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

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Today's Readings: Genesis 18:1-15; 21:1-7; Psalm 116:1, 10-17;

Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35 – 10:23

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Church of the Good Shepherd, Beaver Bank, NS Church of the Holy Spirit, Lakelands, NS

Provincial Prayer Care

Diocese of Montreal

~ Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson

Council of the North

Diocese of Yukon

~ Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame

DCS Cycle of Prayer – St. Mary's, Summerside

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

June 25 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost (green)

Readings: Genesis 21:8-21; Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17;

Romans 6:1b-11; Matthew 10:24-39

Readers: Sandra H, Grafton C; Jean R, Hilda J;

Savannah C, Marie M, Mackenzie C, Velma H

Prayers of the People: Sandra H, Doreen C, Doris M

Worship Times: 9 am – St. Stephen's MP

11 am – St. Thomas' HC Flower Service

11 am – St. Mark's MP 7 pm – St. Elizabeth's HC

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY to all the special dads and men in our lives! Blessings to all of you!

On Sunday past (June 11th), **Dennis Cole**, who was licensed as a Lay Minister in our Parish effective May 1st, was Commissioned and presented with the LLM purple ribbon to replace the blue in training ribbon. He then led Morning Prayer inclusive of an uplifting sermon, in St. Stephen's and St. Mark's. Welcome Dennis, we are so pleased to have you, along with Kim Gallant, serving as Licensed Lay Ministers in our Parish.

Just a reminder of **St. Thomas' Flower/Memorial Service** to be held on Sunday, June 25. There will be a coffee hour prior to the 11 am service. Rev. Shirley Cole will be officiating, and our guest speaker and music will be provided by Kaye Campbell and her daughter Kathy Lynn Campbell and granddaughter Marlee McKinnon, accompanied by Hugh Jones. Kathy Lynn will also play the violin. If anyone wishes to help with flowers, please let Lola or Susan know. All Welcome!!!

Parish Council will meet on Monday, June 19, 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas' Church.

St. Stephen's Council will meet on Thursday, June 22, 7:00 p.m.

St. Thomas' Ice Cream Social will be held on Friday, June 30, 6:00-8:00 p.m. If anyone would like to help with expenses, please place your donation in an envelope marked 'Ice Cream Social'. Volunteers would be greatly appreciated on the 30th.

ROGATION SERVICE

Blessing of Soil, Seed and Stewards of the Land & Sea

Date: Sunday, June 18 - 2:00 p.m.

Guest Preacher: Sandra Fyfe, Bishop of Anglican

Diocese of NSPEI

Music: Charles Reid & Jeannie Boswell Campbell Location: The Barn Floor, 734 Rte 13, Crapaud All are welcome! Refreshments will be provided.

<u>COLLECT</u> (p 362)

Almighty God, without you we are not able to please you. Mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS (p 362)

God of reconciliation and forgiveness, the saving work of Christ has made our peace with you. May that work grow toward its perfection in all we offer you this day. We ask this in his name.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (p 363)

Holy and blessed God, as you give us the body and blood of your Son, guide us with your Holy Spirit, that we may honour you not only with our lips but also in our lives.

This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.



The Bulletins used within the Parish are given to the Glory of God and In Loving Memory of

BILL PIDGEON

Beloved Husband, Father, and Grandfather

Always loved and remembered by
His Family



A READING FROM GENESIS 18:1-15; 21:1-7

The LORD appeared to Abraham near the great trees of Mamre while he was sitting at the entrance to his tent in the heat of the day. Abraham looked up and saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he hurried from the entrance of his tent to meet them and bowed low to the ground.

He said, "If I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, do not pass your servant by. Let a little water be brought, and then you may all wash your feet and rest under this tree. Let me get you something to eat, so you can be refreshed and then go on your way—now that you have come to your servant."

"Very well," they answered, "do as you say."

So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah. "Quick," he said, "get three seahs of the finest flour and knead it and bake some bread."

Then he ran to the herd and selected a choice, tender calf and gave it to a servant, who hurried to prepare it. He then brought some curds and milk and the calf that had been prepared, and set these before them. While they ate, he stood near them under a tree.

"Where is your wife Sarah?" they asked him. "There, in the tent," he said. Then one of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son."

Now Sarah was listening at the entrance to the tent, which was behind him. Abraham and Sarah were already very old, and Sarah was past the age of childbearing. So Sarah laughed to herself as she thought, "After I am worn out and my lord is old, will I now have this pleasure?"

Then the LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Will I really have a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too hard for the LORD? I will return to you at the appointed time next year, and Sarah will have a son."

Sarah was afraid, so she lied and said, "I did not laugh." But he said, "Yes, you did laugh."

Now the LORD was gracious to Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did for Sarah what he had promised. Sarah became pregnant and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, at the very time God had promised him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to the son Sarah bore him. When his son Isaac was eight days old, Abraham circumcised him, as God commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him.

Sarah said, "God has brought me laughter, and everyone who hears about this will laugh with me." And she added, "Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

A READING FROM ROMANS 5:1-8

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW 9:35 – 10:23

Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and sickness.

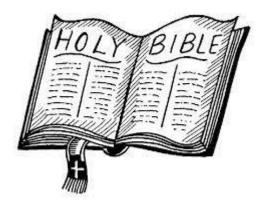
These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.'

Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give. "Do not get any gold or silver or copper to take with you in your belts— no bag for the journey or extra shirt or sandals or a staff, for the worker is worth his keep. Whatever town or village you enter, search there for some worthy person and stay at their house until you leave. As you enter the home, give it your greeting. If the home is deserving, let your peace rest on it; if it is not, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, leave that home or town and shake the dust off your feet. Truly I tell you, it will be more bearable for Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

"I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves. Be on your guard; you will be handed over to the local councils and be flogged in the synagogues. On my account you will be brought before governors and kings as witnesses to them and to the Gentiles. But when they arrest you, do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time you will be given what to say, for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

"Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. Truly I tell you, you will not finish going through the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.



DAILY MANNA – VERSE FOR THE DAY

Day 20 – Isaiah 25:1a

"O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things."

Day 21 – Numbers 6:26

"The Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."

Day 22 – Jeremiah 31:13b

"I will turn their mourning into joy; I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow."

Day 23 - John 3:16

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."

Day 24 – 2 Chronicles 32:8a

"He may have a great army, but they are merely men. We have the Lord our God to help us and to fight our battles for us!"

Day 25 – Psalm 62:6

"He (God) only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken."

Day 26 - John 14:26a

"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things."

Day 27 – Isaiah 44:21b

"...you will not be forgotten by me."

Day 28 – Deuteronomy 31:6b

"Your God, the Lord himself, will be with you. He will not fail you or abandon you."