ALL SAINTS CANDLE - SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2017

Shining a Light on What's Happening in Our Parish

OUR MISSION - To be a family of worshipping Christians, dedicated to Christian Education, Spiritual Growth, Pastoral Care, Outreach and Fellowship.

Rectors Remarks:

On Tuesday, April 4th, there will be a holocaust survivor speaking at Church of the Ascension. This talk begins at 7:00 pm. I do encourage you, if you have not already made plans to attend, to seriously consider attending.

I met a survivor. It was about 17 years ago and I met him standing at a reception counter at a hotel in Gander. When he saw that I was a Priest, he begins speaking to me, telling me he is here to speak at the High School. He suddenly blurts out that he is a survivor. He sees I don't quite understand what he meant, so he rolls up his sleeve and shows me his number, tattooed on his arm. I look at his face and he nods. He then tells me he is about to speak to the High School – to speak about his experiences. He tells me that he travels around North America, speaking to anyone who would listen, stating that it is his mission in life. He wanted to make sure that the deaths that occurred, the violence that was perpetrated; the atrocities endured would not be in vain. He sincerely hoped that people would learn from what happened during the holocaust during the 2nd World War.

My conversation with him lasted less than five minutes, yet in those five minutes I witnessed a missionary zeal I had never experienced before. To this day, this man, this man whose name I never learned remains one of the most interesting people I have met – for he influenced me in a profound way. He influenced me in my need to be bold in my belief, to stand up for what I believe in and to seek justice.

Years later I would visit Yad Vashem in Jerusalem. The memorial consists of a complex containing the Holocaust History Museum, memorial sites such as the Children's Memorial and the Hall of Remembrance, The Museum of Holocaust Art, sculptures, outdoor commemorative sites such as the Valley of the Communities, a synagogue, a research institute with archives, a library, a publishing house, and an educational center, The International School/Institute for Holocaust Studies.

It also recognizes gentiles who, at personal risk and without a financial or evangelistic motive, chose to save their Jewish brethren from the ongoing genocide during the Holocaust. They are remembered in the Garden of the Righteous Among the Nations.

The man I met 17 years ago continues to influence me in a positive way. In a way, he was much like Jesus. He had something to say and he knew it was important, life changing and he said it.

Isn't this often how God works, often a surprise, often through encounters where we are not expecting to find God – and suddenly His voice penetrates our busyness. May each of us be blessed with encounters with people who not only challenge, educate and inspire but whom influence us in our journey of faith.

David

WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME THE DELEGATES FROM ACROSS OUR NATION WHO ARE ATTENDING OUR ARCHDEACONRY YOUTH CONFERENCE. A special welcome to Bishop Bill Cliff of the Diocese of Brandon, members of his Diocese, Bishop Geoff Peddle, delegates from the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, and from the Archdeaconry of Labrador as well as many of the Parishes in our Archdeaconry. A planning team, headed up by Canon David Burrows and Wendy Taylor have spent months planning this event – our thanks to you for all your dedication

EASTER MEMORIAL BOOKLET - Anyone wishing to have a loved one remembered in our Easter Memorial Booklet, please have the memorial with donation into the office no later than April 12th.

LENT AT ALL SAINTS - The theme of our Lenten program is, 'A Way Through the Wilderness.' We pray as the Israelites were formed by the lessons of the wilderness, we may find formation through our Lenten journey. If you wish to purchase a copy of the book, 'A Way Through the Wilderness', please contact the parish office. Our studies will be held in our Chapel 7:30pm on the evenings of April 3 & 10.

HOLY WEEK AT ALL SAINTS - The theme for our Holy Week services will be 'To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.' Like the old hymn, "I love to tell the story", we will concentrate on the final week of Jesus' life. We plan to involve many of our congregation in our retelling this timeless story and do encourage each member of the parish to avail themselves of an opportunity to join in worship.

- **PALM Sunday, APRIL 9** TH , **AT 9:55 AM**, we begin our worship service with a procession, leaving the Parish Hall and processing up to the Church. We will have palm fronds for people to carry.
- *HOLY MONDAY, AT 7:00 PM*, the ladies of the ACW will lead the congregation in the service of Tenebrae. Tenebrae is perhaps the most reflective of all Christian services, deeply somber and thought provoking.
- HOLY TUESDAY, AT 7:00 PM, the Officers and Members of our CLB will lead in a service of worship.
- HOLY WEDNESDAY, AT 7:00 PM, the Men's Service Club will lead in a service of Compline while the Sons of Thunder will provide the music for this service
- **MAUNDY THURSDAY, AT 6:00 PM**, the Tea Room will host a Seder Meal in the Lower Hall. Throughout the meal we learn the origins of our Communion service and what transpired at the Last Supper
- MAUNDY THURSDAY, AT 7:00 PM, we will have Holy Eucharist service, commemorating the institution of the Lord's Supper, including a symbolic washing of feet, washing of hands and the stripping of the Altar. All members of the Altar Guild are asked to be present to assist in the stripping of the Altar.
- GOOD FRIDAY, OUR SERVICE WILL BEGIN AT 12 NOON.
- St. George's Day Takeout Cold Plates are scheduled for April 21st & 22nd. Get your orders in early.

ALL SAINTS TEA ROOM COMMUNITY LUNCHEON - All are welcome to come and join us for food, fun, and fellowship. Our menu this week is sausages, mashed potatoes, peas and carrot, dessert, tea & coffee. The only cost is your time and friendly company.

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 Boyardee, tin milk, Side Kicks, dry soup mix, tin fruit, crackers, tin noodles, sugar, jam, Cheez Whiz, peanut butter, Mr. Noodles & cream soups. Financial contributions are also gratefully accepted. Contact Mary Butler, our Food Bank representative.

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 by calling 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.

LIBRARY - We have a library for our clients at the Food Bank that provides children's and adult books. I am looking for gently used books for this library. If anyone would like to donate books, it will be greatly appreciated. Contact Mary Butler, our Food Bank representative.

Living Well With Advanced Cancer: Are you living with cancer? Eastern Health invites you to attend an 8-week interactive support group designed to help those living with advanced cancer to reconnect with and sustain meaning in their lives. Co-facilitated by the Social Work Department of the Dr. H. Bliss Murphy Cancer Centre and the Pastoral Care and Ethics Department of Eastern Health, this program will start May 8th and will meet on Monday's from 2-4 p.m. until June 26th at the Botanical Garden Field Centre, 306 Mount Scio Road (weeks 2, 3 and 7 will meet Tuesday afternoon). For more information or to register please contact Paul Grimes at 777-7611 or Bill Haynes at 777-7990.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - Boys and Girls, Moms and Dads. Get your passports ready because the VBS flight is preparing for the "*Passport for Peru*" our VBS for 2017. The dates are set for June 26th-30th, with our closing on Sunday July 2nd. This will be the most exciting week of the summer because VBS is a week filled with stories, music, games, crafts, videos, laughter, and very tasty snacks loaded with fellowship and fun. What is VBS? Ask any child in our church community and his or her eyes will light up. It is a week for Vacation Bible School. It is a week of fun learning about God and what he means to our lives, and about Jesus and his promises of everlasting life, and our connections with them and to each other. We often have 75-90+ children ages 3-12 years, from 9:00-12:00 Monday-Friday. VBS has been a part of All Saints for over 30 years. We have a very dedicated and faithful group of leaders who look forward each year to be a part of the fun, and in many cases, to learn from the children. If you would like to share in all this excitement, let us know at the office at 834-4501 or Helen at 834-3325, you will have a very rewarding week.

Topsail United Church Men's Club breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be held on Saturday, April 8 from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m., usual great menu. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children under 12. Face painting, colouring and pictures for the children. All are welcome.

Singing Legionnaires 50th Anniversary dinner and dance on Saturday, April 8 at 7:00 p.m. at RC Legion Br. 56 Pleasantville. Tickets \$25.00 per person, phone 753-9820. Hot stuffed chicken breast dinner, entertainment by the Singing Legionnaires, Maxx Ladies Choir, Dance Music by Brian Finn.

New Music Director-We are pleased to announce that our parish has hired a new music Director – Dayo Ojo. For the past six years he was the director of the International Gospel Choir of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Choir Practice will be on Thursday night at 7:00 p.m.

Archdeacon David and Rev Sam will be organizing **Home Communions** this coming week. If someone you know and love needs Home Communion, please let the church office know.

S.U.F No. 41 Topsail will be having a Gospel Open Mic on Sunday, April 9th @ 7pm. Free will offering at the door. Tea, coffee & snacks will be served at canteen. Doors open @ 6pm. For more info call Bill @ 834-8585.

Memoriams - Capital Projects

- Dorothy Carter (remembering her birthday on March 28) by Jim & Sandra
- Albert Taylor Jr. (remembering his death April 1st) by: Mary Taylor & Family

Thank Offering - Capital Projects

Thanksgiving offering for the safe arrival of our first great-grandchild Benjamin Alfred Butler by:
 Mary & Herbert Butler

To view all of our activities on our Church calendar, go to www.allsaintsparish.ca/events_calendar.html

WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 9 - APRIL 15, 2017

08:30 am - Holy Eucharist BCP **Eucharistic Assistant:** Charles

10:00 am - Holy Eucharist BAS **Eucharistic Assistant:** Bill H., Lilly P., Gerry F.

Liturgical Planner: Carol Warden: Doug Rideout

Servers: Shannon M., Mitchell T. Prayers of the People: Cheryl Doyle

Sides Persons: Team 4 Counting Team: Team 2
Greeters: Dave & Barb Butler Sound Technician: Bill Penney

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