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Rector's Warden – Harvey Hiscock – 895-2011 People's Warden – Gary King - 895-6239 Feb. 19, 2017 (Year A)

Parish Mission
Statement
God's people in the
Parish of St. Philip, in a
covenant relationship
with God through
Baptism, are called....

- To be Fishers of people in response to the call of Jesus, in the power of the Holy Spirit;
- η̈́ To be a House of Prayer
- ň To be a Centre for Christian Teaching;
- To be a fellowship of Loving and Sacrificial Service;
- To be
 Witnesses to
 our Lord's
 Love through
 Word and
 Example.

Launching out into the Deep... Into New Spiritual Depths



A WARM
WELCOME IS
EXTENDED TO ALL
OUR
PARISHIONERS
AND VISITORS
WHO ARE WITH US
TODAY. WE HOPE
THAT GOD WILL
BLESS US AS WE
WORSHIP HIM
HERE TOGETHER AT
ST. PHILIP'S
CHURCH.

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs: 9 am - 1:30

pm

Friday: 9
am – 12
noon
From the
Rector's
Desk

This past
Sunday (Feb. 12th.)
we held our Annual
Congregational
Meeting here at the
Church of St. Philip.
There were

There were thirty people in attendance as we reviewed our year's end reports and financial statement for 2016.

There were several things that came out of the meeting, but I would like to share the following with you.

First, our concern is around the area of our

weekly giving. This year, our budget for weekly giving is set at \$95,000.00. We have fallen short for the past two years, but we want to encourage all our people to increase their giving for 2017 through the weekly offerings.

The other great concern which I am not impressed with, is the amount of fundraising that is needed to reach the budget for 2017. In our budget that was passed at our meeting, we are expected to do about \$30,000.00 in fundraising. The work is cut out for us as we move forward into 2017.

These are real issues that confront us for this year, we as a vestry must try to deal with this as soon as possible.

MAINTENANCE

FUND: We are asking our parishioners to give monthly through the Maintenance Fund to help us lower our debt on the new furnace. We have borrowed the amount of \$50,000.00 from the Bank of Montreal. This loan is out for seven years. Beginning Dec. 31st 2016, we are paying \$653.93 per month.

The Collect, Epistle
and Gospel for The
Seventh Sunday
after Epiphany

Scripture Readings for today, Feb. 19th. 1st Reading Leviticus 19: 1-2, 9-18 Psalm 119: 33-40, Page 870 (Joyce Keeping)

2nd Reading: 1st
Corinthians 3: 1011,
16-23
(Gary King)

Gospel: Matthew 5: 38-48 (Deacon Bonnell)

Response after the Scripture Reading:

Reader:
For the Word of
God in Scripture;
For the Word of
God among us;
For the Word of
God within us;

Response: We give you thanks, O God.

Dismissal Song:

Go now in peace; never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true. Know he will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith and in love.

Stewardship
Thought For the
Week

We are trying to do better some things that we deeply believe are right for the people of Christ - to enlarge our witness, assist our

study, and boost our opportunities for fellowship.

We are talking about doing our best for Christ, and we're determined to stretch past what we can see our way to do, knowing that if it is right the Lord will do what we cannot do (and we will have the privilege of being used by him).

Church Chuckle

I was driving down a lonely country road one cold winter day when it began to sleet pretty heavily. My windows were getting icy and my wiper blades were badly worn and quickly fell apart under the strain. Unable to drive any further because of the ice building up on my front window, I suddenly had a great idea. I stopped and began to overturn large rocks until I located two very lethargic hibernating rattle snakes. I grabbed

them up, straightened them out flat and installed them on by glades and they worked just fine. What! You've never heard of wind chilled vipers?

Dead in Christ One pastor said that the people in his church would be the first to go up in the rapture. He gave his reasons: "The Bible says, "The dead in Christ shall rise first."

boxes are located near Sharpe's Store on Thorburn Road and Country Convenience. If you can help with sorting the recyclables on Monday or Tuesday nights, please call John Parrell.

The ACM could really use your help.

Milestones

Recyclable Donations:-Recycling is a fund-raising project of the **ACM** and your assistance is needed. "We thank you for your co-operation in removing screw top covers from all bottles – plastic and glass - and further ask that you remove corks and screw tops from alcoholic beverage containers." For your convenience,

I want to thank all our members for the support you have given your church in 2016 and to encourage you, if possible, to increase your giving for this year so that we can reach the budget for 2017. I want to encourage your and vours to worship with us on a more regular basis. "Come and Worship Christ the Newborn King...."

The Ballicatter after school program is renting our parish hall from Monday to Friday each week. They are currently looking to add young children to their program. If vou are interested and would like further information, please contact them at ballicatterasp@gm ail.com.

Rev. Ed

now on facebook. WWW.facebook. com/stphilipsang licanchurch Take a look!

The church is

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary Page 354:

Blessed is our Father, Lord of heaven and earth, who has revealed these things to the simple

7th. Sunday after Epiphany – Feb. 19th 8:30 am - Holy Communion (BCP) **Eucharistic** Assistant - Todd Martin

10:30 am - Holy Eucharist (BAS) & **Sunday School** Eucharistic Assistants – Dave **Bartlett & George** Sharpe Counters: Lori Mercer & Linda **Thomas Sidesperson: Gerald Sharpe**

8th. Sunday after Epiphany – Feb. 26th. 8:30 am - Holy Communion Eucharistic Assistant - Mary **Ann Baker**

10:30 am - Holy Eucharist (BAS) & **Sunday School Eucharistic** Assistants – Debbie Collis/Harve Hiscock **Counters: John Lori** Mercer & Linda **Thomas**

Sidesperson: John

Parrell

Notices **New Rental**

Rates - The Vestry has approved the following new rates for renting of the Parish Centre effective January 1st 2017:

Baby Showers, Children's Birthday Parties, etc. -\$75.00 Adult Dinner/Dance, **Birthday Parties** with dance, etc. -\$150.00 Use of Kitchen stove - \$50.00

The annual meeting of the men's group (ACM) will take place on Wednesday, Feb. 22nd. At **7:30 pm** in the Boardroom.

ACW Card Games

Please note that the ACW card games will now

take place on the last Tuesday of each month

Please note, any items to be included in the weekly bulletin should be into the church office by Thursdays, 10am.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The **Pancake** supper will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 28th at 5:30 pm. Cost \$8.00, followed by a card game at 8 pm, Cost \$5.00. **Tickets** can be purchased from the members of ACM or from the church office by calling 895-0715.

"Prayerfully consider your parish in your estate planning".

We encourage you to use the E-**Giving method** for giving to the life and witness of the church in this community. You will find forms in the fover which need to be signed and returned to the church.

Stewardship **Statement**

As we begin this new year together as a church, we are asking our people to look at their regular giving. Our budget for regular giving this year is set at \$95,000.00. For a number of years we have never reached our

goal but it is so important for us to do it in 2017 or we will have a serious problem on our hands. Please look at your regular giving and see if you can increase it for this year and going forward.

your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Merciful God, accept all we offer you this day. Lead us to love you with all our heart, and to love all people with your perfect love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the parish of Mahajanga – (Indian Ocean) The Rt Revd

Hammond and their

families.

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Yearly Budget for Envelope giving for 2017 - \$95,000.00

Needed Monthly - Needed Weekly -

> Rec'd Feb.12th. Regular Giving

Maintenance

Rec'd Year to Date Regular Giving

Maintenance

Total brought in for Sunday, Feb. 12th.

Collect for the Day:
(In Unison):
Almighty God, your
Son revealed in
signs and miracles
the wonder of your
saving love. Renew
your people with

Unison F. Bless, O Lord our God, the worship and work of this church. **Grant that it may** faithfully, "launch out into the deep" and respond to the call of Jesus to be Fishers of People. By the power of your Holy Spirit, make it a house of prayer, a Centre of **Christian teaching** and disciples in learning; a community of loving and sacrificial service and a witness to your redeeming love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

<u>Prayer over the</u> <u>Gifts:</u> (In Unison):

Prayer after **Communion:** (In **Unison): Gracious** God, in the eucharist we celebrate your love for us and for all people. Grant that strengthened by these holy gifts, we may show your love in our lives, and know its fulfillment in your presence. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Parish Cycle of
Prayer: We pray for
our parish families.
(Each week we
remember several of
our families in our
Prayers of the
People): Charles &
Canon Shirley Gosse,
Beryl(Squires) Grace,
Vic & Loretta
Greeley, Robert &
Lorraine Halfyard,
Warrick & Margaret

Tri-Diocesan Cycle
of Prayer: We pray
for the Parish of
Bonne Bay South (3
congregations) – The
Rev. Kay Short, Priest
in Charge and The
Parish of Botwood (3
Congregations) -The
Rev. Larry Chatman,
Rector

Provincial Prayer

<u>Care:</u> We pray for The Diocese of Montreal, Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson

> ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

Primate: The Most Rev. Fredrick Hitz Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador Bishop: The Right Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Peddle

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Shirley Gosse

The Rev. Canon
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Rev. Russell
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