

This Week in the Parish

*This week, from Tuesday to Friday, Morning and Evening Prayer
will be prayed and live streamed at
St. George's Chapel at 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.*

- Today** 12:30 p.m. Young Adults (St. George's)
- Tuesday** 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Spencer Home)
7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting (St. Andrew's)
- Wednesday** 10:30 a.m. Bible Studies (St. George's)
1:30 p.m. Bible Studies (St. James)
Card Party (St. James)
2:30 p.m. Holy Communion (St. Alban's)
- Thursday** 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (St. George's)
11:30 a.m. Sermons of St. Leo (ZOOM)
- Saturday** 8:30 a.m. Alpha and Confirmation Class
(St. George's)

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	1 Samuel 17:1-30	Hebrews 12:1-13
Monday	1 Samuel 17:31-54	Hebrews 12:14-End
Tuesday	1 Samuel 17:55-18:16	Hebrews 13
Wednesday	1 Samuel 19/1	1 Corinthians 1:1-25
Thursday	1 Samuel 20:1-17	1 Corinthians 1:1-25-End
Friday	1 Samuel 20:18-End	1 Corinthians 3
Saturday	1 Samuel 21:1-22:5	1 Corinthians 4:1-17



The Rectory Phone number has changed:

506-830-4141

***Let us remember before God those of our brethren
who have departed this life and are at rest.
Bill Murray Howe Williams***

The Parish of the Six Saints

Jesus Christ the Same, Yesterday, Today and Forever

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The Twelfth Sunday After Trinity

September 7th, 2025



'Ephphatha!' 'Be Opened!'

Parish Requests: To pass a message on for Prayer, from Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. please contact the Parish Office: office@stgeorgesmoncton.ca. or 855-5209

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Welcome to the Parish of the Six Saints!

Services this morning are being offered at:

St. Andrew's (105 Elmwood Dr.) 9:00 a.m.
St. George's (51 Church St.) 8:00, 9:15, 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
St. James (101 Fairview Dr.) 11:00 a.m.
St. Mary's (39 Mill St., Hillsborough) 9:00 a.m.

Thanks for coming! Please reach out if you have any questions about the Service, or if you wish to speak to a member of the Clergy. And, if you have a few minutes after Church, join us for coffee or tea – we'd love to see you!



THE COLLECTS ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy; forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

ENTRANCE PSALM (Sung):

Haste thee, O God, unto my rescue, and save me: O Lord, make haste to my deliverance: let mine enemies be ashamed and confounded, that seek after my soul. Let them be turned backward, and put to confusion: that wish me evil. Glory be and to the Holy Ghost: As it was and ever shall be.: world without end. Amen.

Today's Readings (Twelfth Sunday After Trinity)

Psalms at Morning Prayer 69
The Lesson: Exodus 4.10-12
The Gradual Psalm: 34:1-5
The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 3:4-9
The Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

Next Sunday's Readings (Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity)

Psalms at Morning Prayer 72
The Lesson: Genesis 26:1-5
The Gradual: 90:14-18
The Epistle: Galatians 5:16-24
The Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

Coming Up in Six Saints....

Young Adults' Lunch today at 12:30 pm – meet at St. George's.

Bible Studies at St. George's and St. James are scheduled to resume this Wednesday, Sept. 10th at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. respectively. Everyone is welcome!

Card Parties St. James are returning. Every second Wednesday, beginning this Wednesday the 10th of September. Please call Denise at 506-854-3118 or Loretta at 506-854-5499 for additional information. **All Are Welcome!**

Try Alpha! The Alpha Program: Saturday, Sept. 13th from 8:30 to 10:30 am at St. George's. Confirmation instruction will take place at the same time and place.

CEC Meeting St. James, following service on Sunday, September 14th, to discuss fall activities, following coffee and fellowship.

The next St. Mary's Community Meal is set for Sunday, September 21st at the Legion building in Hillsborough. Everyone is welcome!

The next Six Saints' Parish Service is set for 10:30 a.m. on Sept. 28th at St. Andrew's (105 Elmwood Drive).

Singing With the Saints! Bearing witness to God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit on All Saints' Day (November 1st) Exact time and location to be announced. This outdoor, ecumenical, gathering, will be sponsored by the Parish of the Six Saints. Please begin to pray for this event. An organizational meeting will be announced soon.

The Banns of Marriage are published between Nicole Daigle and Evan Campbell. If anyone knows cause or just impediment why these two persons should not be joined together in holy Matrimony, they are to declare it. This is the first time of asking. Please pray for Nicoe and Evan as they prepare to be married on Sept. 20th.

If you or a loved one would like a **visit from the Clergy** at home or in hospital, please contact the Parish Office.

The Rector's Corner

"Could you move it just a little to the left?" she asked. "No," I replied "there is nothing solid there, to nail it to." A solid anchor is required to hang pictures – especially bigger, heavier ones. Much like our faith. St. Paul wrote to the Church in Ephesus about this, urging them to grow up spiritually into the fulness of Christ. He said, "that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes". (4.14)

That's the thing: without a solid anchor for our faith, we are susceptible to all kinds of influences, including peer pressure; the latest fads and fashions of our culture; the temptations which the devil sends within our own hearts.

The early Christians were aware of this and, after the Lord's example, began to provide instruction in the Faith to all who entered the Church. Although the Jewish converts already knew the basic truths of religion, including the expectation of a Messiah, the Gentiles did not. So, before anyone was baptized, they were required to be properly prepared and taught – catechized.

In the early days, this preparation had three parts: instruction as to what they needed to renounce or turn away from; instruction on what a Christian must believe; and exorcism. The names of those being catechized were carefully kept and, before baptizing or confirming them, the Bishop examined them to make sure their preparation was adequate. Gradually the method used in the preparation became known as 'The Catechism'. It involved oral instruction, using questions and answers. The instructors were called 'catechists' and those given the instruction were called 'catechumens'.

There is, of course, much more that could be said; but the point is about laying a solid foundation of belief. Toward that goal, the Catechism focused on what the Bible taught as essential elements of Faith and Practice. For example, the Lord's Prayer. It also included the Apostles' Creed which was rooted in Holy scripture. Later on, the Catechism was expanded to include the Baptismal Covenant, the Ten Commandments, the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion, as well as teaching on the Church. (see pages 544-555, BCP)

While the Catechism in the Book of Common Prayer is succinct and to the point, an illumination of it was published in 2020 for the Anglican Church in North America, called To Be A Christian, with the Rev. Canon Dr. J.I. Packer as the theological editor. To Be A Christian is very easy to read, and has four parts: 'Beginning With Christ', 'Believing in Christ', 'Belonging to Christ' and 'Becoming Like Christ'. You can find a free PDF version on line or download the app for a minimum cost. Solid teaching on which we can hang our faith.

Atlantic School of Theology, Halifax, is hosting their **Atlantic School of Discipleship** program, an online 10-module exploration of practical themes related to authentic Christianity. Anyone of any education level can sign up. It includes reading assignments and engaging discussion. (There are no exams or academic evaluations.) For more info contact missiondirector@nspeidiocese.ca

Nursing Home Without Walls: promoting aging in place with support services that enable safe and comfortable living at home. From the Kenneth Spencer Home, call Katherine Mollin 1-866-269-4544; and, from Shannex, please call 506-431-353.



The Peter McKee Community Food Centre needs grocery bags!

Please drop them off at the church and we will pick them up. Thank you!