

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.

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Today's bulletin has been given to the glory of God and in loving memory **Winnie Norris** by Barbara, Judy, Marian, Louise & Families.

SERVICE TIMES FOR July 30 – August 13		
Today, July 30 <i>Trinity 7</i>	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Prayer (BAS)	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Thursday, August 3	Holy Communion (BCP)	9:30 a.m.
Sunday, August 6, <i>Trinity 8/Transfiguration of Our Lord</i> <i>Food Bank Sunday</i>	Holy Communion (BCP) Holy Eucharist (BAS)	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Thursday, August 10	Holy Eucharist (BAS)	9:30 a.m.
Sunday, August 13 <i>Trinity 9</i>	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Prayer (BCP) Annual Flower Service	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 2:30 p.m.

Readings

July 30: **Genesis 29:15-28** **Romans 8:26-39** **Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52**

August 6: **Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14** **2 Peter 1:16-19** **Luke 9:29-36**

Welcome to Our Worship. If you are visiting with us this morning, please introduce yourself to our Greeters and Clergy, and sign our guest book in the foyer.

Note from Rev. Randy. As many of you are aware, last Sunday, July 23, I announced to the congregation that I will be resigning as Rector of the parish on November 30 of this year. This was an extremely difficult decision as you might imagine. We have been here 16 years and our boys have grown up here. It will always be the place they refer to as home. We were welcomed with open arms when we arrived here. We have felt comfortable and at home ever since, and this parish and town will always be special to us. You are special to us. After a period of intense discernment, we concluded that, in fairness to the parish, after 16 years the time was right to try to make a move this year, so that the parish can welcome a new rector with new ideas and vision for the congregation. The Parish of St. Philip's, in the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador, opened when their current Rector announced his

resignation effective September 30. Again, after much discernment, prayer, and studying the parish profile, I concluded that God might be calling me to that parish, so I needed to test that sense of calling. On the very last hour of the very last day in which to apply and with the permission of Bishop John of our own Diocese, I submitted my application. I knew there would be others applying as well so my chances might not be great. However, I received a telephone call from the Archdeacon of the Eastern Diocese asking me to come and meet with the parish selection committee on Saturday, July 15. I was one of three applicants that were interviewed that day and that evening I received a call from Bishop Peddle telling me that he would like to meet with me as well in Grand Falls- Windsor on Monday, July 17. The meeting did not occur as the Bishop was unexpectedly called back to St. John's, but he did call to say that the parish selection committee asked him to appoint me as their new Rector effective November 30. I accepted the invitation, and hence the announcement last Sunday in our Parish and the Parish of St. Philip's at the same time. We will have four more months among you, and ample time to express our gratitude to you for your support and kindness to me, Ada and the boys in these 16 years. I want you to really get excited about the process of welcoming a new rector among you, and offer to him/her the same love and support which you have shown us. Please begin to pray for that person who will come among you, unknown to you yet, but already known by God.

Process of Selecting a New Rector to Begin Shortly. Bishop John has been in touch with Rev. Randy to set up a time when both he and Archdeacon Terry Caines will be able to come and meet with the Vestry. Rev. Randy asked our Secretary, Sharon Pomeroy to contact the Vestry members to try to have this meeting on Wednesday, August 9. The Vestry will share with the Bishop and Archdeacon their thoughts around the kind of Rector they envision coming to Holy Trinity that has the passion and vision to lead the parish into the future. At that time a parish selection committee will be put in place. The parish profile will be updated, and the Bishop will then advertise the parish. A deadline for applications will be determined, and following the closing date, the Bishop and/or the Archdeacon will meet with the parish selection committee to talk about the applications. If need be, some applicants may be interviewed by the committee, and the committee will be able to decide who the best person might be for the position, and ask the Bishop to make the appointment. Bearing in mind that only the Bishop has the authority to make the appointment, the committee will make their recommendation. Please pray for the Vestry and selection committee that will be given the task of discerning a new Rector for the Parish. For obvious reason, Rev. Randy will not be involved in this process and will not influence the committee in any shape or fashion, but he will pray for the committee and the parish.

Annual Flower Service—August 13 at 2 p.m. As in the past, we will first visit the cemetery on Union Street, followed by a shorter service at the old cemetery on Valley Road. Should there be inclement weather, we will do the service in the church.

Parish Finances. Please remember the needs of the parish over the summer months. Summer is typically a slow time for the church as people are on vacation or traveling. A few of our church members use post-dated cheques and others use the online way of giving through canadahelps.org which can be accessed by visiting the parish website. If our parishioners can help us through regular offerings, our treasurer will be most thankful as it will make his job of meeting the financial obligations of the church much easier.

Lay Support Group (LSG) for Our Queen's College Intern. The Group is being put in place for September. As you know, Mrs Robyn Toal, a third year Queen's College student will be with us from early September until late November doing her internship with Rev. Randy. She will also be accompanied by her husband, Eddy, and fortunately, they have already found a short-term rental apartment. The Lay Support Group will consist of lay members of the parish who will meet with Robyn weekly to ensure all is going well during the internship. Thus far the committee consists of Linda Pafford, David L Mercer, Terry Brown and Audrey Bishop. Please keep Robyn in your prayers as she begins the final year of her training before ordination next Spring.

Sunday School Teachers Required. Sunday School teachers will be needed for this Fall. Even though we are a few months away from starting up again, we want to get people thinking about the importance of having a Sunday School. If children no longer receive religious instruction in our schools, the church and home is so important in providing them with the tools they need to live a Christian life. It is what we have promised to do as parents and Godparents of children we bring for baptism. To provide the necessary Sunday School programs, we need lots of help. If you have Sunday School age children, please think about offering yourself as a teacher and enroll your child(ren) this Fall. A new Superintendent will also be required this Fall, so if you have an interest in this please speak to Rev. Randy.

ACW Annual Diocesan Conference. The conference will be held September 15 –17 in the parish of Twillingate. The theme for this year's conference is *I am the Vine; You are the branches*. All ladies are invited to attend.

Greeters For:

July 30: Fred & Linda Pafford, Hubert Griffin, Margaret Pomeroy & Heather Howse

August 6: Bill Reid, Roy Earle, George Thorne, Phyllis Woolfrey

Messenger Notices. The Messenger will be printed bi-weekly during the summer months. The next Messenger will be available on **August 13**. Please have your submissions to Linda by **Thursday, August 10**. You may call her at 489-9801 or e-mail linda.pafford@nl.rogers.com.