

ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

APRIL 6, 2025
5th SUNDAY IN LENT



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Welcome to everyone gathered here today.

Today's Readings

Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126;

Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

~ Anglican Churches of Pictou County, NS

~ Liscomb with Port Bickerton, NS



Provincial Prayer Care

Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land,

~ Archbishop Gregory Kerr-Wilson and the Provincial Council

Council of the North

Diocese of the Arctic – Bishop David Parsons

DCS Cycle of Prayer – St. Mark's, Kensington

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

April 13-Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday (red)

Readings: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16;
Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 23:1-49

Readers: Sandra H, Grafton C; Jim D, Darlene L; Barb C, Savannah M

Prayers of the People: Jim E, Doreen C, Doris M

Worship Times: 9 am – St. Mark's MP
11 am – St. Stephen's MP
11 am – St. Thomas' HE

On behalf of the Parish, **Congratulations to Leanne Brister
on her successful completion of Connectors 6, the Diocesan
Missional Leadership Program!*

Parish Easter Services

Ecumenical Holy Week services at St. Mark's, 12:00 pm:

April 14 – led by Anglican Church

April 15 – led by Presbyterian Church

April 16 – led by Roman Catholic Church

April 17 – led by United Church

Maundy Thursday: April 17 – 7:00 p.m. St. Stephen's HE

Good Friday: April 18 – 12:00 p.m. St. Mark's

Easter Sunday: April 20 – 7:00 a.m. St. Thomas' HE
9:00 a.m. St. Mark's HE
11:00 a.m. St. Stephen's HE
7:00 p.m. St. Elizabeth's HE

~ **St. Mark's Church Council meeting** - Monday, April 7, 7 pm

~ **St. Thomas' APP meeting** - Tuesday, April 8, 10:30 am

~ **St. Stephen's Church Council meeting** - Thursday, April 10, 7 pm

St. Thomas' Annual Fishers' Service

will be held on **Sunday, April 13, 6:00 p.m.**

Guest speaker: Ellen Locke, Candidate
Supply Minister at Margate Pastoral Charge;
special music by St. Thomas' Church choir.
All are welcome to attend!



Memorials & Flowers

If you wish to donate a memorial or flowers for the Fisher's Service, please contact Lola or Leanne by Tuesday, April 8.

If you wish to donate a memorial or flowers for Easter Sunday, please call the church office by Tuesday, April 15.

NOTE: With the return of nicer weather, bulletins can now be picked up in the front porch, beginning next week.

Save the Date! June 21st, 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).

COLLECT (page 295)

Most merciful God, by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you created humanity anew. May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS (page 295)

Eternal God, your only Son suffered death upon the cross to bring the world salvation. Accept the praise and thanksgiving we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (page 295)

Merciful God, you have called us to your table and fed us with the bread of life. Draw us and all people to your son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

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**Illustration on front cover is from a series of lectoons by Anglican Priest & Artist, Rev. Mel Malton, recently retired from The Diocese of NS & PEI.*

A READING FROM ISAIAH 43:16-21

This is what the LORD says—

he who made a way through the sea,
a path through the mighty waters,
who drew out the chariots and horses,
the army and reinforcements together,
and they lay there, never to rise again,
extinguished, snuffed out like a wick:

“Forget the former things;

do not dwell on the past.

See, I am doing a new thing!

Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?

I am making a way in the wilderness

and streams in the wasteland.

The wild animals honor me,

the jackals and the owls,

because I provide water in the wilderness

and streams in the wasteland,

to give drink to my people, my chosen,

the people I formed for myself

that they may proclaim my praise.

A READING FROM PHILIPPIANS 3:4b-14

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh,
I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of
the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a
Pharisee; as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based
on the law, faultless.

But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of
Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the
surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I
have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ and
be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from
the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that
comes from God on the basis of faith. I want to know Christ—yes, to
know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings,
becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the
resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my
goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold
of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken
hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining
toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for
which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus
lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. Here a dinner was given
in Jesus’ honor. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those
reclining at the table with him. Then Mary took about a pint of pure
nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus’ feet and wiped his
feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the
perfume.

But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him,
objected, “Why wasn’t this perfume sold and the money given to the
poor? It was worth a year’s wages.” He did not say this because he
cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money
bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

“Leave her alone,” Jesus replied. “It was intended that she should save
this perfume for the day of my burial. You will always have the poor
among you, but you will not always have me.”