

**Collect for the Day: (In Unison) Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen**

**Prayer over the Gifts: (In Unison): Loving God, before the world began you called us. Make holy all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in that calling. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

**Prayer after Communion: (In Unison): Gracious God, our hands have taken holy things; our lives have been nourished by the body of your Son. May we who have eaten at this holy table be strengthened for service in your world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

**Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for our parish families. (This week we remember): Rev. Ed & Debbie Bonnell, Clyde & Cecile Bradbury, Dr. Greg Brown and Lisa Lake, Frank Burry, Trevor Burry, Thomas & Elizabeth Burry and their families.**

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil, The Most Revd Naudal Alves Gomes – Primate of Brazil & Bishop of Curitiba.**

**Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Parish of Bay L'Argent, (6 congregations), Rev. Renee Eason, Rector; the Parish of Bay of Islands (2 congregations), Rev. Effie Organ, Deacon-in-Charge; and the Parish of Bay Roberts/Coley's Point (2 congregations), Rev. Kenute Francis, Rector.**

**Provincial Prayer Care: We pray for the Diocese of Fredericton, Bishop David Edwards.**

## **ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA**

**Primate: The Most Rev. Fredrick Hiltz**

**Metropolitan: Archbishop Ron Cutler**

### **Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador**

**Bishop: The Right Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Peddle**

#### **Anglican Church of St. Philip**

**Rector: Rev. Randy Lockyer**

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**The Rev. Canon Shirley Gosse**

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**Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>, 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:** In an age where many people claim to be able to commune with God in nature, in their workplace, at their cabin, or wherever they find themselves on a Sunday morning, and say they don't need to attend church to be close to God, today's Gospel reading finds Jesus in the Synagogue on the Sabbath, *as was his custom*. I think it's very important that we be in communion with God wherever we are on any day of the week, but we cannot forget the vital importance of coming together as the community of faithful to support, encourage and strengthen one another in the Christian journey. Jesus encouraged prayer and worship daily, and, in all places and circumstances, both on a personal level and a communal level. He recognized the importance of coming together in numbers, that's why he chose 12 disciples and not only one, that's why he gathered people together in large numbers to teach and to preach regularly, and, that's why his custom was to be in the Synagogue on the Sabbath. There is great blessing for all of us when we meet together on a Sunday morning, and, join our voices in prayer, worship and praise, and, we find something there spiritually satisfying that we cannot find alone. God uses us to be a blessing to one another, and to be blessed together in a powerful way. Human beings were not created to exist alone, but to be part of a bigger community. There are all kinds of ways that we live in community, it may be part of a larger family of parents, siblings,

grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins; it may be getting involved in the geographic community in which we live, it may be a network of workers, whatever it might be we find fulfillment from it. The same is true of our church family; it is not by accident that we make up the parish family of St. Philip's, God calls us together in this place to be one in fellowship and worship. Whenever we make a decision to remove ourselves from public worship, and, to separate ourselves from the rest of the community, we do a great disservice to ourselves, others that make up the worshipping community, and yes, even God, for God has created us to be in fellowship and community. Let us use Jesus' example in the gospel reading today as our invitation to regular public worship. Just imagine the blessings that flowed in the Synagogue that day Jesus was there, as he read from the prophet Isaiah, and went on to talk about ministering to the poor, restoring sight to the blind, freeing those in captivity and those oppressed. They were, whether or not they knew it, on holy ground that day. Of course Jesus went on to preach in the streets, in the valleys, on the hills, on the seashores, from a boat and wherever else he happened to be. But there was something special and sacred to Jesus to be found in the Synagogue as well. I think we capture the essence of that sacredness on a Sunday morning that is more powerful than anywhere else perhaps. It happens when we meet together as the community of faith. *(Rev. Randy)*

**A reminder to those who find themselves as patients in our local hospitals,** that hospital chaplains are available for pastoral care. Please don't assume that the chaplain will automatically know you are there. As we know, hospitals are very diligent in protecting the privacy of all patients, so it may be that your name will not be on the visitation list unless you specifically ask for it to be there. When you are admitted please be very clear that you want the Anglican chaplain to visit you if that is your wish.

**Planned Giving is an important teaching of the church.** Our diocese has a Planned Giving consultant that would love to speak to anyone that has an interest in learning more about how this works, especially the importance of having up-to-date wills, that state explicitly what a person's last wishes are for his/her estate. You can visit the diocesan website also to get more information, and, we do have brochures on the table in the foyer. Here is some of the information you will see on the website: *Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received – only what you have given: a full heart enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice and courage. Our parish has been the recipient of planned gifts in the past, from those who wanted to include their beloved church in their will. If you would like to speak to our diocesan consultant, Kevin Smith about this, please call*

709-576-6697 or by  
Email: [kevinsmith709@gmail.com](mailto:kevinsmith709@gmail.com)

**Lunch and Learn** Are you a Health Care Professional wanting to help your patients/clients affected by dementia? Join us by webinar Thursday January 31, 2019 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Contact: Sharon Brown, First Link Coordinator (709) 576-0608 or [firstlink@alzheimernl.ca](mailto:firstlink@alzheimernl.ca) These presentations are designed to help inform you of the programs and services we have to offer and how our support and services can be beneficial to your patients/clients.

### **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.**

**As we begin another year**, your rector and vestry are hoping that we will have ended 2018 financially on track as a parish. As we try to adhere to the diocesan expectation of parishes to be more ministry and mission minded going forward, we will need to put a special emphasis on envelope givings and less on fundraising. A financially healthy parish is one that meets at least 80 – 90 percent of its annual budget by free-will givings in the offering plate. Many of the folks that do fundraising in parishes are the ones that are getting older and just don't have the energy to keep up with it. We would like to arrive at a time and place where fundraising activities will be used for outreach ministry more than meeting parish budgets out of necessity.

**When do I stand, sit or kneel?** Some call this "Anglican Calisthenics"... sometimes people are confused especially when others around them are kneeling, standing or sitting. but feel free to follow your preferences. Our goal is worship and not conformity, so, whatever you choose to do is right for you.

## Notices

**ACW Card Game** - will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$5.00 and lunch will be served.

**Bible Study resumes on Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.** Please note this is a change from the original startup date of January 16<sup>th</sup>.

**The next service of baptism** will take place on Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Baptismal preparation will take place on Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm. Anyone desiring to have a child baptized should contact Rev. Randy very soon.

**Annual Congregational meeting** will be held on **Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**. All groups and individuals in the parish that need to submit an annual report are asked to have them ready for copying by Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. Please pass them along to Rev. Randy.

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper – March 5<sup>th</sup>**

Doors open at 5:45 – Supper at 6:00pm  
Pancakes, Moose and/or Beef Sausages, dessert, tea/coffee.  
Cost \$10.00. Children six and under free.  
Tickets will be available soon. Anyone wanting to donate items for the supper, such as sausages, pancake mix, etc. your donation will be appreciated.

**Those interested in being part of our church band** are invited to attend a startup meeting on Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. This will be a short meeting to get up and going.

**Needed – someone to shovel out church doors.** Because we have the Canon EB Cheeseman Parish Centre rented out regularly, we need to ensure that all exits are cleared after every snowfall. Our biggest group is The Ballicatters, an after-school program, that rents the centre Monday – Friday, 2:00 – 6:00 pm. With all these children present we must ensure that all the doors are free of snow in case of emergency. If you know of someone that would like to accept this responsibility please speak to the rector or church wardens. Vestry is prepared to pay for this service.

**For the recently Confirmed young people –** Now that you have been Confirmed a month, Rev. Randy is very interested in meeting with you again as a group to talk about your experience of Confirmation and how you might be involved in the life of St. Philip's parish. You are invited to a pizza supper on Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm. Come along with any ideas you might have of what you do as a youth at St. Philip's church.

## Church Chuckle

**If you want to know about the troubles the church is having, ask someone who hasn't been there for months.**



**The church is on Facebook**

**Take a look!**

[www.facebook.com/stphilipsanglicanchurch](http://www.facebook.com/stphilipsanglicanchurch)

**Prayerfully consider your Parish in your estate Planning.**

### **Stewardship thought For the Week**

My financial commitment – Would Jesus be pleased with me?

<b>Yearly Budget for Envelope giving for 2019 - \$97,000.00</b>	
<b>Needed Monthly - \$8,741.67</b>	
<b>Needed Weekly - \$2,018.00</b>	
<b>Rec'd Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> Regular Giving Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 710.00 \$ 70.00</b>
<b>Rec'd Year to Date Regular Giving  Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 2,842.00  \$ 825.00</b>
<b>Total brought in for Jan. 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>\$ 1,050.00</b>

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship  
today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary  
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*The Lord has anointed me to  
preach good news to the poor and  
release to the captives.*

Third Sunday after Epiphany – Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)

Eucharistic Assistant – Ches Barfitt

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

Eucharistic Assistants – George Sharpe &  
Debbie Collis

Counters: Tom Tulk & Jeanette Osmond

Sidesperson: John Parrell

Altar Duty: Margie Tucker & Ethel Barfitt

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany- Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)

Eucharistic Assistant – Joan Tucker

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

Eucharistic Assistants: Harve Hiscock &  
Marianne Baker

Counters: Tom Tulk & Jeanette Osmond

Sidesperson: Don Morgan

Altar Duty: Donna Spurrell & Janice  
Spurrell

The Collect, Epistle and Gospel for  
Today – Third Sunday after  
Epiphany – Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>  
Scripture Readings

1<sup>st</sup> Reading

**Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 3-6, 8-10**

**Psalms 19, Pages 725-726**

**(Debbie Collis)**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

1<sup>st</sup> **Corinthians 12: 12-31a**

**(Canon Shirley Gosse)**

Gospel

**Luke 4: 14-21**

**(Deacon Bonnell)**

### OTHER NOTES

**Rev Randy is now receiving names for 2019 Confirmation.** Bishop Peddle will be visiting our parish for Confirmation on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 at the 10:30 am worship service. Once the registration process is complete the classes will begin in March. 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 February 28<sup>th</sup>.

**New Vestry members will be needed** at the annual meeting in February. Membership on the Vestry is open to anyone in the congregation with an interest in serving. Vestry meets once per month, on the second Tuesday, to deal with the business of operating our parish, and to plan and carry out many things. Please prayerfully consider giving of your time for this very important decision-making group.

**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.

**Please keep our building secure.** We have had no major security issues, but from time-to-time it is good for us to remind everyone entrusted with a key to the building that it is the responsibility of that person to safe guard the key, and to ensure the key is never given to any unauthorized person. Please ensure that when you use the key to access the building it is your duty to ensure that all lights are turned out, and, the door securely closed and locked. If a person receives a key for a specific duty and that person is no longer in that role the key must be returned so it can be given to the new person in that role.

**2018 Contribution Receipts are now available** on the table in the foyer. These are the ones that you will need for income tax purposes. Thank you to the congregation for your generous offerings to the parish in 2018 and we look forward to continued support in 2019. Please see the included thank you letter from Rev. Randy.

**Town of Portugal Cove – St. Philip's Winter Carnival Celebrations** will be held Friday, February 8<sup>th</sup> until Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup>.