

10:00 Holy Eucharist (BAS) Licensed Lay Minister: Jean Stratford

Processional Hymn: Holy Spirit, Come with Power (CP 643)

Gathering of the Community
Gloria (said)

Collect: God of wind and flame, send your life-giving Spirit upon your people: give fire to our words, strength to our witness and boldness to our proclamation of your wondrous work in Christ, who, with you and the Spirit, lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word:

Acts 2: 1-11 (Bev DeVouge)

Psalms 104: 25-35, 37

1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13 (Stephen Hamlin)

Gradual Hymn – On Pentecost They Gathered

Gospel: John 20: 19-23 (Esther Bejarano)

Homily – Joan MacDonald

Apostles Creed

The Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

The Peace

Offering Hymn – Come, O Holy Spirit

Prayer over the Gifts: Giver of life, receive all we offer you this day. Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of Bread #2

Lamb of God

The Communion

Communion Hymn – For the Bread Which You Have Broken (CP 74)

Ablution Hymn – Spirit, Open My Heart

Prayer after Communion: Father, may we who have received this eucharist live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth his gifts to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Doxology

Children's Hymn – All God's Creatures Got a Place in the Choir

The Blessing

Closing Hymn – Lord, Send Out Your Spirit

Dismissal

Music – May the Lord

Postlude

Greeters: Hazel & Michael Sherren

Counters: Hazel Sherren & Faye Kennedy

Chancel Guild: Leona Hunt & Bill Canning

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tuesday, May 26th – 7:00 p.m. Regional Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 27th – 6:30 p.m. Choir

Friday, May 29th – 10:00 a.m. Meditation

11:00a.m. Lectionary Study

Next Sunday, May 31st – Feast of the Holy Trinity

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

ASK ME! You may have noticed some of our members wearing bright yellow and red "ASK ME" buttons. If you are new to St. John's (or even not so new!) and have questions – please speak to anyone wearing a button. If they don't have an answer for you, they'll find one!

Communion: We offer two options for the receiving of communion wine: the common cup and a second cup from which a medicine dropper is used to place wine upon the host. You are invited to cross to the chalice of your choice after receiving the host. **Dropper cup on the piano side/Drinking cup on the organ side. Note:** Dipping of the wafer (intinction) is not permitted in the common cup.

Coffee Hour dates: June 7th and 21st.

Spiritual Café dates: June 12th.

Sunday School dates: May 31st (Sundae Sunday).

Easter Season Book Study – We'll be reading and discussing John Mark Cormer's Practicing the Way. This short book is a guide to being with Jesus, being like Jesus and acting like Jesus. Leadership will be shared by Rev. Lori, Cory and Natasha. Remaining date: June 14th after worship in the meeting room. Bring a bag lunch – coffee/tea will be provided. All are welcome. **Books (\$30) are available from the office.**

Calling on anyone with sewing skills!!! We are planning to create some new costumes for our Sunday School to use in Christmas pageants. We'll provide the fabric and notions; we just need someone to sew. If you are interested and can volunteer some time, please speak to Esther or Rev. Lori.

For the month of **May**, your Pastoral Ministry Committee is sponsoring a drive for **Feminine Hygiene products**. For those struggling to meet bills and feed their family, these necessary products can be unaffordable. Whatever we collect will be shared at the end of the month with Third Place Transition House and the Lotus Women's Resource Centre. Donations can be dropped in the red grocery cart or at the office. Your help is always appreciated.

Our **Water of Life** campaign has wrapped up for another year. Thank you for all you have contributed. You may still contribute in any of the usual ways. Still to come: our annual Walkathon on Saturday, May 30th at 10:00 a.m. in Victoria Park. (Meet at the bandshell). Further information and pledge sheets are available at the back of the church.

Truro Pride Parade 2026 is scheduled for Saturday, June 27th at 1:00 p.m. Your Spiritual Development Committee is making plans now for our parish participation. If you are planning to walk with us in the parade, please speak to Rev. Lori as soon as possible. The parade is always a joyful experience and an important way that we as the church can show solidarity with our LGBTQ+ brothers and sisters.

Terrace Hill Cemetery is now open for the season.



Walk for Water of Life

Founded in 2003, the Water of Life Project raises funds to drill wells and provide life and hope. Supported by schools, churches, businesses, and individuals, it has funded 69 projects, bringing safe water to 50,000 people in Africa and Haiti.

We proudly support Lifewater Canada, improving health, education, and opportunities. We are grateful to our partners and Lifewater Canada for their ongoing support.

Scan the QR code to donate \$10 minimum for receipt, please write Water of Life on the memo line

Fundraiser:
Saturday, May 30th
10:00 – 11:00 a.m. (rain or shine) Victoria Park, Truro
Walking Path
The bandshell to the falls & a secondary route for easy walking
These walks are symbolic of the daily walks the people of the community make to fetch water everyday to survive
Donate: Cheque: Pay to Lifewater Canada - Please write "Water of Life Project" on the memo line

Request other ways to donate or a pledge sheet for the walk by emailing wateroflifeproject1@gmail.com

Every Person Has The Right To Safe & Accessible Water

Praying for Peace: During the Second World War, a group of people stopped whatever they were doing for a specific time every night to pray for peace and safety for everyone. They did this every day, and it was as if the whole city paused – such was the power of prayer. The result was so overwhelming that the bombing stopped shortly afterward! Now once again some people are organizing. A group of people around the world has agreed to spend one minute praying for the safety of our countries, for the end of the problems that oppress us, and for God to guide the decisions of our leaders. The time chosen for Canada to pray is **12:00 noon**. Please pause in your busy day to pray for peace at that time.

From Tuesday, May 26th – Friday, May 29th, our **Diocesan Bishop** will be visiting in our region. She will take part in daily activities in parishes from Amherst to Lantz. Bishop Sandra's stop at St. John's will be on Friday, May 29th and she will attend our Meditation and Lectionary Study on that day.

Your Spiritual Development Committee is seeking creative entries to a **logo contest**. We're working on Welcome Bags for newcomers to the parish and we need a bright and eye-catching logo for screen printing onto our gift bags. Design a logo that shows something about St. John's and who we are. There will be a prize for the chosen logo. Get out your pencils and paints and submit something to the office before the end of June. Open to all parishioners of any age!

On Sunday, June 7th, we will host Leah Marshall as guest preacher. Leah will speak about **Alongside Hope** (formerly Primate's World Relief and Development Fund) and its efforts to provide both relief after disasters and long term development support to people and communities around the world in the name of Christ.

St. John's has received a **certificate of recognition** from the Ukrainian Community of Truro. Residual funds from the shared account that sponsored the Hrez family's immigration to Canada from Syria in 2016 were donated to the children's charity of the local Ukrainian Community for their use. This was a joint initiative between Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Parish and St. John's.



Thy Kingdom Come (TKC) is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus. Since it began in May 2016, God has grown TKC from a dream of possibility into a movement which unites more than a million Christians in prayer, in nearly 90% of countries worldwide, across 85 different denominations and traditions - so that friends and family, neighbours and colleagues might come to faith in Jesus Christ.

Every person, household and church are encouraged to pray during the 11 days (May 14th – 24th) in their own way. Specifically, we invite each and every Christian across the globe to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 people who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call. It is our hope & prayer, that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and His love for the world, will hear it for themselves and respond and follow Him.

This year's Thy Kingdom Come is all about the presence of God through His spirit.

The God who is with us in the everyday – in the joys and sorrows of life (and everything in between) and the One who, through His spirit, longs to reveal Himself to those who do not yet know Him.

From the story of Ruth to the story of Gideon, from the story of Elijah to the story of the early church who waited for the promised Holy Spirit to come - over the 11 days we will explore a different Bible story each day, which demonstrates God's transformative presence, power and love at work in the lives of people and places.

Our hope is that as we pray for our five people, they will also experience the life-changing love of God and choose to follow Him.

For more information visit <https://share.google/dzGr7Zrj7QgFH1MiV>

Bible Hill Kinsmen 10th Annual **Book Fair** May 28th – 30th, 2026

Truro Curling Club 56 Young Street, Truro:

Thursday May 28th 4:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Friday May 29th 4:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

For more information, contact:

bookfair@biblehillkinsmen.ca

Or visit our Facebook page:

[Facebook.com/bhkinsmen](https://www.facebook.com/bhkinsmen)

Senior Safety Program: Free – Lunch & Learn. June 2nd from 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the Truro Police Service Community Office in the Truro Mall. Join us for a presentation by Karen Morash on electronic devices that help older adults and people with disabilities maintain independence. When a device is activated, a call is automatically placed to a 24-hour response centre. Devices include basic help button, automatic fall button, stove sensor with automatic shut off, programmable medication dispenser, and bed/chair occupancy alarm. A free lunch and refreshments will be provided at the end of the presentation. To register for this free event, please call (902) 897-3271 or email thart@truro.ca

International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers: Sunday, May 31st at Veterans Memorial Park (5653 Highway 2, Bass River). 10:45 a.m. Parade of Motorcycles. 10:55 a.m. Parade of Colour Party & Service Members. Nova Scotia Highlanders Pipes & Drums. 11:00 a.m. Service Commences. Please join us as we honour our peacekeepers. Reception to follow at Victoria Hall. All are welcome!

The 4th Annual **Art Show & Sale** is set to bring creativity and community together on Saturday, June 6, at the St. James Anglican Church Hall in Shubenacadie. Running from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., the event will showcase a wide variety of artwork and photography created by talented local artists. Visitors will have the opportunity to meet the creators, explore unique pieces, and enjoy refreshments in a welcoming community atmosphere. Admission is free.



May 24th, 2026 The Day of Pentecost



Rector: Rev'd Lori Ramsey



Wardens: Sarah Lennerton and Michael Sherren

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