

Dismissal Songs

“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.*

“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.*

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August 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. Message from the Rector: From the Rector's desk: In the business of life, sometimes it's difficult to find the time and space we need to be with God for the renewal of our spiritual lives. The easiest thing in the world to do is neglect our relationship with God. Our lives become busy and often we become too busy to pray and worship. The Summer season is perhaps the easiest time to become disconnected if we aren't careful, things come to a close at church, except for the Sunday morning worship, we go on vacation, and, it's not always easy to find a church where we can attend conveniently. We don't plan to let our prayer and worship lives slip, it just happens, and it happens to us all. If your travels this Summer have been taking you away from your home church, I encourage you to take advantage of that absence to search out other churches where you happen to be, I'm sure it can be a very meaningful experience, for God is very much present there also. God desires nothing more than for us to be in his presence daily, and wherever that might be. There are billions of people on this planet, and, God delights in each one of us in a personal way. I like this quote from Augustine – <i>“God loves each of us as if there were only one of us”</i>. As another Summer begins to wind down, I hope it continues to be a wonderful time of both physical and spiritual renewal, for we need that time to gather strength and enthusiasm for what God calls us to be and to do in his service. The month of August will see children and young people begin to prepare for the coming school year. I hope they too have been refreshed, and ready to embrace a new year of growth and education, whether it be regular	school or college and university. What a gift God gives us in these summer months of rest and relaxation, God knows how much we need that. In the words of Elizabeth Elliott - <i>"If you believe in a God who controls the big things, you have to believe in a God who controls the little things. It is we, of course, to whom things look 'little' or 'big'."</i> God is constantly working out his plan for our lives, sometimes we get overwhelmed by what lies before us, but we just need to relax and realize that the God who created the universe and everything in it, including us, knows better than we of what to do. We need to be in tune with God's plan and act in concert universally to achieve it. Thus far, we have not been impacted to the extent we were in the summer of 2025 with wildfires, and extreme heat, but we are ever aware of the fires happening in other parts of Canada and the world. Contrary to what we hear from some, our world continues to be adversely impacted by climate change, and we are not free from our responsibility as citizens of our nation, and stewards of God's creation, to be conscious of and kind to our planet. When the leaders of the nations work together to care for the earth, we can accomplish much and preserve our habitat. When leaders decide to plunder the earth's resources for the sake of short-term prosperity and personal wealth, it leaves us all more vulnerable and at risk of the destruction we currently see. May we continue to pray for our earth, and for greater cooperation in caring for God's creation. As we are nurtured by God in prayer, worship, Word and sacrament, we learn to trust in his goodness. When we fully trust the One who leads us forth, we will have no fear of where the journey takes us. 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. 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. 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 - fredjmarshall@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. We ask our parishioners to help us keep our financial commitments on schedule over the summer. July and August are traditionally slower months in the life of the church, as people travel, spend time at the cottage, etc. It would be a wonderful help to us if we could keep our offerings up-to-date. This can be done by dropping off your church envelopes to the office, mailing them, signing up for e-giving, or use our E-Transfer option. So, as we enjoy the summer, doing the things we love doing, let us be mindful of the financial needs of the parish.
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NOTICES /MEMORABLE DATES

Baptism Today - We welcome into the church, through baptism, *Marcus James Moss*, son of Jordan and Jordan Moss (yes mom & dad have the same name) and great grandson of our own Dawn Cheeseman.

September 18-19 – Diocesan Synod – Sandman Hotel.

September 20 - **The blessing of the school Backpacks** will take place on Sunday, September 20th, at the 10:30 am worship service. We hope to combine this service with our first Coffee Hour as we start up again. We invite the kids, teachers and parents to come along, bring backpacks, school bags of all kinds, briefcases, etc. for a blessing to begin the year. All are invited. More details of the September 20th service will be available as we draw closer to it.

Rev. Randy is now accepting names for the 2027 Confirmation class. The date for Confirmation next year has not been determined yet, however, we will begin the classes in October. If you have someone to be confirmed please speak to the rector. If we have no candidates, we will have our bishop come for a pastoral visit to our parish.

Before normal activities resume in September there will be a meeting of all groups and organizations that use our building, so as to ensure harmony and efficiency. Because we share space with others we have to be mindful of the need to keep the space clean and tidy for other users. Each group will be notified of this meeting once the date is set.

Thank you to all those who came for the annual **Flower service on July 26th**. It was, as always, well attended and the weather was great. Thank you for the wonderful job you did on preparing the family plots and the columbarium area in preparation. Thank you also for your generous contributions to the cemetery fund, which allowed us to get some necessary work done before the service. Vestry, over the coming year, will be doing some other work in the cemetery, such as leveling up some sunken areas that may pose a danger while walking around the cemetery. We have placed signs on the entrances to the cemetery cautioning visitors to be very careful. We have received many comments from parishioners and visitors on how beautiful, clean and tidy the cemetery was for the flower service. Thank you as well for taking pride in keeping it that way. **The flower service in 2027 will be Sunday, July 25th at 3:00 pm.**

We would love to have children & Sunday School teachers as we begin this fall. One of the things we have struggled to bring back since the pandemic of a few years ago is our Sunday School program. This fall we are hoping to have a little more success in doing this. If you have an interest in having your children in Sunday School and would like to volunteer, we would love to have you.

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

Phyllis Naomi Squires

(July 23, 1923 – January 17, 2009)

“Precious memories, how they linger”

Given By: Shirley & Charlie



Magella (Madge) Sharpe

Given By: Steve & Family



Chesley Squires

(Aug. 13, 1932 – Oct. 20, 1985)

Shirley Squires

(July 26, 1937 – April 23, 2003)

Frank Pack

(Aug. 15, 1924 – Feb. 28, 1998)

Hannah Pack

(Dec. 19, 1928 – June 13, 2012)

Given By: Randy & Christine Squires



Thomas James Skinner, Sr.

(July 6, 1925 – Aug. 31, 2012)

Lorraine Marie Squires

(Jan. 8, 1953 – Aug. 25, 2022)

“Always Loved, Always Remembered”

*Given By: Lorraine & John Whelan
& Family*

FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PLACED IN THE SANCTUARY IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Leila Tulk

Given By: Tom & Family



Magella (Madge) Sharpe

*Given By: Steve, Chad, Donica,
Alex, grand-daughter Avalon
and the Belliveau Family*



Myrtle Mercer

(Aug. 20, 1929 – Apr. 26, 2016)

*Lovingly Remembered by:
Ruth, Karen, Carol
& Families*

<u>August 2nd</u> <i>“We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Genesis 32: 22-31 Psalm 17: 1-7, 16 / Pages: 720-721 <i>(Lori Gosse)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> Romans 9: 1-5 <i>(Reegan Gosse)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Matthew 14: 13-21 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – God our sustainer, accept all we offer you this day, and feed us continually with that bread which satisfies all hunger, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – God of grace, we have shared in the mystery of the body and blood of Christ. May we who have tasted the bread of life live with you for ever. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen	<u>August 9th</u> <i>“I wait for the Lord; in his word is my hope.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Genesis 37: 1-4, 12-28 Psalm 105: 1-6, 16-22, 45c Pages: 845-848 <i>(Allie Wheeler)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> Romans 10: 5-15 <i>(Glenda Winter)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Matthew 14: 22-33 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace; 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> – Father, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that in this eucharist we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion.</u> Eternal God, grant to your Church the unity and peace that we have tasted in this eucharist, the fruit of your life-giving Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen	<u>August 16th</u> <u>St. Mary the Virgin (Aug. 15)</u> <i>“Hail, O favoured one, the Lord is with you! The Holy Spirit will come upon you.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Isaiah 7: 10-15 Psalm 132: 6-10, 13-14 /Pages: 889-890 <i>(Jennifer Cross)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> Galatians 4: 4-7 <i>(Brenda Harding)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Luke 1: 46-55 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – O God, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate Son. May we who have been redeemed by his blood, share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; 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 mercy, receive all we offer you this day. May we share with the Virgin Mary the joys of your eternal kingdom, and live with you in unending love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – God of grace, today we raise our voices to magnify your holy name, and, in our own generation, to call her blessed who became the mother of our Saviour Jesus Christ. May we who have shared this holy food continue, with her, in your glorious kingdom, founded and established in Jesus Christ our Lord. We ask this in his name. Amen	<u>August 23rd</u> <i>“Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Exodus 1: 8 – 2: 10 Psalm 124 / Page: 884 <i>(Debbie Collis)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> Romans 12: 1-8 <i>(Betty Lewis)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Matthew 16: 13-20 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, we are taught by your word that all our doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue; 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 glory, receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and increase in us that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – Living God, increase in us the healing power of your love. Guide and direct us that we may please you in all things, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen	<u>August 30th</u> <u>Beheading of John the Baptist (Aug. 29)</u> <i>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Hebrews 11: 32-40 Psalm 71: 1-6, 15-17 / Pages: 795-797 <i>(Dr. Greg Brown)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> [no appointed reading] <u>Gospel</u> Mark 6: 27-29 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, who called John the Baptist to give witness to the coming of your Son and to prepare his way, strengthen us by your grace, that as he suffered for the truth, so we may boldly resist corruption and sin, and receive with him the unfading crown of glory; 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 the prophets, receive all we offer you this day, and strengthen us to proclaim your holy and righteous word. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – God of righteousness, may we who honour John the Baptist, the greatest of the prophets, always turn to him who takes away the sin of the world, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen
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