

Vestry – Linus Coady
Greeters – Allen & Nancy Urquhart

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

The Sanctuary Lamp burns today to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Jean Rosamund Cruikshank, Donald Jones, Doris Hamer

This Week in the Parish

The Daily Offices of **Morning and Evening Prayer** will be prayed in the Chapel at 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Monday to Saturday. In addition:

Monday	Holy Eucharist (<i>Circumcision of our Lord</i>)	8:30 a.m.
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist (<i>Moncton Residence</i>)	10:00 a.m.
Thursday	Holy Eucharist (<i>Chapel</i>)	10:00 a.m.
	Cookie-making with Youth (<i>Hall</i>)	1:00 p.m.
Friday	Open House at the Rectory	2:00-4:00 & 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Saturday	Holy Eucharist (Feast of the Epiphany)	11:00 a.m.

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!

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 a celebration of the **Holy Eucharist at 11:00 a.m.** in the Main Church. Please note, that in keeping with the Wise-Men's gift of frankincense, incense will be used.

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

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

The **2018 Envelopes** are available in the front entrance. If you wish a set of envelopes for 2017 (and do not presently have an envelope number), please contact David Black at envelope@stgeorgesmoncton.ca or call 388-1480.

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Sunday After Christmas December 31, 2017



Parish Prayer Chain: To pass a message on to the Parish Prayer Chain, from Monday to Friday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., please call Esther @ 855-5209; after Office Hours, please call Cathie @ 384-6327.

Wardens:	Stan Balch	854-4054
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Sunday After Christmas – December 31, 2017

8:00 A.M. - HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm: 93 p. 450
Collect and Lesson p. 115, 116
Gradual Psalm: 110. 1-4 p. 477
The Holy Gospel p. 116

9:15 A.M. – MORNING PRAYER

Psalm: 132 p. 503
First Lesson: Isaiah 41. 8-20 (Pew Bible page 593)
Second Lesson: Colossians 1.1-20 (Pew Bible page 953)

10:00 A.M. - NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

The Clergy and Choir enter the Chancel in silence, in preparation for the procession.

V. Unto us a Child is born.

R. O Come let us worship.

V. Let us go forth in peace!

R. In the Name of the Lord. Amen.

Processional Hymn: **733 Once In Royal David's City (Irby)**

The Introduction and Exhortation

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 3:1-19

(God tells sinful Adam that he has lost the life of paradise and that his seed shall bruise the serpents head)

Carol: 750 The First Nowell (The First Nowell)

SECOND LESSON: Genesis 22:1-18

(God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed shall the nations of the earth be blessed)

Carol: 746 Good King Wenceslas (Tempest Adest Floridum)

THIRD LESSON: Isaiah 9: 2-7

(The Prophet Isaiah foretells the coming of the Saviour)

Carol: 361 Joy to the World (Antioch #27)

FOURTH LESSON: Micah 5:2-4

(The prophet Micah foretells the glory of little Bethlehem)

Carol: 82 O Little Town of Bethlehem (Forest Green)

FIFTH LESSON:

As the Fifth Lesson, all pray together the Surge Illuminare, BCP page 28, from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

(The prophet in exile foresees the coming of the glory of the Lord)

Carol: 745 Huron Carol (Jesus Athonia)

SIXTH LESSON: St. Luke 1:26-38

(The Angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary)

Carol: 807 Sing of Mary (Herman)

SEVENTH LESSON: St. Luke 2:1-16

(St Luke tells of the birth of Jesus)

Carol: 75 O Come All Ye Faithful (Adestes Fideles)

EIGHTH LESSON: St. Matthew 2:1-11

(The wise men are led by the star to Jesus)

Carol: 748 We Three Kings (We Three Kings)

(During this hymn the Offering will be received and presented.)

PLEASE STAND for the reading of the Ninth Lesson

NINTH LESSON: St. John 1:1-14

(St. John unfolds the great Mystery of the Incarnation)

Carol : 79 Of the Father's Love Begotten (Divinum Mysterium)

The Sunday School Pageant

The Collects

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: **81 Angels from the Realms of Glory**

(Regent Square -628)

5:00 P.M. –EVENING PRAYER

Psalm: 45 p. 386

First Lesson: Isaiah 55. (Pew Bible, p. 603)

Second Lesson: St. Luke 2. 22-40 (Pew Bible, p. 823)

Thank you very much to our Sunday School teachers and children for their pageant. We appreciate your efforts! Great job!

"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament showeth his handy -work."
Psalm 19.1

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

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 Church Office (office@stgeorgesmoncton.ca) or call the Rector (855-5209).

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

- * Community Supper on the second Sunday (4:00 to 5:00 p.m.);
- * Community Breakfast on the fourth 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.

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.

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..

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).

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

In the Holy Nativity of our Lord

Gloomy night embrac'd the place
Where the Noble Infant lay;
The Babe look'd up and show'd his face,
In spite of darkness, it was day.
It was thy day, Sweet! and did rise
Not from the east, but from thine eyes.

We saw thee in thy balmy nest,
Young dawn of our eternal day!
We saw thine eyes break from their east
And chase the trembling shades away.
We saw thee, and we bless'd the sight,
We saw thee by thine own sweet light.

Poor World, said I, what wilt thou do
To entertain this starry stranger?
Is this the best thou canst bestow,
A cold, and not too cleanly, manger?
Contend, ye powers of heav'n and earth,
To fit a bed for this huge birth.

To thee, meek Majesty! soft King
Of simple graces and sweet loves,
Each of us his lamb will bring,
Each his pair of silver doves;
Till burnt at last in fire of thy fair eyes,
Ourselves become our own best sacrifice.

Excerpts from Richard Crashaw, an English poet, teacher, Anglican cleric (1612-1649)

Calendars for 2018 are needed for the inmates at Dorchester Penitentiary. If you have any, please drop them off at the office.

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.