

Calendars are available in the entry for \$9

Wednesday night **Bible Study at St. James** is **cancelled** for this week only

The process of forming one Parish amongst the Greater Moncton Anglicans has moved to the next step: Archbishop David Edwards has communicated his Notice of Intention to Issue a Memorial of Amalgamation. If you would like a copy, please ask the clergy or a member of Vestry. If you have objections to the proposed amalgamation, please write to the Archbishop and set out the reasons for your objection. (The Most Rev. David Edwards, 168 Church Street, Fredericton, N.B., E3B 4C9.) Please note that the Archbishop will be present at the next **General Meeting of Moncton Anglicans which is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Sunday, December 3rd** (following Advent Carols and Lessons), in St. George's Church Hall.

Grief Share is scheduled to begin on **Tuesday, November 21st** at 7:00pm. This ten-week program has three components: a work book; a weekly video; and the discussion group. Over the years it has been helpful to many who are grieving. **Please contact the Office** to register. Everyone is welcome.

ACW Christmas Bazaar, November 18th, 9am – 1pm at St. John the Baptist Anglican Church 28 Woolridge Street, Riverview. Morning coffee, muffins & cinnamon rolls Lunch of soup, chili, rolls & pie. Bake Table, preserves, crafts, gently used books, puzzles, Christmas decorations, Silent Auction & so much more!

St Philip's is holding a **craft and bake sale Sat November 18th** from **9am to 2pm** - we have a number of crafters who will be there. Look for a gift for that someone special!

St James Christmas Bazaar will be held **Nov. 25th from 9-12**. Gently used Christmas items and baked goods greatly appreciated. Please drop in!



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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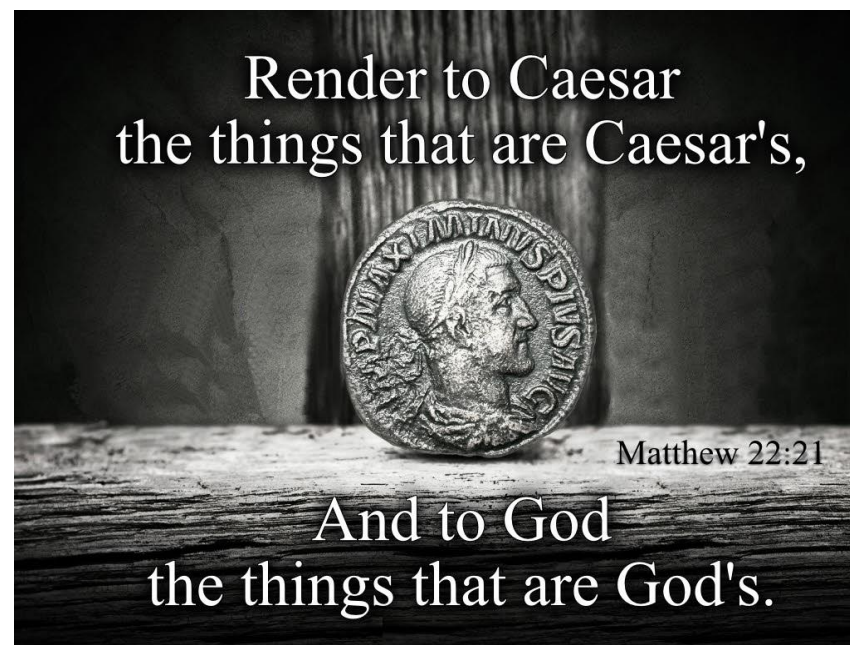
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Jesus Christ the same, Yesterday, Today and Forever

Twenty-Third Sunday After Trinity

November 12, 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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Deacon:	Rev. Norm Dupuis	(506) 386-1324

Trinity 23 - November 12, 2023

PROPER OF THE DAY

Introit Psalm (sung) *Thus saith the Lord, I know the thoughts that I think towards you, thoughts of peace and not of affliction: ye shall call upon me, and I will hearken unto you, and will bring again your captivity from every nation. Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. Glory be.....*

Ten Commandments	p. 68
Collect & Epistle:	p. 256
Gradual Psalm: 24. 7-10	p. 357
Holy Gospel:	p. 256

HYMNS FOR THE DAY

1 (Nicaea)
493 (St. Botolph)
503 (Kingsfold)
568 (Slane)

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

236 (Dolomite Chant); 235 (St. Osmund);

9:15 A.M. – MORNING PRAYER

Psalm: 137, 138
First Lesson: Wisdom 6. 1-21
Second Lesson: James 2. 1-13 (Pew Bible page 979)

5:00 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

Psalm: 103
First Lesson: Ecclesiasticus 11. 7-28
Second Lesson: Matthew 18. 1-20 (Pew Bible page 787)

The Sanctuary Lamp burns today to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Dr. Donald E. and Tess Williams, William, Helen, Ella, Pauline and Henry Emery

*“Let us remember before God the faithful departed.”
Robbie Thompson, Valerie Lee, Matthew Arsenault,
Helen Osborne, Bobby McLean*

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. weekdays**, as well

Today	Community Dinner	4:00 p.m.
Monday	Office closed	
	Vestry	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Holy Communion (Spencer's)	11:00 a.m.
	Willing Workers	2:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
	Cubs & Scouts	6:30 p.m.
Thursday	Holy Communion	10:00 a.m.
Saturday	Community Breakfast	9:00 a.m.

A ‘**Letter to Moncton Anglicans**’ with updates on the amalgamation process has been sent by email to St. George’s parishioners. Paper copies are also available in the Main Entry. Please contact the Rector if you wish to discuss the details.

Vestry will meet **Monday, November 13th** at 7pm in the Ladies’ Parlour

As the **weather** is getting **colder**, we are in need of **gloves, hand warmers, coats and boots**. Thank you for all your support!

Deanery Service of Lessons and Carols for Advent will take place at St George’s at **4pm on Sunday December 3rd**. Archbishop David will be attending. After missing a few years we are restarting the Deanery Choir for this service. **Choir Practice** will be at St George’s from **10am to 11:30am** on the following Saturdays **November 18, 25 at St. George’s and December 2 at St. Philip’s**. Choristers are encouraged to attend all 3 practices if possible. Interested choristers are asked to let their choir director know or contact Mike Briggs at michaelbgbj7813@bellaliant.net or (506) 866-7318.

Thursday **November 16th** from **11:45am-1pm** there will be a community lunch and information session on learning **Internet Safety and Fraud**. **RSVP by Tuesday, November 14th to trevor.goodwin@rcmp-grc.ca**



Happy Birthday to Dianne Dallaire on November 17th!

The Rector's Corner

Iqaluit – formerly called Frobisher's Bay – is the Inuktitut word for 'place of many fish'. And so it is still. The gravel boat launch is a busy place, the local people going and coming from early morning until dark with their catches of Arctic char. In their busyness, they seem happy – happy to be out on the water, and happy to be able to contribute 'country food' to friends and family members.

But there are many in Iqaluit who are not happy – many who do not fish. And, their unhappiness is obvious in the small capital city. With a population of only 7,700, Iqaluit has two homeless shelters, a shelter for abused women, and two food banks (one which also serves meals). It is also the location of three correctional facilities for the Eastern Arctic region – one for men, one for women and one for youth.

The immediate reason for the sadness and dysfunction in Iqaluit is the Beer and Wine Store. We watched as people lined up outside in the mud, waiting for their opportunity to enter the dark, unattractive building. On our way back, we saw some who had only made it across the parking lot with their purchase. And there they stayed for the day, drinking. I felt like I was back in downtown Moncton. Alcohol may be the obvious blight, but it's a symptom. The real reasons stem from a loss of purpose and identity, and from trauma. As the saying goes, 'Hurt people, hurt people'. Trauma-wounds are spiritual wounds. The human spirit has been assaulted, laid bare and sullied. The deepest part of a person – the soul – has been disrespected and deemed worthless, and the resulting pain is life-changing. People spend the rest of their lives trying to numb the pain; trying to forget; trying to trust; trying to recover some sense of belonging.

This emptiness, and the inner search to have it filled, involves a spiritual journey. For us, as Christians, the healing for these deep wounds can only be administered by the Great Physician. Jesus, Who was humiliated and abused and killed for us, is risen. He is alive! And so, by His Spirit, He can raise up, renew and restore even what has died within us.

The Church has come with this Good News to Iqaluit – in no less than eight denominations – Anglican, Baptist, Roman Catholic, Seventh Day Adventist, Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, United Pentecostal, Redeemed Church of God, and Christian Fellowship. This was impressed upon me in my visit on Sunday morning to St. Jude's Anglican Cathedral (built to resemble an igloo). The children took an active part in demonstrating the hope and healing that is ours in Christ.

Afterwards, I walked up the road to the Iqaluit Christian Fellowship. Much of the Service was in Inuktitut, but the language barrier was overcome by our fellowship in the Holy Spirit. During one of the hymns, I watched as the young mother sitting in front of me left her seat to take up a large, flat hand-drum, called the 'qilaut'. Thoughtfully and reverently, she kept a beat, as though the music flowed through her. It wasn't long before her little girl toddled up and took a flag. She was quickly joined by a friend and together they waved the flags, as the Congregation sang God's praises. I remembered a praise song from my youth: 'Joy is the flag flown high from the castle of my heart... when the King is in residence there. So let it fly in the sky, let the whole world know, let the whole world know... that the King is in residence there'. There was joy in those Congregations – genuine joy. It was obvious, even to an outsider, like me. By God's grace, that joy will spread through Iqaluit – that joy of experiencing the healing power of the living Lord, the Great Physician.

Daily Bible Readings

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

Sunday	2 Kings 6:1-23	Acts 1
Monday	2 Kings 6:24-7:2	Acts 2:1-21
Tuesday	2 Kings 7:3-end	Acts 2:22-end
Wednesday	2 Kings 8:1-15	Acts 3:1-4:4
Thursday	2 Kings 9	Acts 4:5-31
Friday	2 Kings 11:1-20	Acts 4:32-5:11
Saturday	2 Kings 11:21-12-	

"Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law." Romans 13. 8, 10