

ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

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August 2, 2026 10th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship on August 2

9 am – St. Thomas' MP
11 am – St. Stephen's MP
11 am – St. Mark's MP
7 pm – St. Elizabeth's EP

Today's Readings

Genesis 32:22-31; Psalm 17:1-7, 16; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

~ St. Nicholas, Westwood Hills, NS
~ Hatchet Lake and Terence Bay, NS

Provincial Prayer Care

Archbishop Linda Nicholls, Council of General Synod

DCS Cycle of Prayer - St. Peter's, Alberton

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

August 9: 11th Sunday after Pentecost (green)

Worship Times: 9 am – St. Thomas' MP

11 am – St. Stephen's MP

11 am – St. Mark's MP

Readings: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28; Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45c;
Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33

Readers: Sandra H, Judy C; Jim D, Darlene L; Martyn C, Laura N

Prayers of the People: Jim E, Amy M, Doris M

For the month of August, Parish secretary Bonnie LaFrance will be in the office on Wednesday evenings (5-7 p.m). Please forward information for the bulletins by noon on Wednesday (nlparish@eastlink.ca). ***Please note:** Bonnie will not be in the office on August 19, as there is no bulletin to prepare for August 23.

Rev. Shirley will be on holidays from July 31 until August 20. Pastoral coverage will be provided by Rev. Calvin Burt, Chaplain at Prince County Hospital. Rev. Calvin can be reached at 902-715-4006. There are Anglican Priests who will be available as necessary. Leanne Brister as Parish Council Secretary will coordinate as necessary with Rev. Calvin and the Church/Parish Wardens. Leanne can be reached at 905-867-5378. General administrative messages can be left on the office voicemail or the office email and will be responded to as necessary, or upon Rev. Shirley's return. Thank you to the LLMs and congregational members who will be covering the three weeks of Church Services while Rev. Shirley is away. All the Services will be Morning Prayer for August 2, 9, and 16. There will be no services in the Parish on August 23; please join us for the Harvest Festival Ecumenical Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. at the Kensington Rink.

August 30 Parish Worship will be held at St. Thomas' (with Holy Eucharist) at 11:00 a.m., followed by pot luck lunch and musical entertainment. Recognizing that the end of August is moving us into the harvest season and knowing how much for which we have to be thankful, the theme for this Church Service will be *'To God be the Glory'* focusing on joy and happiness. All are welcome to attend!

You are invited – Come Walk in Faith

Are you looking to spend an hour with Parish friends?

Aug. 6, Aug. 20, and Sept. 3 from 10-11 a.m., weather permitting, meet at St. Mark's parking lot. Using faith cards as a conversation starter, either walk the trail or sit and enjoy a time of fellowship. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy refreshments on the Rectory lawn afterwards. All are welcome! For more info, contact Leanne Brister – 905-867-5378; or the Church office – 902-836-3303 – nlparish@eastlink.ca.

Clinton View Lodge sing-a-long will be held on Thursday, August 6, 2:15 p.m. All are welcome!

St. Mark's Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, August 8.

Did you know that you can watch one of our weekly Church Services online?

One service each Sunday is taped and then put online. The link can be found on the Parish of New London Facebook page.

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Almighty God,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom.
Renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

A READING FROM GENESIS 32:22-31

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

PSALM 17:1-7, 16

Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord; give heed to my cry;*
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
Let my vindication come forth from your presence;*
let your eyes be fixed on justice.
Weigh my heart, summon me by night,*
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
I give no offence with my mouth as others do;*
I have heeded the words of your lips.
My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law;*
in your paths my feet shall not stumble.
I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;*
incline your ear to me and hear my words.
Show me your marvellous loving-kindness,*
**O Saviour of those who take refuge at your right hand
from those who rise up against them.**
But at my vindication I shall see your face;*
when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.

**God of truth and justice, watch over your people in adversity,
that we may know the wonders of your love and see the glory
of your presence; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.**

A READING FROM ROMANS 9:1-5

I am speaking the truth in Christ - I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit - I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

ACCORDING TO MATTHEW 14:13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick.

When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat."

They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish."

And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.

And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God our sustainer, accept all we offer you this day,
and feed us continually with that bread
which satisfies all hunger,
your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of grace,
we have shared in the mystery
of the body and blood of Christ.
May we who have tasted the bread of life
live with you for ever.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.