ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

OCTOBER 19, 2025 19th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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"The Unjust Judge.

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THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

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October 19, 2025 19th Sunday after Pentecost Worship on October 19

9 am – St. Mark's MP

11 am – St. Stephen's HE

11 am – St. Thomas' MP

7 pm – St. Elizabeth's HC*

(*in lieu of necessary cancellation of Service on October 12)

Today's Readings

Jeremiah 31:27-34; Psalm 119:97-104; 2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:5; Luke 18:1-8

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

- ~ Bridgewater and the Conqueralls, NS
- ~ Blandford, NS
- ~ Yarmouth and Tusket, NS

Provincial Prayer Care

Archbishop Linda Nicholls

~ Council of General Synod, Anglican Church of Canada

Council of the North - Archdeaconry of Labrador, Bishop Sam Rose

Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland & Labrador

DCS Cycle of Prayer – St. Luke's, O'Leary

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

October 26: 20th Sunday after Pentecost (green)

Worship Times: 9 am – St. Mark's HE

11 am – St. Stephen's MP 11 am – St. Thomas' HE

Readings: Joel 2:23-32; Psalm 65;

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14

Readers: Judy C, Judy M; Darlene L, Jean R; Doris M, Norma T

Prayers of the People: Grafton C, Lola MO, Bronwyn C

'Men of the Harvest' concert will be held at St. Stephen's Anglican Church (1612 Rte. 101, Irishtown) on Sunday, October 26, 2:30 p.m. Tickets (\$15); call Grafton Cole (888-8915), Leigh Adams (303-5071) or the office. There is a limited number of tickets, so don't delay! Limited tickets will be available at the door.

UPCOMING MEETING

~ Parish Council – **Tuesday, October 21** – 7 pm at St. Stephen's

"THINKING OF YOU" PACKAGES

Prince County Hospital requests donations of the following items to be included in care packages for patients enduring long hospital stays or undergoing treatment:

~ puzzle/game books, magazines, deodorant, shampoo/conditioner, body wash, tampons, reading glasses, denture cleaner, colouring books, pencil crayons, markers, pjs, t-shirts, socks, underwear, nail files, nail clippers, brush/comb, playing cards, craft items.

Please bring your donations to church by Sunday, October 26.

Food safety course for volunteers will be held on Tuesday, October 28, 6:00 p.m. at Trinity United Church, Summerside. If you wish to take this course, please phone 902-368-4970 or email envhealth@ihis.org.

Practice for Ecumenical Christmas Song Service (Dec. 1) and All Souls/All Saints Joint Service (Nov. 2) will be held on Wednesday, October 29 at St. Stephen's Church, 2 pm. Choir members from all churches are welcome.

St. Mark's Church - Christmas Yard & Bake Sale Fundraiser: Saturday, November 1, 9 a.m. – noon. We would be pleased to accept Christmas-themed donations such as puzzles, games, accessories, jewellery, knick knacks, books, household items, Christmas clothing, giftware items, craft supplies, sporting equipment, or any other treasures you feel would make a great gift idea. 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).

All Souls/All Saints Service

Margate Pastoral Charge (United Church) and the Anglican Parish of New London are together offering an All Souls/All Saints Service on **Sunday, November 2, at 7 pm** at Southwest River United Church, 12079 Route 6 in Margate. The focus of this service will be acknowledging and honouring our loved ones who have died this year, in the recent past, and long ago. Together we will sing, pray, share in the Word, and light candles for those who have gone before us. Everyone is welcome to this Ecumenical Service. For more information, please contact Ellen Locke at 902-628-5460 or Rev. Shirley Cole at 902-836-3303.

Annual Meeting of St. Thomas' Family & Friends will be held on Tuesday, November 4, at 10:30 am at the hall.

DCS (The Anglican Community on PEI) Fall Gathering -- "Renew, Revive, & Rise" to be held on Saturday, November 8, 9:30 am – 3:30 pm at St. Mary's Anglican Church Hall, Summerside. Pre-registration is requested at: RenewReviveRise@gmail.com.

5th Sunday of the month Parish Service – November 30 – at St. Thomas' at 11 am, with pot luck to follow. Joint choirs singing.

COLLECT

Almighty and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith, that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

A READING FROM JEREMIAH 31:27-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt - a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

PSALM 119:97-104

Oh, how I love your law!*

all the day long it is in my mind.

Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies,*

and it is always with me.

I have more understanding than all my teachers,*

for your decrees are my study.

I am wiser than the elders,*

because I observe your commandments.

I restrain my feet from every evil way,*

that I may keep your word.

I do not shrink from your judgements,*

because you yourself have taught me.

How sweet are your words to my taste!*

they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.

Through your commandments I gain understanding;*

therefore I hate every lying way.

Lord, you are just and your commandments are eternal. Teach us to love you with all our heart and to love our neighbour as ourselves, for the sake of Jesus our Lord.

A READING FROM 2 TIMOTHY 3:14-4:5

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE 18:1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Eternal God, your word inspires our faith. May we who offer you our praise trust you in all things. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of peace,
you have nourished us in this sacrament
with the body and blood of Christ.
May we who have taken holy things
keep faith in our hearts and lives,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.