

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

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April 27, 2025
2nd Sunday of Easter

Welcome to everyone gathered here today.

Today's Readings

Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 118:14-29;

Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31



Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

~ Port Dufferin, Nova Scotia

~ Seaforth, Nova Scotia

Provincial Prayer Care

Diocese of Montreal - Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson

Council of the North - Diocese of the Arctic – Bishop David Parsons

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

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

May 4: Third Sunday of Easter (white)

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

11 am – St. Mark's HE

11 am – St. Thomas' MP

7 pm – St. Elizabeth's HC

Readings: Acts 9:1-20; Psalm 30;

Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

Readers: Judy M, Jim E; Jim D, Darlene L;

Martyn C, Marie M; David H, Grace H

Prayers of the People: Sandra H, Lola MO, Doris M

THANK YOU! We would like to thank everyone who helped clean St. Thomas' Church this week. Many hands make it so much easier. It looks great and smells wonderful! God bless.

St. Thomas' APP Friendship Luncheon for all 4 churches in the Parish will be held at Lotus Garden Restaurant on Friday, May 2,

11:30 a.m. please call or text by April 27 to book your seat. 😊

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Save the Date! June 21, 2025

St. Mark's Church Yard & Bake Sale Fundraiser from 9 a.m. – noon.

We would be pleased to accept donations such as toys, games, accessories, knick knacks, books, puzzles, household items, giftware items, garden decor, craft supplies, small furniture items, sporting equipment, or any other treasures you might have hidden away.

All items should be clean and in good condition.

Also included in our fundraiser will be a Bake Sale Table.

To schedule a donation pick up, please call Marlene (902-439-9642) or Alan (902-439-1627).



IN MEMORIAM

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

ETTA PIDGEON

May 2, 1915 – February 23, 2010

WILLIAM (BILL) PIDGEON

May 2, 1936 – December 14, 2021

*May the winds of heaven blow softly
and whisper in your ear
how much we love and miss you
and wish that you were here.*

Lovingly remembered
and sadly missed by
Hilda, Laura, and families



Vacation Bible School 2025 registration is now open!

This year's theme is: "*Road Trip: On the Go with God*".

July 7-11 at Murray Christian Education Centre, Kensington.

Daily 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. for ages 4-12. Fee: \$25.00 per child;
\$50.00 per family (3 or more children). Enjoy music, stories, crafts,
snacks, and games! Registration forms are available, or register online.

Kensington Peoples' Cemetery clean-up day is set for Saturday,
May 10 (rain date May 17), starting at 9:00 a.m. All volunteers
would be greatly appreciated.

Food Safety Course is being offered by Environmental Health
at Trinity United Church, May 13, 6-9 p.m. Course is free,
but you must register with Environmental Health (902-368-4970).
This course is for volunteers or staff for non-profit organizations.

Summerside Community Choir Concert is taking place today,
April 27, 3:00 pm at Trinity United Church, Summerside. Theme:
"Canada - This is our Home", featuring songs of hope, kindness, and
peace. An afternoon of powerful music that celebrates the beauty and
spirit of our home, Canada, and the universal messages that unite us all.
Tickets: \$20, available at the door; children under 12 are free.

The Armed Man: a Mass for Peace — the Karl Jenkins masterpiece
— performed by the Island Choral Society and members of the
Luminos Chamber Orchestra. Sunday afternoon, April 27, 2:30 pm
at St. Paul's Church, downtown Charlottetown (Grafton @ Church St.)
Admission: \$20 online at IslandChoralSociety.ca ... or cash at the door.
Information: islandchoralsociety@gmail.com; 902-628-6778

Men of the Harvest Concert takes place on Sunday, May 4, 2:30 p.m.
at Wilmot Community Centre, Summerside. All proceeds in aid of
CAT (Cat Action Team). \$10.00 at the door, plus there will be a silent
auction at this event. All are welcome!

A READING FROM ACTS 5:27-32

When they had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

A READING FROM REVELATION 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord."

But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

COLLECT (pg 336)

Almighty and eternal God,
the strength of those who believe
and the hope of those who doubt,
may we, who have not seen, have faith
and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS (pg 337)

God of grace, you have freed us from our sins
and made us a kingdom in your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Accept all we offer you this day,
and strengthen us in the new life you have given us,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (pg 337)

Father, we have seen with our eyes
and touched with our hands the bread of life.
Strengthen our faith
that we may grow in love for you and for each other;
through Jesus Christ the risen Lord.
