

Presentations to **Dianne Dallaire and Fr. Norm Dupuis**, in appreciation for their exceptional service to our Lord and this Congregation will be **after the 10am Holy Eucharist**. This will be an opportunity for us to thank them and wish them well as they continue into their retirements.

**Vestry** will meet on Monday, **September 14<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm.

Our Fall **evening Bible Study** continues **Tuesday** evenings at 7:00 pm. You may attend in person, or watch it by live-stream; or join in by ZOOM. **If you wish to receive the ZOOM link**, please contact Esther in the Church Office. We will continue to study the Gospel according to St. Luke.

On **September 20<sup>th</sup>**, after the 10am Holy Eucharist, there will be a **Lasagna Lunch** with a presentation from members of the **Teen Challenge Atlantic Center**. TCAC is a 12-month in-residence alcohol and drug addiction rehabilitation program located near Memramcook.

The **Drive-In Service** will be next Sunday, **September 20<sup>th</sup> at 5pm** in the Old Moncton High Parking Lot.

The next scheduled **Outbound** excursion will be on Sunday, **September 27<sup>th</sup>** and will be a visit to the **Irishtown Nature Park** and Evening Prayer at **Tankville School**.

Next **Men's Meeting** will be Monday, **September 28<sup>th</sup>**. The guest speaker will be **Dr, Brian Davidson** who will speak on Creation. Supper will be **at 6pm**, come and bring a friend.

Given the number of **people living outdoors**, in the vicinity of St. George's, there is an opportunity for us to engage in a **hands-on ministry** of presence. This would involve walking around the neighbourhood and listening to and praying with people, as requested. **A meeting to discuss this possibility has been scheduled for Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, at approximately 1:00 pm.**



**St. George's Church is a downtown spiritual center where traditional Anglican liturgy, parishioners and the needs of our community are valued.**



# St. George's Anglican Church

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## Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity

**September 13, 2020**



**Parish Prayer Chain:** To pass a message on to the Parish Prayer Chain, from Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. please the Office. After Office Hours, please contact Cathie @ 855-7969 or cdingwell@gmail.com.

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## Trinity 14– September 13, 2020

### 8:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm: 84	p. 437
Collect for Purity:	p. 67
Collect and the Epistle	p. 239
Gradual Psalm: 95. 1-3	p. 452
The Holy Gospel	p. 240

### 9:15 A.M. MORNING PRAYER

Psalm 78, Part 1	p. 426
First Lesson: Jeremiah 31. 27-34	(Pew Bible page 639)
Second Lesson: Luke 6. 39 – end	(Pew Bible page 828)

### 10:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm (sung): *Behold, O God, our defender, and look upon the face of think Anointed: for one day in thy courts is better than a thousand. O how amiable are thy dwelling, thou Lord of hosts: my soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord. Glory be...*

Hymn: **350** “All People That On Earth Do Dwell” (Old Hundredth)

Children’s Talk

Collect for Purity	p. 67
Kyrie	p. 70
Collect	p. 239
The Epistle	p. 239
Gradual Psalm: 95. 1-3	p. 452
The Holy Gospel	p. 240
The Nicene Creed	p. 71

Hymn before Homily: **381** “When All thy Mercies” (St. Stephen)

Homily

Offertory Hymn: **600** “This Is My Father’s World” (Terra Beata)

The Intercession	p. 75
Confession, Absolution	p. 77
Thanksgiving	p. 78
Consecration	p. 82

Hymns during Communion: **417** (Trentham - 485);  
**236** (Dolomite Chant); **221** (Undes et Memores)

The Lord’s Prayer	p. 85
Gloria In Excelsis	p. 86

Recessional Hymn: **779** “What a Friend”

### 5:00 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

Psalm 78, Part 2	pg. 429
First Lesson: Ezra 3	(Pew Bible page 420)
Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1. 26 – 2. 9	(Pew Bible page 921)

*The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Carrie Doyle, Marjorie and Harold Steeves*

*The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Vernon and Phyllis Mann from Mary, Alix, Bonnie, Stephanie and Jody*

*“Let us remember before God the faithful departed.”*  
*Lois Sparks, Pauline Emery*

### This Week in the Parish

The Daily Offices of **Morning and Evening Prayer** will be prayed at **8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.** Monday – Saturday, respectively. In addition:

<b>Today</b>	Community Dinner	4:00 p.m.
<b>Monday</b>	Confirmation Class	5:00 p.m.
	ReConnect Meeting	3:00 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	10:00 a.m.
<b>Saturday</b>	Community Breakfast	9:00 a.m.

**Harvest Thanksgiving** is fast approaching on **October 4<sup>th</sup>**. **This will also be Confirmation Sunday. On the morning of Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, fruits and vegetables will be gratefully received in the Hall.** All that is collected will then be donated to the Karing Kitchen, or used for the Community Meal on the following Sunday.

In **October**, a small group is planning to **read** *The Imitation of Christ* by Thomas à Kempis. Interested folks may attend in person or by ZOOM, or simply watch by live-stream. **If you would like to participate and need a copy of the book, please contact the Church Office** by Monday, September 14th, so that an order can be placed.

*“Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think anything as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God; Who hath also made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.”*  
II Corinthians 3: 5,6

*Please join us in the Hall for some retirement cake.*

## The Rector's Corner

After all these years, I think I am just beginning to understand what the Lord Jesus meant when He said, "Love your neighbour as yourself". A scribe asked Jesus, "Which commandment is the most important of all?" In reply, He said, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength'. This is the first and great commandment. The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself'. There is no other commandment greater than these." (St. Mark 12. 28-31)

The second commandment is all about love – that's it. Jesus could have defined the love, but then it would have become too much like the Law. He also could have put some limits on it; but He didn't because that would have made it into a legal thing as well. He also decided not to define 'neighbour'. But it would have been so much easier if He had! So what are we left to do?

Well, in terms of understanding 'the love' part, our reference points have to include the Manger and the Cross. In both cases, the Son of God made Himself small and vulnerable for us. Actually that's a gross understatement: the Lord Jesus gave Himself up to those who hated Him and allowed them to mock Him, spit on Him, and humiliate Him. His suffering was real and agonizing; and His Death involved excruciating pain, both spiritually and physically.

Writing years after the Crucifixion, St. Paul explained God's Love in these words: "Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, hopes all things, endures all things". (1 Corinthians 13. 4-7)

That last line is daunting: "Love bears all things, hopes all things, endures all things". And yet, that's what a man and woman pledge to each other in Holy Matrimony. They promise to love each other "for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, until death".

Our reference point regarding 'neighbour' has to include last week's Gospel and the parable of the Good Samaritan. Of all the people who

could have helped the beaten, half-dead man, Jesus made it to be a Samaritan. Of this, Pat McCloskey, OFM (Order of Franciscans Minor) says this, "The fact that there was such dislike and hostility between Jews and Samaritans is what gives the use of the Samaritan in the Parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:29-37) such force! The Samaritan is the one who is able to rise above the bigotry and prejudices of centuries and show mercy and compassion for the injured Jew after the Jew's own countrymen pass him by!"

So, considering all of this, what Jesus said is totally radical: "love your neighbour as yourself". There are no limits placed on this love; and the neighbour definitely includes people I do not know or like. There is a certain amount of discomfort about that for me. But what can I say? God considered me to be His neighbour when He sent His only-begotten Son to suffer and die for me. As the Scripture says, "God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5.8)

I am not sure what we are to take from the increased presence of those in need in the area surrounding St. George's. Their needs are huge – and, in many cases, overwhelming. There are no easy answers; and I do not believe that any of the levels of government can fix the brokenness. Personally, I think this is a call to the Church – the Body of Christ has been given the Divine medicines which bring forgiveness, hope and healing.

Next Sunday, at approximately 1:00 PM Eucharist, there will be a meeting of those who are interested in thinking and praying and discussing a possible 'Ministry of Presence' in response to this situation. A simple, easy-to-access resource for some reflection and prayer this week is called "12 Neighbours". Just google "12 Neighbours" and you watch the 10-15 minute videos. There is no password required, and there is no log-in procedure. Just click and watch!

### **Daily Bible Readings**

*A modified schedule from the Prayer Book's Table of Lessons*

Sunday	2 Samuel 6	John 7:25-end
Monday	2 Samuel 7	John 8:1-30
Tuesday	2 Samuel 8	John 8:31-end
Wednesday	2 Samuel 9	John 9
Thursday	2 Samuel 10	John 10:1-21
Friday	2 Samuel 12:38-14:24	John 10:22-end
Saturday	2 Samuel 14:25-15:12	John 11:1-44