

Warden on Duty for December

Gerry Fagan

Christmas Eve

Saturday, December 24th

3:00 pm - Birthday Party for Baby Jesus

7:00 pm - Holy Eucharist

11:00 pm - Holy Eucharist

Sidespersons, December 24th

3:00 pm - Team #5, Alf Newhook

7:00 pm - Team #1, Gerry Fagan

11:00 pm - Team #2, Dave Butler

Eucharistic Assistants, December 24th

3:00 pm - Nancy Ann, Gerry, Isabelle, Shirley,
Madonna R

7:00 pm - Betty, Barb C, Alvin, Amanda,
Madonna L

11:00 pm - Barb P, Clarence, Bertha, Sherry

Greeters December 24th

3:00 pm - Enid Haines, George Evans

7:00 pm - Jocelyn & Dave Fagan

11:00 pm - Madonna Rideout, Betty Rideout

Readers December 24th

7:00 pm - Cheryl Doyle
Abby French
Isabelle Critchell

11:00 pm - Annie Bussey
Gerry Fagan
Elva Rideout

Servers December 24th

7:00 pm - Tiffany Nofle, Karen Patten

11:00 pm - Kevin Patten, Cole Watkins

December 27, 2011

2:30 p.m. Lodge Service

December 28, 2011

7:00 p.m. Carols and Lessons with Holy Eucharist
and Holy Baptism

January 1, 2012

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Sidespersons, December 28, 2011

7:00 p.m - Team # 3, Les Haines

Eucharistic Assistants, December 28, 2011

Shirley Batten, Gerry Fagan, Barb Tilley

Greeters, December 28, 2011

Frances Dawe & Dalilah Baird

Readers, December 28, 2011

Marilyn Collins, Judy Jefford, Shirley Batten

Sidespersons, January 1, 2012

Team #4, Percy Greenslade

Eucharistic Assistants, January 1, 2012

Barbara T., Gloria, Nancy Ann, Gerry

Greeters, January 1, 2012

Christina Butler

Readers, January 1, 2012

Georgina Smith, Grace Woodland, Clarence
Fagan

Servers, January 1, 2012

Zachary Breaker, Emily Rideout



THE CANDLE

December 18, 2011

Mission Statement - The purpose of All Saints is to be a family of worshipping Christians dedicated to Christian Education, Spiritual Growth, Pastoral Care, Outreach and Fellowship.

Over the past few weeks, we have placed sign-up sheets at the back of the church for those of you who are interested in participating in worship as a reader, sidesperson, greeter, liturgical planner. Thank you for your interest. The new schedule will be out in January and your names will be attached at that time. It is never too late to sign up - simply call the office to have your name added to these or any of our ministry teams.

The time has come to prepare for a New year, we will be looking for individuals to serve on our Vestry. Please give this prayerful consideration; you may be the person we need to serve in the administration area of our parish

Envelope Offerings for 2011

Our books will be closing on December 31, 2011. To receive a tax receipt for your contributions to the church for 2011, you must have your contribution into the parish office no later than December 31st. Note that our office is closing at 4:00 p.m. on December 30th, but the drop off box is available for your convenience. Envelopes received at our 10:00 a.m. service on January 1, 2012 will be credited to 2012.

Preparation for Confirmation: A Two-Year Process

Confirmation isn't a requirement - it is a choice. As a parish our goal is to provide our candidates with the foundational teachings they will need to confirm their faith at their Confirmation.

We currently have twelve candidates going through Step One: Faith Cafe, they will move to Step Two: in Sept and will be confirmed in Jan 2013.

Our forty-eight candidates completing Step two will be confirmed in January 2012.

ONLY THOSE WHO HAVE COMPLETED STEP ONE (FAITH CAFÉ) WILL ENTER STEP TWO IN SEPTEMBER AND BE CONFIRMED IN JANUARY 2013. New candidates entering the process in Sept, 2012 will begin with Step 1: Faith Café and they must be a minimum of 11 years of age by December 31st, 2012.

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www.afp.or - Anglican Fellowship of Prayer

www.sojo.net - Sojourners on justice and social issues

www.cursilo.com - The Cursillo movement

www.guideposts.com - Daily readings and others

www.taize.fr - Ecumenical monastic community

www.modernchurchunion.org - Modern Church people's Union

Envelopes for 2012 are available at the back of the church. **Please disregard any old boxes you have at home.**

Home Visit Carolling - On December 19th carollers will be visiting the sick and shut in. If you know anyone who would like to be visited by carollers or if you or anyone you know would like to come along and sing carols, please contact Helen at 834-3325 or call the parish office. **Please note, those who are going carolling, meet at the Parish Hall by 6:15 p.m.**

Office hours for December

Monday through Friday:

9am –12noon and 2pm –4pm

Office will be closed on December 26th and 27th as well as January 2nd

God's Story Your Story: When His Becomes Yours. Six Week Church Experience: Mark your calendars and plan on joining us at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall on January 8th, February 12th, March 11th, April 15th, May 13th and June 10th. Together we will look at how our life story is part of a grand, overarching narrative. Our church's journey of faith will come alive as we explore the divine story and discover God's divine plan for us.

Give yourself the gift of hope during the Christmas season. Overeaters Anonymous (OA) is a fellowship of women and men who struggle with eating habits that cause them great unhappiness and sometimes ill health. If you or someone you care about wants to stop eating compulsively, call OA at 738-1742, email infor.oa.nl or visit ww.oa.org

Mark your Calendar for 7pm on December 18th.

The Advent season is a time of preparation and anticipation as we ready our hearts and homes for Jesus who comes with joy, hope, peace and love. On December 18th we will gather as a community of faith to support those who will have a difficult time finding the gifts of the Christ child because of loss: the loss of independence, income, or loved ones. They may be feeling alone and lost themselves. Please prepare to join us for an evening of remembrance and thanksgiving as candles are lit, songs are sung and the gospel message is proclaimed.

Hold on my child, joy comes in the morning.

Memorials

Memorials have been given to All Saints Parish Renovation Fund in Loving Memory of

- ◆ **Mona Caines** by Clayton & Doris Halfyard, Barb & Robert Tilley, Barb & David Butler, Kathleen, Edward & Grace Woodland
- ◆ **Judy Newhook** by Clayton & Doris Halfyard
- ◆ **Calvin Taylor** (remembering his death December 15th) by Reg & Betty Taylor
- ◆ **Calvin Taylor** (remembering his death December 15th) by Mom & Dad
- ◆ **Ernest Hodder** (remembering his death December 17th) by Harvey & Colleen Batten
- ◆ **Elsie Cluney** (remembering her death December 17th) by Mary, Herb & Family
- ◆ **Lydia Fowler** by Crystal Chapter #56, Foxtrap

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- ◆ **Maxine Fowler** (remembering her death December 12th) by Calvin, Violet & Family
- ◆ **Beatrice Weir & Chesley Tilley Sr.** by Robert, Barb & Family
- ◆ **Nancy Rideout** (remembering her birthday, December 18th) by Vic & Doris

Thank-you Offering is given to All Saints Parish Renovation Fund by William Cable celebrating his 80th Birthday, December 13th.

Thank you Offering has been received from Admirals' Coast Retirement Centre in appreciation for all the kindness shown to their residents throughout this year.

PRAYER

Jesus said in Matthew 6:8: "Your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask him". So, you might ask, why pray?

Jesus goes on to say that God's knowledge of and concern for His children is the reason that God already knows what we want. Remember though, that God does not impose His will upon us unless WE invite Him to do so. This is referred to as 'free will'. If we choose not to involve God into our plans, He will not force Himself upon us. It is only when we invite God into our plans that He enters into a relationship with us. This relationship is verbalized by *PRAYER*.

Praying does not have to be long-winded. Something as simple as 'please help' directed in God's direction is often sufficient enough.

Bill Crowder, a writer for Our Daily Bread, tells us that 'even though God knows our needs, He still wants us to share our hearts with Him. He stands ready to hear our prayers and to repair our brokenness by His **grace**'. How awesome is that!! **GOD CAN REPAIR OUR BROKENNESS!**

One of my favourite prayers is "Jesus Christ, son of the living God, have mercy on me a sinner."

Please, during this Advent season, invite God into your plans.