



**ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA**  
Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador  
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**Anglican Church of St. Philip**

**895-0715**

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**The Rev. Canon Bert Cheeseman**  
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**April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (Year C)**

### 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.**

**Office Hours: Mon-Thurs: 9 am - 1:30 pm  
Friday: 9 am – 12 noon  
From the Rector's Desk**

It is this time of year that members of our congregation will be doing some work in the cemetery. In preparation for this work, you must understand that there are **rules and regulations** to follow. If you do not have these rules and regulations, you should pick up a copy from the church office.

Some people think that the church is responsible for graves and headstone repairs but that is the responsibility of the family. If, for

example, a headstone is falling forward, it is the family's responsibility to have the necessary work done.

If the rules and regulations are not followed, the Vestry has the mandate to correct what the family has done and charge the cost back to the family.

It is in our regulations that all graves be grassed or sodded. This rule must be followed at all times.

We hope to hire a student earlier this year to see that the grass is cut and other work gets done before it gets out of hand.

If you could assist with some fence repairs, it would be greatly appreciated.

We hope to do some work on the upper side of the roadway in the near future in preparation for burials in that area. Whenever you can help, it would be appreciated.

There is a lot of work which needs to be done in our cemetery. There will be work completed on the grounds where the old church building stood. After this work is done, I believe our congregation will be pleased and thankful for how the site will be preserved for the future. We hope to have a little garden with benches, etc., where people can come and reflect.

**Help us to keep our cemetery beautiful.**

In closing, I would ask the members of our congregation that they not work in the cemetery on Sunday mornings when people have gathered for worship.

Rev. Ed.

### Church Chuckles

#### Shopkeeper's Competition

The shopkeeper was dismayed when a brand new business much like his own opened up next door and erected a huge sign which read, "BEST DEALS". He was horrified when another competitor opened up on his right and announced its arrival with an even larger sign, reading "LOWEST PRICES". The shopkeeper was panicked until he got an idea. He put the biggest sign of all over his own shop door which read, "MAIN ENTRANCE".

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**A Stewardship Thought for the Week**

You have often heard the phrase, "Money talks!" Our offerings today talk, too: they say (1) "Thank You, God!", (2) "Long live the church!", (3) "We care!", (4) "Here I am!", (5) "I believe!".

### Stewardship Statement

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016**

<b>Regular Givings</b>	<b>\$ 1,379.00</b>
<b>Maint. Fund</b>	<b>\$ 115.00</b>
<b>Refugee Collection</b>	<b>\$ 3,140.00</b>
<b>E-Giving – March/16</b>	<b>\$ 1,555.00</b>

**"Prayerfully consider your parish in your estate planning."**

Preauthorized Payment (e-Giving) of **Church Offerings** is an option for our parishioners. Many people find it 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 are 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.

**Volunteer Cleaners:** The church would like to have **one** more couple to come once per month on Thursday to clean the Parish Hall before the rental in the afternoon.

**Stained Glass Windows:** We have **two** which need to be donated before we hold the service of dedication. We would like to see two families place these windows in the church and nursery in memory of departed loved ones. If you would like to arrange this, please see Rev. Keeping.

**SYRIAN REFUGEE FAMILY** – As you are now aware, five parishes have come together to form a Committee and hope to raise enough funds in these five parishes to sponsor a Syrian Refugee family. We want to raise the funds among the five churches instead of asking the diocese for a grant.

I hope every family in this parish will give to this appeal. **No amount is too small.**

We have an opportunity to help a family, who is now living in a refugee camp, to find a new home in a new country where peace and security reign.

I ask you as members of St. Philip's Parish to give and as you can see in the bulletin today, some have already given.

### 2017 Confirmation: Notice to Parents

**of children who will be confirmed in 2017.** We have begun the new **Two Year Confirmation Program** for candidates **who will be confirmed in 2017.** Please note candidates must attend this two-year program in order to be confirmed. Registration for the present class is now **closed.** Registration for the next two year program will be announced at a later date.

### A note from The Anglican Chaplaincy

If you are admitted to hospital you should be asked by admitting if you would like the services of Pastoral Care. If you say "Yes", you will sign a consent and the chaplain will see you within 24 hours. If you decline pastoral care and later change your mind, have a nurse call the chaplain. You will be asked to sign a consent and the chaplain will visit. Please note that due to confidentiality, the chaplains can only contact your parish priest with your permission.

### Noteworthy Events

**Portugal Cove ACW** - Monthly Card Games are held the third Tuesday of each month (or the 2<sup>nd</sup> last Tuesday, if applicable) at St. Lawrence Parish Hall at 8:00 pm. Cost \$5.00 and lunch is served.

**Queen's College 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** The Anglican Foundation presents the "3 Cantors" at the Cathedral, **May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.** Tickets: \$20.00 (Please see poster in foyer).

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

***I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own and my own know me***

The bulletin today is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

**Robert Sharpe**

**April 12, 1931 – July 9, 2015**

by Louise Sharpe, Barb Skinner and families.

Our mother,

**Vera Spurrell**

**June 14, 1933 – April 17, 2012**

Forever loved

by daughter Fern, son Glen and families

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We welcome today through the water of Holy Baptism

**Dominic Robert**

son of Derek Skinner & Amanda Tucker

**Chase Michael**

son of Edward & Sheena Doyle

**Hannah Carolyn**

daughter of Kurtis & Susan Billard

**Hannah Naomi**

daughter of Wayne & Tracy Simmons

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#### Schedule of Services

##### 4th Sunday of Easter April 17<sup>th</sup>

**8:30 am** – Holy Communion (BCP) **Eucharistic**

**Assistant:** Ches Barfitt

**10:30 am** – Holy Eucharist (BAS) and Holy Baptism.

**Eucharistic Assts:** Joan Tucker, David Bartlett

**Counters:** Ruth Hiscock, Don Morgan

**Sidesperson:** John Parrell

##### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter April 24<sup>th</sup>

**8:30 am** – Holy Communion (BCP) **Eucharistic**

**Assistant:** Todd Martin

**10:30 am** – Holy Eucharist (BAS)

**Eucharistic Assts:** George Sharpe, Debbie Collis

**Counters:** Ruth Hiscock, Don Morgan

**Sidesperson:** Don Morgan

**Pot-luck luncheon, April 24<sup>th</sup>**, following our 10:30 a.m. service The purpose of this luncheon monthly is to build up fellowship in the congregation and to

grow the congregation. All are welcome. Bring a pot-luck dish and enjoy the fun and fellowship.

#### Notices

**ACM Meeting: Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.**

**ACW Sub-Sandwich Sale: Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. 9<sup>am</sup>**

-three-deli-meat sandwich with cookie and pop for \$8.00. To order, please call Rebecca at 895-2343 before April 19<sup>th</sup>.

**ACW Card Game: Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm.**

Cost: \$5.00. Lunch served.

Please come out and support the ministry of the ACW.

**NOTE TO ACM MEMBERS – The DAMA Lavrock overnight Annual Meeting and Election of Officers will now take place on May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.**

**Fundraiser for the Syrian Refugee family:**

**Kevin Collins: “Better Than Today” with Ray Walsh**

Where: **St. Philip’s Anglican Church**

When: **Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016, at 7 p.m.**

Tickets: **\$25.00** are now available from the five church offices - St. Philips, St. Lawrence (Portugal Cove), Holy Innocents (Paradise), All Saints (Foxtrap), New Hope (Goulds).

**Update on the furnace situation:** No decision has been made by Vestry for the repairs on the furnace. We are taking time to listen to different individuals and companies. Whatever the decision will be, it will have to be looked at for the long term and for the good of the parish financially now and for the future.

**Maintenance Fund:** We want to thank you for your continued support. It is very important for us to build on this fund so that the necessary repairs to the church can be completed in a timely manner. Please keep in mind that we were encouraged after the church was debt free to continue to give a dollar per day to this fund. **As per the motion passed at the Annual General Meeting on Feb. 21/16, any money received for this fund will go into a separate account and will not be used for general operating expenses.**

**Please note:**

We will have to use money from this fund to replace the furnace in the near future. Please give to this fund on a monthly basis.

**Parish Hall Rentals:** The Parish Centre is available to members of the congregation and the public to rent for birthdays, weddings and anniversaries. Please consider renting the hall for your next important event. Any person wanting to rent the Parish Centre can call the church office at 895-0715.

**Please check the clothes closets in the church foyer to see if any of these coats, sweaters, etc. belong to you. Over the next few weeks, any unclaimed items will be removed and given to the needy.**

**Recyclable Donations:** -Recycling is a fundraising project of the ACM and **your assistance is needed.** *“We thank you for your co-operation in removing screw top covers from all bottles – plastic & glass - and further ask that you remove corks and screw tops from alcoholic beverage containers.”* 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. If you can help with sorting the recyclables on Monday or Tuesday nights please call John Parrell. **The ACM could really use your help.**

#### **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 - 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 be there watching from above.**

**Go now in peace, in faith and in love.**

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**Collect, Epistle and Gospel for the Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**Scripture Readings for today, April 17<sup>th</sup>**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: **Acts 9: 36 – 43** **Psalm 23**  
(Page 731) (Gloria Earle)

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: **Revelation 7: 9 – 17** (Dave Earle)

Gospel: **John 10: 22 – 30** (Rev. Ed Bonnell)

**Collect for the Day:** (In Unison): **O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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): **God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd. Amen.**

**Prayer after Communion:** (In Unison): God of steadfast love, watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son. May we who share in these holy mysteries come safely to your eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen 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): **Stephen & Angela Chatman, Canon Bert & Dawn Cheeseman, Edgar & Joyce Clark, Martha Clarke, Lewis & Dorothy Clarke and their families.**

In our **Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for **The Parish of St. Thomas; Rev. Greg Mercer, Rector, and Rev. Gail MacDonald, Asst. and The Parishes of Burgeo & Ramea; Rev. David Taylor, Priest in Charge, and Rev. Elsie Rose, Deacon.** In our **Province of Canada Prayer Care**, we pray for **Diocese of Quebec, Bishop Dennis Drainville and Bishop Elect Bruce Myers.**

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