

Dismissal Songs

“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.*

“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.*

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July 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:

As school ends for the next couple of months, and as our attention turns to summer activities, such as vacation, travel, relaxation at the cottage, good wholesome family time, on behalf of the parish of St. Philip, I want to wish you all a very happy and safe summer. With so much going on in our world, we are eternally grateful to be living in this beautiful province of Newfoundland & Labrador, and in perhaps the greatest nation on earth, Canada. We just celebrated Canada Day, and the 159th year of Confederation, our nation's birthday. We are still, relatively speaking, a very young nation, and our province is still the youngest part of it, having just passed 77 years as part of Canada. We can find much to lament about in Canada, and we do vent our frustrations, but in the end, there is no other place most of us would want to be than in Canada. So, we join 41,541,419 (population by noon June 30th) Canadians in saying – *HAPPY 159TH BIRTHDAY CANADA!!* May our country continue to prosper, and may we always keep alive the reality of freedom and democracy, which makes Canada the envy of so many in our world. We also know that our freedom and liberty came at a tremendous cost, as we reflect on history, the two world wars, and other wars that Canada have participated in over the last century. In addition to the great celebration of our nation on July 1st, there is also a very solemn commemoration on that day as well here in our province, *Memorial Day*, commemorating *The Battle of Beaumont – Hamel*, and must never be forgotten. World War one, 9:15 am, July 1st, 1916, 800 members of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment went over the top to attack German trenches near the village of Beaumont – Hamel, the first day of the *Battle of the Somme*. At the end of the day only 68 reported for roll call, over 300 were killed, presumed dead or missing in action, nearly 400 more were wounded. A devastating loss of men from this province (though a colony of England at that time) that forever

impacted us. Imagine the generations of children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, never born because of that single day. It is the hope of us all that the experience of past wars would keep all nations on the path to peace and prosperity, that we would strive harder to preserve peace and liberty. It's unfathomable to think that, after all the progress made by humanity in science, medicine, technology and education, the world would still be so divided and filled with so much hatred and war. After nearly 5 years Russia is still the aggressor in Ukraine, refusing to end a war that has slaughtered the lives of so many people on both sides, and caused such suffering and devastation. The war in the Middle East between Iran, the USA and Israel, which is on one day and off the next, with far reaching consequences worldwide, as it drives up the cost of living for everyone, creating massive challenges. We pray for the leaders of the nations, that somehow human suffering would affect the way they govern, moving them to compassion and mercy. War is not a new phenomenon, it has been present since the beginning of humanity, and is indicative of our weakness and inability to live in harmony with all God's people. There is more spent by nations building up instruments of war than what is required to feed, clothe, house, educate and provide medical care for every single person in need. I wonder what was on the mind of the prophet Isaiah when he wrote these words nearly 800 years before Christ was born: *He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore.* Perhaps his frustration that people just refused to live in peace with others, which we share 2800 years later. But pray we must, to cease is to lose hope for a better world, and we are people of hope. May humanity be all that God created it to be. May we all live in peace together.

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:
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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.

NOTICES /MEMORABLE DATES

Baptism will be celebrated on Sunday, July 12th. Anyone desiring to have their child baptized at that time should contact Rev. Randy in time for the preparation.

To those who hold keys to the building we want to stress the importance of ensuring the building is securely locked after every usage. As a rule, if you unlock a door, please lock it after, even if someone else is in the building. Ensure all windows are closed and locked, all lights are out and the door locked. Not often, but occasionally a door gets left unlocked all through the night, so please be extra vigilant in securing the building.

On Sunday, July 12, 2026, churches around the world will mark Sea Sunday, a day dedicated to praying for seafarers and their families. For more than 160 years, Mission to Seafarers, founded through the Anglican Church, has supported the men and women who work at sea. Today, seafarers continue to face isolation, long periods away from family, and the uncertainty of a changing world, yet they transport nearly 90 percent of the goods we rely on every day.

The Annual Flower Service will be taking place on Sunday, **July 26th at 3:00 pm**. If the weather does not cooperate, we will hold the service inside the church.

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.

Altar Flowers in loving memory of Leila Tulk, have been given by Tom and Family.

The Canadian government will match donations to the Canadian Red Cross and the Humanitarian Coalition, in support of urgent relief efforts for Venezuela. Every donation made to these organizations from June 25th – July 14th will be matched, up to a total of 4 million dollars. This will build on the 5 million dollars of humanitarian assistance announced on June 25th. Please pray for the people of Venezuela as the tragedy continues to unfold, and so many lives are lost, so much grief and sorrow and devastation

Summer is here - many people will be doing work on family graves in the cemetery. We remind everyone that there are regulations governing the cemetery, so please check with the rector or vestry if you have questions. We have a student again this Summer but please help keep our cemetery, including the columbarium area of it, looking beautiful. Also be safe while doing work on family graves, there may be areas where one could fall or twist an ankle.

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.

Our Diocesan Synod will be September 18th – 19th, to be held at The Sandman Hotel, St. John's. Rev. Randy and our elected synod delegates will represent our parish however, the opening service will be held at the Cathedral church on Friday, September 18th at 3:00 pm. The service will be open to anyone who would like to attend, and our Primate, Archbishop Shane Parker, will be in attendance. This year also marks the 50th anniversary since the reorganization of one diocese into three. In 1976 we became the dioceses of Eastern Newfoundland & Labrador, Central Newfoundland, and Western Newfoundland. Please pray for our upcoming synod.

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

Thomas Skinner Sr.

July 6, 1925 – August 31, 2012

"Forever in our Hearts"

Lorraine Whelan & Family



Phyllis Sharpe

July 2, 1956 - July 1, 1990

"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven: A Time to be born, and a time to die..."

*Lovingly remembered by her family
Forever in our hearts*

Our Summer student started work this past week Thanks to a government grant we will have a young person working in the parish for the next 8 weeks or so. The student hired is Brady Duffett, a resident of St. Philip's, who is completing his final year of high school. Like last year, the major focus will be working in the cemetery, especially as we get ready for the annual Flower Service on July 26th, though he will be working around the building as well.

July 5th

6th Sunday after Pentecost

Scriptural Sentence

"Blessed is our Father, Lord of heaven and earth, who has revealed these things to the simple."

1st Reading

Genesis 24: 34-38, 42-49, 58-67
Psalm 45 : 11-18 / Pages : 762-763
(*Harvey Hiscock*)

2nd Reading

Romans 7: 15-25a
(*Ruth Hiscock*)

Gospel

Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30
(*Deacon Ed Bonnell*)

Collects & Prayers

Collect – Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of your children we do also for him. Give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, but lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Prayer over the Gifts – God of heaven and earth, receive our sacrifice of praise, and strengthen us for the perfect freedom of your service, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

Prayer after Communion – O God, may we who have shared in holy things never fail to serve you in your world, and so come to the fullness of joy, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

July 12th

7th Sunday after Pentecost

Scriptural Sentence

"The word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so that you can do it."

1st Reading

Genesis 25: 19-34
Psalm 119: 1, 105-112 / Pages: 875-876
(*Todd Martin*)

2nd Reading

Romans 8: 1-11
(*Canon Don Mogan*)

Gospel

Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23
(*Deacon Ed Bonnell*)

Collects & Prayers

Collect – Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you, May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Prayer over the Gifts – Father, your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom. Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Prayer after Communion – Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

July 19th

8th Sunday after Pentecost

(St. Mary Magdalene)

Scriptural Sentence

"If any serve me, the Father will honour them."

1st Reading

Judith 9: 1, 11-14
Psalm 42: 1-7 / Pages: 758-759
(*Rev Russell or Joan Osmond*)

2nd Reading

No appointed reading
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Gospel

John 20: 1-3, 11-18
(*Deacon Ed Bonnell*)

Collects & Prayers

Collect – Almighty God, whose Son restored Mary Magdalene to health of mind and body, and called her to be a witness of his resurrection, forgive us and heal us by your grace, that we may serve you in the power of his risen life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Prayer over the Gifts – God of life and health, in your Son Jesus Christ we find the forgiveness of all that is past. Grant that in this eucharist today we may find the healing of all our sins. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer after Communion – Compassionate God, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing. Grant that all who have shared in holy things may bring your healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

July 26th

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Scriptural Sentence

"Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

1st Reading

Genesis 29: 15-28
Psalm 128 / Pages: 886-887
(*Gloria Earle*)

2nd Reading

Romans 8: 26-39
(*Dave Earle*)

Gospel

Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52
(*Deacon Ed Bonnell*)

Collects & Prayers

Collect – O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

Prayer over the Gifts – God of grace, accept all we offer you this day, as we look toward the glory you have promised. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer after Communion – God of grace, we have received the memorial of the death and resurrection of your Son. May your love, poured into us, bring us to your promises. We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ. Amen