

Today's Service

Liturgy

Holy Eucharist
Book of Alternative Services

Readings

Malachi 3.1-4
Song of Zechariah
Philippians 1.3-11
Luke 3.1-6

Music

The Victory's

Greeters

Harvey & Loretta

Readers

Gloria Hynes
Bob Batten

Eucharistic Ministers

Tolson and Ruby

**Please remember the Donation Basket
at the door.**

**Each member of our congregation has agreed
to place \$5.00 in the basket each Sunday to
pay for the use of the building. Our rental fee
is \$100.00 a Sunday**

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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

THE MARTYR'S CROWN



**Second Sunday
of Advent**

PARISH OF ST. STEPHEN THE MARTYR

The Anglican Network in Canada

09 December 2018



*"...and all flesh shall
see the salvation
of God"*

Luke 3.6



Dear Friends,

Welcome to our service. May God do a mighty work in us as we worship Him together. As a faith community, we bear the scars of imperfection. Yet, we take comfort that Christ does not demand perfection. Instead, he wants us to allow him to love us. Will we do that? The Second Sunday of Advent invites us to lay aside those things we carry within that obstruct his love. In particular, the guilt and shame of sin can be a detriment to the life of grace. God is ready and willing to set us free from this burden. Let us acknowledge our sins, admit our sorrow and receive His forgiveness. There is no freedom like it!

Howard

The world, as we live in it,
is like a shop window
into which some mischievous person has got
overnight,
and shifted all the price-labels
so that the cheap things have the high-price
labels on them,
and the really precious things are priced low.
We let ourselves be taken in.

Repentance means getting those price-labels
back in the right place.

William Temple



INNER HEALING MINISTRY: Our congregation is invited to join Roger Maunder and his Inner Healing Ministry this coming Tuesday at Wesley United Church, 7:30 PM. Once again, our pastor, Howard, will bring a message.

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

ST. STEPHEN THE MARTYR BAKE SALE AND GOSPEL SING: This event took place last Friday night. Thank you to all who brought beautiful crafts and baked items for the table. Thank you to our three music groups who graciously gave of their time and talent. We were especially grateful to Bev and Rick Hayward who travelled from Trinity Bay to share their music with us. We have a number of crafts / knitted items left over. Suggestions of how to use these are welcomed. \$375.00 was raised to send to the Anglican Network parish of All Saints, Bonavista. If more donations come in, we hope to send along \$500.00

CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS: These will be accepted until December 19 in order to be published in the Christmas bulletin. You can place your donation in an envelope with your name and the names of the individual(s) you want remembered. Please indicate which fund you wish your donation to go toward. Your donation can be given directly to Lois or placed in the collection plate.

HELP A LITTLE BOY AT CHRISTMAS: We have been asked to help brighten a little boy's Christmas. He and his family have fallen on hard times. The following items are needed: Swet pants and hoodies (Size 6 - 6x); Legos, Transformers and Paw Patrol. Let Lois know if you can provide any of these items. She will need them by December 16th.

RECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND: A request has already been made for help with Christmas. Donations to this fund would be greatly appreciated. You can give to this fund through your Christmas memorial



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. Prayers are asked for Robin Nippard's sister who has just be diagnosed with breast cancer.

Those in Need at Christmas Time: Prayer a special prayer for those who find Christmas a difficult time. We especially remember those who are poor, those who are celebrating their first Christmas without a loved one, those who are ill and alone.

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.