



## BART'S BUZZ

FOR THE WEEK OF

**JANUARY 25-FEB 1, 2026**

### **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, January 25, 2026– Third Sunday after Epiphany**

#### **Morning Prayer @ 10:30**

**Hymns:** CP # 525 The Church's One Foundation; CP # 508 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say; CP # 386 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross; CP # 354 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

**Readings:** Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1, 5-13; 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23

**Vestment Colour** - Green

## **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
  - 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 Iglesia Anglicana de Chile. In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for The Most Rev. David Edwards, Metropolitan, and the people and clergy of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada. In the Council of the North, we pray for the Diocese of Brandon. In the ELCIC, we pray for the Assistants to the Bishop and the staff of the Eastern Synod. The Dean, Council, and congregations of the Atlantic and Montreal Areas of the Eastern Synod. In the Moravian Church in Canada, we pray for The Rev. Jason Andersen, president of the Western District Executive Board of the Moravian Church Northern Province. In the World Council of Churches, we pray for the Ecumenical Cyprus, Greece, Türkiye. In the Diocese of Rupert's Land, we pray for our congregations and communities, especially the clergy and people of: St. Paul, Fort Garry — The Ven. Karen Laldin, Incumbent; The Rev. Canon Mary Lysecki, The Ven. David Pate, The Rev. Tim Sale, Honorary Assistants; St. Paul, Middlechurch — The Rev. James Gomez, Incumbent; St. Paul, Clearwater — The Rev. Martin Allen and The Rev. Al Thorleifson, Priests, and the Pembina Hills Ministry Support Team

### **Prayer Requests**

We pray for those for whom prayers have been requested: Sally; Avet; Sandy and Debbie, Jean, Lorna, Elizabeth, Ted, Michelle, Iris, Susan, Janice R., Carol, the Barnard family, Mary Jean and Diana. We pray for the family of Sylvia as they mourn her loss.

*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](mailto:helenhunter3339@gmail.com) or Val Ross at [valerie8ross@gmail.com](mailto:valerie8ross@gmail.com) or to the office at [stbarts@swpg.ca](mailto:stbarts@swpg.ca).*

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

## **RECTOR'S MESSAGE**

### ***“Come, Follow Me”***

As we reflect on this season of the Epiphany, Matthew 4:12-23 is a great starter pack for our Christian discipleship.

Following His mission on earth, Jesus leaves Nazareth for Capernaum, fulfilling prophecy and starting his Galilean ministry (Matthew 4:12-17, cf. Isaiah 9:1-2). His call to "Follow me" is an open invitation to ordinary people (fishermen) to drop everything and follow him (v18-22). And leaving everything behind, Peter, Andrew, James, and John leave their nets, something dear to their hearts and decided to follow Jesus. The purpose and mission of Jesus' mission to these folks is to "proclaim the kingdom of heaven" (v17), a decision which transformed the world around them. Thus, we're also called to join Him in this mission as well.

So for us today in our call to discipleship:

- Are you leaving something behind to follow Jesus to make a difference in the world that is now so full of hate and division?
- What's your "net"? Is it your comfort zone to make a difference in the world around you? Any habit to get rid off? Or a goal to achieve something meaningful in this new year?
- How are you joining Jesus' mission? (Remember our [5 Marks of Mission](#) as believers in Christ).

Following Jesus isn't just about where you go, it's about how you live. We now the 'Bible' people read that tells the good news of Jesus. It's a lifestyle we live and surrender with obedience and purpose.

Think about it: Jesus calls people from different walks of life – fishermen, tax collectors, etc. and now He's even calling you today. Because He sees the potential in His disciples to make the world a better place; and invites you too to join His mission in the world, considering how the world around us has become so different and volatile at the moment.

Here are questions for you to reflect on: What's one area where you feel Jesus saying, "Leave that behind and follow me?" Could it be a habit, a negative mindset, or it could be something that doesn't produce anything worthwhile or meaningful results?

It's not too late to have that fresh start, "Come, Follow Me", Jesus says. And you'd be glad you did. Thanks be to God.

*The Reverend Wilson Akinwale  
Rector*

## **PARISH NEWS**

### **YOUTH FELLOWSHIP ZOOM MEETING**

Time: Jan 24, 2026 10:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85120064597?pwd=naWjZcPuA9HoAm4GEPb1MUqocdSTud.1>

Meeting ID: 851 2006 4597

Passcode: 039466

Thank you for your time.

Epiphany blessings,

*The Reverend Wilson Akinwale  
Rector*

### **CLEAN UP OF UPPER HALL**

We have a number of functions coming up in early February where we will be using the maximum upper hall capacity. There are quite a few containers etc. around that need to be moved prior to these events. I don't know what they are, but please have them put away before the February 7<sup>th</sup> funeral for Sylvia Marshall. Thank you.

### **FUNERAL SERVICE FOR SYLVIA MARSHALL**

The funeral service for Sylvia Marshall, will be held on Saturday, February 7 at 11 a.m.

### **Special Services and Events**

**Black History Month Celebration – February 15, 2026**

**ASH Wednesday Service – Wednesday, February 18 at 7 pm**

**Parish AGM – Sunday, March 1, 2026 after the Worship service**

### **PRIVATE EVENTS**

#### **February 20-22, 2026 – Girl Guide Sleepover**

From 6pm Friday, February 20 to early Sunday, February 22, 2026

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](#)

## **PASTORAL CARE COMMITTEE**

The committee has strived to the best of their ability to serve and care for the pastoral needs of our church family and beyond. We are always in need of new ideas and fresh perspectives. If you think Pastoral Care is something you might be interested in being involved with, please speak to Rev. Deacon Helen.

Again, we encourage all members in our church family to inform any member of the team of any pastoral concerns. We thank all whose “eyes and ears” have seen and heard of pastoral needs this past year.

## **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](mailto: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](mailto:info@alongsidehope.org)

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