

April 28 – 5th Sunday of Easter (white)

Readings: Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:24-30; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8

Readers: Jim E, Sandra H; Jim D, Doreen Childs; Doris M, Norma T

Prayers of the People: Sandra H, Lola MO, Bronwyn C

Worship Times: 9 am – St. Mark's HE

11 am – St. Stephen's MP

11 am – St. Thomas' HE

St. Thomas' Annual **Fisher Service and Blessing of the Fleet** will be held tonight at 6 pm. Guest speaker will be Rev. Robert McCarthy, with special music by Kathleen Campbell and Kathy Lynn Campbell. All are welcome!!

Council Meetings

May 13 – 7 pm – St. Thomas' Church Council

June 5 – 7 pm – St. Stephen's Church Council

June 17 – 7 pm – St. Mark's Church Council

ScripFund order will be 1 week later; place your order by May 5.

Kensington Peoples' Cemetery spring clean-up will be held on Saturday, May 11, 9 am (rain date: May 18). Please bring your rakes and shovels. All willing volunteers would be greatly appreciated!

The Bishop's Upcoming Regional Visit to P.E.I. will include a Region Wide **KITCHEN PARTY!** Hosted by the Parish of New London at St. Thomas' Church Hall, 5559 Rte. 20, 7-9 pm on Sunday, April 28. Bishop Sandra will offer words of wisdom. Music, games, tea, coffee, and snacks will be provided. Bring along your sense of fun, and a song or poem or skit to share.

St. Mark's Church Yard Sale Fundraiser – June 1 - 9 a.m. til noon. All donated items should be clean and in good condition. To schedule a donation pick up, please call Dianne (902-836-4978), Marlene (902-836-4303), or Alan (902-439-1627).

Verdi's REQUIEM - Sunday, April 28, 2:30 pm

Majestic choral drama from the great opera composer.

60 voices of the Island Choral Society and Luminos Ensemble, with the Luminos Chamber Orchestra, and soloists Georgia Edwards, Hannah O'Donnell, Justin Simard, and Brodie MacRae.

A once-in-a-generation performance of one of the greatest works in the choral repertoire. Zion Presbyterian Church, downtown Charlottetown.

Admission: \$25 online at IslandChoralSociety.ca... and at the door.

Information: islandchoralsociety@gmail.com; 902-628-6778

This is an **INVITATION** to something truly special and inspiring happening this **SPRING!** Vital Church Maritimes 2024 Conference is May 9 to May 11 at Inn on Prince Hotel, in Truro, NS. (There's also a Zoom option). This year our theme is "Soaring Into the Future."

We will do a deep dive on **MISSION** with keynote speaker, David Robinson. He has 30+ years experience in congregational development and mission-shaped church ministry. **REGISTRATION OPEN** until Friday, May 3 (midnight) for in-person attendance. Zoom registration is open until May 8. **EARLY BIRD** conference rate available until Friday, April 19 (midnight). Visit our Diocesan webpage for **MORE INFORMATION**, including Hotel booking link:

<https://www.nspeidiocese.ca/pages/vital-church-martimes-2024-conference>*

Accommodation costs are separate. Special VCM hotel guest room rates available too. (**HURRY!** Limited number of discount-rate rooms!) For Anglicans (laity & clergy) in Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia - Funding Support Available! VCM 2024 includes a mixture of teaching and plenty of participation in table exercises (individual and group). We'll worship, pray, laugh, dream, eat, and have fun together! There's even a **PARTY!** Anyone – laity or clergy - may attend VCM 2024. We extend a warm invitation to our ecumenical friends too! In-person conference registration includes all presentations, creative worship, materials and most meals. Hotel guest room costs are separate. (Ask for our **SPECIAL DISCOUNTED** Anglican Diocesan rate of \$139/night, with a free hot breakfast.)

IN MEMORIAM

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

CLAYTON SIMPSON MILL

August 7, 1925 – April 24, 2023

*Within our hearts,
the ones we love are never really gone -
In spirit and in memory,
their legacy lives on.*

Lovingly remembered by
Marie
Marvin, Christine,
Cameron & Mackenzie

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April 21, 2024
4th Sunday of Easter

*Welcome to everyone gathered here today.
Please make yourself known to the greeters.*

Today's Readings

Acts 4:5-12; Psalm 23; 1 John 3:16-24; John 10:11-18

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Holy Trinity Emmanuel, Dartmouth

~ The Rev'd Marilyn Newport, Priest-in-Charge

Holy Spirit, Dartmouth

~ The Rev'd Edwin Ebsary, Rector

Provincial Prayer Care

Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador, Bishop Samuel Rose

Council of the North

Diocese of the Arctic

~ Bishop David Parsons

~ Suffragan Bishop Annie Ittoshat

DCS Cycle of Prayer – Christ Church, Kildare

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

A READING FROM ACTS 4:5-12

The next day the rulers, the elders and the teachers of the law met in Jerusalem. Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and others of the high priest's family. They had Peter and John brought before them and began to question them: "By what power or what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: "Rulers and elders of the people! If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed, then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. Jesus is "the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone."

Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

A READING FROM 1 JOHN 3:16-24

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

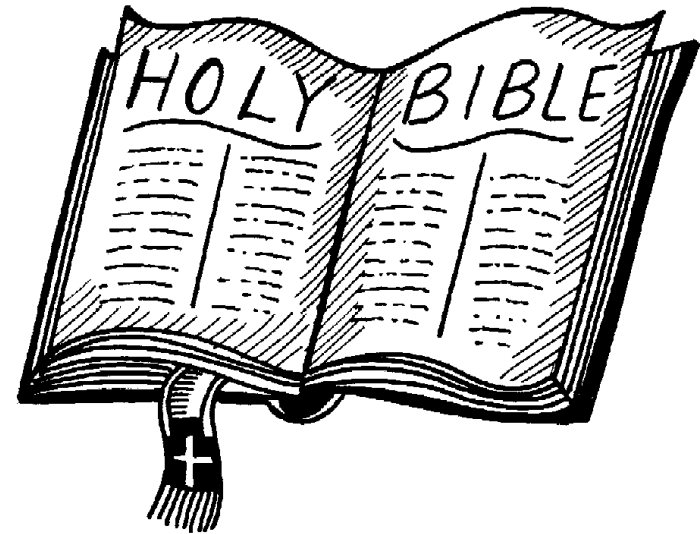
This is how we know that we belong to the truth and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence: If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him. And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN 10:11-18

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

"I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen.

I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."



DAILY MANNA -- Verse for the Day

Day 20 – Philippians 4:6

“Don’t worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done.”

Day 21 – Psalm 23:3b

“He guides me along the right paths for his name’s sake.”

Day 22 – Isaiah 43:13

“From eternity to eternity I am God. No one can snatch anyone out of my hand. No one can undo what I have done.”

Day 23 – Psalm 30:2

“O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you restored my health.”

Day 24 – Romans 8:31b

“If God is for us, who can be against us?”

Day 25 – Zechariah 4:6b

“Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of hosts.”

Day 26 – Nehemiah 9:10b

“You have a glorious reputation that has never been forgotten.”

Day 27 – Lamentations 3:31

“For no one is abandoned by the Lord forever.”

Day 28 – Ezekiel 12:25a

“But I the Lord will speak what I will, and it shall be fulfilled without delay.”

Day 29 – Matthew 5:16

“Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”

Day 30 – Psalm 71:19b

“You who have done great things, O God, who is like you?”

COLLECT (p 339)

O God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make us perfect in every good work to do your will,
and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS (p 339)

God of loving care,
you spread before us the table of life,
and give us the cup of salvation to drink.
Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and our shepherd.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (p 340)

God of steadfast love,
watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son.
May we who share in these holy mysteries
come safely to your eternal kingdom,
where there is one flock and one shepherd.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

Finance & Administration Roadshow

To: Wardens, Treasurers, Parish Leaders

Bring your questions, concerns, and curiosities to an afternoon of information and updates on Diocesan issues relating to Finance and Governance (Canons, Policies, and Best Practices). Join Financial Controller, Lawrence Roche, and Executive Director, Rev’d Ann Turner, for conversation and some fun exercises exploring how and why and what we do to keep our parish communities running smoothly.

Where: St. Paul’s, Charlottetown, PE

When: Saturday, April 27th, 2 pm to 4 pm (with snacks!)

RSVP: Please let us know you are coming by calling the church (902-892-1691) or by emailing executivedirector@nspeidiocese.ca.