



ALL SAINTS CANDLE – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2020

Shining a Light on What's Happening in Our Parish

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

OFFICE CLOSING OVER CHRISTMAS - Our Office will be closing at noon on [December 23rd](#), and reopening again on [January 04th](#). In the event of a pastoral need, please contact either Rev Wayne at 764-8833, or Rev Sam at 689-4501

2021 CHURCH OFFERTORY ENVELOPES - There may be a slight delay in getting our 2021 Offertory Envelopes out to you this season. If the envelopes have not arrived until just after the new year, please just continue using your existing envelopes. We appreciate your understanding. If you have any questions or comments, please email finance@allsaintsparish.ca

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT - Regretfully, due to COVID-19 restrictions, we are unable to host a children's pageant service this Christmas Eve. However, we have pre-recorded the Children's Christmas Eve Pageant, and it will be available via our parish website archived videos (allsaintsparish.ca) at 3:00pm on Christmas Eve, for all of our children to watch as often as they wish during the Christmas season.

RECTOR'S ADVENT/CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

My Dear Friends,

We all know that 2020 has been quite a year. Everything it seems has gone sideways in so many regards. However, the gift of Advent, the anticipation of the coming of our Saviour's birth is not one of them.

For the Christian, this is our bright light and eternal hope that will never be extinguished despite the darkness and gloominess of this earthly life at times. The climax of this comes with the birth of the baby on Christmas Day. The same baby who grows to be a man and will eventually go to the cross for our redemption and life eternal for all who believe.

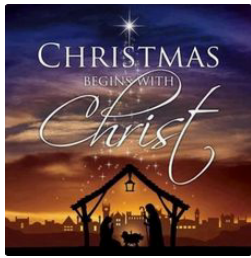
During this season may hope eternal spring within your knowing that the little baby born this Christmas Day is not only the real reason for the season, but our only true light of life and hope eternal.

May God bless you all this Christmas season and may you in turn be a true blessing to others.

Sincerely,

Wayne +

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM REV SAM



Can you believe it? Another year has almost passed, and here we are once again celebrating the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ - The Prince of Peace, and the reason for the season.

Without a doubt, 2020 has been a year none of us will soon forget!! It was a way of life that none of us could ever have envisioned would happen in our lifetime. However, there's an age old saying that comes to mind, and it certainly holds true here at All Saints. "There is never an ill wind that doesn't blow somebody some good".

The Parishioners here at All Saints did not let COVID-19 dampen their Christmas spirit. In fact, their hearts seem to be warmer and larger than they ever were. It humbles me to see such an outpouring of generosity and compassion that our Parishioners have displayed for one another, and even for those outside our immediate All Saints family. It seems there are so many who just seem to find the need to add a little brightness to the life of someone a little less fortunate.

We have had many Parishioners who have given freely, however, there are two that really jump out at your heart. This time last year the folks here at All Saints reached out to them in their time of need, so this Christmas season when they found themselves in a better place, they felt that they were able to give back. They each provided \$100 in gift cards, and asked that we pass them along to others who may be in need.

And it's not just the sharing of gifts, but also the joy I've seen in people's faces as I have visited with them throughout this past year. Many were brought to tears, as was I on more than one occasion. A kind word and a quick visit with a neighbour or family member can bring more joy than you could ever imagine.

So please let me say on behalf of Christina, myself, and my family, we want to wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas, and a happy and prosperous new year.

God Bless!!!!

Rev Sam+, Christina, and Family

CHRISTMAS FOOD HAMPERS - Last year the CBS/Paradise Food Bank distributed over 437 Christmas hampers. Due to the COVID-19 situation, many avenues of support for the Annual Christmas Hamper Appeal may not be available this year. The Food Bank will be relying upon financial donations to ensure families and individuals in need receive a hamper during this coming Christmas season. A hamper for **one person costs \$50**, for **two-three people \$75**, and for a **family of four or more the cost is**



\$100. If you are unable to donate the cost of a full hamper, any donation is appreciated, and we thank you very much.

Please consider dropping an extra envelope in our collection plate, and mark it "Christmas Hamper". You may also send an e-Transfer to donations@allsaintsparish.ca, and please indicate in the notes section "Christmas Hamper".

To request a Christmas Hamper in the CBS/Paradise area, please contact the CBS/Paradise Food Bank at 834-2800 by December 4th. Distribution is December 15th - 18th, from 9:00am - 2:00pm. Our last day at the Food Bank for 2020 is December 19th, and we will reopen again on January 5th, 2021.

ACW FUNDRAISER – Just a reminder that the ACW fundraiser wheel that was given out earlier this year will need to be passed in by Christmas



A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP SAM ROSE - All Saints CBS would like to welcome Bishop Sam to his new role as Chief Pastor of the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador, and we look forward to his first visit to our Parish. To view either his video message, or the text of his message, please go to our website at allsaintsparish.ca

DO WE HAVE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS? - We would love to have your email address so that we may include you in our email bulletins and information notices. Please eMail it to communications@allsaintsparish.ca

CHURCH CALENDARS - Our 2021 Church Calendars are now available for pickup at the Parish Office for a cost of \$5 each.

YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - Children's ministry continues to be very important to us here at All Saints. We are currently in the process of restarting our children's ministry programs, so please keep an eye on our website and Facebook pages for additional information. If you are interested in taking part in our upcoming children's programs, or for further information, please contact Joanne at joannesimfukwe@gmail.com

AGM – Our Annual General Meeting has been postponed until further notice.

SPONSORING 'THE CANDLE' – We would like to remind Parishioners and Friends that you may sponsor our weekly bulletin, **'THE CANDLE'**, and have it dedicated in memory of a loved one. Your personal tribute will be prominently posted on the Bible graphic located at the top of the front page, and your kind donation of \$25 would be greatly appreciated. Additionally, you can honor of a loved one by posting



your favourite picture, along with a memorial verse, and your kind donation of \$50 for this full page tribute is greatly appreciated. A paper copy of *'THE CANDLE'* is distributed at all Sunday services, and a digital copy is permanently archived on our Parish website at allsaintsparish.ca

WELCOME BACK TO OUR IN-CHURCH WORSHIP - We would like to remind you that Pre-Registration is a Provincial and Diocesan requirement, and we would like to thank you for your continued cooperation. Each week we will alternate between using the BCP and the BAS as we celebrate the Holy Eucharist. We will also continue to make available our pre-recorded 08:30am Morning Prayer services via our website at allsaintsparish.ca

IN MEMORIAM - GENERAL FUND

- In loving memory of **Albert Taylor** - from Mary Taylor and Family
- In loving memory of **Kevin Petten** and **Robert & Violet Petten** - from The Family
- In loving memory of **Louise** (wife) and **Reg** (father) - by Reg, Michael, Ryan and Families



2020-12-20	Weekly	YTD	
Budget	11,464.01	250,867.15	<i>Why not consider signing up to our e-Giving program. It's an easy way to ensure you contribute on a regular basis, even during those periods when you are unable to regularly attend church.</i> <i>We also accept E-transfers at donations@allsaintsparish.ca</i>
Actual	6,880.75	175,394.26	
Difference	-4,583.26	-75,472.89	
ALL SAINTS PARISH COVID APPEAL YEAR-END TARGET \$52,000			<i>AS OF DECEMBER 20, 2020, WE HAVE RECEIVED</i> \$6,150

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ADMINISTRATION OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday 9:00am - 12:30pm; 1:00pm - 3:00pm	CLERGY OFFICE HOURS Monday – Friday 09:00am - 3:00pm	
REV WAYNE PARSONS Incumbent rev.wayne@allsaintsparish.ca 764-8833 - Cell	REV SAM BUTLER Associate rev.sam@allsaintsparish.ca 689-4501 - Cell 834-9464 - Home	ELIZABETH BISHOP Office Administration elizabeth@allsaintsparish.ca 834-4501 - Office