

ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

NOVEMBER 16, 2025
23rd SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



LUKE 21: 5-19
"ALL WILL BE
THROWN DOWN."

Illustration by Rev. Mel Malton

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

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November 16, 2025
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Worship on November 16

9 am – St. Stephen's MP

11 am – St. Mark's MP

11 am – St. Thomas' HE

Today's Readings

Isaiah 65:17-25; Isaiah 12 (as canticle)
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

~ St. John's, Lunenburg, NS
~ St. Martin's Western Shore, NS
~ South Queens, NS

Provincial Prayer Care

~ Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon,
Archbishop Lynne McNaughton and the Provincial Council

DCS Cycle of Prayer - St. Alban's, Souris

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside



November 23: Last Sunday after Pentecost:

The Reign of Christ (white)

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

Readings: Jeremiah 23:1-6; Luke 1:68-79;
Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43

Readers: Grafton C, Sandra H; Tim O, Jim D; Doris M, Norma T

Prayers of the People: Jim E, Doreen C, Bronwyn C

5th Sunday of the month Parish Service – November 30 –

at St. Thomas' at 11 am, with pot luck to follow. Bring along a favourite dish, or simply come and enjoy...there's always lots to eat! Joint choirs will be singing.

2026 Church calendars will soon be ordered. Please contact Doris Moase or Lola Meek Ogilvie if you wish to order.

Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 18, 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas'.

St. Thomas' Church Council meets on Monday, November 24, 7 pm.

Kensington & Area Christian Council meets on Monday, November 24, 7 pm at Kensington United Church.

Choir practice will be held for all the choirs, on November 26, 2 pm at St. Stephen's, in preparation for Parish Worship on November 30 and the Ecumenical Carol Service on December 1.

Annual Ecumenical Christmas Carol Service will be held on Monday, December 1, 7:30 p.m. at Kensington United Church (storm date: December 8). Come and hear the sounds of the season!

Parish Christmas Luncheon will be held at Lotus Garden Restaurant on Friday, December 12, 11:30 a.m. Contact Sandra (902-836-4751), Lola (902-303-5795), or Doreen (902-886-2207). All are welcome!

MISSION TO SEAFARERS CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES 2025

We continue to share with seafarers the joy and spirit of the holidays through gift-giving, and the Mission has acknowledged the generosity of the Anglican Parish of New London in recent years.

This is the updated list of essential items requested for this year:

- Hat/toque - Scarf or neck warmer - Gloves/mitts - Socks - Soap
- Wrapped hard candy (no chocolate) - Toothpaste - Toothbrush
- Shampoo or body wash (maximum 350 ml) - Shaving foam - Razors
- Deodorant - Lip Balm - Playing cards - Comb - Pen/pencil
- Christmas card - Small packages of tissues - Bible (supplied by mission) - Mementos/souvenir of NS, PEI, Canada.

Items can be placed in shoeboxes, but please **do not wrap** the boxes. Mission volunteers need to check all items and then will wrap them. Please bring donations to St. Thomas' by **November 30** for the Parish Worship Service, at which point they will be blessed and organized for Beryl Carr to deliver to Halifax later that week.

Additional Parish Council Highlight

Pre-Authorized Remittance being set up with the Diocese has not yet been completed. The forms will not be available this week, until we receive confirmation that it has been set up.

Diocesan Church Society of PEI (DCS) ANNUAL MEETING

will be held on Saturday, November 29, at St. Mark's Church, Kensington. The meeting will run from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. with coffee and refreshments available at 9 a.m. This gathering is for all Island Anglican Clergy, DCS Delegates, and interested parishioners. Come help us dream and plan for our life as the Anglican community on Prince Edward Island. RSVP to The Rev. Margaret Collins at brigadebucket@hotmail.com.

Christmas House Tour – Friday, December 5, 3-9 pm

~ Clinton Pond Bed & Breakfast (11339 Rte. 6, Clinton)

~ Heaney Farmhouse (3044 Kerrytown Road, Clinton)

Tickets (\$10) to support Southwest River United Church in Margate.

- Amanda Bonnell (902-315-1052)
- Janet Cotton (902-886-2528)

COLLECT

Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

A READING FROM ISAIAH 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

CANTICLE 3 (ISAIAH 12:2-6)

Surely, it is God who saves me;*

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defence;*

and he will be my Saviour.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing*

from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say;*

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

make his deeds known among the peoples;*

see that they remember that his name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things;*

and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy;*

for the great one in the midst of you

is the Holy One of Israel.

A READING FROM 2 THESSALONIANS 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

ACCORDING TO LUKE 21:5-19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

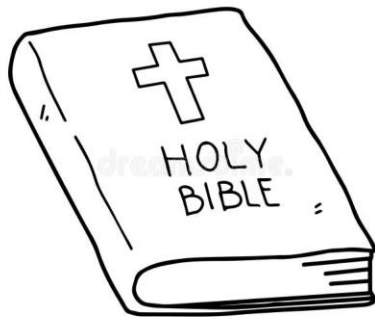
But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Holy God,
in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant.
Help us, through our offering this day,
to renounce all things that draw us from your love.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God,
in this sacrament
we have shared the body and blood of Christ.
May we who have been nourished by holy things
bear witness to his light,
and share in his eternal priesthood;
for he is Lord for ever and ever.



Follow up from Parish Council

Thank you to all of you who completed the recently distributed Survey. This was regarding the proposal recently passed at PC to survey the congregations regarding having 1 Service at 10 a.m. each Sunday in January, February, and March -- rotated monthly among the three Churches open in winter. The Surveys were counted by Revd Shirley and myself, and recently shared with the Parish Council Executive before making public. The results are as follows:

65 surveys were completed.

St. Mark's - 18 Surveys - 17 Y - 1 N

St. Stephen's - 26 Surveys - 22 Y - 4 N

St. Thomas' - 21 Surveys - 13 Y - 8 N

Therefore, Surveys from all 3 churches showed a majority of Yes votes. And 80% Yes and 20% No overall.

It was agreed that if there was a majority voting Yes from each church, the Proposal would go ahead.

There were some surveys that included additional comments, which will be reviewed at the next PC Executive Meeting along with the overall results. At the next Parish Council Meeting the details will be finalized and implications discussed to bring this into effect for January, February, and March, 2026. Please direct any queries to your Parish Executive Representative- Parish Warden/Treasurer.

Again, thank you for your participation.

Blaine Carr, Senior Parish Warden

FOOD DRIVE: St. Mary's Holy Family Council of the Knights of Columbus, together with the Kensington and Area Lions Club, will be holding a food drive on November 29, 9-12 at the Kensington and Area Food Bank (30 Garden Drive). Drive up and someone will gratefully accept your donation. While all donations are gratefully accepted, some of the most requested items from families are: kids treats for school, canned meats, canned vegetables, crackers, and cookies. Check the best-before date.