

# ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

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## MAY 14, 2023

*Welcome to all, especially anyone visiting today!  
Please make yourself known to the greeters.*

### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

**Today's Readings:** Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:7-18;  
1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21

### Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

St. Mark's, Halifax  
Church of the Apostles, Halifax

### Provincial Prayer Care

Diocese of Quebec – Bishop Bruce Myers

### Council of the North

Diocese of Moosonee  
~ Archbishop Anne Germond

DCS Cycle of Prayer – St. John's, Crapaud

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside



### May 21 – Ascension Sunday (white)

**Readings:** Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

**Readers:** Jim E, Sandra H; Tim O, Jim D; Doris M, Norma T

**Prayers of the People:** Sandra H, Lola MO, Savannah C

**Worship Times:** 9 am – St. Thomas' MP

11 am – St. Stephen's HC

11 am – St. Mark' MP

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## **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY**

*to all the special women in our lives!!*



The flowers placed at St. Mark's this Mother's Day are in loving memory of **Shirley Clark**, and are from her husband Dr. Maurice H. Clark, and children Jane, Melanie, Maurie, Bronwyn & their families.

*Thanks to those who came out last week to help with the St. Thomas' yard cleanup.*

**NOTE:** There will be NO worship service this evening at St. Elizabeth's.

**Parish Website** has been refreshed and will be updated with weekly bulletins and other news and activities when needed. **Facebook** page continues to be maintained with news of interest. Check out the Website and Facebook pages, and let us know if you would like to add anything.

**St. Mark's Church Council** is scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday, May 15.

**Kensington & Area Christian Council** meets on Wednesday, May 17, 7:00 p.m. at St. Stephen's Church.



### **A READING FROM ACTS 17:22-31**

Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: “People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you.

“The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else. From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. ‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’ As some of your own poets have said, ‘We are his offspring.’ “Therefore since we are God’s offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by human design and skill. In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead.”



### **A READING FROM 1 PETER 3:13-22**

Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. “Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened.” But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. For it is better, if it is God’s will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.

After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits—to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at God’s right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

### **THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN 14:15-21**

“If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.”

## **DAILY MANNA – VERSE FOR THE DAY**

### **Day 1 – Isaiah 45:2a**

~ “I will go before you and make the crooked places straight.”

### **Day 2 – 1 Peter 5:7**

~ “Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.”

### **Day 3 – Ephesians 1:7**

~ “In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace.”

### **Day 4 – Psalm 30:11**

~ “You have turned my mourning into joyful dancing. You have taken away my clothes of mourning and clothed me with joy.”

### **Day 5 – Matthew 6:33**

~ “But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.”

### **Day 6 – Isaiah 12:2b**

~ “The Lord himself is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation.”

### **Day 7 – 2 Chronicles 15:2b**

~ “The Lord is with you when you are with him. If you seek him, he will be found by you.”

### **Day 8 – Ephesians 3:16**

~ “...from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit.”

### **Day 9 – Psalm 126:3**

~ “The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy.”

### **Day 10 – Daniel 2:21**

~ “He controls the times and the seasons; ...it is he who gives wisdom and understanding.”

## **Revive: Engaging with God through Prayer...**

will be offered through Zoom on Tuesday evenings, 7 pm-8:30 pm for six weeks -- May 23rd - June 27th. **Revive** is a program designed to help individuals and congregations grow in spiritual vitality. Facilitators are Janet Veith Forbes, Revd Shirley Cole, Revd Cathy Pharo. Topics include:

1. What is Prayer
2. The Challenges of Praying with Regularity
3. What are the Key Elements of Prayer
4. Does God Answer Prayer
5. Who is this God We Pray to
6. Praying through the Hurt

Interspersed through each topic will be some ways to pray, and together, we will share in various spiritual practices; and as we do, we will gain confidence in prayer, understanding scripture, and developing our sense of call.

The program originated from Trinity Anglican Church, Aurora, Diocese of Toronto, and was created by the Rev. Canon Dawn Davis. Please contact the office if you would like more information or to join the program (so we can ensure you receive the Zoom link).

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Theme: “Hero Hotline – Called Together To Serve God”

When: July 3 – 7, 2023

Where: Kensington Murray Christian Centre  
17 School Street, Kensington

Who: For children ages 4 to 12

Times: 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. daily

Fee: \$25.00 per child (3<sup>rd</sup> child registers free)

Come and Enjoy Music, Stories, Crafts, Snacks, and Games!

Registration forms are available at the Parish office and our churches.

Also, the registration link is on the New London Parish Website.

Registration deadline: June 18. Act now! Only 80 spots available.