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

APRIL 5, 2015 (Year B) - EASTER

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

EASTER DAY

Today we gather in St. Philip's Church, like we do each Sunday, to celebrate the death and resurrection of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

As we assemble here this morning, we are joined as a family on this most Holy Feast Day, above all other feast days, to celebrate the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

We recall the events of the first Easter morning over 2000 years ago. "Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw the stone had been removed from the tomb" (John 20:1).

Later in this Easter Gospel, Jesus appears to Mary and spoke her name and later she recognized him as her Lord. He is alive. That is the message of today. Death could not contain him. The grave could not contain him. Because of this, death has no dominion over us. As Christ died and rose again, so should we die to sin and rise again to new life in him.

We have not gotten this message. The world has not gotten this message.

"Over the whole course of the Christian faith, there have been those who do not believe that Jesus rose from the dead. Usually, those who have denied his resurrection are those who did not believe in him as the Messiah." (Anglican Digest, Easter 2000).

We see in the Easter Gospel that Jesus rose from the dead, he rose with a body that was recognizably his. Why did Mary say, "Teacher", when she recognized who he was? Do you recognize who he is?

The scars of his crucifixion were a sign that he was the crucified Lord, risen. There are many other signs that followed and that we believe.

We do not worship a dead Christ but a risen Christ.
STOP DOUBTING AND BELIEVE

HAPPY EASTER TO YOU AND YOURS

Rev. Ed

A Stewardship Thought for the Week
Very little needs to be said to remind us of the significance of our

giving today. The events of Easter jolt our memory.

What a way to handle our sin – allowing the murder of His son! What a wonderful promise, as Jesus shook off the bonds of death!

Our personal gratitude, and the fact that we want others to know what God has brought about, prompts our giving today.

Church Chuckle

Norman was in his front garden mowing his lawn, when his neighbor, Libby, came out of her house and went straight to the mailbox. She opened it, then slammed it shut and stormed back into the house.

Ten minutes later Libby came out of her house again, went to the mailbox, and again opened it and slammed it shut. Angrily she stormed back into the house.

As Norman was putting his mower away, Libby came out once again. She marched up to the mailbox, opened it and then slammed it closed.

Puzzled by her distress, Norman asked, “What’s wrong with your mailbox, Libby? To which she replied, “It’s my stupid computer. It keeps telling me, ‘New Mail has Arrived.’”

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.

March 29th, April 1st, 2nd,
& 3rd, 2015

Regular Givings	\$ 3,392.00
Lenten Offering	\$ 1,976.00
Easter	\$ 245.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 524.01
E-Giving –	

Lenten Giving: We have set a budget of \$3,500 for our Lenten Giving. Please give this your prayerful consideration during Lent.

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.

The Bulletin today is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of:

George King

Sept., 1941 – June, 2013

By Wife Selina & Family

Schedule of Services

Easter Sunday April 5th

8:00 AM – Holy Communion (BCP) (Said Service) followed by Breakfast

Eucharistic Assistant: Joan Tucker & Dave Bartlett

10:30 AM – Holy Eucharist (BAS)

Eucharistic Assts: Debbie Collis & Harve Hiscock

Counters: Linda Roberts & Todd Martin

Sidesperson: Karen Puglisevich

2nd Sunday of Easter, April 12th

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

10:30 AM – Holy Eucharist (BAS)

Eucharistic Assts: George Sharpe, Ann Lambert

Counters: Linda Roberts & Todd Martin

Sidesperson: Todd Martin

Notices

ACW MEETNG – Wednesday, April 8th at 7:30 PM.

ACW SUB SALE – April 15th is the date for the annual Sub Sale. A sub sandwich, two cookies and a soft drink for \$8.00. Sign up sheets are in the foyer. Orders must be in by April 7th. If you require further information, please contact Rebecca at 895-2343.

DAMA Weekend at Lavrock – Apr. 10th & 11th, 2015

Registration: 3:30 – 5:00 pm on the 10th.

Let your local president know if you are attending.

FOR SALE – Here at the Church, we have four (4) chairs to sell for a small price.
One of the chairs 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 1st to June 15th. I can tell you there will be special services each evening from June 9th to June 12th 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. 27th, 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 100th 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 9th, 2015 to May 28th, 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

Collect, Epistle and Gospel for Easter Day (Day of Resurrection)

Scripture Readings for today, April 5th

1st Reading: Isaiah 25: 6 – 9 Psalm 118: 1 – 2, 14 – 24 Page 866-868 (Joyce Keeping)

2nd Reading: Acts 10: 34 – 43 (Debbie Collis)

Gospel: John 20: 1 – 18 (Rev. Ed Bonnell)

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

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast

Collect for the Day. (In Unison) Lord of life and power, through the mighty resurrection of your Son, you have overcome the old

order of sin and death and have made all things new in him. May we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, reign with him in glory, who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive, 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 our strength and salvation, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that we who have confessed your name, and received new life in baptism, may live in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: (In unison) God of life, bring us to the glory of the resurrection promised in this Easter sacrament. 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: Florence Tucker, Gerry & Joanne Tucker, Gilbert & Greta Tucker, Gordon Tucker and their families.

In our Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Parish of Twillingate (5 congregations); Rev. Dr. Joanne Mercer, Rector, and The Parish of St. Mark the Evangelist, St. John's; Rev. Robert Cooke, Priest in Charge.

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Resurrection of our Lord Easter Day.