



ALL SAINTS CANDLE – OCTOBER 01, 2023

18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Shining a Light on What is Happening in Our Parish

Who are you, O God, and who am I? *Pope Francis*



The office will be closed on **Monday, October 2nd**, in recognition of National Truth and Reconciliation Day. We will open on Tuesday, October 3rd at 8:00 am.

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION will be held **this afternoon at 2:00pm in the Lower Level of our Parish Hall**. Parents and candidates are expected to attend this short meeting to review expectations, and to complete the registration forms. Confirmation is open to anyone who will be **11 years old by December 31, 2023**. If you have any questions, please contact our Confirmation Coordinator, Joanne Simfukwe, at 709-682-8103 or joannesimfukwe@gmail.com.



COME JOIN US FOR BRUNCH! – We will be serving brunch on **Saturday, October 7th from 10:00am to 12:30pm**. Sausage, Beans, Hash Browns, Eggs, Grilled Cheese, Toast, Tea and Coffee. Cost will be \$10 for Adults, and \$5 for Children.



THANKSGIVING SERVICE VEGETABLE DROP-OFF – Our Church will be open on **Saturday, October 7th**, between **9:00am and 4:00pm** for those who would like to drop off vegetables, fruit, etc. for our **Thanksgiving Church Service** on Sunday, October 8th. If you have any questions, please contact our Office at 834-4501, or via email at office@allsaintsparish.ca



Our Mission at All Saints is to be a family of worshipping Christians, dedicated to Christian Education, Spiritual Growth, Pastoral Care, Outreach, and Fellowship.

Open our hearts, O Lord, to give heed to what is said by your Son.

Readings: Exodus 16: 2-15; Psalm 105: 1-6, 37-45; Philippians 1: 21-30; Matthew 20: 1-16

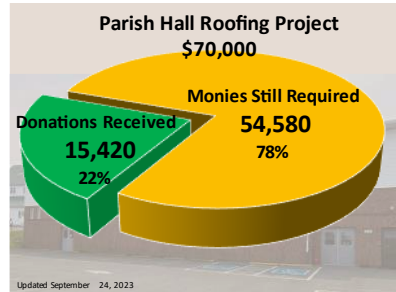
LUNCHEON AND CARD GAME - ACW are hosting a Luncheon and Card Game



on **Thursday October 12th, starting at 12 noon**. Meal will be a Jiggs Dinner with all the trimmings, dessert, Tea and Coffee. Meal with cost \$20, and Cards are \$5. Everyone is welcome, so please pass the word around. Please confirm your attendance for the meal by calling Barb 709-834-4795 or Enid 709-682-9367

PARISH HALL ROOFING APPEAL – We have had quite a number of shingles that have blown off the roof as a result of a number of high wind- storms, and consequently we have recently developed **a number of leaks in our Parish Hall**.

Vestry have secured several quotations, and have awarded the project to Turner Enterprises, who will cover the existing shingles with metal roofing. At this time, we are asking Parishioners and friends of the Parish to contribute to a special fund we have set up to cover these costs. **This is a very necessary project which must be completed before the fall storms arrive.** We sincerely appreciate any support you are able provide!



THE CBS/PARADISE FOOD BANK – As our children return to school, please remember that not all go to school each day with a full tummy. In recent months there has been a greater demand on the Food Bank. Your continued support will make a difference!!!



LITTLE PEOPLE'S CHURCH – ALL SAINTS CBS CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

- Our new children's program is designed around conversation with the children, while they are enjoying a fun activity such as coloring, making a craft, etc..
- **Little People's Church** takes place each Sunday during our regular 10:00am morning service
- Family members are welcome to join the younger children while they are attending the **Little People's Church**
- If for some reason our **Little People's Church** has to be cancelled for a given Sunday, we will post an advance notice on both our All Saints Parish Facebook page, as well as our Parish Webpage
- For any youth or adults who may be interested in helping with this ministry, please contact Wendy Taylor, our Program Coordinator, at wentaylor64@gmail.com or 709-330-1053.



FOXTRAP CLB COMPANY – MEETS EVERY MONDAY EVENING

Our Foxtrap CLB Company has resumed their program, and they meet in our All Saints CBS Parish Hall **every Monday evening** as follows:

- **LTC** (age 5-6) and **YTC** (age 7-9) **6:30-7:30pm**
- **JTC** (age 10-12) and **Seniors** (age 13-19) **7:30-9:30pm**



For more information, contact Captain Wayne Young at **709-834-4684**

Confirmation Class Schedule

October 01, 2023, 2:00pm Confirmation Registration
October 15, 2023, 10:00am Blessing of Confirmation
Candidates and Passing of the Light
October 22, 2023, 2:00pm 1st Session
November 05, 2023, 10:00am All Saints Day Service
November 05, 2023, 2:00pm 2nd Session
November 19, 2023, 2:00pm 3rd Session
December 03, 2023, 2:00pm 4th Session
January 14, 2024, 2:00pm 5th Session
February 11, 2024, 10:00am Instructed Eucharist followed by
lunch and 6th Session
February 24, 2024, 2:00pm 7th Session
March 10, 2024, 2:00pm 8th Session
March 24, 2024, 2:00pm 9th Session
April 21, 2024, 2:00pm 10th Session

CBS CLB OLD COMRADES 40TH ANNIVERSARY – Our local CBS CLB Old Comrades Branch #2 are celebrating their 40th Anniversary, and they are inviting Parishioners and friends to their Dinner and Dance on **Friday, October 20th, starting at 7:00pm.**



Tickets are \$25 single and include a 'Chicken Breast Dinner' and some fun dance music, all in the downstairs of our Parish Hall. Tickets are available at our Parish Office, or by contacting any member of the Old Comrades or their Executive, or by emailing cb sclboldcomrades@gmail.com

DO WE HAVE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS?

If we do not already have your email address on file, and you would like to have the digital version of **The Candle** sent directly to your smartphone, tablet or computer, please email it to communications@allsaintsparish.ca



SPONSOR 'THE CANDLE' – To remember a loved one, or to make a special 'thank' offering, we invite you to have your message placed prominently within the Bible



graphic at the top of this weekly bulletin, for which your kind donation of \$25 would be greatly appreciated. Additionally, you could place a full-page message with a photo and maybe a memorial verse, for which your kind donation of \$50 would be greatly appreciated. A paper copy of 'THE CANDLE' is distributed at all Sunday services, and a digital

copy is permanently available on our Parish website at allsaintsparish.ca

DIGITAL ROAD SIGN – We continue to welcome your financial support for this very worthwhile project. With our many and varied outreach programs, and our involvement in a multitude of community events, it is very important that we reach as many people as possible.

CHURCH OFFERTORY OPTIONS – As well as our *Sunday morning collection plate*:

- Our **secure drop-slot**, which is located to the left of the main door of our Parish Hall, is available 7/24, and is emptied several times daily.
- **e-Transferring** has become a popular offertory means via Interac to donations@allsaintsparish.ca
- Our **eGiving** program, which automatically deposits your gift at whatever interval you choose (weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly). is a growing which we continue to encourage. To register simply go to our website and follow the eGiving notes. If you need assistance, please email your Finance Team at finance@allsaintsparish.ca, or call our Office at 834-4501.



IN MEMORIAM – PARISH HALL ROOF FUND

- In loving memory of **Marion Butler Hunt** - by Rev Sam and Christina
- In loving memory of **Marion Butler Hunt** - by James and Gail Butler
- In loving memory of **Marion Butler Hunt** - by The Family
- In loving memory of **Marion Butler Hunt** – by Lily Rideout
- In loving memory of **Marion Butler Hunt** (sister-in-law) – by Barbara Butler
- In loving memory of **Marion Butler Hunt** – by Barry & Shirley Tippett
- In loving memory of **Marion Butler Hunt**, remembering her passing on September 19, 2023 – by Graham & Sandra Taylor
- In loving memory of **Marion Butler Hunt** (sister), March 25, 1948 – September 19, 2023 – by Boyd & Jeanette Butler
- In loving memory of **Marion Butler Hunt** – by Bob, Tinamarie and Chloe Courage
- In loving memory of **Marion Butler Hunt** – by Wilbur & Glenys Tilley

THANK OFFERING – GENERAL OPERATIONS

- In thanksgiving of *Gladys Dowden* on her 105th birthday – by Jim & Sandra Batten

IN MEMORIAM – DIGITAL ROAD SIGN FUND

- In loving memory of *Marion Butler Hunt* – by Barry & Shirley Tippett

September 24, 2023	WEEKLY	YTD	We accept donations via eTransfers to donations@allsaintsparish.ca Also, please consider joining our e-Giving Program , which is an easy way to ensure you automatically contribute on a regular basis, even during those times when you are unable to attend your church. DIGITAL ROAD SIGN FUND \$31,795
PERCENT OF LAST YEAR	134.1%	100.1%	
2023 ACTUAL	2,707	140,687	
2022 ACTUAL	2,018	140,555	
DIFFERENCE	689	132	

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Parable of the Two Sons



(Very) Occasional Reflections On What We Do In Church

The Very Reverend William J. Bellamy

STAND, SIT, KNEEL

My generation of Canadian Anglicans, and the next generation, too, grew up in the tradition of The Book of Common Prayer. This tradition nourished us and instilled in us a good sense of the profound holiness of God. At worship, whichever the Service was at a given time, the pattern we followed was almost always: stand to sing, sit to listen, kneel to pray. Visitors from other parts of the Church often found these “Anglican gymnastics” confusing or even annoying. But it is what we were used to: we didn’t have to be told when to do what, and it became an ingrained part of our worship life.

This practice of kneeling to pray was very heavily influenced by the piety of the medieval pre-Reformation Catholic Church of Western Europe. This piety was very penitential: that is, it had a strong sense of human unworthiness before the holy God. And so, people felt they should speak to God in prayer humbly, meekly, on their knees, with eyes closed.

Before the Protestant Reformation in the sixteenth century, seats were very uncommon in church buildings; people stood or knelt throughout the services. (This is still the case in church buildings of the Orthodox Churches of Eastern Europe.) Somewhere around the thirteenth century stone benches were placed around the walls of some churches to address the needs of old and infirm people. In the next couple of centuries some churches added more chairs and

pews. Only after the Reformation did seats and pews become common, when the sermon—often lasting an hour or more!—became the focal point of the service. Seating was necessary to prevent people becoming overtired and thus inattentive! (Sermons were rare in churches for many centuries before the Reformation.)

Kneeling has a complex history in the Church. In the Hebrew Scriptures (our Old Testament), and also in the New Testament, there are several instances of people standing to pray. Only in times of penitence and great stress was it common for people to kneel. (We think of Jesus kneeling to pray in anguish in the Garden of Gethsemane just before He was arrested.) But for hundreds of years the bishops and patriarchs of the Church proclaimed time after time that Christians were never to kneel on Sundays, or during the fifty days between Easter and Pentecost. The principle was that Sundays and the Easter season were special commemorations of the resurrection of Jesus, and if we are risen with Christ then we are risen, and so we stand to pray. Only with the deepening penitential sense of the Middle Ages did this change and kneeling become more common.

From early in the twentieth century there was a renewed interest in the meaning and origin of much of our worship. This study engaged scholars from many parts of the Christian Church, and resulted in a number of new, and often unfamiliar, orders of worship. In The Anglican Church of Canada, The Book of Alternative Services is one obvious result. Other parts of the Church, in Canada, and throughout the Christian world, have also published new worship books. That work, and the production of new worship materials, continues throughout the Church today.

This study has pushed back beyond our Western medieval heritage and has learned much from the worship of the earliest Christians, and indeed from the worship of our Jewish forebears. Nor has the study focused only on the “what” and “how” the earliest Christians worship, but also—and especially —on the “why” they did and said what they did: the meaning. That is why that study is called Liturgical Theology, the interplay of our knowledge of God and the worship that stems from that...how the one informs and enriches the other.

Anglicans in Canada, and in much of the world, have experienced many changes in our worship life in the past fifty years: the language we use, the leadership in our worship, the arrangement of our church buildings, our prayer books and hymn books—and also the posture we are encouraged to use in prayer.

The Book of Common Prayer gave a lot of instruction in the rubrics (the small letters in italics) about posture—especially about when to stand and when to kneel. And we were bidden to kneel for most of the prayers, to the point that for many of us the words “Let us pray” came to mean “Let us kneel down.” The Book of Alternative Services has very few instructions about when to kneel (although it does say more about standing—for the prayers after Communion, for example). That is deliberate. Although many will automatically kneel to pray, because that is what we were taught years ago, some are more comfortable standing to symbolize, like the early Christians, that we are risen with Christ and in Him made worthy to stand in His presence and serve Him (as we say in some of our Eucharistic Prayers).

As Christians we are united through baptism in the body of Christ in time and eternity. But as St. Paul reminds us (see 1 Cor. 12) the body has many parts. We are not all the same, and our comfort in how we present ourselves in prayer does not have to be the same. It is true that the liturgies in The Book of Alternative Services, harking back to the practice of the Church for the first several centuries, assume most people will stand for prayer most of the time. However, the important thing is to be yourself as you present yourself to God. If your heart tells you to kneel to pray, do that and be happy. If it tells you to stand, then stand and be happy. Sitting, the same. You don't have to be doing what the person next to you is doing! Just know that in the long history of the Church praying Christians have done, and continue to do, all these things. What is important to remember is that when we gather to worship, God is in the midst of us, engaging us in conversation (speaking to us and listening to us), and then sending us out, enriched and renewed in the life of Christ and the power of the Spirit—God's gifts to the world.

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