

Mission Statement

Guided by Holy Scripture and the Holy Spirit, we the congregation of Holy Trinity pledge our lives to Christ. Through worship, love, and service to one another, we will bring witness and encouragement to the community.

Rector: The Rev. Randy Lockyer 489-6597 (Home) or 489-3002 (Church Office)
e-mail: holytrinf@nf.sympatico.ca

Service Times for February 7 – February 14

Sunday, February 7	Holy Communion (BCP)	8:30 a.m.	
<i>Last after Epiphany</i>	Morning Prayer (BAS)	10:30 a.m.	
<i>Food Bank Sunday</i>	Prayer & Healing/Eucharist	7:00 p.m.	
Ash Wednesday, February 10	Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes (BAS)	9:30 a.m.	
	Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes (BAS)	7:30 p.m.	
Thursday	No Chapel Service	9:30 a.m.	
Sunday, February 14	Holy Communion (BCP)	8:30 a.m.	
<i>Lent 1</i>	Holy Eucharist (BAS)	10:30 a.m.	
Readings:	Exodus 34:29-35	2 Cor. 3:12-4:2	Luke 9:28-36
	Ann Shears	David Mercer	Gordon Shears

Welcome. A special welcome to anyone who is visiting with us this morning. Please introduce yourself to our Greeters and Clergy, and sign our guest book located in the foyer.

Altar Guild. We welcome the members of the Altar Guild at the 8:30 a.m. service this morning. They will have their Corporate Breakfast following the service.

Flowers. The flowers placed in the church this morning are given in memory of deceased Altar Guild Members.

Pancake Supper This Tuesday--Shrove Tuesday. Tickets are still available from Rev. Randy or Eunice March. Cost is \$5 per adult and \$3 per child (12 years and under). The supper will start at 5 p.m. in the E.M. Bishop Hall.

Our Lenten Journey. We will begin the Lenten journey this Wednesday with the blessing and distribution of ashes for those who would like to participate, a short talk, and a communion service in which you are invited to partake. This year we will be using a series titled *Living Lent!* Each service will focus on a word to consider while living Lent as Easter people. It will highlight the ways in which the passion narratives of Christ take on more significant meaning for us when we see them through the lens of the empty tomb. Each service will help us see that we are always alive in Christ, who died and was raised. We hope that many of you will make this Lenten journey with us each week.

Sponsorship of a Syrian Refugee Family. This is something that Rev. Randy is very much interested in spearheading. He is in the process of checking out the best way to do this. The preferred route he has chosen to go is through ANC (Association of New Canadians) as the sponsoring group and partner with the federal government on a 50/50 cost sharing basis. Going this route, a group would still commit to a family for 12 months, but the cost would be half, approximately \$17,000. Rev. Randy has been talking with a few local businesses. He has already got commitments of \$2000 should he proceed--leaving \$15,000 to be raised. Right now he needs interested people to volunteer to be part of a committee before it can be moved along further. If you have an interest in being part of a committee that would work to welcome a refugee family to our town and share in their lives for 12 months, please let Rev. Randy know.

Park St. Salvation Army Gospel Concert. A concert will be held on Thursday, February 11 at 7 p.m. This is sponsored by the Men's Ministries. The proceeds will go toward *March 2016 Jamaica Mission Team*. Major Larry Goudie and his team will embark on a journey to spread the love of God. A love offering will be received. All are welcome.

Tour--Magnificent Spain & Portugal. Join us for an exciting 18 days (September 23 – October 10, 2016) touring Spain and Portugal. Come and feel the breath of history as we wander the narrow streets of ancient towns and explore the palaces, castles and monasteries of former great powers and relax on beaches of the Mediterranean. This will be a journey of a lifetime featuring fascinating history, distinctive cultures and extraordinary scenery. The price is all-inclusive. Brochures available and questions answered by calling 709-754-8720 or emailing: wdkn10@gmail.com. Tour leaders are Rev. Bill Noel and his wife Edith. Bill is a retired Anglican priest living in St. John's and has much experience leading tours like this

An Enjoyable Evening. The Choir Members/spouses and Clergy enjoyed a lovely evening on Friday when they went to supper at Jungle Jim's Restaurant, followed by tea/coffee and desserts at Beverley & Larry's house. Thank you to Beverley & Larry for hosting.

Thank You to the Choir. Thank you to our choir, Beverley, and Stephanie for the fine job they did last Tuesday in representing our parish at the 39th Annual Festival of Praise held at the Roman Catholic Cathedral. A job very well done indeed!

ACW. There will be no meeting this Wednesday, February 10. The next meeting will be the annual meeting on Wednesday, February 24 after the church service.

Takeout Chili Lunch. The Vestry is holding a Chili Lunch on Friday, February 26, from 11:30 – 1:30 in the E.M. Bishop Hall. This is a fundraiser in support of the Diocesan Syrian Refugee project. Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased from any member of Vestry. We are looking for a few volunteers to cook a pot of chili. If you are interested, please contact Dolly (489-9364) for the recipe.

Food Bank. Thank you for supporting your local food bank today.

Youth Alpha/Confirmation Group. Please keep the young people in prayer as they continue to learn about their Christian faith. This week's topic is **Why and How Do I Pray?**

The Youth Group from Evangel Pentecostal Church. The Youth Group (which includes youth from all denominations) will be attending Holy Trinity for the Ash Wednesday Service this week at 7:30 p.m. We encourage all our young people to come to this service and have a time of fellowship with the Youth Group downstairs after the service. Refreshments will be served.

The Election of a New Bishop for Our Diocese. The election will take place at the next Diocesan Synod to be held at St. Martin's Church, Gander, April 29 – May 1. The day set aside for the election will be Saturday, April 30. It is so important that people in every parish in the Diocese be regular in prayer, asking for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we select the person we want to be our next bishop. We also give thanks for the leadership of Bishop David in the past 10 years. Perhaps a good prayer to keep before us as we prepare for the election is one from the Australian prayer book of the Anglican Church:

Eternal God, shepherd and guide, in your mercy give your Church in this diocese a shepherd after your own heart who will walk in your ways, and with loving care watch over your people. Grant us a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth. So your Church may be built up and your name glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. [From A Prayer Book for Australia, p212]

Valentine's Banquet. A banquet will be held Saturday, February 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the E.M. Bishop Hall. Cost is \$12.50 per dinner. Following the dinner, there will be a short session on *Healthy Eating Healthy Aging* by a health professional sponsored by Food First NL. Freeman Piercey will entertain us with music and song. Contact Hubert Griffin or Randell Hulan or sign your name on the signup sheet available at the back and side entrances to reserve your dinner. **Only 100 dinners.**

Improving Health: My Way is a chronic disease Self-Management Program offered by Central Health and supported by our Holistic Health Team at Holy Trinity. Anyone with a chronic health condition is welcome. Feel free to bring a family member or friend. The program has been helpful for people with the following conditions: Asthma, Arthritis, Cancer, COPD, Congestive Heart Failure, Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, Chronic Pain Syndrome, Crohn's & Colitis, Diabetes, Depression, Emphysema, Fibromyalgia, Heart Disease, High Blood Pressure, High Cholesterol, Lung Disease, Lupus, Multiple Sclerosis, Neurological Disorders, Obesity, Parkinson's, Stroke, Thyroid Disorder, etc. Please register by calling 884-4282.

Annual Meeting of the Congregation. The meeting will be on Sunday, February 28 in the E.M. Bishop Hall. All members of the parish are invited to attend. There will be a brief worship time at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will follow at 7 p.m.

Annual Reports. Anyone who is submitting a report must give it to Rev. Randy by next Sunday, February 14. The reports need to be printed in preparation for the meeting.

Greeters Today. George & Margaret Thorne, Roy Earle, Vic Whitten, Bill Reid, Phyllis Woolfrey

Notices for the Messenger. All articles are due by Thursday evening unless otherwise stated. Please send them to Linda at linda.pafford@nl.rogers.com or call 489-9801.