



BART'S BUZZ

FOR THE WEEK OF

DECEMBER 7 - 14, 2025

ST. BARTHOLOMEW ANGLICAN CHURCH – WINNIPEG

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that we live and work in Treaty 1, 2 and 3 Territory, which is the ancestral traditional land of the Indigenous peoples, and is common home to everyone in virtue of God, our Creator's, gracious gift.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"To embrace, encourage and empower people in their faith journey; to discern and participate in God's Work in the world."

Sunday, December 7, 2025 – Second Sunday of Advent

Commemorative Service of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women

Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am

Hymn: CP # 321 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name; CP # 106 There's A Voice in the Wilderness; CP # 368 He Came Down; ; CP # 309 Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet; CP # 114 Lo, He Comes With Clouds Descending

Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72: 1-7, 18-19; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12

Vestment Colour: Violet or Blue

***The Flowers on the Altar are given in loving memory of our son Craig,
by Judy and Gord Waldmo***

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Local, National, and International Leadership we pray for

- Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, The Most Rev. Shane Parker
- National Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, Bishop Larry Kochendorfer
 - General Secretary (Lutheran World Federation) The Rev. Dr. Anne Burghardt
 - National Indigenous Archbishop, The Rt. Rev. Chris Harper
 - Bishop— Rt. Rev. Naboth Manzongo
 - Outgoing Executive Archdeacon, The Ven. Simon Blaikie
 - Incoming Executive Archdeacon, The Rev. Dr. Iain Luke
 - Bishop of the Manitoba/Northwestern Ontario Synod, Bishop Jason Zinko
 - Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of the Northern Lights, The Most. Rev. Greg Kerr-Wilson
 - President of the Elder's Conference (Northern Province) in the Moravian Church in Canada, The Rev. David E. Bennett and District President (Canadian District) of the Moravian Church in Canada, Mr. David Jones

In the Anglican Communion Worldwide, we pray for the Church of Bangladesh. In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for the Primate, Archbishop Shane Parker, and the staff of the Primate's Office. In the ELCIC, we pray for the National Bishop Larry Kochendorfer and the national staff. In the Moravian Church in Canada, we pray for the Rev. David E. Bennett, President of the Provincial Elder's Conference of the Northern Province. In the Diocese of Rupert's Land, we pray for our congregations and communities.

Prayer Requests

We pray for those for whom prayers have been requested: Sally; Avet; Sandy and Debbie, Jean, Kathy, Lorna, Elizabeth, Rosemary, Ted, Michelle, Iris, Lorraine, Susan, Janice R., Carol, Gary and Georgina and Janice B.

Please communicate all prayer requests either by the form available at the back of the church or by email to Rev. Deacon Helen Hunter at helenhunter3339@gmail.com or Val Ross at valerie8ross@gmail.com or to the office at stbartswpg@gmail.com.

Phone calls to the parish office at (204)257-8594 on Tuesday or Friday are another way of communicating.

Message from Rev. Wilson

Wait, Watch, Prepare

Gracious Lord Jesus,

You are the Guiding Light of all nations and peoples.

As we enter this holy season of Advent, we await Your coming with expectant hearts.

Illuminate our minds and spirits to behold the glory of Your manifestation,

and grant us grace to reflect Your beauty—to listen to that *still small voice* amidst our days' busyness.

Search us, O Lord, and replenish what's lacking—hope, peace, joy, love the world cannot give, but You alone.

Instill these in us, that we may be vessels of Your immense grace and righteousness.

As we wait and watch, empower us to embody Your mind and spirit, preparing for Your coming in glory.

Help us seize the good tidings You bring, to be renewed. May we await You with hope, embody You in thought and heart, ready for Your manifestation.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, now and forevermore. Amen.

Have a blessed and wonderful week or weekend ahead wherever you may be!

Advent blessings,

Your servant in Christ's service,

The Reverend Wilson Akinwale
Rector/Incumbent

PARISH NEWS

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday, December 7 – Second Sunday of Advent – Holy Eucharist – Day of Remembrance for Violence Against Women

Sunday December 14 – Third Sunday of Advent – Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 21 – Fourth Sunday of Advent – Blue Christmas and Children's Christmas Pageant – Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 24 – at 7 pm – Christmas Eve Family Service – Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 28 at 10:30 – First Sunday after Christmas – Holy Eucharist

OUR CHRISTMAS TREE

An opportunity to remember someone who has touched our lives or give a special “thank you” for our blessings. By making a donation, you may “purchase” one of the lights on our Christmas Tree. All proceeds will be used for a local outreach program in our schools. A card, with your name or the name of the person to be remembered, will be placed on the tree at the Blue Christmas Service and then up to and including Christmas Eve. Please see Carol Bailey or Bonnie Hildebrand, if you have any questions. Envelopes, with a request form, are also available

at the Information Centre. Completed forms can be placed on the Collection Plate or given to Carol Bailey.

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

More information on family size etc. will be available next week. Please contact Linda Robbins at 204-227-7764. Cash donations can be made to purchase gifts and fresh produce. Thanks for supporting this outreach program.

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS

We are once again collecting funds to purchase poinsettias to decorate the altar area this Christmas. We are estimating that poinsettias will cost about \$15-\$20 each. Forms are available in the Narthex. If you wish to have your poinsettia dedicated to someone, please be sure to complete that portion of the form. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Robbins. Thanks for helping beautify the church for Christmas.

2026 CHURCH CALENDARS

The 2026 Church Calendars are now available. Please talk to Rev. Deacon Helen or call the office on Tuesday and Friday from 9-2 pm. The cost is \$7. Exact change is appreciated.

CHURCH LUNCHEON – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

Donations accepted at the door.

MARGARET'S CHOIR – SING THE WINTER AWAY

A benefit concert for North Point Douglas Women's Centre

Sunday, December 7 at 2:30 PM

Portage Avenue Church, 1420 Portage Avenue (new location)

Tickets are \$25 per adult and \$10 Youth and are available from Mary Stones

ASSINIBOINE CHORUS PRESENTS CHRISTMAS CLASSICS

Sunday Dec,7 @ 2:30 pm

St. Paul's Anglican Church

830 North Drive

Tickets \$15:00. Bake Sale \$5:00

PRIVATE EVENTS

Girl Guides Sleepover – Friday, December 12 at 5pm to Saturday, December 13 at 12 noon

Girl Guides Meetings – Tuesday, December 15 and Wednesday, Dec 6 from 6-10 pm

Private Event in the Upper Hall – Saturday, December 20 from 3pm to 8pm

Private Event in the Upper Hall – Sunday, December 28 from 3pm to 8pm

The Girl Guides meet in the Upper Hall on Monday and the Scouts meet on Wednesday.

Please check the Event Schedule on our website - [Events | St Bartholomew Anglican Church](#)

ST. BART'S MUSIC LIBRARY

We are looking to expand our music library. If anyone has CD's that we could borrow to download please let the office know. If anyone has any other ideas to help with our Worship Music let Rev. Wilson know

WORSHIP SERVICE RECORDING

We have started recording our weekly worship services. They can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/@st.bartschurch> or on our website - [Weekly Service Recording | St Bartholomew Anglican Church](#)

St. Bart's Website - <http://www.stbartsmb.ca>

ALONGSIDE HOPE - PREVIOUSLY - PRIMATES WORLD DEVELOPMENT FUND

Just a reminder to St. Bart's Parishioners about the good work the Alongside Hope/PWRDF is doing in our world. Please check out their website – <https://pwrdf.org/> - to see all the valuable work they are doing.

ALONGSIDE HOPE NOW ACCEPTS E-TRANSFERS! It's a quick, easy and secure way to send your gift. Here's how:

- Set up Alongside Hope in your online banking as a payee, using the email address etransfer@alongsidehope.org.
- Choose Alongside Hope from your list of payees and fill in the amount you'd like to give.
- In the memo field, add your mailing address, phone number and email address. This is very important, so that we can properly record your gift and send you a tax receipt.

That's it! Your funds will be auto-deposited and you will receive an email confirmation. Feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions at 1-866-308-7973 or info@alongsidehope.org

WECHETOWIN ADVENT CHALLENGE

Advent is a time of devout and joyful expectation and an opportunity to celebrate love, caring, sharing, and being together.

Please encourage your parish family to continue collecting items for children and women in times of transition. Rupert's Land Wechetowin will be distributing these items on behalf of the Diocese. The blessing bag – item list is attached (**Advent Challenge RLW 2026**) in case there are any questions about what we are looking for.

BISHOP NABOTH'S ADVENT MESSAGE – see attached

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