

APRIL 7TH – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00 a.m. – BCP Holy Communion (*Psalm 126 p. 500 BCP*)

Layreader: Stephen Hamlin

Collect of the Day (*in unison*): Most merciful God, by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you created humanity anew. May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

10:00 a.m. – BAS Holy Eucharist **Layreader:** Gordon West

Processional Hymn (screen) – Servant Song

Gathering of the Community *p. 185*

Trisagion *p. 187*

Collect of the Day (*printed*)

The Proclamation of the Word:

Isaiah 43: 16-21 (Jeff Hunt)

Psalm 126 *p. 885 BAS*

Philippians 3: 4b-14 (Leona Hunt)

Gradual Hymn (screen) – Said Judas to Mary

Gospel: John 12: 1-8 (Joan MacDonald)

Homily

Prayers of the People

Confession & Absolution *p. 191*

The Peace *p. 192*

Offertory Hymn (screen) – Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Prayer over the Gifts: Eternal God, your only Son suffered death upon the cross to bring the world salvation. Accept the praise and thanksgiving we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**

Celebration of the Eucharist #1 *p. 193*

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread #7 *p. 213*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace

Communion Hymns (*Congregation receives first, followed by the choir*)

48 (CP) – Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence; (screen) – Ubi Caritas

Prayer after Communion *p. 295*

Doxology *p. 214*

Children's Hymn (screen) – This Little Light of Mine

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 371 (CP) – To God be the Glory

Dismissal *p. 215*

(screen) – May the Lord

In lieu of altar flowers, a donation has been made to the glory of God and in loving memory of departed loved ones from Mrs. Florence Hamilton.

Praying for our Parish Families: We pray for Theresa Willis, Ina Major, Arnold Hatfield, and David & Sara Hazelton.

Diocesan Prayer: Ecum Secum (Archdeacon Marilyn Newport, Priest-in-Charge); Shared Ministry of the Anglican Parishes of Musquodoboit & Ship Harbour (The Rev'd Andrew Mortimer & Janet, The Rev'd Marilyn Murphy, Associate Parish Priest); Ship Harbour; Port Dufferin (The Rev'd Gary Barr & Gayle).

Provincial Prayer: Ecclesiastical Province of Canada (Archbishop Ron Cutler and the Provincial Council). Give thanks for "The Connectors" – Missional Leadership Cohort (NSPEI); The resurrection of Jesus Christ (NSPEI/MON); Being an Easter People, Colleges/Universities-Schools of higher learning and Queen's College and Memorial University (CNL); Visit to our companion diocese of Ho, Ghana, Ministry of the Mothers' Union, election of Kathleen to the global Trustee Board, and our ongoing 12-12-12 clergy peer mentor program (FRED); Those who are newly bereaved, those being baptized and confirmed at Easter, and The Rev. Donald Boisvert (MON); The work of the eight designated Mission Areas and the appointed Mission Deans, called to lead in the sharing and engaging of new and relevant and exciting models the ministry of mission in the Mission Areas: The Mission of Conception Bay South and the Mission of the Northeast Avalon, The Rev. Jolene Peters; The Mission of Mount Pearl/Goulds and the Mission of St. John's, The Rev. Jonathan Rowe; The Mission of Conception Bay North Central and the Mission of Conception Bay North, The Rev. Christine Lynch; The Mission of Trinity Bay and The Mission of the Isthmus, The Rev. Eli Evans; and the 30th Anniversary of the Lavrock Camp and Conference Centre (ENL). Please pray for preparations for General Synod (NSPEI); All congregations, parishes, deaneries as they journey from Lent into an Easter people and international women's celebrations – Hermitage (CNL); and the homeless and assisted housing initiatives (FRED).

Greeters: Ken Webb, Darrell Feltmate, Water Spears, Earl Chisholm, Clifford Holder

Chancel Guild: Maria Murphy, Leona Hunt

Offerings: Total Required by March 31 to meet our 2019 budget: \$39,750
Total Received by March 31: \$34,578

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tues., Apr. 9th – Princess Mary Guild 1:00 p.m.
Property 6:30 p.m.

Wed., Apr. 10th – Holy Eucharist 12:00 noon
Finance Committee 2:00 p.m.
Choir 6:30 p.m.

Thurs., Apr. 11th – Nursing Home Communion 10:30 a.m. (Cedarstone)
Meditation 6:30 p.m.
Lent drop in 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Fri., Apr. 12th – Meditation 11:00 a.m.
Lectionary Lunch 12:00 noon
Palm Cross Making 6:00 p.m.

Next Sunday, April 14th: PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)

8:30 – 9:45 A.M. Palm Sunday Breakfast

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (BAS)

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

Our **Lenten Program** this year takes the form of a Sunday sermon series on the spiritual disciplines of Lent. We're calling it "**Lent – Just Do It.**" The BAS Ash Wednesday service calls us to "... observe a Holy Lent by self-examination, penitence, prayer, fasting, almsgiving and reading and meditating on the word of God." Each week's sermon will give us guidance on how to practice one of the Lenten disciplines, with a take home resource which will also be accessible on our parish website. **Each Thursday** during Lent, there will be an **informal drop-in** hour in the parish hall parlour from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. where folks can come to discuss their practice, ask questions and get support.

40 Days 40 Items: For every day of Lent, remove one item from your closet, kitchen, bookshelf or storage (think creatively!) Let it be an item you no longer want, need or use. Let it be something still in good enough shape for someone else to use. Place it in a bag and at the end of Lent, donate your 40 items to a place that can share them with someone who can really use them! A great way to lighten our material load and help others as we travel onward towards God this Lent!

We are extending an open invitation for parishioners of all ages – from seniors to youth, male and female, to attend an **early evening meditation** taking place **Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m.** Drop in and give it a try! If you are interested, please drop an e-mail to (diane.yetman@gmail.com) or call 902-895-2934.

Bookworms and Church Mice will meet next on Sunday, April 28th after coffee hour in the parlour. The book for discussion will be Last Stop: Sunnyside by Pat Capponi. All are welcome to join us!

Want to be inspired by some saintly souls this Lent and have fun along the way? Join with thousands of Christians across denominations who have discovered the joyful online learning community that is **Lent Madness**. It begins on March 7th (the first full day of Lent after Ash Wednesday). It's not too late to sign up! Participate by going to www.lentmadness.org

Funeral Hospitality Committee: St. John's provides funeral receptions for families that request it. This is a ministry of healing and wholeness. The funeral hospitality committee is seeking to update and refresh their call list for **volunteers**. Do you like making sandwiches? Are sweets your forte? Or is working with folks and meeting people your passion? If so, we have an occasional job for you! Sign up in the binder at the back of the church today for whatever job you like best. It is our hope that our roster will be large enough that we will only have to contact you once or twice a year! Thanks for your consideration.

Giving Cross: Please drop your pocket change into the bowl at our giving cross. All proceeds collected during the Lenten season will go to support the man whose apartment we are helping to furnish.

Our Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, has requested **prayers for the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada**, set to meet in Vancouver July 10-16th. The theme of the Synod is "I Have Called You by Name." Prominent on the agenda is the second reading of proposed changes to the Canon governing marriage, the retirement of Primate Hiltz and the election of a new Primate for the Canadian church. Please remember our Diocesan delegates and all delegates to General Synod in your prayers.

We have an opening for **flower donors** on the second Sunday in March. Anyone interested in placing flowers on that date can contact Laurel MacIntosh (902-893-3929) or Judy Rose (902-895-4369).

EASTER LILIES/MEMORIALS: Those wishing to place Easter lilies in the church or make a monetary memorial donation for Easter Sunday, please have your dedication in to the office (902-897-0566) by **Tuesday, April 16th** for inclusion in the bulletin. Easter lilies should be delivered to the church at **10:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 20th**.

Once again we will hold a children's **Easter Egg hunt** at the 10:00 a.m. service on Easter day. Donations of wrapped eggs would be appreciated.

Looking Ahead: Mark **Thursday, May 9th** in your calendars for a **spring concert** in our sanctuary by **Scotia Brass** beginning at 7:00 p.m. Ticket details TBA.

Please circle **May 15th** on your calendars for our **spring prayer chain update** meeting. For those of you who can, we will come together for the noon Eucharist and then go directly to the parlour for our brown bag lunch and meeting. If you are unable to attend the service, please be in the parlour by 12:45.

Sandra Finney is seeking donations for a **new motorized wheelchair**. You may have seen her story in the Truro Weekly News. Sandra is the daughter of Theresa and the late Jim Willis and is connected to our parish. Her fundraising goal is \$15,000. The parish will make a donation through the rector's discretionary fund. Parishioners are also invited to consider making a donation. You can check her Go Fund Me page: I Need Your Help: A New Wheelchair (official). Donations can also be put on the offering plate in an envelope marked "Wheelchair."

Archway Counselling Open House – A Community Celebration of our 25 years! April 11th from 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. with special guests to commemorate the event! For more info contact Archway Place (883 Prince St. 902-893-3991).

Looking Ahead to Holy Week/Easter

Friday, April 12 th	6:00 p.m. Palm Cross Making (upper hall)
Palm Sunday, April 14 th	8:00/10:00 Blessing of Palms/Eucharist 8:30 – 9:45 Parish Breakfast
Wednesday, April 17 th	12:00 noon Holy Eucharist 7:00 p.m. Tenebrae
Thursday, April 18 th	7:00 p.m. Liturgy of Maundy Thursday
Friday, April 19 th	10:30 a.m. Intergenerational Way of the Cross (upper hall) 11:30 a.m. Good Friday Worship
Saturday, April 20 th	9:00 a.m. Morning Vigil
Easter Day Sunday, April 21 st	6:00 a.m. Sunrise Service 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:15 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt



Think about how many times a day you turn on a tap – getting a cold drink of water, cooking a meal, showering, doing dishes and laundry, or even for washing your car or watering your lawn or garden. Perhaps in the summer you even fill a pool. Now imagine that you cannot do any of those things, either because the tap is dry or the water is unsanitary and disease ridden. This is the reality of millions of people in our world.

The Water of Life Project was formed in September 2003. Its mission: to create a “caring community working together to raise funds to drill wells giving life and hope to African communities.” Since then, we have raised sufficient funds to dig 34 wells, repaired many broken pumps and supported health clinics for villages receiving a well. Over 10,000 people now have access to safe drinking water because of our efforts since 2003.

This year's Water of Life campaign is kicking off today and will run until Sunday, April 28th!!! We encourage you to support this important, life saving and life changing project and also to inform and encourage your friends, family and co-workers to get involved.

Ways you can give:

1. Put money in the jar.
2. Make a cheque out to Lifewater Canada. A receipt will be sent to you from Lifewater Canada.
3. Donate online using this URL: www.canadahelps.org/en/pages/water-of-life-project When you have completed your donation you can immediately print your tax receipt. Your donation will go directly to Lifewater Canada for our project.

First United is delighted to once again host the **Children's Chorus of Nova Scotia TODAY at 3:00 p.m.** This year's choir, with guest conductor Kellie Walsh, will feature over 100 singers from around the province. Truro's own Cantabile Boys' Choir and Cantabile Youth Singers will also be performing. Tickets \$15 (\$10 students) and can be purchased at the door.

Chowder Lenten Lunches every Friday until April 12th from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church. \$8 corn chowder or \$10 fish chowder. Meal includes roll, dessert, tea/coffee. Children under 12 eat free. Take out available – pick up only. Please note, on April 19th (Good Friday) from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. there will be a \$10 meal including fish pie, salad, roll, dessert and tea/coffee.

A Date with Death: A chance to approach subjects that we don't always like to talk about and are too afraid to discuss. Come and have your questions answered... be part of a large group of individuals who are seeking non-biased information in a relaxed atmosphere. **Saturday, April 13th** from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at First United Church Memorial Hall. No cost. Lunch is provided. Pre-registration recommended. Please include name(s) of attendees. Email mattatallvarner3@eastlink.ca or call Bruce at 902-893-3177. You may also send questions ahead of time. Free will offering for the Colchester East Hants Hospice Society. Facilitated by Rev. Valerie Kingsbury (First United Church), Jane Gourley-Davis (Patterson Law) and Bruce Varner (Mattatall-Varner Funeral Home).

St. Vincent de Paul has two upcoming events to raise funds to assist people in need (via Christmas Index program, food vouchers, etc).

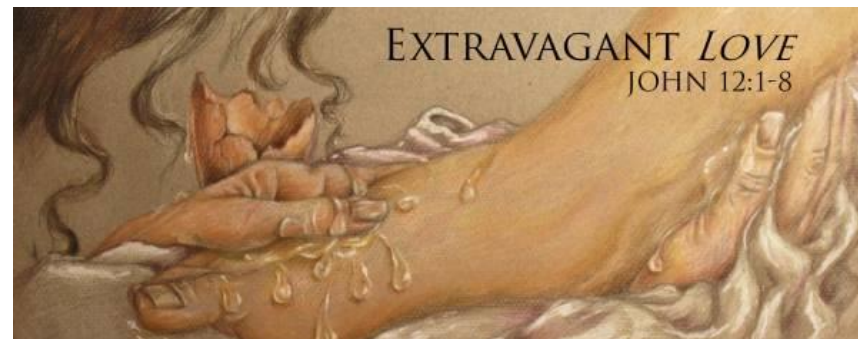
St. Vincent de Paul fundraiser - tickets for "The Charity" drawing
The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be selling tickets for "The Charity" drawing (donated and drawn by Fr. Cristinel) after **4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass in Campbell Hall at Immaculate Conception Church from now until May 3rd (the draw date). Tickets are 1 for \$5, and 3 for \$10.** All proceeds go towards the mission of St. Vincent de Paul.

St. Vincent de Paul Dinner & Silent Auction Fundraiser - Friday, May 3rd
Please join us in Campbell Hall, Immaculate Conception Church for a 3-course meal, silent auction, 50/50- and draw for "The Charity" drawing. Tickets \$25 each. Available after weekend Masses or contact Erin at 902-843-5615. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.



Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 7th, 2019



Rector: Rev'd Lori Ramsey

Associates: The Rev'd Gary Yetman and The Rev'd Dorothy Tay



Wardens: Hazel Sherren and Neil Harris

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