



## **BART'S BUZZ**

**FOR THE WEEK OF**

**JUNE 21-28, 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, June 21, 2026– 4th Sunday after Pentecost**

#### **National Indigenous Day**

#### **Honoured Guest - Elder Billie Schibler**

#### **Holy Eucharist @ 10:30**

**Hymns:** CP # 415 All Things Bright and Beautiful; CP # 423 How Great Thou Art; CP # 418 Draw The Circle Wide; CP # 60 I Come With Joy; CP# 63 Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup; CP # 415 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

**Readings:** Isaiah 40:25-31; Psalm 19; Philippians 4:4-9; John 1:1-18

**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 the Church of the Church of South India (United). In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for the Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Northern Lights. In the ELCIC, we pray for The congregations of the North area of the Saskatchewan Synod. In the Moravian Church in Canada, we pray for Delegates and participants at the 2026 Provincial Synod. Together, we pray for The National Indigenous Day of Prayer: for healing and reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Peoples. 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: Avet; Jean, Elizabeth, Ted, Iris, Carol, Mary Jean, Shannon, Gary, Doreen, Michael, Florence, Colleen, Janice, Val, Derrick and Elizabeth. Please pray for the family of Bishop Naboth as they mourn the passing of his brother Paul in Zimbabwe.

### ***Flowers on the Altar***

The flowers on the altar are given by Val Ross, in memory and celebration of all Dads.

***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 [stbartswpg@gmail.com](mailto:stbartswpg@gmail.com).***

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

## Rector's Message – June 21, 2026

### *Christian: What Does Your Report Card Look Like? (Philippians 4:4-9)*

This Sunday as we observe and celebrate the National Indigenous Day of Prayer, our Collect encourages us to pray:

"Creator God, from you every family in heaven and earth takes its name. You have rooted and grounded us in your covenant love, and empowered us by your Spirit to speak the truth in love, and to walk in your way towards justice and wholeness. Mercifully grant that your people, journeying together in partnership, may be strengthened and guided to help one another to grow into the full stature of Christ, who is our light and our life." Amen.

As a young adult prior to graduating from high school in Nigeria, I joined a Rotaract Club International. "Rotaract clubs are global service organizations sponsored by Rotary International for young adults and professionals. Members develop leadership and professional skills while organizing service projects, raising funds for charity, and socializing within their communities." What I unknowingly and literally joined to help develop my leadership, professional skills and to help integrate me into a wider society have now become one of the most outstanding moral lessons of a lifetime for me. Many thanks to Rotary Club International.

At Rotaract Club, we learned "The 4-Way Test." The Four-Way Test is a globally recognized *ethical* guide for personal and business relationships, which was created in 1932 by businessman Herbert J. Taylor to save a company from bankruptcy, it was later adopted by Rotary International. "The 4-Way Test" is applied to the things we *think*, *say*, or *do*, the test asks these four questions as part of our *moral lessons* in life:

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned.

In our second reading this Sunday, Paul in his letter to the Christians in Philippi wanted them to embrace principles beyond moral lessons; he wanted them to build Christlike character that embody and/or define who Christ is.

"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ... Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you" (Philippians 4:4-9).

How would you define your own "4-Way Test" guided by Christian principles Paul is talking about here? What does your report card say? What does it look like? If I may simply put it, here's your Christian "4-Way Test."

1. Rejoice on purpose (Philippians 4:4) "Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!" For our 2026 reality joy isn't denial. It's defiance to remain focused that all shall be well. Rejoice in the Lord always, not in circumstances. "Do not worry about anything" when your phone shows bad news with all going on around you, your spirit can still choose worship and praise. As neuroscience agrees, gratitude rewires your brain.

2. Pray specifically about your needs and be thankful (Philippians 4:6) "In every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving. The implication means that our worry and anxiety can grow in silence. But prayer shrinks it all. "Petition" = ask God for needs. "Thanksgiving" = Thank God while you're still waiting. That combo flips your nervous system from panic to trust.

3. Guard your mind (Philippians 4:7-8). Peace of God guards heart + mind → and thinks of 8 good things: true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent, praiseworthy. The implication is, God does give supernatural peace. That's what Philippians 4:8 does which filters our minds to focus on what our attitude in Christ should be, and how our 2026 reformed mind should be.

4. And finally, "Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me — put it into *practice*" Paul here is not calling for a piece of info, but he is saying here "watch my life, copy it." Discipleship is about imitation to be like Christ in word and deed. You don't *think* your way to peace. You *practice* your way there. The promise is always there in v9. "And the God of peace will be with you." The goal isn't just "peace of mind." It's "God of peace with you." God's presence means > peace. Worry and anxiety say "you're alone". But Paul is admonishing us here, "Emmanuel = God with you." Thanks be to God. Amen.

With every blessing,

*The Reverend Wilson Akinwale*  
*Rector*

## **PARISH NEWS**

### **Funeral for Roger James**

The funeral for June's son Roger will take place at St. Paul's Anglican Church at 830 North Drive on Saturday, July 4 at 10 am.

**All are welcome to attend**

## **Art for the Attic**

The annual Art for the Attic sale will be taking place on October 4, 2026 at St. Vital Centre.

**Donation pieces are being accepted from May 27 to September 15** at the following locations:

**St. Vital Centre** – the Art Drop Off Kiosk – Entrance 1 by Marshalls – on Wednesday and Saturdays from 11 am to 1pm

**Storageville** - Two Locations – 80 Waverley Street and 123 Reenders Drive – regular business hours

**End of the Roll** – 801 Century Street – regular business hours.

Or to request pick up or to learn more: 431-275-1183 [gnmafta@gmail.com](mailto:gnmafta@gmail.com)

## **SLEEPERS NEEDED FOR THE THELMA WYNNE PROJECT**

The Thelma Wynne project is running out of sleepers (age 0 to 12 months). These sleepers are desperately needed to complete the layettes - and the demand is high. Sleepers can be delivered to St George Crescentwood (168 Grosvenor at Wilton), or donations of money can be made to St George's, clearly marked for the Thelma Wynne Project. Your ongoing support is very much appreciated.

## **URBAN RETREATS GARDEN TOUR**

### **Event Details:**

**Date & Time:** Saturday, June 20, 2026, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM, rain or shine

**Tour:** Self-guided tour of 12 beautiful Norwood gardens in support of 1JustCity

**Tickets:** \$20, available at:

- Online at [justcity.ca/gardentour](http://justcity.ca/gardentour)
- Country Roots Market & Garden
- Jensen's Nursery & Garden Centre
- Lacoste Garden Centre
- Ron Paul Garden Centre
- St. Mary's Nursery & Garden Centre
- Schriemers Market Centre
- Shelmerdine Garden Centre

### **Manitoba Tea, Craft, Plant & Bake Sale:**

**Date & Time:** Saturday, June 20, 10:00 AM – 2:30 PM

**Location:** Norwood Community Centre, 87 Walmer Street

**Admission:** \$5 cash at the door

Enjoy plants, artisan goods, baked treats, door prizes, tea, and bannock. **Garden tour tickets will also be available at the Community Centre on the day of the event, June 20.**

More information can be found at: [1justcity.ca/gardentour](http://1justcity.ca/gardentour)

## **Service of Thanksgiving for St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church**

**Sunday, June 28th, at 10:30 am**

**St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church (3 St. Vital Road)**

Please join us for a service of Holy Eucharist and a secularization (closing) of the church building. If you plan to stay for the reception, please let Cathy know by June 15th by emailing [cathymondor@gmail.com](mailto:cathymondor@gmail.com) or by texting (204) 256-6157 to ensure sufficient refreshments are ordered.

## **ADMINISTRATION OFFICE – SUMMER CLOSURE**

Effective June 26, 2026 the Administration Office will be closed for summer vacation. We will reopen on Tuesday, September 8, 2026. During my absence a variety of people will be handling some of my tasks. Worship Bulletins and readings will be prepared in advance and Rev. Deacon Helen, Rev. Wilson and Ken Joyal will be responsible for their distribution. Bart's Buzz will not be sent during this time, but if there are items of importance please contact either Rev. Wilson or Rev. Deacon Helen and they will see that the information is sent out. If you have any other questions or concerns, please let me know before June 26.

## **GROW HOPE 2026**

Our project this year will be raising money for the Congo (DRC) - where people who fled their homes and abandoned crops during armed conflicts are now returning to face a huge food crisis - The project aims to put cash for seed and food assistance in their hands.

*Grow Hope 2026* is a Diocese of Rupert's Land fundraising effort for Alongside Hope – the Anglican Church of Canada's main international development organization. Any monies donated to Grow hope go to support a local farmer to produce a crop here in Manitoba. The farmer: Fred Wiebe and Sons, sell the crop in the fall and the proceeds go to the Alongside Hope account at the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. Any money donated *grows hope* 3 times: once through the land, skill and time of Fred Wiebe and his sons, secondly through a 4 times match by the Government of Canada at the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, and finally, most importantly, through the dedication and commitment of Church World Service, hope grows for families in Kasai Central province of DR Congo.

I am hoping that St. Bartholomew can work towards raising \$1,000. I need your help - for ideas about how we can get there. Some suggestions are to have a Grow Hope focused Sunday or month of Sundays, or direct a portion of funds raised at a special musical or food event to Grow Hope. As well, individual donations can be made either through the Parish (clearly labeled Grow Hope) or directly to the Diocese of Rupert's Land (again labeled Grow Hope).

There is a pamphlet in the narthex 'Hope rises in the DRC ' - Please take one home with you.

## **MESSAGE FROM BISHOP NABOTH**

- 1) The 19<sup>th</sup> Anglican Consultative Council will meet from June 27 to July 5 in Belfast, hosted by the Church of Ireland. One of the “instruments of unity”, the ACC is the only global forum for discernment amongst Anglican churches, where lay and clerical representatives participate along with bishops. The Anglican Church of Canada will be represented by The Rt. Rev. Riscylla Shaw (Toronto), the Rev. Marnie Peterson (Richmond, BC), and lay Canon Anita Gittens (Toronto).

Please consider including the Council and our Canadian representatives in the prayers of your parish, especially on Sundays, June 28 and July 5.

- 2) General Synod in 2025 adopted the celebration of the Feast of the Creator on September 1 (transferable to a Sunday within the Season of Creation). This is in harmony with a wider ecumenical movement to recognize a specific day to celebrate God’s act of creation. Last month, the Consultation on Common Texts added this observance to the Revised Common Lectionary under the name “Feast of Creation in Christ”. Provided lectionary readings may be found here: <https://www.feastofcreation.com/revised-common-lectionary>. The year A readings for 2026 are;

***First reading:*** Genesis 1:1-2:3 or Genesis 2:4-25

***Psalm:*** Psalm 148:1-14

***Second reading:*** Acts 17:22a, 24-28

***Gospel:*** John1:1-5

*(WE HAVE ADDED THESE READINGS TO OUR SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> SERVICE)*

## **EVENT REMINDER**

If you have events that you would like to see appear in Bart’s Buzz be sure to let the office know. I am happy to post whatever is happening – but I need to be informed. Be sure to include the name of the event, the date and time as well as the contact person or any other expectations. This can be sent either by phone, email or in person.

## **PRIVATE EVENTS**

June 27, 29 – Metropolitan Baptist

Friday, September 26 – Metropolitan Baptist Service at 4pm

Friday, November 21 or 28 or December 12 (To be advised) Metropolitan Baptist at 4pm

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](#)

### **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)

### **St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church**

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| Incumbent:          | The Rev. Wilson Akinwale – 204-998-4239     |
| Honorary Assistant: | The Rev. Deacon Helen Hunter — 431-335-1166 |
| Elected Warden:     | Cheryl Kytaychuk – 204-257-3568             |
| Appointed Warden:   | Babajide Idowu – 204-962-8340               |
| Parish Treasurer:   | Dave Abel – 204-791-5419                    |
| Sunday School:      | Lynn Doyle – 204-257-3147                   |
| Pastoral Care:      | The Rev. Deacon Helen Hunter - 431-335-1166 |
| Property:           | Ken Joyal – 204-257-7224                    |