

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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October 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. <i>Message from the Rector:</i> From the Rector's desk: As I write these few words, Ada and I are just a day back from our vacation cruise to a few ports in Greece and Italy, a spectacular trip for sure, and a blessing to see other parts of the world, and to experience different cultures. When the end of the trip arrives there is also an excitement to return home, to get back to what is familiar, and to family. As beautiful as other places might be, there is still no place like home, and we are truly blessed to live where we are living and to be surrounded with the people we know and care about deeply. As we think about our blessings, we are now into the time of year when we pause to give thanks for everything that is good in our lives, and to reflect on what God has done for us in the past year. Thanksgiving Day (Oct. 12th) is a day when we pause everything to celebrate what is truly important to us, family, sustenance, and faith, to name a few. Of course, we know that to be truly thankful to God, every day of our lives must be a day of thanksgiving, for the very breath we take is a blessing from God. Everything we have, whether it be material possessions, comfortable living, good health, is a gift from God. In some cases, we may not be as healthy as we once were, but we give thanks that we have the people in our lives that care for us, and help make life easier for us. Paul wrote the Thessalonians, <i>"Give thanks in all circumstances"</i> Most read that verse and think it rather nice, so we slap a sloppy coat of thanksgiving on life and go about our day, when, in reality, many are thankful for very little. We live in a world consumed with greed. The very rich trample the poor in order to get even richer. A billion dollars is no longer enough, they need two billion, then three billion, and their insatiable appetite for riches is never satisfied. On many occasions in the Psalms, David complained about his circumstances 42, 57, 62). But more often than not, about midway through David's	Laments, he begins praising God for who God is and thanking God for what God has done. And you know what happens? All of a sudden David starts feeling better! Life isn't so bad after all! His problems grow smaller as his perspective of God grows larger, and he begins to see God's glory shining through the situation. Why is that? In the writing of one little Psalm (42), David shifted from depression to rejoicing. He didn't wait until God changed his situation, solved his problem, or made him feel better before he began thanking Him. when we stop complaining and grumbling and begin speaking God's love language of gratitude, our perspective will change as well. We will begin seeing moments of sudden glory through the lens of praise and thanksgiving—glory moments that were there all along, but hidden from the grumbling eye. Psalm 100 is perhaps one of the most familiar ones to us, it is a call to worship: <i>"Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands, serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song"</i>. "Make a joyful noise" is an invitation to exuberant, vocal adoration. Such praise should not be treated as a forced obligation, as if we've swallowed something distinctly unpalatable. Instead, it should be a response to God's activity in our lives, which leads us, to borrow a phrase from C.S. Lewis, to be "surprised by joy." The opportunity for worship lifts the spirits of the genuine believer—and nobody is left out of the exhortation. God has made "all the earth" for the praise of God's glorious grace. When it all boils down, God is the creator, and we are part of the creation that brings glory to God, and life is never so bad that we can't find something to thank God for. So, in this time of thanksgiving, what are we thankful for? Make a list and we will be surprised by what God has done, and is continuing to do for us. Part of that genuine thanksgiving is returning to his court (the church) to offer our praise. We do it each time we gather to celebrate the Eucharist. Blessings! <i>Rev. Randy</i>	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. 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: Rev. Fred Marshall - fredjmarshall@gmail.com – Ph: 709-727-4346 Rev. Amanda Taylor - rectorstmarksnl@gmail.com Rev. Gail MacDonald – reverendgail@nl.rogers.com - Ph: 709-730-9290 Mary Lou Vokey - mlvokey@hotmail.com – Ph: 709-368-6975	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. 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.
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NOTICES

October 11 – Confirmation signup deadline for 2027.

October 14 – ACW Sub-Sandwich Sale

October 18 – Queen’s College Annual Appeal

October 20 - Vestry meeting - 7:00 pm in the boardroom.

October 27 – ACW Card game – 7:30 pm

Monthly Coffee Hour - Would someone like to sponsor the October, November or December Coffee hours? If so, please let Lisa Lake or Rev. Randy know about it.

THANK YOU! to Rev. Russell, Canon Shirley & Deacon Bonnell for looking after the worship services during the two Sundays Rev. Randy was away.

CONGRATULATIONS! to Rev. Randy on the 34th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on October 19.

CONGRATULATIONS! to Rev. Russell on the 35th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on October 28.

It’s that time of year when we turn our attention to cleaning up the cemetery ahead of the winter months. Things get blown around the cemetery, so we ask those who may have placed items on the graves which they wish to retrieve for future use, to please get them before too long. This will be very helpful come spring.

Happy thanksgiving to everyone from your church family. We are grateful to God for every opportunity afforded to us to come together as the people of God in this place of worship and fellowship.

ACW Sub Sandwich sale will take place on Wednesday, October 14th. If you would like to order sandwiches, please speak to one of the ladies, and they will be pleased to add you to the list.

Queen’s College annual appeal will take place throughout our diocese on Sunday, October 18th. We ask for your financial support of the college, to ensure that it remains a viable institution for many years to come. This year marks 185 years of the founding of Queen’s College, founded in 1841 by the Rt. Rev. Aubrey George Spencer (first bishop Bishop), and established as *The Theological Institute*, and reestablished in 1847 by his successor, the Rt. Rev. Edward Field (Bishop) and renamed *Queen’s College*, in honor of Queen Victoria, and his alma mater, The Queen’s College, Oxford. It was primarily established as a place to train men for ordained ministry, but in more recent decades, has evolved to train both men and women for ordained ministry, as well as lay people to better equip them for lay ministry in their own parishes. Rev. Randy chairs the Queen’s College Corporation and Debbie Collis, our treasurer here at St. Philip’s is also the treasurer for Queen’s College. Envelopes will be placed in the bulletins on Thanksgiving Sunday (Oct. 11) please consider using them to make your contribution to the work of the college on October 18th.

Items for the church bulletin should be submitted by the 15th of the previous month. We print the bulletin on a monthly schedule so if you want to put in a memorial, donate the bulletin, flowers, etc. or any other notes, please get it in early. For example, if you have something to go in the bulletin for October, you should submit it by September 15th. By being mindful of this we can ensure everything gets included.

We are receiving names for anyone wanting to be Confirmed in 2027. The deadline to signup for Confirmation classes will be October 11th. If we do not have adequate numbers to begin, we will try again for 2028.

Sunday School volunteers needed. This year we would really like to get our Sunday School going again, but to do so we need a few volunteers to help. If you would like to offer yourself to help with this important ministry, please speak to Rev. Randy.

Christmas Tree of Remembrance this year will be held on Tuesday, December 15th at 7:00 pm. Forms for this annual event can be found in the large rack in the main entrance.

Christmas Eve Children’s Pageant. Though it is early, we would like to know if there are children interested in being part of the Christmas Eve 4:00 pm pageant. We would love to have our Sunday School up and running as well, which would make it easier to involve the children, however, that has not happened yet. If you have a child or grandchild, you would like to see in the program on Christmas Eve, please let Rev. Randy know.

The 2027 church calendars are available from the parish office. We have a limited number, so if you are interested in purchasing one, they cost \$8 each.

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

Ronald Mercer
Sept. 25, 1926 – Oct. 3, 1990
“Always Remembered”
Given by
Linda, Dennis and Denise



Gladys Morris
Oct. 31, 1948 – Oct. 7, 2023
“Always in our Hearts”
Given by
Wesley and Family



The Ven. John T. Sharpe
Given by
The Family

<u>October 11th</u> 20th Sunday After Pentecost / Harvest Thanksgiving Scriptural Sentence <i>“Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Deuteronomy 8 : 7-18 Psalm 65 / Pages : 785-786 <i>(Jennifer Cross)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> 2nd Corinthians 9: 6-15 <i>(Brenda Harding)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Luke 17: 11-19 <i>(Deacon Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> - Creator of the fruitful earth, you made us stewards of all things. Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness, and steadfast wills to use your bounty well, that the whole human family, today and in generations to come, may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Source of all life, the heaven and earth are yours, yet you have given us dominion over all things. Receive the symbols of our labour and love which we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – God of our hope, in this eucharist we find the source of all your blessings. Nourished in these holy mysteries may we, with our lives, give you continual thanks and praise. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen	<u>October 18th</u> 21st Sunday After Pentecost / St. Luke Scriptural Sentence <i>“How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of those who bring good tidings, who publish salvation.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> 2nd Timothy 4: 5-13 Psalm 147: 1-7 / Pages : 906-907 <i>(Debbie Collis)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> no appointed reading <i>(n/a)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Luke 4: 14-21 <i>(Deacon Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, who inspired Luke the physician to proclaim the love and healing power of your Son, give your Church, by the grace of the Spirit and the medicine of the gospel, the same love and power to heal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you an the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – God of compassion, you are a strong tower for all who trust in you. Be now and evermore our defence, that we may proclaim the only name under heaven given for health and salvation, the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – Living God, may we who have shared in these holy mysteries enjoy health of body and mind, and witness faithfully to your gospel, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen	<u>October 25th</u> 22nd Sunday After Pentecost Scriptural Sentence <i>“If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Deuteronomy 34 : 1-12 Psalm 90 : 1-6, 13-17 / Pages : 826-828 <i>(Lori Gosse)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8 <i>(Reegan Gosse)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Matthew 22: 34-46 <i>(Deacon Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> - Lord God our redeemer, who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery, free us from the tyranny of sin and death, and by the leading of your Spirit bring us to our promised land; 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> – God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen	<u>November 1st</u> All Saints Day Scriptural Sentence <i>“They are before the throne of God, and he who sits upon the throne will shelter them with his presence.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Revelation 7 : 9-17 Psalm 34 : 1-10, 22 / Pages : 744-746 <i>(Rev. Russell Osmond)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> 1st John 3: 1-3 <i>(Joan Osmond)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Matthew 5: 1-12 <i>(Deacon Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> - Almighty God, whose people are knit together in on holy Church, the mystical Body of your Son, grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son 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> – Holy and mighty God, we give you thanks for the triumph of Christ in the lives of all his saints. Receive all we offer you this day, and help us, like them, to run our course with faith, that we may come to your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen <u>Prayer after Communion</u> – Lord of hosts, we praise your glory reflected in your saints. May we who share at this table be filled with the joy of your eternal kingdom, where Jesus is Lord, now and for ever. Amen
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