

The **Annual Meeting** will begin after the 10am Holy Service and a light lunch downstairs in the Hall. The **Annual Reports** and **Financial Statements** are available in the Entry. A reminder to **Vestry** that there will be a **short meeting** after the Annual Meeting.

The **Altar Guild** is set to immediately follow the 10am Service on February 26th. We will **meet for 15 minutes** in the Main Church to discuss the assembly of the Chalice and Paten for the Holy Communion. Fr. Norm Dupuis will lead this session, and once finished, lunch will be served in the Church Hall.

St. George's Greeters are needed here! Please speak to one of our Wardens if you would be willing to volunteer in this way **at 8am or 10am**. The job includes handing our bulletins, giving directions to newcomers, and offering a friendly smile! We have "Greeter" lapel pins are available if you wish.

A **take-home Bible Study** is available at the back of the Church. It focuses on the virtue of prudence through Holy Scripture and the life of Thomas a Kempis - please help yourself.

A **children's program** has been scheduled on **March 4th from 3:00 to 5:00 pm** in the Church Hall. There will be a Bible Story and craft, and Angie Phi will lead us in some music. Please come and bring a friend!

If anyone is interested in becoming an "**Active Listener**" for the **Community Outreach** program – training will be offered on **March 8th from 12-3pm**. A light lunch will be provided. For more information, please speak to the Rector.

A **word on parking**: we are **permitted** to park in the old Moncton City Club parking lot (off Queen Street, directly across from the Chapel door) on **Sunday mornings**. We are **NOT** permitted to park there on **weekdays or weeknights**.



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

The Most Reverend David Edwards- Bishop

The Reverend Canon Chris VanBuskirk - Rector

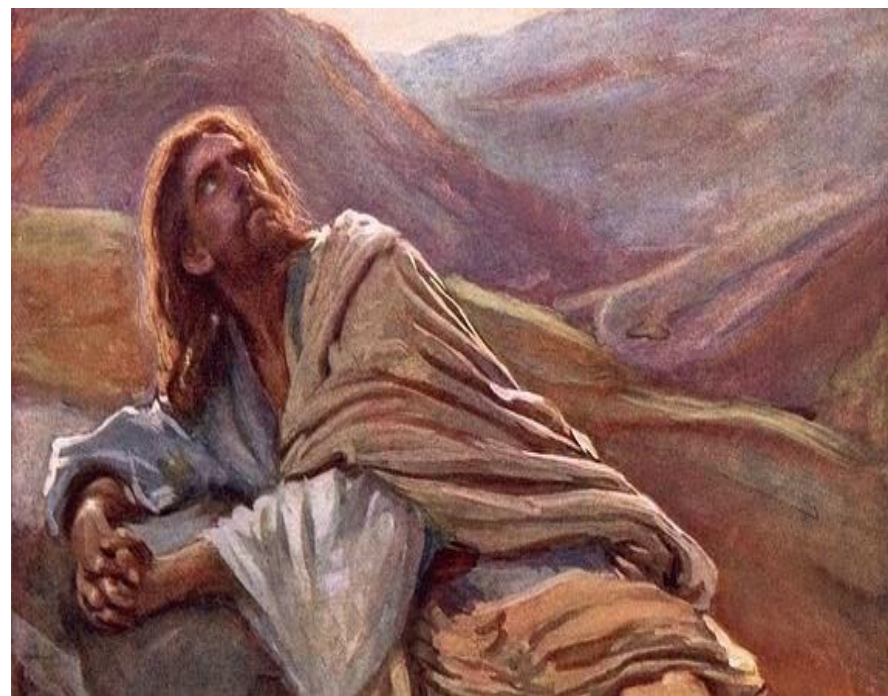
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Jesus Christ the same, Yesterday, Today and Forever

First Sunday in Lent - February 26, 2023



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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Honorary Assistant	Rev. Dr. Dan Goodwin	
Deacons	Rev. Norm Dupuis	386-1324
	Rev. Rick Cunningham	854-9455

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8:00 A.M. - HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm: 91. 1-8	p. 448
Collect for Purity	p. 67
Kyrie	p. 70
Collects	p. 138, 140
The Epistle	p. 140
Gradual Psalm: 91. 9-16	p. 448
The Holy Gospel	p. 141

9:15 A.M. – MORNING PRAYER

Psalm: 38	p. 377
First Lesson: Genesis 13.	(Pew Bible page 14)
Second Lesson: St. Matthew 9. 1-17	(Pew Bible page 777)

10:00 A.M. –HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm – sung *He shall call upon me, and I will hearken unto him; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour: with length of days will I satisfy him. Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the Most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. Glory be....*

Children's Talk	
Litany	p. 30
The Collect for Purity	p. 67
Kyrie	p. 70
Collect for Lent 1	p. 140
Collect for Ash Wednesday	p. 138
The Epistle	p. 140
Gradual Psalm: 91: 9-16	p. 448
The Holy Gospel	p. 141
The Nicene Creed	p. 71
Hymn before Homily: #138 (Caswall)	
Homily	
Offertory Hymn: #105 (St. Bees)	
Intercession	p. 75
Confession, Absolution,	p. 77
Thanksgiving	p. 78
Consecration	p. 82
Hymns during Communion: 235 (St Osmond); 238 (St Flavian); 244 (Ewing - 627)	
The Lord's Prayer	p. 85
<i>(The Gloria in Excelsis p. 86 is omitted during the Lenten Season)</i>	
Recessional Hymn: 779 (What A Friend)	

Please join us for lunch and the Annual Meeting in the Hall.

5:00- P.M. EVENING PRAYER

Psalm: 32, 36	p. 366, 373
First Lesson: Genesis 8.	(Pew Bible page 10)
Second Lesson: St. Mark 14. 1-26	(Pew Bible page 816)

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Jeanne Pierce

"Let us remember before God the faithful departed."

Patricia Richard Allan Hyslop Audrey Lotherington

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 – Saturday**

Today	Annual Meeting	
	Holy Hour	6:00 p.m.
Monday	Grief-Share	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Scouts	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Bible Study (<i>Church</i>)	10:30 a.m.
	Holy Communion	5:00 p.m.
	Bible Study (<i>St. James'</i>)	6:30 p.m.
	Cubs & Beavers	6:30 p.m.
Thursday	Holy Communion	10:00 a.m.
Friday	Stations of the Cross	6:30 p.m.

Welcome to Tyler McKenna our Preacher at both the 8am and 10am Services.

Many thanks to everyone who helped and attended the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper – it was a great success!

****A friendly reminder: please do not leave any valuables (coats, purses, etc.) in the main entry, or in your pew when going to Communion.****

"He that hath pity upon the poor, lendeth unto the Lord; and that which he hath given will he pay him again." Proverbs 19. 17

The Rector's Corner

For the next three Sundays we will hear about the owners of darkness -- "the devil and all his works". Actually, that is only partly true, we will hear of God's power over the devil, demonstrated through Christ Jesus.

This morning, we hear how Jesus resisted the devil's temptations. Tired and hungry, He did not rely on His own intelligence; instead He leaned on what was written in God's Word as the source of truth and strength. And so should we -- not on ourselves, but on Him.

Next week we will meet the woman from Canaan whose daughter was "grievously vexed with a devil". This mother was persistent and Jesus upheld her as an example of faith. Through her unwavering faith, the Lord delivered healing power and restored the child to her right mind.

On the Third Sunday in Lent the gospel begins with Jesus casting out a devil -- one that impeded speech. Afterwards some of the onlookers accused Jesus of being the devil's agent. He exposed their flawed logic and went on to emphasize the importance of filling our hearts with the things of God. Empty spaces will be filled one way or another, so let us fill them up with what is true and good and holy.

The arrangement of these three Gospels, along with the Gospel for the Lenten Ember Days (p. 143), reveal an ancient understanding -- a Biblical understanding -- of our fallen human nature. We are not the people God created us to be. We are now susceptible to temptation and easily deceived by the devil and his minions.

But we are not alone. The Lord our mighty Saviour has given us His Spirit as our Helper. In Him we have a set of armour that makes strong to fight. Without it we are weak but with it we are invincible. In Christ and with Christ and through Christ we can resist the devil. And so we heard in the Ash Wednesday Epistle, "Resist the devil and he will flee from you".

At our baptism we were signed with the holy Cross and adopted as God's own daughters and sons. We were given the task--indeed we

were commissioned -- to fight, to fight manfully against sin, the world and the devil.

The Lenten Gospels remind us of this high calling, and about the source of our strength. They speak to us about God's power to sustain to deliver and to save. Let us go forward into the daily battle under the banner of Christ and armed by the Holy Spirit for victory.

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Theology Glossary

Lent. For early Christians Lent originally designated the period of preparation leading up to baptism, then later for public penance. Eventually it became to recognized as the forty day preparation for Easter that was based on Jesus' 40 day wilderness fast as recorded in the Gospel according Mark chapter 1 verse 13.

Daily Bible Readings

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

Sunday	Jeremiah 2:1-13	John 10:22-end
Monday	Jeremiah 4:1-18	John 11:1-44
Tuesday	Jeremiah 5:1-19	John 11:45-end
Wednesday	Jeremiah 5:20-end	John 12:1-19
Thursday	Jeremiah 6:1-21	John 12:20-end
Friday	Jeremiah 7:1-28	John 13
Saturday	Jeremiah 8	John 14

The **Lenten Ember Days** falls this week on **Wednesday**. These are designated as days of solemn prayer for the ministry of the Church: for the Bishops and clergy, but also for all Christians who live the life of prayer and share in the Lord's commission to make disciples of all nations. Prayers for these days may be found on pp. 210, 142, 39-40.

Clarification on Stations of the Cross: beginning **this Friday** we will begin at **6:30 pm in the Main Church** on Fridays. Also, there will be a **5pm Holy Eucharist** on **Wednesdays** through Lent.