

**Warden on Duty for December.**

Gerry Fagan

**Sunday, December 9th.**

8:30am– Holy Eucharist  
10am - Holy Eucharist  
7pm– Evening Prayer

**Sidespersons, December 9th.**

Team #1 Gerry

**Eucharistic Assistants,**

**December 9th.**

8:30am– Betty  
10am– Gloria, Barb C., Bertha and Enid

**Greeters, December 9th.**

10am– Calvin and Violet Butler  
7pm– Jocelyn and Dave Fagan

**Readers, December 9th.**

Baptismal Families

**Servers, December 9th.**

Christina McCarthy, Kyle Fagan and Carissa Haines

**Counting Team, December 9th.**

Team #3 Clarence Fagan

**Vestry Meeting:**

Just a friendly reminder that the Vestry meeting that was suppose to take place on Tuesday November 27th at 7:30pm will now take place on Tuesday December 4th at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall. Sorry for any inconvenience that this may have caused.

**Schedule for Services of Holy**

**Baptism:** Dec 9th

**Our next baptism Preparation Class**  
has been scheduled for 7pm on Dec 3rd

**Choir Practice**

Thursday, December 6th at 6:30pm

**ACW Christmas dinner and closing on December 5th in the Parish Hall at 8pm. Breakfast with Santa on December 8th starting at 8:30am and ending at 12 noon in the Parish Hall.**

**Attention Parish Hall Users**

All Saints is a beehive of activity: so many events with so many groups. What a blessing!! As you know we are in the midst of a major renovation project, but what we don't think about is the fact that because of renovations extra time is required every week to prepare our space for regular worship, weddings, and funerals etc. Our caretaker works thirty hours per week: not enough time to do everything for everyone. Let's respect our space and one another by doing our part.

# THE CANDLE

December 2nd, 2012

**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.

**CARETAKER**

Please note that Mr. Clayton Arnott has resigned from his position as Caretaker effective immediately. We sincerely thank him for all he has done and wish him well in his future endeavors. With a busy season in front of us, it was imperative that we find a replacement as soon as possible. We are very grateful to welcome Mr. Cyril Hamilton as our new Caretaker. He will begin work with us on Monday morning. Please do all you can to help him during this transition period.

**CEMETERY**

Please note that the cemetery committee has closed and locked the main gates to Dunn's Hill Road Cemetery because cars are parking in the cemetery for purposes other than visiting the grave sites of loved ones and we have had the unfortunate experience of having to repair damage done to graves/markers by vehicles driving to near or over the graves. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and invite you to enter through the small gate which remains open.

**SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT DURING ADVENT**

The season of advent is a gift and like any gift it isn't useful unless you open it!! Scripture reminds us that we need to be still and know. Take a few minutes every morning to sit with God, who said "ask and you shall receive, seek and you will find, knock and it shall be opened to you". Speak to him. One pattern that is helpful when praying is the vision of the cross. As you focus on the top simply tell God how much you love him, then move to the left transept and confess your sins, turn to the right transept and give thanks, move to the center of the cross and pray for others, and finally move to the foot of the cross where you lay down your own needs before Jesus.

Don't forget to study...St Paul said, "have this mind in you which is in Christ Jesus". Get to know Jesus in the Gospel narratives and finally as you move from your quiet space to begin your day, remember to rejoice and be glad because God walks with you.

**CHRISTMAS CAROLING**

Anyone having interest in being visited for Christmas Caroling on December 17th starting at 6:30pm, please call the Parish Hall Office at 834-4501.

For anyone who is interested in becoming a Christmas Caroller for the night of December 17th please call the Parish Hall Office at 834-4501.

## ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH

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## Advent Reflection

Advent is a time to prepare our lives - hearts, minds and spirits - for the coming of the Christ child. We sweep out the corners of our hearts, cleaning up the clutter, to make space for God's hope, peace, joy, love and presence. You are invited to join us at 9:30 on Dec 5th and Dec 12th for a guided reflection on uncluttering our lives for Jesus.

## PRAYER

Prayer is one of the most powerful blessings we continue to receive from God. Prayer provides us with a direct line of communication with God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Jesus gave us the words to the "Our Father" prayer and he instructs us to pray often. More importantly, we are to pray expecting to be heard by the Father and our prayers will be answered—maybe not in the manner we expect, but God does answer prayer.

As Christians, we should live our lives continuously in prayer and with great faith. We should pray with the belief that God hears our prayers and that God will respond. God hears our prayers and like a loving Father, God wants to provide for our well-being. Living in today's world seems to be more challenging than ever before. As Christians, we need to seek guidance to keep us from falling under the rule of the evil one. Pray in the morning, pray at noon, pray in the evening and pray at night. Prayer has the power to bring peace to the troubled soul!

Whether, we are new Christians or if we have been Christians all our lives, we can support our parish life by offering our prayers to God on behalf of all. More so, those of us who are retired and have extra minutes to spare, we can fill some of those minutes by supporting others with our prayers.

Bishop Cy Pittman has asked that we pray for him and for all clergy. Pray for their guidance and wisdom. Pray for their strength and their unity. Pray that more your people will take an active interest in the Church.

It is written in James 5 verses 13-16...is anyone of you in trouble? He should pray. Is anyone happy? Let him sing songs of praise. Is anyone of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up. If he has sinned, he will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective...so says James.

Please use your time wisely. Please pray for yourselves, your families, your neighbors, your community, your loved ones passed from this life. Pray for all Christian people and even those who are not, they need our prayers more than ever. Pray that God will establish his WILL on earth, as it is in Heaven! Amen.

My House shall be called a house of prayer...Matthew 21:13

**Our Annual Blue Christmas Service** is set this year for 7pm on December 16th. We recognize that Christmas is a difficult time for those struggling with the loss of a loved one, loss of health, loss of income or the loss of life as you once knew it. We welcome you to this service and pray that the light of Christ will shine brightly upon you this Christmas season.

## Memorials

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

- **Les Petten, Robert Haines and Matilda Jefford** by Carl Nancy Dawe
- Husband **Ronald**, Son **Ronnie**, and Parents **Mary Ann and John** by Florence Rideout
- Parents **Mary Ann and John**, Siblings **Suzannah, Hattie, James, Stewart and Francis** by Bertha Rideout
- **Edward and Phyllis Bussey** remembering their Anniversary November 29th by Elizabeth, Jim, Jim Jr. and Justin Tilley
- **Ralph and Dorothy Wheeler** remembering their birthdays November 15th and December 2nd by Bill, Rita, Kristen and Mitchell Haynes
- **Samuel Peach, Jennifer and Jayden Cairns and Arthur and Maud Watton** by Helen and Cyril Watton

*Memorials have been given to All Saints Parish Stained Glass Restoration Fund in Loving Memory of*

- **Susan Batten** remembering her birthday November 15th by Fred and Ella Batten
- **Emily Bussey** remembering her birthday December 5th by Fred and Ella Batten
- **Emily Bussey** remembering her birthday December 5th by Amy Dodge and family
- **Abram W. Batten** remembering his birthday December 4th by Amy Dodge and family

*Memorials have been given to All Saints Parish Light Fixtures Fund in loving Memory of*

- Parents and Grand Parents **William G. and Emily Porter, Thomas and Susan Batten** by Edward and Ada Porter, Lorraine, Earl, Jeff, Greg and their families
- Sister **Mary Batten** and brothers **Chesley and Abraham W. Batten** by Ada Porter and family
- Our Daughter **Judy** by Mom and Dad Robert and Minnie Gullage
- **Gerald Barrett** remembering his death November 30th, 2007 by wife Dot, Son Ryan, Daughter Kimberly and family

*A Thank Offering has been given to the All Saints Parish Renovation Fund for*

- **Lillian Jefford** in honor of her 80th birthday on November 28th by Ruby Jefford
- **Lillian Jefford** in honor of her 80th birthday on November 28th by Bill, Rita, Kristen and Mitchell Haynes
- **Lillian Jefford** in honor of her 80th birthday on November 28th by Jean Mercer

*A Thank Offering has been given to the All Saints Parish Light Fixtures for*

- **Phoebe Smith** in honor of her birthday on December 6th

*A Thank Offering has been given to the All Saints Parish Stained Glass Restoration Fund for*

- **Rachel Fagan** in honor of her 90th birthday on November 4th by Mervyl and Lillian Taylor
- **Mervyl and Lillian Taylor** in honor of their 50th wedding Anniversary