### **Today's Service**

Liturgy

Holy Eucharist Book of Alternative Services

Readings

Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14 Psalm 93 Revelation 1.4b-8 John 8.33-37

Welcome

Hayward Keats, Peoples' Warden

Music

The Victory's

Greeters

Hayward & Phyllis Keats

Readers

Bruce Noseworthy Ruth Stanley

**Eucharistic Ministers** 

Wayne Drover & Gloria Hynes



#### **ADVENT WREATH MAKING**

Last Sunday, it was announced that anyone interested in gathering next Saturday, December 1st, to make Advent Wreaths for their home should speak to the Rector. Some people have expressed interest in coming along with their children/grandchildren. Today, we are asking anyone interested to sign the sign-up sheet available at the back. Advent Wreath making and Hot Chocolate will take place here, at Victory, next Saturday from 4 – 5:30 PM.

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Gilbert Pritchett

**Parish Council** Nina Brown

**ARDFC Ambassador** 

Loretta Goodyear Daisy Combden Mesher

Eleanor Muise

Ruth Stanley

**Greeter Coordinator** Gloria Hynes

**Pre Worship Prayer Coordinator** 

Hilda Lambert

**Outreach Ministry** 

St. Barnabas Harvest Ministries

Altar Care / Eucharistic Assistant Coordinators

Rita & Herman Russell

Band "Joyful Noise"

Robert Batten Nina Brown O'Brien Ruth Stanley

Selby Mesher

Musicians

Maurice & Marion Victory

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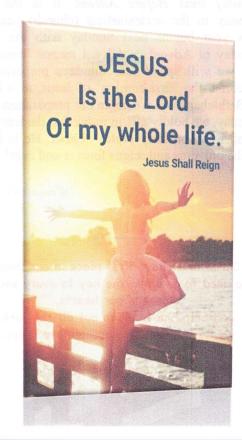


The Last Sunday after Pentecost The Reign of Christ

## PARISH OF ST. STEPHEN THE MAR

The Anglican Network in Canada

25 November 2018



Dear Friends,

Whether a regular member of St. Stephen the Martyr or a visitor,

you are welcome here today! May the worship speak to your heart and encourage you as a follower of Christ. If you do not consider yourself a Christian but are seeking to find answers, you have come to the right place. We are available to speak with you, or to pray with you if that would be helpful. I encourage you to make your need known to me or another person of the congregation.

In various Christian traditions, including our own, today is known as *The Reign of Christ* or *Christ the King Sunday*. The Anglican Book of Common Prayer refers to this Sunday as *The Sunday next Before Advent*. It is the last Sunday in the ecclesiastical (church) year. A new year begins next Sunday with the First Sunday in Advent. Advent means 'coming'. So, we will spend four Sundays preparing to celebrate the 'first coming' of Jesus, as a baby in Bethlehem. As we begin our preparation next Sunday, we boldly affirm *today* that the baby we await is no ordinary child. Rather, He is King of the universe and reigns forever and ever!

Howard+

Christ must have first place in our lives.

We need to give him the key to every secret closet in our hearts,

and help him to clean out all the junk we have allowed to accumulate there.

Carol Myers

INNER HEALING MINISTRY: Our congregation is invited to join Roger Maunder and his Inner Healing Ministry this coming Tuesday at Wesley United Church, 7 PM. Howard+ has been invited to speak.

**TUESDAY NIGHT PRAYER GATHERING:** There will **not** be a meeting this week. Instead, members are encouraged to attend the Inner Healing ministry at Wesley.

**CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST:** Roger Maunder and his team are gathering for a Christmas Breakfast this Saturday, December 1, 10 AM, at Smithy's Restaurant in Mount Pearl. Anyone interested from our congregation is invited to attend. If you are interested, please inform Tolson. It is a *pay your own* breakfast.

**ST. STEPHEN THE MARTYR BAKE SALE AND GOSPEL SING:** Join us on December 7 at Victory Christian Centre. The doors open at 7 PM for a Craft and Bake Sale, followed at 8PM with a Gospel/Carol sing. There is no admission but an offering will be taken. Proceeds from the evening will go to assist a worthy cause outside the parish.

THE SALVATION ARMY PRESENT: Hope for The Holidays- a Christmas gala of brass and choral music with special guest, Darrin Martin. The evening will feature pianist Brian Way, Newfound Brass and a 100 voice Festive Chorus. The audience will be invited to join in familiar carols and warm-hearted songs of the season. Begin your festive season with The Salvation Army in the elegant, century old surroundings of Gower Street Church on December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM. Tickets are \$20.00 and available a The Salvation Army Office at the Village Mall or at the door.

#### **DONATION BASKET**

A basket has been placed at the entrance of the church in case you want to make a donation toward the weekly cost of renting this worship space. We pay Victory Christian Centre \$100.00 each time we meet here.

We suggest a donation of \$5.00 from each individual. Envelopes are provided should you wish to receive a receipt for income tax purposes.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:** Members of the Parish Council are advised that our final meeting for the year will take place at the Parish Office this coming Thursday, November 29 at 2 PM.

**RECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND:** This time of year, Howard+ usually gets requests for help with Christmas from those less fortunate. If you are able, Howard+ is asking you to kindly consider making a donation of money to the Rector's Discretionary Fund. Donations can be made through the collection plate using a regular envelope. Please indicate you name and envelope number.



**Our Parish:** For our Rector and all who give leadership in the congregation, especially the Wardens and Parish Council.

Our Sister Congregation of the Good Samaritan: For Rector, The Venerable Dr. Darrell Critch; Honourary Assistants, The Right Rev'd Don Harvey and The Rev'd Marilyn Flower.

**Our Ecclesiastical Province (Canada / USA):** For our Archbishop- The Most Rev'd Dr. Foley Beach.

**Our Diocese (ANIC):** For our bishop, The Right Rev'd Charles Masters, the clergy and people across our vast diocese.

**The Sick:** For members of our parish- Jessie Barnes, Don Nippard and Renee Noseworthy. Pray also for *Linda*, the sister of Ruby Chapman.

**The Bereaved:** For *Robin Nippard & family*, as well as *Daphne and Ed Noseworthy & Family*.

**The World:** Pray for nations where people are dying of hunger and disease. Pray for those who are fleeing the tyranny of their own countries seeking a better life. Pray that God will give us a vision of our shared humanity, that we are all God's children created in His image.