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September 20th, 2015 (Year B)

Parish Mission Statement

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

- 1 To be Fishers of people in response to the call of Jesus, in the power of the Holy Spirit;
- 1 To be a House of Prayer

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-] To be a Centre for Christian Teaching;
-] To be Disciples in learning;
- 1 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.

From the Rector's Desk

Over the past few weeks, we have seen pictures on our televisions of the flight of many people, from Syria, who are travelling over water and land to find a country that would accept them as refugees.

All of us are able to sympathize with these people but are we able to do more?

The Canadian government has rules and regulations as to how many refugees can come into the country each year. I believe they allow about 10,000 refugees over a four year period. With the conditions we see at this moment with refugees fleeing from their own country because of ISIS, I think we need to rethink and allow more to come to Canada at this time.

Many churches, communities and provinces are willing to sponsor a refugee family for a one year period. Do you think we here at St. Philip's can do that? If not, then we could help through our "Primates World Relief and Development Fund". That is the least we can do by contributing to this fund in aid of the refugees of Syria and other places where ISIS is a threat. I do ask that we here at St. Philip's give to this appeal over the next few Sundays in a special envelope marked "Syria Refugees". You can place it in the collection plate at one of our services. The money will then be forwarded to our National Church and through "The Primates World Relief and Development Fund", we in a small way are helping those refugees to find hope and peace as they find a country that is willing to accept them.

Let us also pray for peace in the world...especially in Syria and the Middle East. Pray for refugees that are in camps around the world waiting to find a new homeland.

By our helping, we can help stop the suffering of many people and the horrible pictures we have seen on television lately.

Give now with a willing heart to help our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Rev. Ed

A Stewardship Thought for the Week

An acquaintance was talking about tithing, and his quick conclusion was that anyone who gave 10% of his income to the church was ready for the little padded wagon to be backed up to his door.

But this *whole business* of the Christian faith strikes the world as foolish. "The foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men" (1 Corinthians 1:25).

The careful giver is right in step...not with all the world, but with God.

Church Chuckle

In Sunday School a young lad was told to draw a picture of the Hebrews' flight from Egypt. He came home with a picture of an airplane, the passengers all with halos and one person up front without one. When asked about it, he explained, "Oh, that's Pontius, the pilot".

Noteworthy Events

Portugal Cove ACW - Monthly Card Games are held the second Tuesday of each month at St. Lawrence Parish Hall at 8:00 pm. Cost \$5.00 and lunch is served.

Beaumont Hamel – On the Trail of the Caribou – June/July 2016 – 10 days/16 meals – Bishop Geoff will be leading a tour to Beaumont Hamel to mark the 100th Anniversary of the First World War. For further information, please see the brochure in the foyer or see the Diocesan website.

Stewardship Statement

Sept. 13th, 2015 Regular Givings: Maint. Fund E-Giving

\$ 693.00 155.00

The Bulletin today is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

Alex Spurrell June 21st, 1934 – Sept. 25th, 2002 Lovingly remembered by Jean

Schedule of Services

17th Sunday after Pentecost, Sept. 20th

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP) **Eucharistic Assistant**: Charlie Gosse

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) & Sunday School (10:15 am Registration)
Eucharistic Assts: Ches Barfitt,
Counters: John Parrell, Gloria Earle
Sidesperson: John Parrell

18th Sunday after Pentecost, Sept. 27th

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP) **Eucharistic Assistant**: Joan Tucker

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) & Sunday School Eucharistic Assts: Dave Bartlett, Todd Martin Counters: John Parrell, Gloria Earle Sidesperson: Don Morgan

Welcome Back to our Sunday School teachers and students. <u>Notices</u>

"Prayers of the People" Group:

Will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 22nd at 7:30 pm in the Boardroom.

Confirmation: Will take place on Sunday, September 27th at 10:30 am. Bishop Peddle will be the celebrant and preacher.

Pot Luck Lunch: Following the Confirmation Service there will be a pot luck lunch for the candidates and the congregation. All are welcome. We ask that you bring a pot luck dish for that day.

2017 Confirmation: Notice to Parents

of children who will be confirmed in 2017. October 4th, 2015 we will begin the new **Two Year Confirmation Program** for candidates who will be confirmed in 2017. Please note candidates must attend this two-year program in order to be confirmed.

ACW Card Game: Monday, **September 28**th, at 8:00 pm. Lunch will be served. Cost \$5.00.

Cards & Darts: Will be holding their Closing Dinner & Awards Night on Wednesday, Sept. 30th at 7:00 pm.

Harvest Festival: (No Tickets - No Meals)

Monday, Oct. 19th. Time: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm Cost: \$15.00 – Tickets can be purchased from ACM members or Church Office.

Prayers of the People Group: I am happy to announce that we have recruited two new people to join this group. If anyone is interested, please contact the rector as more recruits are needed.

Pamphlets - "Daily Bread" and "Today":

Please pick up the Sept/Oct editions of these pamphlets for your daily devotions.

Memorial Windows: There is now an opportunity for families who would like to donate a Memorial Window in the Church in Memory of Departed Loved Ones. The cost ranges from \$2,075.00 to \$2,395.00. We are hoping to put in at least three windows on each side of the church for the time being. The cost depends on the design, so if you are interested, please come to the church and look at the designs that are available. On the bulletin board in the foyer are samples of the designs with or without the emblem. Some will have the emblems added so that is why there is a cost range. Both the stained glass window in the back of the church, over the doors, as well as the one over the Altar are scheduled to be installed this month.

Preauthorized Payment (e-Giving) of Church Offerings is an option for our parishioners. Many people find it a safe and convenient way to make their offerings and, if you are interested, **please complete the form which you will find in the pamphlet rack in the fover.**

For those who are giving by Pre-authorized (e-Giving). there are plastic cards available in the foyer which read "Giving electronically to the Anglican Parish of St. Philip". We want our people to think about giving to the church by this method.

Maintenance Fund: We want to thank you for your continued support. It is very important for us to build on this fund so that the necessary repairs to the church can be completed in a timely manner. Please keep in mind that we were encouraged after the church was debt free to continue to give a dollar per day to this fund.

Parish Hall Rentals: The Parish Centre is available to members of the congregation and the public to rent for birthdays, weddings and anniversaries. Please consider renting the hall for your next important event. Any person wanting to rent the Parish Centre can call the church office at 895-0715.

<u>New Response after the</u> <u>Scripture Reading:</u>

Reader:

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

<u>Response:</u> We give you thanks, O God.

Dismissal to be sung at the end of the service.

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.

<u>Collect, Epistle and Gospel for the 17th</u> Sunday after Pentecost <u>Scripture Readings for today, September 20th</u>

1st Reading: Proverbs 31: 10 - 31 Psalm 1: (Page 705) (Lori Gosse)
 2nd Reading: James 3: 13 - 4:3, 7-8a (Gary King) Gospel: Mark 9: 30 - 37 (Rev. Ed Bonnell)

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary, Page **381**:

God has called us through the gospel, so that we may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<u>Collect for the Day:</u> (In Unison): Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth, and ourselves in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

<u>Collect for Launching out into the Deep:</u> (In Unison): 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 Gifts:</u> (In Unison): God of power, the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

<u>Prayer after Communion:</u> (In Unison): Ruler of the universe, all creation yearns for its fulfilment in your Son. May we who have shared in holy things grow into maturity in him. This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Today in our Parish Cycle of Prayer we pray for our parish families: Each week we remember a number of our families in our Prayers of the People: Raymond & Millicent Mercer, Ronald & Lori Mercer, Rose Marie Mercer, Vera Mitchell, Chad & Michelle Mitchelmore and their families.

In our Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Parish Spaniard's Bay (2 congregations); Rev. Christopher Fowler, Rector and The Parish of Greenspond/Newtown/Pound Cove, (3 congregations); Rev. Cindy Graham, Rector.

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Southern Brazil -The Rt. Revd. Humberto Maiztegue.