



Christmas Services

Christmas Day - Monday, December 25th

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

Feast of St. Stephen the Martyr -Tuesday, December 26th

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

Feast of St. John the Evangelist-Wednesday, December 27th

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

Feast of the Holy Innocents-Thursday, December 28th

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

Thomas Beckett, Archbishop of Canterbury-Friday, December 29th

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

John Wycliffe of Oxford, Scholar-Saturday, December 30th

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

Sunday After Christmas Day - December 31st

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:15 a.m. Morning Prayer

10:00 a.m. Christmas Lessons & Carols and Sunday School Pageant

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

The Circumcision of our Lord and New Year's Day-Monday, January 1st

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

*The end of the Christmas Season will be marked on Friday,
January 5th, with an Open House at the Rectory
(56 Williams Street), from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Please come and bring a friend!*

***On Behalf of the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry
we hope you have a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year.***



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THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD OR THE BIRTH DAY OF CHRIST

CHRISTMAS EVE

DECEMBER 24, 2017

FAMILY EUCHARIST & BLESSING OF THE CRECHE

Collects	p. 104, 107
The Epistle: Titus 2: 11-14	p. 107
Gradual - Christmas Anthems (Sung)	p. 104
The Gospel: St. Luke 2.1	p. 107

Creed

Children's Talk

Procession to Crib (*children may come to the Altar Rail*)

Hymn: **734**- Away in a Manger (Cradle Song)

Blessing of Crib

V/ Our help is in the Name of the Lord

R/ Who hath made heaven and earth.

V/ The Lord be with you;

R/ And with thy spirit.

Let us pray:

Almighty and everlasting God, who as on this night caused Thine only begotten Son to be born of the blessed and glorious ever Virgin Mary for our salvation: vouchsafe, we beseech thee, so to hallow and bless this Crib, wherein are shown the wonders of that Sacred Birth; that all those who, beholding the same, shall ponder and adore the mystery of His Holy Incarnation be filled with thy heavenly benediction unto life eternal. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory Hymn: **76** (Winchester Old)

The Intercession p. 75

Confession, Absolution p. 77

Thanksgiving, Consecration p. 78

The Administration of the Holy Communion

Hymn After Communion: **739** Silent Night

(sung kneeling with candles)

Lord's Prayer	p. 85
Gloria in Excelsis	p. 86
Blessing	p. 86
Last Gospel: St. John 1:1	p. 106
Recessional Hymn: 361 Joy to the World!	

CAROL SING, PROCESSION AND MIDNIGHT EUCHARIST

Carol Sing 10:40-10:55 P.M.

11:00 P.M. – Procession & The Mass of Christ

V/ Let us go forth in Peace

R/ In the Name of the Lord. Amen.

Processional Hymn: 75 - O Come All Ye Faithful (omit verse six)

Station at Crib:

V/ When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man.

R/ Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

For the grace of God has dawned upon the world with healing for all mankind; and by it we are disciplined to renounce godless ways and worldly desires, and to live a life of temperance, honesty, and godliness in the present age, looking forward to the happy fulfillment of our hope when the splendor of our great God and Saviour Christ Jesus will appear. He it is who sacrificed Himself for us, to set us free from all wickedness and to make us a pure people marked out for his own, eager to do good. (Titus 2 v.11-14)

V/ The Lord be With You

R/ And With Thy Spirit

Let us pray:

O God who by the birth of thy Son didst will to found a new race of men and to raise us from earth to heaven, hearken to our prayers, that we who behold the light that has shone out of darkness may be found worthy to enjoy the vision of thy eternal beauty. Through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen

Station at the Chancel Steps

V/ Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord

R/ God is the Lord who has showed us light.

Let your bearing toward one another arise out of your life in Christ Jesus. For the divine nature was His from the first; yet He did not think

to snatch at equality with God, but made Himself nothing, assuming the nature of a slave. Bearing the human likeness, revealed in a human shape, He humbled Himself, and in obedience accepted even death - death on a cross. Therefore God raised Him to the heights and bestowed on Him the Name above all Names, that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow - in heaven, on earth, and in the depths - and every tongue confess, "Jesus Christ is Lord", to the glory of God the Father.(Philippians 2:5-11)

V/ The Lord be With You

R/ And With Thy Spirit

Let us pray:

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we who are held in bondage by the old yoke of sin, may be set free by the new birth in the flesh of thy only begotten Son: through the same thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ who liveth and reigneth with the Father and the Holy Spirit ever one God, world without end. Amen

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The Christmas Collects p. 104, 107

The Epistle: Hebrews 1:1 p. 105

Gradual - Christmas Anthems (Sung) p. 104

The Gospel: St. John 1:1 p. 106

Hymn before Homily: **79** (Of the Father's Love)

Homily

Offertory Hymn: **81** Angels from the Realms (Regent Square #628)

The Intercession p. 75

Confession, Absolution p. 77

Thanksgiving, Consecration p. 78

The Administration of the Holy Communion: Phi family

Hymn after Communion: **739** Silent Night (Polish/German/English)

Lord's Prayer p. 85

Gloria in Excelsis p. 86

Blessing p. 86

Last Gospel: St. Matthew 1:18 p. 114

Recessional Hymn: **77** Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (Medlessohn)

5:00 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

Psalm: 85, 110 pgs. 438, 277

First Lesson: Isaiah 7. 10-14 (Pew Bible page 570)

Second Lesson: 1 John 4. 7-end (Pew Bible page 989)

The Christmas Bulletin is donated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of our parents James D. and Jean E. Ross, Linwood & Emily Rice, grandmother Mildred Bishop, uncle Elwood Nixon & aunt Louise Nixon, brother Frank Rice and sister-in-law Frances Rice, sister-in-law Pauline Rice and brother-in-law John Laing, given by the Rice family.

A donation to St. George's Community Meals has been made in honour of Norma Kelly from Guy, Joanna and Isaac.

A Book of Common Prayer has been donated in memory of Jacob Jones by Peter and Agnes Stam.

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Ed Beaver, Archdeacon Alexander, Marg Wright, S. Ross Dunnett, Paul & Jim McLeod

*“Let us remember before God the faithful departed”
Edna Cail, Jacob Jones, Bailey Wiley, Kay Peterson,
Jean Anne Hesse, Dr. Jose Bravo*

Amongst the faithful departed we remember, from this Parish, Pilot Officer Stuart Reeser Shaw, who was killed in action on December 29th, 1943, and is buried in England. With us, he awaits the Lord's return and the Resurrection at the Last Day.

<p>Vestry Duty – Linus Coady Christmas Eve – 7 p.m. - Ed & Marilyn Rice Christmas Eve – 11 p.m. - Isabelle and Gregory VanBuskirk</p>

On this Holy night, just a note of appreciation who have cleaned and prepared the Church so beautifully for the Christmas Season. Also, thank you to those who, throughout the year, have contributed to our worship and service: to the Altar Guild; to our flower arranger and decorator; our Layreaders; Servers; counters; greeters; our organist and choir; and our Wardens.

As you leave the Church tonight please remember that the **Christmas Season is just begun**. Contrary to our culture's commercial season, the Church's celebration of Christ's birth runs for 12 days. So, let us wish one another a **Merry Christmas until January 5th**. We've only just begun!

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS
have been placed to
the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of

- ✧ Loved ones from Dale and Ruth Aiken and family.
- ✧ All family and loved ones from Anne Allen.
- ✧ Wife Lorraine and mother Ruth from Ken Arbeau and girls.
- ✧ Grandparents William and Emily Arbeau and grandmother Margaret "Teddy" Payne.
- ✧ My husband Harold Arthur and the Arthur family and my parents, Mildred and Melvin Arnold, and the Watters family from Irene Arthur.
- ✧ My husband Arnold from Rita Beers.
- ✧ Parents George and Florence Beers, George LeBlanc, Beatrice LeBlanc and son David Beers from Rita Beers.
- ✧ Our parents and loved ones from Michael and Marion Bembridge and family.
- ✧ Jerry and Bernice Christie, love from your daughter, Sharon Gautreau and family.
- ✧ Leo and Ella Coady, Bill Coady, Stewart and Mabel Shears, and Norma Shears from Linus and Bernice Coady.
- ✧ My parents, Beulah and Donald Cochrane, Durward Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Burgess and Mr. and Mrs. John Balcom from John Cochrane.
- ✧ Wife and mother, Linda Dupuis, from husband Norm, children Hannah, David, and Reuben, and grandchildren.
- ✧ William, Helen, Ella, and Harold Emery from Pauline Emery.
- ✧ Our parents, family and friends from Noel and Shirley Eustace.
- ✧ Vernon, Phyllis and Stephen Mann from Bonnie, Stephanie, Jody, Mary and Alex.
- ✧ Ronald Knowles, Ralph Scott, Mildred Taylor and Vernon Taylor from Colin, Melony, Bryce and Keira.
- ✧ Joseph and Ruth (Dauphinee) Ethier and Dennis and Betty (Cox) Harknett from Brian and Pat Harknett.
- ✧ Niece Angela Jackson-Prokopetz from Brian and Pat Harknett.
- ✧ Our parents, Edward and Jennie Hayward, and Vernon & Minnie Hyslop from Faye and Allan Hyslop.
- ✧ Bill Hodgson from wife Elodie and family.
- ✧ Our parents, Velma and Blair MacDonald, from Debbie and Barb.
- ✧ Brian Morgan from Rae and Janet Matchett, Kelly Matchett-Morgan, Stephanie Arsenaault and Diana Stokes.
- ✧ My parents, Alex and Marguerite, brothers Frank and Ronald, sister-in-law Verna and brother-in-law Mark from Shirley and Stan McGovern and family.

- ✧ My parents Charles and Laura, sister Rachel, brother Jack and aunt Carrie Doyle from Stan and Shirley McGovern and family.
- ✧ Margaret McLeod from husband Colin, Leslie, Greg and family, Mark and Dawn Marie, Mary and Sheldon, Colin Jr. and Janet, and Stacy and Troy.
- ✧ Andrew Nelson from parents Carl and Dawn Nelson and sister Stephanie Nelson.
- ✧ To our parents, Cecil and Audrey Steeves, from Cliff, Cheryl, and Tom Reid.
- ✧ Judy Rothwell, Mark Rothwell, May and Bob Rothwell, May and Bert Davies from Rocky and family.
- ✧ Our parents, Cecil & Lorna Staples, Kenneth and Cora Sheppard, sister Pat Creighton, and Aunt Ruby Staples from John and Helen Staples and family.
- ✧ Terry Underhill from Lydia, Catherine, Brent and Ramona.
- ✧ Millet and Beatrice Underhill, Omer and Eileen Corney, and Thelma Corney from Lydia, Catherine, Brent and Ramona.
- ✧ Deceased members of the Willing Workers.



ST. GEORGE'S MEMORIAL FUND

Christmas time donations have been made to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of:

- ◆ The Rev. Matt and Joan Lanigan from Bob, Wendy, and family.
- ◆ Our family, Bill, Georgie & Ron Black; Reg, Helen & Joe Chapman; André Hay;
- ◆ Elwyn & Roberta Wilson; Bob & Lois Black from Ralph and Irene Black.
- ◆ Our friends, Stuart, Ruth & Christopher Stratton; Victor McLaughlin; Richard, Nan & Reginald Miller; Donald Hanright; Shirley Kelly; Ed & Mary Osmond; Douglas & Isabel Matheson; Ron Chapman, Russell A. Cochrane and John Lingley from Ralph and Irene Black.
- ◆ Parents Ruben and Annie Buck, Herbert and Ellen Holloway, brother Gerald Holloway and grandson Andrew Nelson from Raymond and Gwyneth Buck.
- ◆ Our parents, James and Marguerite Wright from your children.
- ◆ My parents, Harold E. and Annie L. (Beers) Carson; brother, Ray A. Carson, and infant sister, Norma Elaine Carson, from Merle and family.
- ◆ Our parents, family and friends from Noel and Shirley Eustace.
- ◆ Robert, Joseph, and Marion LeDrew, Mabel and Lloyd Joudrey, Leona Wamboldt, James Zwicker, and John Lingley from Ray and Barbara Joudrey and family.

- ◆ Walter Graveston from Judy and Cliff Kendall.
- ◆ Jim Kendall from Judy, Cliff and Elsie Kendall.
- ◆ Jeanne Lipton from Michael, John, Heidi, Nadine and grandchildren.
- ◆ Harold and Frances Mitton, Frank and Alice Parker, Percy and Bessie Mitton, and Norma and Don O'Hanley by Brian and Gary Mitton.
- ◆ Keith and Jean Leighton from Pauline and Kenneth Oulton.
- ◆ Keith and Jean Leighton from Bill & Ann Irving.
- ◆ Camille Reid and Camille Delorme from Cliff, Cheryl, and Tom Reid.
- ◆ Our parents, Isabelle and Reginald Mason, from Betty Lou, Jim, and families.



ST. GEORGE'S COMMUNITY MEALS

Christmas time donations have been made to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of:

- Ralph and Shirley Kelly from John and Nancy Brown and family.
- Father Ernest D. Jenkins and parents William and Flora Banks from Don and Karen Banks.
- John and Gladys Gavell, and George and Pearl Cole, from Bob and Beth Cole.
- Family members and loved ones, from Cathie, Ralph, and Laura Dingwell.
- Our dear parents Hayward and Jean Dunnett from the family.
- Our brother and sister S. Ross Dunnett and Kimberly Dunnett from the family.
- Our parents, family and friends from Noel and Shirley Eustace.
- Donald Jones and Jacob Jones from Bonnie, Brad, Leigh-Anne, Trevor, Bernice, Kevin, Sarah and Damian.
- Our parents, family and friends from Noel and Shirley Eustace.
- Our dear sister, Debbie Ritchie and nephew Robert Ritchie from your loving brothers and sisters.
- Our grandparents from Allen and Nancy Urquhart.
- Ralph "The Man" Kelly from Alexander, Makhaila, and Natasha Urquhart.
- A dear friend Debbie Ritchie from Allen and Nancy Urquhart.
- Arnold "Grampy" Beers, from Alexander, Makhaila and Natasha.

'And the word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, [and we beheld his glory, the glory as the only begotten of the Father,] full of grace and truth.'

St. John 1.14

Please note that the Church Office will be closed from December 25th until January 2nd, however, phone messages will be checked daily.

MANY THANKS to all who have contributed to our **Parish Christmas Outreach Project**: to the Willing Workers for their generous support; to those who delivered gifts to our parish shut-ins; to those who have contributed in prayer and financially; and to the corporate sponsors. We delivered 45 gifts to shut-ins, 18 to our Community Friends and helped 15 families.

2018 Envelopes – The envelopes are available for pick up in the Entry. If you don't have offering envelopes and would like some, or would like to enrol in P.A.R. (Pre-Authorized Remittance), please contact David Black at 388-1480 or email stgeorgesenvelope@gmail.com

Klaudia Ross our Outreach Co-ordinator, is planning to visit some streets in our neighbourhood on **Wednesday, December 27th from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.** She will go door to door with information on St. George's and with cookies to make her visit memorable. If you have any leftover cookies you would like to contribute for that effort, please contact Klaudia at outreachmoncton@gmail.com or 855-5209.

Our **Service of Christmas Carols and Lessons** is scheduled for **Sunday December 31st**. The Sunday School will present the **Pageant** during the Service.

The Youth are invited to a **cookie making** event on **January 4th**. We will make cookies and take them to some of our seniors! We will start at 1pm.

The **Feast of our Lord's Epiphany** will be kept on Saturday, **January 6th** with the celebration of the **Holy Eucharist at 5:00 pm** in the Main Church. Please note, that in keeping with the Wise-Men's gift of frankincense, incense will be used.

A **strong back or two** are needed when it comes time to dismantle and store the outdoor Christmas Crib. Weather permitting, we will tackle this after **Morning Prayer on Monday, January 8th**. If you are able, please speak to the Rector or leave a message at 855-5209. Thank you!

Morning Bible Study will resume Tuesday, **January 9th** at 10 am.

An **evening Bible Study** is set to begin on Tuesday, **January 9th** at 6:30 PM in the Main Entry. It will run for five weeks and focus on St. Paul's Epistle to the Galatians, which is sometimes called the Epistle of Liberty.

Grief Share will resume on Wednesday, **January 10th** at 7:00 p.m.

Are you a caregiver for a family member? A meeting of family caregivers from St. George's is being planned early in January. If you are interested, please contact the Rector or the Church Office.

Vestry will meet on Monday **January 15th** at 7pm.

Attention men! For a long time it has been suggested that the men of St. George's get together for supper. So, after Evening Prayer on **Monday, January 22nd**, we will gather in the Ladies' Parlour for a simple meal and time of fellowship. Evening Prayer is at 5:00 p.m. (for those who can make it), and supper has been set for 6:00 p.m..

In the Middle Ages, Church Guilds presented **the Miracle Plays**. These were short Gospel dramas based on various aspects of our Lord's earthly life and ministry. The guilds would pass through the village square, one by one, presenting their plays in series. And, you can imagine the vendors and activities that would have been connected: buskers, musicians, food trolleys, and other sales booths. The Anglican Parishes in Moncton and Riverview are thinking and praying about initiating a **Fall Festival for 2018** based on this concept. **An open meeting will be held on January 29th at 7:00 p.m.** at St. George's in the Ladies' Parlour. Everyone is welcome.

Volunteers, please! The following ministries operate with volunteer help. If you are interested in offering your time, please contact the Church Office:

- * Peelers for Community Meal on the 2nd Saturday (8:15 to 9:45 a.m.)
- * Community Supper on the 2nd Sunday (4:00 to 5:00 p.m.);
- * Community Breakfast on the 4th Saturday (9:00 to 10:00 a.m.);
- * Weekly Drop-in on Wednesdays (1:00 to 3:00 p.m.);
- * Parish visitors (Police Record Check required);
- * Sunday School Teachers (Police Record Check required);
- * Acolytes (Servers) and Sunday Greeters;
- * Altar Guild members; and,
- * Willing Workers.

2018 Calendars for Dorchester Penitentiary can be left in the Entry.

Church Calendars are available in the Entry. Cost is \$7. Don't forget to check out the beautiful centerfold.

Bishop Edwards is scheduled to visit us on Sunday, June 17th. At that time he plans to administer **Confirmation** (the Laying on of Hands with Prayer). If you wish to be Confirmed, or for more information, please contact the Church Office by Monday, January 15th (855-5209).

You may be interested to know that **upper cupboards** have been installed in the **Ladies' Parlour** by an anonymous donor. They are dedicated to the Willing Workers – past present and future. With them, the capabilities of the Ladies' Parlour are increased and the room is more inviting. **Praise be to the Lord for this generous, helpful and beautiful gift!**

At every celebration of the Holy Eucharist we pray for “all that are put in authority” under the Queen. To that end, a word from MLA Cathy Rogers, also a member of St. George's.

To my St. George's Church Family: I want to thank you for your continued prayer and support. It is truly a gift to be a part of this Body, and an honour to be the elected representative for the Province here in Moncton South. Please know I continue to be committed to serve God and my community with humility and integrity. May God richly bless you all at this Holy Season and throughout 2018.

*Sincerely,
Cathy Rogers*

