

Bowling and Barbecue. This coming **Saturday, October 29th**, Moncton Anglicans are invited to Fairlanes Bowling Centre (936 Mountain Road) from **1:00 to 3:00 pm**. The shoe rental fee is \$3.00. Following our time at Fairlanes, we plan to go to **Centennial Park** (off St. Georges Blvd) for a barbecue. Specifically, we plan to meet at the playground area beside **the main parking lot, across from Rocky Stone Field.** Toilet facilities are available. (In the case of bad weather, we will go to St. James Church on St. George Blvd.) **Freewill donations will be gratefully received** and given to the weekday **Breakfast Program at St. George's**. This promises to be a fun outing with a good opportunity to meet other Anglicans in Moncton. *Everyone is welcome!*

Volunteers as Camera Operators on Sunday, are needed please. If you would be willing to help, please speak to the Rector. It is not complicated or difficult, but **very important** to those who are unable to join us in person on Sunday mornings.

Our Sunday **Intercession Book** is at the back of the Church. Please add the names of any you would like us to pray for together. In order to respect people's privacy, **please do not write surnames unless** you have the person's **permission**.

The Feast of All Saints is fast approaching. For centuries the Church has used this first week in November to remember the faithful departed; and to give thanks that death has been changed through the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, God's only begotten Son. The sheet on which we list **the names of our Christian departed** is in the Main Entry. You are welcome to include as many people as you like.

Grief-Share will begin Monday November 14th at 7pm. If interested, please contact the Office.

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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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> Nineteenth Sunday After Trinity October 23, 2022



<u>Parish Prayer Chain</u>: 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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Nineteenth Sunday After Trinity – October 23, 2022 8:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm: 138	p. 508
Collect for Purity:	p. 67
The Collect	p. 249
The Epistle	p. 249
The Gospel	p. 250
Gradual Psalm: 103:1-5	p. 460
The Holy Gospel	p. 250

9:15 A.M. MORNING PRAYER

Psalm 119 Parts 21, 22	p. 496
First Lesson: Proverbs 14:31-15:17	(Pew Bible page 542)
Second Lesson: Luke 12 :1-21	(Pew Bible page 837)

10:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm(sung) I am the saving health of my people, saith the Lord God: out of whatsoever tribulation they shall pray to me, I will surely help them, and I will be their God forever and ever. Hear my law, O my people: incline your ears unto the words of my mouth Glory be...

Children's Talk

The Litany	p. 30	
Collect for Purity	p. 67	
The Collect & The Epistle	p. 249	
The Gospel	p. 250	
Gradual Psalm: 103:1-5	p. 460	
The Holy Gospel	p. 250	
The Nicene Creed	p. 71	
Hymn before Homily: 724 (Jewels)		
The Homily		
Offertory Hymn: 350 (Old Hundred)		
The Intercession	p. 75	
Confession, Absolution, Thanksgiving	pgs. 77, 78	
Consecration	p. 82	
Hymns during Communion: 222 (Agape); 231(Adore Te);		
247 (Eisenach); 219 (Bread of Heaven)		
Gloria In Excelsis	p. 86	
Recessional Hymn: 412 (St. Gertrude)		

5:00 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

Psalm: 100, 101 First Lesson: Jonah 1&2 Second Lesson: Philippians 3 :1-16 p. 457 (Pew Bible page745) (Pew Bible page 951)

The sanctuary lamp burns today to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Marion, Joseph and Robert Ledrew, Ronald and Verna Roberts

> "Let us remember before God the faithful departed." Rev. David Emerson Dean

This Week in the Parish

The Daily Offices of **Morning and Evening Prayer** will be prayed at **8:30am and 5:00pm Monday-Saturday**, respectively. In addition:

Monday	Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Scouts	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
	Cubs & Beavers	6:30 p.m.
Thursday	Ante-Communion	10:00 a.m.

We welcome **Dr. John Stackhouse this morning** as our guest Preacher. He will deliver the second sermon in our 'Six Sundays Mission'. He will also **present an adult Sunday School Class from 9:15 am to 9:45** am in the Church Hall. Please pray for John as he leads us.

Please pray for **Presley Martin**, her parents and Godparents as she is brought to be **baptized next Sunday** at 10 AM. *Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!*

Rummage Sale!! The Willing Workers are holding a sale on Saturday **November 19th from 9am-1pm**. Donations are needed and appreciated and may be dropped off beginning **Monday November 14th**. Unfortunately, we cannot accept donations before that time. Thank you!

"Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession; and therefore let us boldly come unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in the time of need." Hebrews 14, 16

The Rector's Corner

What Mother Never Told Me About the Prayer Book (No.13)

Last week Dr. John Stackhouse was our guest Preacher at the 10 AM Eucharist. He also taught an adult 'Sunday School Class' in the Church Hall from 9:15 to 9:45 am. But on the previous Wednesday night, he delivered the first Medley Lecture at Christ Church Cathedral. It was entitled, 'Thick Churches: The Answer to Christianity's Decline in Canada'.

What is a 'thick 'Church? Basically, it is a congregation of baptized and committed Christian believers. People who want to follow the Lord Jesus Christ. Authentic, modern-day disciples. To speak of 'thick' churches is to speak of quality over quantity.

For example, in the history of our diocese, our first Bishop, John Medley, who was in Office from 1845 until 1892, measured church growth not simple by attendance, but by the number of regular communicants at the Holy Eucharist. That was his gauge for checking the thickness of the faith of New Brunswick Anglicans.

What about now – what gauge or standard should we use today to determine a congregation's thickness? The Prayer Book lays out some helpful points on page 555 in the Rule of Life. In addition to our regular attendance at the Holy Communion, it underlines the importance of our own devotional life in prayer and Bible reading. It also highlights the importance of 'practising what we preach' and 'living what we believe'-- the giving of our time and talents. It finishes with a word about supporting the Church's work by our offerings of money, 'according to our means'. All of that said, here it is, for your consideration:

Question. What is the vocation of a Christian in this world? *Answer.* To follow Christ and bear witness to him; to fight the good fight of faith and lay hold on eternal life.

Every Christian man or woman should from time to time frame for himself a RULE OF LIFE in accordance with the precepts of the Gospel and the faith and order of the Church; wherein he may consider the following:

The regularity of his attendance at public worship and especially at the holy Communion.

The practice of private prayer, Bible-reading, and self-discipline. Bringing the teaching and example of Christ into his everyday life. The boldness of his spoken witness to his faith in Christ. His personal service to the Church and the community. The offering of money according to his means for the support of the work of the Church at home and overseas.

The thing is, being a Christian is not a 'one-day-a-week' commitment. It is, as they say, 24/7. As JESUS said in last week's Gospel, we are to love God with our *all* – *all* our heart, *all* our soul, *all* our mind, and *all* our strength.

A sobering reminder of this may be found in the stained-glass window at the back of St. George's, in the north aisle (on the pulpit side). In it is depicted St. James the Apostle. He is bearded and he has a quill pen in his left hand. This window was given to the glory of God and in loving memory of William Stevens, a member of St. George's Vestry, at one time. Although difficult to read, the inscription at the bottom of the window says he died 'On his way to Evensong' on July 24th – the beginning of the Feast of St. James the Apostle. (The Church Calendar remembers St. James every year on July 25th, which technically means the previous eve – in this case, July 24th.)

We don't know how Williams Stevens died while making his way to the Church: did he take a heart attack? Was he trampled by a run-away horse or hit by a car? It doesn't matter. He was on his way to Evensong – Evening Prayer. And, by God's providence, the occasion of his death speaks to us about our Rule of Life – our commitment to Christ. May He find us in the thick of it and not thinly spread.

The Theology Glossary

What does Oblation mean as it is used in the prayer of consecration on p.82 of the Book of Common Prayer?

Oblation: is a gift or sacrifice offered up to God. In this prayer the word first appears as a reference to Jesus Christ offering himself as a perfect sacrifice to God for the sins of the whole world. The bread and wine represent the invisible grace that comes from the body and blood of our lord Jesus Christ, which is to remind us of his sacrifice for all.

October 2022 Vestry Meeting Briefs

- The Finance Committee reported that revenue from January 1 to September 30, 2022, was \$167,289 with expenses totalling \$204,709. The deficit is now \$37,421.
 - The Group Committee reported that the Scouts, Cubs and Beavers have been active. Rev. Rick Cunningham has joined as a leader with the Beavers.
 - Congratulations to Zane Peacock as he recently received the Chief Scout Award.
 - The Building Committee reported that many shingles were lost during Fiona and they have been replaced. Repairs continue at the Rectory.
 - The Parish is looking at Government grants upgrades to the hall and for materials to build more garden boxes.
 - The Parish is also seeking more sources of funding to support the Community Outreach Program. Vestry discussed at length the program and its future as well as the situation concerning the emergency shelter beds for the winter.
 - Church finances were also discussed with the upcoming budget process for 2023 and the deficit.
 - The Future Ministry of the Moncton Parishes will hold a bowling event at Fairlanes on Saturday Oct 29, 2022 (1-3pm) followed by a BBQ at Centennial Park for all Moncton Anglicans. Money raised from this event will go to the breakfast program. Also beginning on Nov. 2nd, Bible Study will be held at St. James for both congregations. All parishes are welcome for grief share beginning Nov 14, 2022 and all outbound activities.
 - The next Vestry Meeting will be held at 7pm on Tuesday Nov 15, 2022.

This hit home for me

When a flashlight grows dim or quits working, do you just throw it away? Of course not. You change the batteries.

When a person messes up or finds themselves in a dark place, do you cast them aside? Of course not! You help them change their batteries.

Some need AA...attention and affection; some need AAA...attention, affection, and acceptance; some need C...compassion; some need D...direction. And if they still don't seem to shine...simply sit with them quietly and share your light.

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Daily Bible Readings

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

Sunday	2 Kings 6:1-23	James 3
Monday	2 Kings 6:24-7:2	James 4
Tuesday	2 Kings 7:3-end	James 5
Wednesday	2 Kings 8:1-15	I Peter 1:1-12
Thursday	2 Kings 9	I Peter 1:13-end
Friday	2 Kings 11:1-20	I Peter 2:1-10
Saturday	2 Kings 11:21-12 end	I Peter 2:11-3-7