Memoriams / Thank Offerings

Memorials - Renovation Fund

- John J. Dawe (remembering his death, December 6th) by: wife, Frances
- Lena Dawe & Florence Petten from: Mary & Herbert Butler
- Tina Pennell-Roberts (remembering her death, December 18, 2010) by: Parents-Una & Herb Pennell, Son-Nicholas, Daughter-Alexzandra & Amelia, Sister-Tracy, Nephew & Niece - Zachary & Mackenzie Brenton.

Memorial - Cemetery Fund

- Monchy Morgan (remembering her birthday December 23rd) by: Sherry & Christopher
- Marie Petten (remembering her death February 12, 2013) by: Spencer Petten

A Veil, Burse, & 5 Brass Candle Rings has been given in loving memory of Violet Butler (remembering her birthday on December 14th) by: Calvin, Paul, Cathy, Ryder, Jayden, Sophie & Scott & Family.

Thank Offering –Food Bank

In celebration of William Cable's 85th birthday, December 13, 1931.

Worship Schedule for the Week of December 24-December 31

Christmas Eve Services:

Children's Service - 3pm Eucharistic Assistant: Barb P., Gerry F., Lilly P., Sherry M., Charles T. Family Service – 7pm Eucharistic Assistant: Bertha R., Barb T., Bill H., Calvin T., Madonna L. Midnight Service - 11pm Eucharistic Assistant: Graham G., Enid H. **Christmas Day Service:** 10:00 am

Liturgical Planner: Enid Warden: Aura Farrell Servers: Carissa H. & Mitchell T.

Prayers of the People: Cheryl D. @3pm, Wendy T. @ 7pm, Enid H. @ 11pm

Sides Persons: Team 4 Counting Team: Team 3

Greeters: 3pm- Dana B. & Christina B, 7pm - Wendy & Christina Pilling 11pm- Herb & Mary Butler.

Sound Technician: 3pm-Bill Penney, 7pm- Percy G., 11pm - Sandra T.

Choir Practice: Thursday evenings @ 7pm

Parish Contact Information

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Administration Office Hours **Clergy Office Hours** Monday - Friday, 08:30am - 3:00pm Monday - Thursday, 08:30am - 1:00pm

Lunch Closure 12:30pm-1:00pm

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Clergy on Call: Rev. Sam Butler

All Saints Candle

Sunday, December 18, 2016

Shining a Light on What's Happening in Our Parish

Our Candle has been to the Glory of God and in loving memory of: Nancy Rideout (remembering her birthday, December 18th), Joan Rideout (remembering her birthday December 23rd), & Isabelle Denny (remembering her birthday December 27th) by: Doris O'Brien

Rector's Remarks

I am having the pleasure of visiting a number of our parishioners who are now no longer able to join us in regular worship. I am in the midst of doing Christmas Communions. Those of whom I am visiting may be shut-in, but I can assure you they know what is happening at All Saints. It is always a delight to pass on some of the good news I see happening here. During my visit, I also get to hear which members of our parish have also being visiting. It is always such an honour to be with members of our parish who so much want to remain connected to their Church and who treasure sharing in the sacrament of Communion.

As you may expect at this time of the year, many of the homes I go into have some sort of Christmas decorations up. Now, almost always, my visit will be a chance to get to know each other, with us talking about all sorts of things, until it is time to start our service of Communion. When conducting a service, I almost always preach, but in these home services, the sermon is really a conversation, based somewhat on the Gospel reading. This past week, during my sermon. I asked about the decorations on the tree and/or that are around the house. Almost everyone has a story of where certain decorations came from; some are ancient, others have been passed down while still others were made or given by a family member. It is in this conversation within a sermon that I hear the joy and clearly see the expressions of faith, as person after person points to something on their tree that reminds them of the birth of Jesus Christ. Perhaps it is an angel or a star or a shepherd or a nativity scene, but all have something in their home pointing towards Christ being in Christmas.

In my own home I have precious ornaments that have great meaning to me. Perhaps one of the more precious ones is a nativity set that my mother in law made for Wendy and I just after we were married. It has always occupies a place of honour in our home. Since that first Christmas after our marriage, we have collected other nativity sets, each with its own story - and the story, like that first Christmas Star, points to the central place Christ has within our celebration of Christmas.

This week, perhaps as you finish decorating your home, perhaps as you finish some last minute shopping or are busy wrapping presents, take time to look at your treasures that you decorate your home with. Look at them, and perhaps as those whom I visited this past week did, you will find yourself talking about angels and stars and the gift of a new born baby that has become our reason for believing.

Happy Christmas

Archdeacon David

Welcome to Our Parish! We pray that you will find our worship inspiring, that you will join us at the Altar to receive the Lord's Supper and that you will be spiritually fed.

Our Mission – To be a family of worshipping Christians, dedicated to Christian Education, Spiritual Growth, Pastoral Care, Outreach and Fellowship.

Christmas at All Saints

Christmas Memorials: Again this year we will be doing up a Christmas memorial booklet. If you wish to put in a memorial for a loved one, please have it in to the office with your donation on or before December 19th.

Christmas Communions: To the best of our knowledge, all Home Communions have been organized. If you have a family member who does wish to receive Christmas Communion, and can no longer get out of their home, and has not already been contacted by our Church Office, please call to Elizabeth (834-4501) and we will arrange Home Communion.

Candlelight Christmas Carol Service is being held tonight, December 18th at 7:00 pm. A service filled with beautiful music. We have invited the International Gospel Choir of Newfoundland and Labrador to join us for this service.

On-Call Clergy: Archdeacon David and Rev Sam will be alternating as Clergy on call. At the bottom of the Candle each week will be the contact information for both clergy, and the assignment of who is handling all emergencies that week. Hickey's Funeral Home will also be notified each week of who is on call.

Food Bank: Please do not forget your local FOOD BANK. Items needed include: Teabags, Rice, Granola Bars, Tin Tomatoes, Kraft Dinner, Luncheon meats, Tin Soups, Chef Boy Ar Dee. Tin Milk, Side Kicks, Package Dry Soup Mix, Tin Fruit, Crackers, Tin Noodles, Sugar, Jam, Chez Whiz, Peanut Butter, Mr. Noodles & Cream Soups. Financial contributions are also gratefully accepted.

Library We have a library for our clients at the Food Bank which provides children's and adult books. I am looking for gently used books for this library. It would be greatly appreciated if anyone who would like to donate books.

Mary Butler, Food bank Rep.

Visitation is Important to Us and to You. Unfortunately, sometimes we are unaware of your situation, and if you would like a home visit from your Clergy, please let us know. Also, if you know of anyone in the hospital, please let us know. Please call the office at 834-4501. Remember, if you don't inform us, we have no way of knowing you or a loved one is in hospital.

2016 Contributions

December 31st @ noon will be the cutoff date for parishioners to have their contributions included in the 2016 tax receipt year. The office is closed on that day but there is a drop off box to the left of the main door. Anything after that date will go into 2017 contributions.

<u>Feedback</u> Archdeacon is using a new wireless mic this Sunday. If you can't hear him, we would appreciate it if you would please let him or one of the wardens know.

Parish & Community Events

New Year's Eve Dance on December 31st at All Saints Parish Hall. Tickets are \$25.00 single The doors will open at 8:30pm and the dance will start at 9pm. Music provided by Rodney Taylor. Party favors and snacks will be provided. Tickets will be available at the office or from Aura at 834-9384, Dana at 834-2601 or Barb Tilley @ 834-4795.

<u>CNIB</u> Are you interested in lending a hand-and eyes-for a couple of hours a week to help a person living with vision loss in your area? If so, email <u>lynsey.soper@cnib.ca</u> or call 1-800-563-2642

Bishop's New Years' Day Levee

You are warmly invited to attend the Bishop's New Years' Day Levee on **Sunday January 1, 2017** at the **Cathedral Crypt** beginning at **1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.** Parking is available at the Cathedral Parking lot and entrance to the Levee is at the lower Parish Office Door to the Cathedral. **All are welcome!**

Christmas Open House

A Christmas Open House will be held on December 29, from 6-10pm in the Crypt of the Anglican Cathedral, Church Hill. Our doors will be open to both members of our parish and the wider community alike. Come along and enjoy soup and rolls, cookies, hot and cold beverages, Christmas carols, and fellowship – all free of charge. All are welcome! For more information please call 726-5677.

Book Corner: We Make the Road by Walking by Brian McLaren is a guide about walking the Jesus path. He calls a yearlong quest for spiritual formation, reorientation and activation. It consists of 52 chapters to be used weekly over a year. You can begin at Advent or January. It can be purchased online or through The Diocesan Resource Centre or local bookshop. It can be used on your own or in a study group





I THINK YOUR LIGHTS MIGHT BE TOO BRIGHT THIS YEAR

Queen's College is pleased to announce we are now receiving applications for the Bachelor of Theology for Discipleship and Ministry Program. Sessions will start in the Winter Semester 2017.

The Bachelor of Theology for Discipleship and Ministry Program is designed to provide opportunity for theological education, spiritual development and pastoral skill practice to those who wish to study on a part time basis. It does not assume past university course work and it is intended to be accessible for individuals who have successfully completed high school or equivalency. This program, like all our programs at Queen's College, is open to and welcomes students from all denominations and faith traditions.

The program is designed to be completed on a part-time basis over six years. Students move through a diploma level in the first two years, then they move into the Associate Level for two years, and they graduate with a Bachelor of Theology for Discipleship and Ministry after the final two years. The current tuition is \$250.00 per semester.

We presently have 10 students who will complete the Associate Level in December & start their final two years in January '17.

For more information, contact <u>queens@mun.ca</u> or visit our website <u>http://queenscollegenl.ca/</u> or call 709 753-0116

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