oppression, instead they got a king riding on a lowly donkey, speaking of love, forgiveness and mercy. As the events of that week unfolded, we see the same group, heralding Jesus as a king, later calling for his crucifixion. How quickly human beings can change and turn into the enemies of Christ. In last Wednesday's mid-week service we heard the voice of Peter, and he is a great example of how we can suddenly find ourselves in opposition to Christ, albeit subtly and unknowingly. Peter, the one Jesus called "*the rock on which he would build the Church*", was constantly being rebuked by Jesus, he was prone to violence (as he drew the sword and cut off the ear of Malcus), he disagreed with Jesus on his mission and journey by way of the Cross, he abandoned and denied Jesus three times on the night of his arrest, trial and death sentence. Peter, the one Jesus placed so much trust in, and, who disappointed Jesus at every turn, had no intent to falter, but, in his humanity, the potential for evil was within him. The same is true for all of us, we are baptized Christians, we profess our love for Jesus, we want to be obedient to his Word, and we live our lives trying to do so, but, if we are honest with ourselves, we will acknowledge that it's a immense struggle to be faithful, and, we often aren't. But, like Peter and so many others down through the ages, we are never without hope, and Lent and Holy Week are opportunities for us to realize that God's love is so great for us, that grace, forgiveness and reconciliation is always given to us. Peter went on to be the very foundation of the Church, not because he was perfect, but because he understood finally who

Jesus was and what he would accomplish on the Cross. Ironically, three decades later Peter would suffer a similar death as Jesus, only he would be crucified upside down by the Romans. Some suggest this was because Peter did not feel worthy to be crucified in the same way as Jesus. The example we take from Peter is that God does not require perfect human beings for service, indeed, God already knows our propensity to sin and evil, God requires only a mustard seed of faith, and, a heart of service. May this Lent and Holy Week be a time for us to acknowledge our humanity, our brokenness, our potential for sin, and, in that acknowledgment, have the courage to receive God's forgiveness. It is only when we realize our need for God that we can offer ourselves as vessels of service ready to be filled with the love and grace needed to change the world around us for the better. *(Rev. Randy)*

Rev. Randy and family will be moving into St. Philip's at the beginning of May. After quite a long time, their house finally sold a month ago in Grand Falls Windsor, and, they have now purchased a home in St. Philip's (28 Megan Ridge Dr.) which closes on April 30th. Rev. Randy will be quite busy moving from their rental home in St. John's during the first week of May to their new home.

Anyone wanting to donate a memorial gift to the church we are in need of a new Eucharistic Flagon (the vessel in which the wine is brought forward for consecration) These are relatively expensive and vary in price. If you are interested in donating this in memory of a loved one(s) please speak to Rev. Randy. It could also be a gift that a number of family members would give together.

Learn, Laugh and Leave Relaxed Retreat, Friday, May 10 evening and all day Saturday, May 11. St. James United Church at 330 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, is offering an integrative, interactive approach to personal growth of the mind, body and spirit. Through practical sessions with experienced leaders, it will help you to re-nourish your soul, plant the seeds for optimal benefit for yourself and others, rediscover the best in you and find emotional and spiritual health. Cost: \$125.00. Gift certificates for Easter/Mother's Day available, and all information from St. James office at:

330 Elizabeth Avenue, info@stjamesuc.org, 722-1881, ext. 200.

- **The bishops have now been nominated for the office of Primate.** This coming July, at the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, our current Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, after 12 years, will retire and a new primate will be elected on the last day of the Synod. The bishops of the country met this past week at Niagara Falls, and part of their agenda included nominating the bishops that will stand for election for Primate. Even though the bishops put forth the nominations, they will not have a vote at the General Synod, the new Primate will be elected by the House of Laity and the House of Clergy only. It's important that we begin to pray now for the General Synod (July 10th – 16th in Vancouver), and for the bishops nominated for election as Primate. The following is the list of bishops up for election at that time (July 16th):
- The Right Reverend **Jane Alexander** of the diocese of Edmonton;
- The Most Reverend **Ron Cutler** of the diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island and Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada;
- The Most Reverend **Gregory Kerr-Wilson** of the diocese of Calgary and Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land;

- The Right Reverend **Linda Nicholls** of the diocese of Huron; and
- The Right Reverend **Michael Oulton** of the diocese of Ontario. Please keep them in your daily prayers, and may the work of the Holy Spirit be visible at the General Synod throughout their gathering.

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.

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

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***All I care for is to know Christ and the
power of his resurrection.***

Fifth Sunday in Lent – April 7th

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)

Eucharistic Assistant – Charlie Gosse

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) & Sunday School

Eucharistic Assistants – Dave Bartlett & Todd Martin

Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle

Sidesperson: John Parrell

Altar Duty: Donna Spurrell & Janice Spurrell

Wednesday Mid Week Lenten Service

7:00 pm

Palm Sunday – April 14th

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)

Eucharistic Assistant – Ches Barfitt

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) & Sunday School

**Eucharistic Assistants – George Sharpe/Marianne
Baker**

Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle

Sidesperson: Don Morgan

Altar Duty: Margie Tucker and Ethel Barfitt

**The Collect, Epistle
and Gospel for
Today – Fifth Sunday
in Lent – April 7th.**

1st Reading:

Isaiah 43: 16-21

Psalms 126, Page 885

(Todd Martin)

2nd Reading

Philippians 3: 4b-14

(Can. S. Gosse)

Gospel

John 12: 1-8

(Deacon Bonnell)

Best wishes to Charlie Cox as he completes his Queen's College Sunday Semester Placement with us today. We have enjoyed having Charlie with us for the past couple of months. We wish him well into the future as he prepares for his convocation, ordination, and subsequent parish placement in Fogo Island East. Thank you Charlie for your participation in the life of our parish! Rev. Randy will be presenting Charlie with a gift from our parish in the near future. If you would like to contribute to this gift please place your contribution in an envelope and pass to Rev. Randy.

St. Thomas' Church Spring Silent Auction and Cold Plate Supper (with our popular all-you-can-eat salad buffet) will be held on Saturday, May 5 at 5p.m. in Canon Wood Hall, 8 Military Road. Tickets (\$15 each) are available by calling 754-0151.

Please note the Holy Week and Easter worship services will be held as follows: Palm Sunday usual service times; Wednesday and Thursday at 7:00 pm in Holy Week; Good Friday at 12:00 noon; Easter Sunday – 7:00 am Holy Communion followed by breakfast and 10:30 am Holy Eucharist. Anyone wishing to attend the breakfast, please add your name to the Sign-up Sheet in the foyer.

Flowers for Easter - If you would like to give a donation towards flowers to be placed in the Sanctuary during Easter in memory of departed loved ones, please pick up a Sanctuary Fund envelope in the foyer. **Deadline** is Tuesday in Holy Week (April 16th)

**The Bulletin today is
given
to the Glory of God
and
in Loving Memory of**

**Husband, Father and
Grandfather
Edgar Clark
on his birthday.
Given by Joyce and
Family**

and

***Beatrice Tucker*
Given by the Tucker
Family**

Notices

Spring Fundraising with Flowers! We hope you'll join us and either purchase or help us sell Vesey's summer bulbs and flower seeds. In the Church Office you'll find a 16 page color catalogue that describes all of the Vesey's products that are part of our fundraiser. Our Parish will keep 50% of all the sales we generate. Vesey's covers all other costs such as shipping, delivery bags, etc. You'll find everything from flower seed mats that are easy and fun to plant to herbs, tomatoes and strawberries! If you'd like to take a catalogue to sell some items on our behalf, you'll find an order form and a payment collection envelope inside the catalogue. Please return all order forms and money to the Church office by Sunday, April 21st. The orders will arrive a few weeks later in plenty of time for Spring planting. If you'd like to place an order, just fill out the order form and bring your money to the Church office by April 21st. Thank you for your support.

Service of Installation of the Cathedral Chapter will be held this evening at 7:00 pm at the Cathedral. Recently Rev. Keeping was named a Canon, so he will be installed as well. All are welcome to attend.

Vestry meeting will be held this Tuesday, April 9th at 7:30 pm in the board room.

ACW Sub-Sandwich Sale: Thursday, April 11th. 9" -three-deli-meat sandwich with cookie and pop for \$8.00. If you haven't received a call by March 29th and you would like to purchase a sub, please contact an ACW member. The deadline for ordering is March 31st.

The next ACW card game will be on Tuesday, April 30 at 8:00 pm – cost is \$5.00 and lunch will be provided.

Rev Randy is now receiving names for 2019 Confirmation. Bishop Peddle will be visiting our parish for Confirmation on December 1st, 2019 at the 10:30 am worship service. Once the registration process is complete the classes will begin. The person to be confirmed must be at least 11 years of age on or before the date of Confirmation. All those to be Confirmed should be registered no later than April 14th.

The date for the annual Flower service is Sunday, July 28th at 3:00 pm. We opt for an afternoon service so as to accommodate those who live further away, as well as those who worship in the morning at other parishes, but have loved ones buried in our cemetery.

Anyone wanting to sign up for Electronic Givings there are forms available from the parish office. This takes the place of the regular offering envelopes on Sunday morning and ensures that even if you are away or can't make it on a particular Sunday the parish still receives your regular offering. This helps the parish to keep up with its financial obligations.

If you plan to attend the breakfast on Easter Sunday, following the 7:00 am service, please sign your name on the sheet provided in the foyer. There is no cost for breakfast.

Thank you to Joyce Clark and family for the gift of books given to the church in memory of husband, father and grandfather, **Edgar Clark**. The following books have been given: Blue hymnal given by Joyce; Book of Common Prayer by son Rick, Lynn and Erica; BAS by Daughter Lisa, Arthur, Evan and Amy; BAS given by son Robbie, Amy, Olivia, Nicholas and Emily. Rev. Randy will dedicate the books to God's service at the 10:30 am service today in Edgar's memory. *Rest eternal grant unto him, O Lord, and, let light perpetual shine upon him. Amen!*

Are you missing a coat or sweater? There are several items in the foyer that have been there for some time. Please check and if not claimed, will be donated to the good will centre.

Church Chuckle

What time of day was Adam created?

A little before Eve!

The church is on Facebook - Take a look!



www.facebook.com/stphilipsanglicanchurch

Prayerfully consider your Parish in your estate Planning

Stewardship thought For the Week

"Nothing that you have not given away will ever be really yours."

Yearly Budget for Envelope Giving for 2019 - \$97,000.00	
Needed Monthly - \$ 8,741.67	
Needed Weekly - \$ 2,108.00	
Rec'd Mar. 27th & 31st	
Regular Giving	
Maintenance	\$ 2,641.00
	\$ 115.00
Rec'd Year to Date	
Regular Giving	\$19,248.00
Maintenance	\$ 3,547.10
Total Brought in for Mar. 27th & 31st	\$ 4,583.00