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**A WARM WELCOME IS EXTENDED TO ALL OUR  
PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS  
WHO ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY**

**APRIL 12, 2015 (Year B)**

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**



From the Rector's Desk

Winds of Hope

The resurrection of Jesus is more than an historical event that happened a long time ago. We have learned how this event had an impact on the early church and we hear the Spirit speaking through an early sermon. We find a community empowered by an indescribable hope and we see the disciples receiving the Holy Spirit.

As we read we may ask ourselves how we are like the earliest disciples and whether our communities encounter the Holy Spirit in similar ways. In the resurrection we find hope, not only for them, but for ourselves.

This is John's version of what happened at Pentecost. Before Jesus' death he promised his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit so he breathes into them that gift. The gift of the Holy Spirit is the gift of the risen Lord which challenges, comforts, empowers, embraces and transforms the disciples and us to go forth to proclaim the gospel.

Through this gift comes peace of which Jesus spoke to the disciples in the Upper Room after his resurrection. That peace also brings responsibility to go and forgive sin, calling people to a new relationship with God through the risen Lord; to breathe hope into the lives of all they would encounter. You have the gift to forgive sins because it is a gift given to the whole church.

We must remember that we are not alone in any situation in which we may find ourselves. We have the spirit of God. We have the gift that enables us to carry out our ministry.

So, today, **trust in the Spirit**, as we are empowered to carry on Jesus' ministry in the world.

During the week, I ask you to read again the Gospel for today – John 20: 19 – 31.

“My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness”.

(Hymn 802)

**Rev. Ed**

(Material extracted from “Whole People of God” program.)

### **A Stewardship Thought for the Week**

Givers generally come in three categories; in which are you?

The infant Christian does not give to anyone – or maybe to those who threaten or those who promise greater reward. He gives for self-protection and with thinly veiled self-interest.

The more grown-up Christian gives in response to external pleas. When a need can be spelled out and a proper emotional atmosphere set, he will gladly give.

The mature Christian gives in response to internal urgings and as a result of personal decision, determination, and love. Such giving includes that which we do as the church.

### **Church Chuckle**

An elderly woman died last month. Having never married, she requested no male pallbearers. In her handwritten instructions for her memorial service, she wrote, “They wouldn’t take me out while I was alive. I don’t want them to take me out when I’m dead.”

*Someone once said: “Bibles which are falling apart are read by people who aren’t”.*

### **MILESTONES**

If anyone knows of someone in the Parish celebrating a milestone in their lives, please contact the Church Office.

**Just a reminder to Parishioners** who make their church contributions through post-dated cheques, that this may need to be taken care of at this time. Post-dated cheques may be dropped off at the office or placed in the offertory plate. Thank you.

**Preauthorized Payment (e-Giving) of Church Offerings** can now be offered to our parishioners. Many people find that this is 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 will be 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.**

<b>April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015</b>	
<b>Regular Givings</b>	<b>\$ 1,627.00</b>
<b>Lenten Offering</b>	<b>\$ 220.00</b>
<b>Easter</b>	<b>\$ 1,237.11</b>
<b>Maintenance Fund</b>	<b>\$ 345.00</b>
<b>E-Giving – March, 2015</b>	
	<b>\$1,205.00</b>

### **Memorial Request**

Recently, we installed projectors and screens in the Sanctuary. Because of the amount of light coming through the window at the back of the church, we considered blinds but instead would like to go with stained glass.

If anyone would like to donate the stained glass as a memorial for a departed loved one, we have been given a quote of \$3,450.00 plus installation plus H.S.T. This could be an individual

donation or a group of families. Please give this your prayerful consideration.

**Update** - We have begun receiving donations toward the stained glass window. If you are interested in making a donation, now is the time.

### **Dismissal 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.**

### **Schedule of Services**

#### **2nd Sunday of Easter, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

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

**10:30 AM** – Holy Eucharist (BAS), Holy Baptism, Sunday School & Confirmation Class

**Eucharistic Assts:** George Sharpe, Ann Lambert

**Counters:** Linda Roberts & Todd Martin

**Sidesperson:** Todd Martin

#### **We welcome, through the waters of Holy Baptism**

**Harley Emma Duffett**

**and**

**Avery Madison Rowe**

**and their families**

#### **3rd Sunday of Easter, April 19<sup>th</sup>**

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

**10:30 AM** – Holy Eucharist (BAS), Sunday School & Confirmation Class

**Eucharistic Assts:** Jennifer Tucker, Mose Tucker

**Counters:** Susan Powell, Tom Tulk

**Sidesperson:** Gerald Sharpe

### **Notices**

**Vestry Meeting: Tues., April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.**

**ACW SUB SALE** – April 15<sup>th</sup> is the date for the annual Sub Sale. For those who have ordered sandwiches, they will be ready for pick-up at 12:00 noon. They are \$8.00 each.

**ACM Meeting: Wed., April 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 pm.**

**Cards & Darts** will resume again on Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm.

**FOR SALE** – Here at the Church, we have eight (8) chairs (2 types) to sell for a small price. One of each type is on display in the foyer this morning.

**SOUND SYSTEM** – We are in need of people to operate our sound system on Sunday mornings. If you are interested and are willing to be trained, please see your rector.

#### **EUCCHARISTIC ASSISTANTS NEEDED**

The hospital chaplains are looking for Eucharistic Assistants to assist with Holy Communion at St. Clare's Hospital and the Leonard Miller Centre.

Eucharistic Assistants are needed at St. Clare's from 8:30 am – 9:30 am and at the Leonard Miller Centre from 1:00 pm.

If any Eucharistic Assistants are willing to volunteer, please see your Rector.

#### **ADVANCE NOTICES**

#### **Teaching Mission**

I have invited the Rev. Dr. Rudolph Anthony from St. Mark's Church, Hattieville for a teaching mission. He will be in the Parish from June 1<sup>st</sup> to June 15<sup>th</sup>. I can tell you there will be special services each evening from June 9<sup>th</sup> to June 12<sup>th</sup> with more information to come as that date approaches.

I hope this will become a yearly project in the life of our Parish. It is a way to deepen our faith in the One who gave his all for us.

#### **Confirmation**

will take place on **Sunday, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at the 10:30 am. service**

#### **Chaplaincy Services at Hospitals in St. John's**

When you are being admitted to a hospital in St. John's, you should be asked, "While you are admitted to hospital, would you like to have a visit from a chaplain or pastoral care worker?" Be sure to say "Yes" if you would like a pastoral visit. You will then be asked to identify your religion, and your name will be added to the chaplain's visitation list, and you will then receive a visit from the denominational chaplain within a day or two.

Also, the Anglican, Roman Catholic, Salvation Army and United Church Chaplaincy Teams are continuing a pilot project to assess ways to share resources. The four denominations will share First-call Chaplain responsibilities at the hospitals in St. John's. This means that each night one chaplain will receive all after-hours calls (5:00 pm to 8:00 am). That First-call Chaplain will determine if the chaplain from the patient's own denomination is needed to provide particular services or supports (anointing/ communion). Patients and families can request their denominational chaplain, if they so wish. The denominational chaplains will follow up with patients seen by the First-call Chaplain.

**Please call your Parish Priest as well.**

**If any members of our congregation have a new e-mail address or changed his/her e-mail address, would you kindly e-mail us your new address.**

**Maintenance Fund** – I do ask you to give regularly to this fund. In the spring, major work around the windows of this building will be required. Repairs are needed immediately to the main door of our church. Please continue to use your "Pink Envelope" to contribute to this Fund so when the time comes for repairs there will be funds available.

**MEMORIAL BULLETIN:** We encourage you to donate the weekly bulletin as a memorial to a departed loved one. The envelopes and information are available from the pamphlet rack in the foyer.

**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 want to rent the parish hall can call the church office at 895-0715.

**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.**

#### **Noteworthy Events**

**Beaumont Hamel – On the Trail of the Caribou – June/July, 2016 – 10 days/16 meals** – Bishop Geoff will be leading a tour to Beaumont Hamel to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the First World War.

For further information, see the Brochure in the foyer or see the Diocesan website.

#### **Grief & Bereavement Information Support Group:**

8 weeks of support for those grieving the loss of a loved one.

- Facilitated by Jean White-Coady & Erik Seaward every Thursday from April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 to May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015
- Time: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
- Location: Canon Wood Hall (St. Thomas's Church, 8 Military Road
- Registration is required:
- Call 368-7050 or email [jean.jay@nf.sympatico.ca](mailto:jean.jay@nf.sympatico.ca)

#### **Archdeaconry Youth Event**

#### **GPS: GOD**

Positioning System: St. Augustine's Church  
April 16 – 18<sup>th</sup>

Thurs. Night - 7:00 pm Clergy & Lay Leaders

Friday Night - 6:30 pm University Students

Saturday, 9:00 am Parish Youth (14 – 24 yrs.)

3:00 pm Closing Eucharist with Bishop Geoff.

**Collect, Epistle and Gospel for 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Scripture Readings for today, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 4: 32 – 35 Psalm 133 Page 861 (Allie Winter)

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1<sup>st</sup> John 1: 1 to 2.2 (Glenda Winter)

Gospel: John 20: 19 – 31 (Rev. Ed Bonnell)

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary, page 335:

**Have you believed, Thomas, because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.**

Collect for the Day. (In Unison) Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. 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 grace, you have freed us from our sins and made us a kingdom in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Accept all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in the new life you have given us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: (In unison) Father, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; through 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: Gordon & Margaret Tucker, Grace Tucker, Joan Tucker, Lillian Tucker, Louise Tucker and their families.

In our Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Parish of Lake Melville, The Ven. Nellie Thomas, Rector and The Parish of St. Timothy, Rigolet, Rev. Julie Brace, Rector.

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Nandyal (South India), The Rt. Rev. Eggoni Pushpalalitha