What Time is it? An Advent Quiet Time with Bishop Geoff Peddle at the Parish of St Mark's on Saturday, Dec 3, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

You are invited to join the people of the Parish of St Mark's in a time of reflection on the Season of Advent called, "What Time is it?" As we move into Advent and draw closer to Christmas with all of its "busy-ness," this quiet space is offered as a time to slow down and think about the opportunity Advent gives us to transform our lives. Inspired by St. Paul's Letter to the Romans ("The day is at hand") and Paul's counsel to not lose sight of God in our daily responsibilities, Bishop Geoff Peddle will examine the Church's Season of Advent in a series of three talks, reflecting upon the practice of Advent in the modern world and what it means to live in God's time. To quote the Rector of St. Mark's Church, Father Robert Cooke: "I find most of my conversations with people revolve around busyness and time, or the lack thereof. This gets exaggerated in Advent, which is a real shame. Advent really is about the dawning of a new time, a new way of keeping time and a reprioritizing of how we use time." During the afternoon there will be time for quiet prayer and reflection between Bishop Geoff's talks. Prayer and music will enhance the afternoon and refreshments will be available throughout. It will conclude with St. Mark's regular Saturday Eucharist at 5 p.m. and a "Dialogue Sermon" with the Bishop. There is no cost for the afternoon.

To register please call the Parish of St Mark's at 726-3213 or contact the parish by email at st.marks@nf.aibn.com

Memoriams / Thank Offerings

Memorials - Renovation Fund

- Lena Dawe by Calvin Butler & Family, Herb & Dot Reid
- Helena Dawe by Cynthia, Dana, Lenora & Denene, Bishop Family, Patricia Cochrane, Edith Rideout, Leonard & Myra Rideout, Robert & Barb Tilley, & Twilight 50 Plus Club
- Charles S. Butler (remembering his death Nov. 15, 1993) by Sam, Christina & Family
- **Dorcas Eason** (remembering her death, November 1978)
- Florence Peters (remembering her death 2008)
- Terri Eason (remembering her death, 2009) by Mary & Family
- Florence Petten by Peter & Dot Warren

Memorials - Cemetery Fund

• Helena Dawe – by Tom Furlong

Worshi	p Scheaule for the	Week of November 27-	-December <u>3</u>
08:30am - Holy Eucharist, BCP, 10:00am - Holy Eucharist	Eucharistic Assistant: Graham Greeley Eucharistic Assistant: Barb Tilley & Gloria Greenslade		
Liturgical Planner: Carol	Warden: Sandra Taylor	Servers: Jillian G. & Sara W.	Prayers of the People: Madonna L.
Greeters: Louise B. & Cecil P.	Sides Persons: Team 3	Counting Team: Team 7	Sound Technician: Sandra Taylor
Conception Bay South, NL, A1X 7A2	Website: www.allsaintsparish.ca		
All Saints Anglican Parish CBS 419 Conception Bay Highway Conception Bay South, NL, A1X 7A2	Telephone: 709-834-4501 Email: <u>office@allsaintsparish.ca</u> Website: www.allsaintsparish.ca		
Administration Office Hours Monday – Friday, 08:30am - 3:00pm Lunch Closure 12:30pm-1:00pm	Clergy Office Hours Monday – Thursday, 08:30am – 1:00pm		
Archdeacon David Pilling (Rector) rev.david@allsaintsparish.ca 709.746.7224 - Cellular 709.753.1610 - Residence	Rev Sam Butler (Deacon) rev.sam@allsaintsparish.ca 709.689.4501 – Cellular 709.834.9464 - Residence	Elizabeth Bishop (Office Administration) elizabeth.bishop@allsaintsparish.ca 709.834.4501 - Office	
	Clergy on Call:	Archdeacon David Pilling	

All Saints Candle

Sunday, November 20, 2016

Shining a Light on What's Happening in Our Parish

Our Candle has been given to the Glory of God and in memory of: **Verna Weir** (remembering her death on November 24, 2013) by: Cyril, Joyce & Family, Ernie & Family and David & Family.

Rector's Remarks

On Tuesday night, I enjoyed my first Vestry meeting at All Saints. It was a very good meeting with, in my opinion, good direction being sought on a number of ministry initiatives.

Our vestry meeting started with a Bible Study based on Matthew 16:13 – 20, where we all discussed the role of the Church. In the passage, we saw how Jesus took his disciples to a place of discomfort and asked them 'who do people say that I am?' Various responses were given, for it is always easier to say what other people are saying. But Jesus never allows us that luxury for He is always speaking directly to each of us, 'well, what about you,' he asks, 'who do you say. We can relate to this, for each Sunday, you and I partake in answering the same question Jesus asked his disciples and we respond with the same answer Peter gave. In fact, we join with Peter in his Creedal statement when we say, 'I believe in Jesus Christ...'

How we express our faith is often seen by what we do, not just by what we sat. Our Vestry wishes to enable the ministry of doing as we expand our collective ministries, which we trust, also point towards Jesus Christ as our Lord. We are reestablishing to areas of ministry: Pastoral Ministries (Program Committee) and Encounter Ministries (Outreach Committee).

In our Pastoral Ministries we seek involvement with our '**in parish ministries**': programs like Baptism Preparation, Godly Play (as story-tellers or door keepers), people to help with a youth group, to assist in planning worship (liturgical planners), Marriage Preparation, Marriage Affirmation, Faith Café, Confirmation, Bible Studies, Pub Theology, Reel Theology, retreats. There is a real sense of satisfaction discovering how God engages us through the various ministries we are a part of and how God is often seen through what we do.

In our Encounter Ministries we are seeking involvement with our '**from parish ministries**': answering the question, 'how can and do we assist such diverse ministries' such as Habitat for Humanity, Mama's Moments, Wednesday Tea Room, Food Bank, Refugee families, Compass Rose Society, PWRDF and many more initiatives. Jesus, in his great commission to us told us to go and preach and teach, to basically encounter our world in sharing the Good News. Our parish engages our community in many ways already, but it is always for us to look at new ways to present the Gospel, to allow the love of Christ to be seen through us and to, as Peter did, be able to point towards Jesus Christ and know that what we do, we do because of our belief in Him.

During Advent, traditionally a time in which we anticipate Jesus appearing to us again, we will *introduce a variety of ministries that we are seeking assistance with. During the Season of* Epiphany, when we celebrate Jesus being made known throughout the world, we will invite participation in each of these ministries.

In the meantime please pray for God to direct each of us in areas of ministry that will challenge and affirm, in which we too will encounter Him through what we do in His name.

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.

Special Notes

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.

Vestry news

- Vestry approved formation of a Program Committee
- Vestry approved formation of an Outreach Committee
- Archdeacon David introduced the Lenten theme for 2017
- All Saints hosts the Archdeaconry Youth Conference (God's Positioning System) from March 30th to April 2nd.
- The CBS Ministerial are addressing a letter from the CBS Food Bank
- The 3 Anglican Parishes in CBS are meeting in late November to discuss our ministry to 'nursing homes' in area
- Seams in church to be addressed
- Floors waxed in upstairs hall
- New lights & shelves installed in Rector's office
- Seams in pavement sealed
- Snow removal contract awarded

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.

Remember a Loved One with a Christmas Bulb: On December 18th at the 10:00am service we will light our Christmas tree in the Church. To donate a bulb in memory of a loved one, please pick up an envelope at the back of the Church, and return it to the office by December 12th, along with a donation of \$3.00. **Choir Practice** Thursday, at 2:00pm

Bible Study: Takes place Monday evenings, upstairs in the Church Hall. All are welcome.

Gospel Hymn Sing will take place on November 27th at 7pm downstairs in the Parish Hall. Come along and bring a friend for an evening of fellowship and song. Free Will Offering on door. For more information: Sandra 240-2114

The Prayer Chain Ministry encourages prayer for the needs of the people. The prayer request is confidential information, and meant for members of the Prayer Chain only. To request prayers through the Prayer Chain please call 834-5960.

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.

Parish & Community Events

Christmas Back Home with Kevin Collins

Date: 7:30 pm – Friday, December 2nd Place: All Saints Anglican Church, Foxtrap Tickets: \$20.00 single To purchase tickets, call Dana at 834-2601 or Aura - 834-9384 **Did you know?** Habitat for Humanity is building a triplex in Conception Bay South. On Tuesday, November 15, Archdeacon David and Rev'd Sam attended the sod-turning on property donated by the town of CBS for three new homes. Habitat for Humanity's mission:

- To enable families to have the pride of homeownership through affordable housing, delivered through a team of volunteers and partners.

- Housing for all: We believe that access to safe, decent and affordable housing is a basic human right that should be available to all.

- Human Dignity: We believe in the worth and dignity of every human being. We respect the people we serve and those that help us in this effort and recognize them as our greatest resource.

- Partnership: We believe we can best achieve our mission through meaningful and mutually-beneficial partnerships with others.

- Faith in Action: We believe that faith is lived through action. Building on our Christian foundation, we serve and work with people of all faiths and beliefs in a spirit of justice and compassion.

- Diversity and Inclusiveness: We believe there is a role for everyone committed to our vision, mission and values and we seek to enrich our organization through diversity.

If you are interested in applying for such a home, the deadline is December 2^{nd} . Look on Habitat for Humanity's Website or contact the parish office for assistance.

As a parish, as Archdeacon David and Rev'd Sam offered, we will do what we can to support such an important ministry taking place in our very own backyard.

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

New Year's Eve Dance

Date: December 31, 2016 Place: All Saints Parish Hall Tickets: \$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 or Dana at 834-2601 starting December 5th.

The Conception Bay South Lions Club will be holding their annual Seniors Luncheon & Card Game on Thursday, December 1st at 12 noon at the CBS Lions Club—10 Minerals Road. Soup & Sandwiches will be served. Free admission. Tickets will be available next week at Villa Nova Parish office. A limited number of tickets available.

Ways and Means Committee are hosting a Luncheon and Card Game on Thursday, November 24th. at 12:30pm downstairs in the Parish Hall. Luncheon consists of a Cold Plate, dessert, tea and coffee followed by a game of cards. Come along and bring a friend for a fun afternoon. Tickets can be purchased at door. For more info call Barb 834-4795 or Sandra 240-2114

All Saints Tea Room will be hosting a community luncheon on Wednesdays from noon to 1:30pm, downstairs in our All Saints Parish Hall. All are welcome to come and join us for food, fun, and fellowship. The only cost is your time and company. Our menu for Wednesday, November 23rd is, Soup, crackers, & Homemade Rolls, Coffee/Tea, and Dessert.

ACW are hosting "Breakfast with Santa" in the Parish Hall, on Saturday, December 10th. from 8:30 - 11am Cost: \$8 (adults) \$4 (children under 12 years) There will be children's entertainment. For more information, call Barb 834-4795. Everyone welcome.