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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November 2024 (Year B)

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: As I reflect today, we are approaching Halloween, a very exciting event for the children especially. On Saturday, October 26th, Gloria Earle (warden) and I represented St. Philip's parish at the town-organized event. Trunk or Treat, which consisted of a couple of churches and many other community groups and businesses. We were organized in a convoy of parked vehicles extending most of the way around Beach Cove elementary school, identified by our various signs and logos. During the nearly 4 hours we were there, it was wonderful to see the joy of the children as they went from vehicle to vehicle to receive their treats. I'm sure the town has a list of how many children went through the line, I'm guessing at least 400. It was a whole lot of fun, both for us, the vendors and the children that came by with their parents and/or grandparents. When the experience is complete, there is a sense of satisfaction that, for those few hours, we were a small part of bringing joy and excitement into the lives of these children. There is also a little bit of sadness when we think about the children in parts of the world, that have not and might never experience the joy that comes from the kindness of others.

I think about the children of Ukraine, the children of the Middle East, the children of impoverished nations, even the children that live in abject poverty in our world, including in our own province and country. The use of food banks even in our own province is increasing regularly, as families struggle with the high cost of living, such as the cost of housing, the cost of groceries, fuel, and so much more. As we think about the places where there is war, such as Ukraine and the Middle East, we are shown images on our televisions, where men, women and children are killed and maimed, they are the innocent victims of aggression. The children aren't thinking about candy, running around and playing with their friends, they are just trying to duck missiles and bullets, hoping to God that they aren't killed or left orphaned or homeless that day. How can they find joy in the midst of such human tragedy? The reality is they cannot, unless cooler heads prevail and world leaders strive harder for peace. Since the incursion of Russia into Ukraine in February 2022, about 2000 children have been killed or seriously injured, in the conflict between Israel and Gaza, nearly 50,000 have been killed or injured, with a vast number of them being children. How can there be joy in the midst of such death and suffering? In a world so technologically and scientifically advanced, how can world leaders be such warmongers? Given the war and devastation of past conflicts, we would think that the

desire for peace, stability and the good of all humanity would counter such terror and insanity. The reality is the forces of evil are never far from us, that Satan is very much alive and well in our world, and in every society on earth. The forces of darkness are real, and the need for men and women of all faiths to rise up in defense of justice is absolutely critical to the survival of the world we live in.

Each week in our worship services we pray for the world, we pray for the victory of good over evil, and it does make a difference even if it doesn't feel like it. Going out into the world to spread a little bit of kindness and good-will is also important. Handing out a few Halloween treats, at Trunk or Treat, or at our doors on Halloween night, might seem like nothing, but it contributes to the joy of children that receive them. It teaches our own children, that bringing joy to other children is an important life lesson, which will no doubt make them considerate and compassionate adults. As we near the season of Advent and Christmas, seasons of the church

year where we really emphasize the themes of hope, peace, love and joy, may we be reminded of Jesus' hope for the world in which he came to experience for us. May we be reminded of the responsibility we each have to be bearers of hope, peace. joy and love in our own lives as Christians and followers of Christ. We must never stop praying for the world and working to make it a better place for our own generation and generations to come. Maybe the day will come when, in the words of the prophet Isaiah (4:2) they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. It's a lofty ideal, and it's one we are to pray for until it becomes a reality at some time in the future. We say to world leaders who glorify war - for the love of God, and everything good, work for peace because the alternative will destroy everything and everyone.

Rev. Randy

We are in need of help in our sound room on Sunday mornings. At the passing of Val Puglisevich, we are in even greater need of help. This is a job that your teenage children or grandchildren could help out with, and, with lots of help we could use our screens more regularly. It could also be a way that senior high school kids could earn volunteer hours that need for graduation?? If anyone is interested in this please speak to Rev. Randy or one of the church wardens.

The Christus Rex was delivered to us from Church House over the summer. We look forward to having it displayed soon, followed by a visit from our bishop to have it dedicated in memory of the late Canon Felix Honeygold. We will also extend an invitation to former members of St. Michael's parish, the place which the Christus Rex was for many years.



The Christus Rex will be installed in time for a special service on November 24th. On Sunday, November 24th, appropriately on Rein of Christ Sunday, we will have a special service at 7:00 pm to receive the Christus Rex (Latin for Christ the King) from the former St. Michael's Anglican Parish, and display it in our church. An invitation is going out to all former members of St. Michael's to join us for that service, and our bishop will be in attendance as well. Following the worship there will be fellowship and refreshments in the parish hall. We hope you will join us as well. The Christus Rex will be dedicated to the memory of The Rev. Canon Felix Honeygold, a long serving priest of St. Michael's many years ago, and instrumental in designing and procuring the Christus Rex. Canon Honeygold passed away several years ago, but his son Peter will be in attendance, and Peter's wife, Marie will do a reading.

Should I stand, sit or kneel at worship? Our goal is worship and not conformity. Whatever you choose to do is right for you. Some people have mobility issues, and we encourage anyone that is uncomfortable standing to please sit. We are a church family, we look out for one another, so please don't worry about sitting down, even if others are standing.

There is an envelope drop-off box in the foyer just outside the nursery room door. It is placed there to provide a place for parishioners to drop off their church envelopes. Most afternoons, Monday to Friday the church is open for the Ballicatter after-school program. If you come and the parish office is not open, please drop your envelope into the locked box. This box is checked every morning.

Our Food Bank Boxes will continue to be placed in the main entrance of the church, to receive weekly donations. Once the boxes are full, they are taken to the Pop-up Pantry at St. Lawrence's church, where the food is placed in hampers to help those in need. The third Sunday of each month will be known as "Food Bank Sunday in our parish". On that Sunday, there will be a table placed at the front of the church during the morning worship, and your food bank donations will be placed on the table for a blessing. This will help us draw more attention to the needs that are around us, as more and more families struggle with the high cost of living.

Cemetery Maintenance: We remind everyone that there are regulations governing the cemetery, so please check with the rector or vestry if you have questions. 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.

From our Coordinating Chaplain, the Rev. David Pilling: "Our Diocese provides pastoral ministry to hospitals in St.John's. Chaplains provide emotional and spiritual care and support to patients, family, and staff. A chaplain is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and provides the Sacraments of Holy Communion, Reconciliation, Anointing, as well as, prayer, listening and friendly conversation. We are often called upon to pray with a patient just prior to surgery. The power of prayer is real. It is the chaplain's delight to be prayerful support to you. To access a chaplain; please tell the admitting clerk that you wish to receive pastoral care. To have pre surgery prayers, tell the pre surgery nurse that you wish pre surgery prayers, and the Chaplain will be notified and will respond."

Sunday intercessions at St. Philip's are also adapted for St. Augustine's parish. Archdeacon Ed Keeping, though retired, is working part-time in the interim at St. Augustine's parish, where Joyce often leads the prayers. Joyce is still one of the intercessors taking her turn preparing the prayers for our parish, and someone present leads them. Our intercessors list consists of Ruth Hiscock, Joyce Keeping, Gloria Earle, Ada Lockyer, Joan Osmond and Brenda Harding. Each week, when they are scheduled, they prepare the prayers, send them to Rev. Russell for his perusal and suggestions, then they are printed for that Sunday. The prayers are then adapted weekly by Joyce to be used at St. Augustine's parish. Rev. Russell and the group are very pleased to be able to share this ministry with St. Augustine's, and Archdeacon Ed and Joyce are encouraging lay people there to lead them. Here is what Rev. Russell shared with our intercessors -EXCITING NEWS!!! There has been an exciting response to the Intercessions at St. Augustine's. For the first two weeks Joyce led the Prayers, then Rev. Ed got someone for the third Sunday. Rev. Ed is offering a series of Sermons about Christian Stewardship. Last week he spoke about offering Time and Talent, Following his sermon, four people came forward and offered themselves to lead the prayers of the people. That is remarkable! The Spirit is movina! In time, maybe some will be able to even prepare the intercessions. As Joyce said "small steps". It is remarkable about what a spirit of sharing can do. Thank God for this. We join Rev. Russell and our faithful group of intercessors in expressing thanksgiving for this ministry that we are able to share with another parish. It also fits very well with the diocesan program "Set Sail - Charting the course for Christ's church".

Our monthly COFFEE HOUR has resumed on the first Sunday of each month. We welcome parishioners and visitors to join with us in this time of fellowship and refreshments prior to the 10:30 am worship.

Youth group. Rev. Randy and Brenda Harding are also interested in hearing from young people about the possibility of starting a youth group in the parish. We will be reaching out to the young people that have been confirmed in the past couple of years with the hope of engaging some of them.

Sunday School has resumed again. We want to encourage parents with young children to please register them for Sunday School, even if they can't be present every Sunday. This is a continuation of the promises of baptism, as we fulfil our promise to bring the children to church, so they may grow in God's grace. Please speak to Stephanie Smith or Lori Gosse, or Rev. Randy, about registering your child for Sunday School. We also want to start thinking about involving the children in preparation for the Christmas Eve pageant at 4:00 pm.

ACW 2025 Church Calendars are available. If you would like to purchase a calendar, please speak to Rev. Randy and he will get one for you. The cost of the calendar is \$7.00 which is the actual cost to the church, it is not a fundraiser. Again, this year the calendar contains many beautiful pictures of the church across Canada. The cover photo is of The Northern Lights in Battle Harbour, with the church in the background.

NOTICES / MEMORABLE DATES

November 3rd prior to the 10:30 am worship service. This month's event is sponsored by Donna and Janice Spurrell, and we thank them very much for hosting. All are welcome and you are invited to bring along guests as well. We work at trying to make our parish friendly and inviting for others.

<u>Nov. 6</u> – ACW Sub-sandwich sale – orders to be picked up at the Parish Centre by 11: 45 am.

<u>Nov. 9</u> – Parish Dessert Party, hosted by Carol Bartlett.

Nov. 13 – ACW meeting at 7:30 pm.

<u>Dec. 17</u> - The annual Christmas Tree of Remembrance be held on Tuesday, December 17th at 7:00 pm. Those who would like to have the tree lit in memory of loved ones please take a form and fill it in, and with your donation place it in the collection plate no later than Sunday, December 15th.

For young people wanting to be Confirmed in 2025 they must let Rev. Randy know by Sunday, November 24th. The date for the Confirmation service has not yet been finalized but will likely be in the Spring, quite possibly in May month.

Thank you to our honorary clergy who are leading the worship services on Sunday, November 3rd, while Rev. Randy is away for a family funeral on the west coast. We are very blessed with the clergy we have in our parish.

A call to all the children of our parish. We are now looking for participants for our Christmas Eve children's pageant, as part of our family service. We recognize that many children are involved in other things on Sunday mornings, so we will find suitable times to hold the rehearsals. For those children that are available on Sunday mornings we would love to see them in Sunday School. The important thing now is to register for the pageant by contacting our Sunday School teachers, Stephanie Smith: steve-steph@hotmail.com Lori Gosse: lorigosse@cahill.ca or you may speak to Rev. Randy. We would really love to have more children involved in our Sunday School on a regular basis as well. It is every Sunday morning during the 10:30 am worship.

Rev. Randy wishes to thank the congregation for their card and gift presented to him on Sunday, October 27th, in recognition of *Pastor Recognition Month* (October). Your thought and generosity is very much appreciated.

We are once more selling columbarium niches. Once we had reached the number 48 we ceased selling them until new ones were ordered. The order has been placed and we expect two new units (48 more niches) to arrive later this Fall. The cost has increased considerably since 2016, therefore, Vestry made the decision to increase the purchase price of each niche to \$4000 Anyone interested in buying one should speak to Rev. Randy.

Parish Recycling program is something we are very proud of in our parish. This is a project taken on by our men's group (ACM) many years ago and still going strong. Residents of the town drop off their bottles and cans at several designated sites, our men pick it up and take it to the recycling trailer, where it gets sorted, counted and bagged every Monday night. Once we have enough, it's placed on a trailer and taken to the recycling depot in St. John's. In addition to keeping a lot of stuff out of the landfill, it brings much needed money into our parish budget. There is a need for extra volunteers that can spare about two hours on a Monday night (7-9 pm) to come along and help out. If you can do this, please speak to our ACM president Gary King at 709-895-6239.

There are several ways that parishioners can give on a regular basis. We have the forms in the parish office for those interested in giving electronically, where you have the option of having your offering come directly from your bank every two weeks or once per month. One can also give through Email by the church Transfer. using stphilipsanglicanchurch@nf.aibn.com You can include a message in the box to tell our parish treasurer the details of your offering, and she gets notified automatically, and the amount is added to your annual church receipt. There is also a drop-off box in the foyer, next to the nursery room door, where you can drop your envelope into whenever the door is open, or it can be dropped into the parish office. Thank you for everything you do to keep our parish healthy.

A reminder to all those with keys to the building to please ensure windows are closed and locked, lights are turned off, and the door is locked whenever you leave the building.

November 3rd

(All Saints Day - Nov. 1)

Scriptural Sentence

"I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever lives and believes in me shall never die."

1st Reading

Wisdom of Solomon 3: 1-9 Psalm: 24 / Page: 732 (Canon Don Morgan)

2nd Reading

Revelation 21: 1-6a (Canon Shirley Gosse)

Gospel

John 11: 32-44 (Deacon Bonnell)

Collects & Prayers

<u>Collect</u> – Father of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer. Grant them your peace, let light perpetual shine upon them, and in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will; 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> – Gracious and righteous Lord, we are united in the love of Jesus Christ. Accept all we offer you this day, and bring us, with all your faithful people who have gone before us, into his eternal glory; who is Lord, now and for ever. Amen.

<u>Prayer after Communion</u> — God of love, may the death and resurrection of Christ, which we celebrate in this eucharist, bring us, with the faithful departed, into the peace of your eternal home. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our hope and our salvation. Amen.

November 10th

Scriptural Sentence
"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is
the kingdom of heaven."

1st Reading

Book of Ruth 3: 1-5 and 4: 3-7 Psalm: 127 / Page: 886 (Harvey Hiscock)

2nd Reading

Hebrews 9: 24-28 (Ruth Hiscock)

Gospel

Mark 2: 28-44 (Deacon Bonnell)

Collects & Prayers

<u>Collect</u> – Eternal God, who caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning, grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

<u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Gracious God, your word to us is food indeed. Receive all we offer you this day, and let your loving-kindness be our comfort, for the sake of Jesus Christ, your living word. Amen.

<u>Prayer after Communion</u> – Living God, in the eucharist you fill us with new hope. May the power of your love, which we have known in word and sacrament, continue your saving work among us, and bring us to the joy you promise. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

November 17th

Scriptural Sentence
"Watch at all times, praying that you
may stand before the Son of man."

1st Reading

1st Samuel 1: 4-20 (in lieu of psalm read as Canticle) 1st Samuel 2: 1-10 (Brenda Harding)

2nd Reading

Hebrews 10: 11-14, 19-25 (Gary King)

Gospel

Mark 13: 1-8 (Deacon Bonnell)

Collects & Prayers

<u>Collect</u> — Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

<u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Holy God, in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant. Help us, through our offering this day, to renounce all things that draw us from your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

<u>Prayer after Communion</u> — Gracious God, in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of Christ. May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his light, and share in his eternal priesthood; for he is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

November 24th

(Reign of Christ)

Scriptural Sentence
"Blessed is he who comes in the name of
the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our
father David that is coming!"

1st Reading

2nd Samuel 23: 1-7 Psalm 132: 1-13 / Page: 889 (Rev. Russell Osmond)

(Canon Reuben Hatcher – 7:00 pm)

2nd Reading

Revelation 1: 4b-8
(Gary King)
(Marie Honeygold - 7:00 pm)
Gospel

John 18: 33-37

Deacon Bonnell

Collects & Prayers

<u>Collect</u> – Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King, grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

<u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Eternal God, your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this day and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

<u>Prayer after Communion</u> —Almighty God, you have made us a royal priesthood in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Make known his victory through us, we pray, that all the world may see his light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

THE BULLETIN FOR THE Month of November IS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Leila Tulk (Nov. 29, 1957 – Feb. 7, 2019)

Lovingly remembered by Tom, Renée, Jerred & Alexis



Margaret (Molloy) Mercer (1905 – Nov. 22, 1997)

Never to be forgotten Given by Daughter – Rose

Howard Tucker (1926 – Nov. 4, 2001)

Never to be forgotten
Given by Special Friend - Rose



Gertie & Llewellyn Dyke, Char Feltham Susie & Sam Brown Norman Brown Patsy Brown Elsie Parrell, Leo, Walt & Louise & Family

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