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| ***Worship Calendar***  **Sunday, June 16th, Pentecost 4 (Father’s Day)**  10:30 a.m. – (Green) Holy Eucharist  **Sunday, June 23rd National Indigenous Day of Prayer**  10:30 a.m. – (White) Morning Prayer  S**unday, June 30th, Anticipating Canada Day**  10:30 a.m. – (White) Holy Eucharist  S**unday, July 7th Pentecost 7**  10:30 a.m. – (Green) Holy Eucharist |

**A Note from the Treasurer:** Please ensure your **envelope number is on all financial correspondence** so that we can credit your account for income tax purposes.

**Parish Office hours are Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Sunday Bulletins -** If you’d like to give a weekly bulletin to commemorate the life of a loved one or in Thanksgiving for an event in your life, please contact David in the office for the dates available.

***Service Roster:*** Sidespersons Sound Room

June 16th Gail T. Philip G.

June 23rd. Tracey C. Robert D.

June 30th Jo-Anne R. Andrew B.

July 7th Rex H. James S.

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| Bishop: The Right Reverend Samuel Rose  Diocesan Administrator: The Venerable Charlene Taylor  Rector: The Reverend Canon Josiah “Jotie” Noel, T.S.S.F. (Third Order, Society of St. Francis)  Parish Deacon:  The Reverend Lisa Cox  Organists/Choir Director: Stephanie Gavell, Amanda Dawe-Ledwell  Parish Wardens: Rex Hillier & Leanne Squire  Office Administrator: David Kelland |

**Welcome to the**

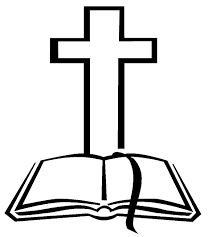
**Parish of St. John The Evangelist**

**Conception Bay South, Newfoundland**

**June 9, 2024**

**Third Sunday after Pentecost**

**Jerusalem & Holy Land Sunday**

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***Our Parish Mission Statement***

***We believe in nurturing a community of faith dedicated to inclusion, support and sharing the story of God's love with all people regardless of the stage of their spiritual journey***

The Parish live-streams our regular Sunday Services and posts to Facebook

***Breaking Bread, Finding Hope*** (Adapted)

By Christopher Sanford Beck

For those living in the Holy Land, and beyond, the entire structure of life—patterns of prayer, rest, work, and fellowship—have been interrupted and upended. There are far too many fresh graves. Too many dead to be mourned. And yet, as Jesus uttered those towering words to his disciples: Peace be with you, so we earnestly and, always hopeful, proclaim them to the world.

Words matter. We pray for the people—all the people—of Israel and Palestine; we pray for the leaders and those in authority—all those in authority, in all those places. We pray for all those who have died, for all those who have lost loved ones—parents, friends, siblings, children. We do not, one hopes, rush to take sides or lay blame. Instead, we try to find compassion and love for all who are impacted by violence and ideology.

Those in whose midst we offer our prayers also live in a world where division and name-calling hold too much sway; we as church leaders are called to resist picking up our stones and swords, hard as it may be.

We hold space for grief and lamentation for all destruction, in our anger and sorrow and despair we are reminded that God’s love is for all who suffer. With knowledge and recognition of the pains and injustices of the past and present, we pray for justice and reconciliation—of true and just and lasting peace for the future.

With a foolishness born of Easter hope, we pray that Jesus’ words from the Gospel of John may be true for all who suffer and who are filled with despair: “I will not leave you desolate, I will come to you.” Jerusalem, the place, is home to many different faiths—we pray for all of those traditions and all of those people. Jerusalem, the symbol, is always a place where peace finds a home.

In today's Gospel passage, Jesus asks his Heavenly Father to 'protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me.

' May we preach and pray for that protection for all God's children in the land of the Holy One.’

**Annual Leave** – We welcome the **Reverend Emeline Coffin** who is our presider this morning. Canon Jotie is away this Sunday on Annual Leave, returning on June 14.

**Pilgrimage in the Park** – Chamberlain’s Park: **Monday, June 17th, 10:30 a.m.**

Pilgrimage on any scale is an opportunity to awaken to the wonder and beauty of the world around us. In breaking from the daily routine, we are able to move out of our familiar ruts in order to re-examine our relationship with the MYSTERY OF LIFE. Our pilgrimages support opening and deepening awareness to the present moment, to our bodily senses, and to expanding conscious relationships with Creation as we seek and find in the Park. All are welcome.

**We invite prayers for those who are sick -** Patricia B., Elaine M., Benjamin C., Doug T., Tammy H., Jeanette P., Wally H., Trudy T., Ruby H., Kelly R., Phyllis H., Eva B.

**Fall Confirmation** - After careful consideration we have decided to move our Confirmation Service and classes to this coming Fall, possibly late November. We are preparing for 2024 to be a Covid-19 catch up year by contacting potential candidates asking if they might be interested in joining our Class. More details are forthcoming.

**To begin the Cathedral celebrations on June 22nd, there will be a said Holy Communion Service at 11:30 using the 1662 English Book of Common Prayer which would have been used in 1699, the year the Parish was founded.**

**Cathedral Heritage Fair – June 22, 2024 Noon to 5 PM**

Celebrating 325 years as a Parish, the oldest in Canada, with music (organ, violin, cello, viola de gamba, piano, voice), quilt and rug hooking displays, sword fighting demonstration, games, stories, Shakespeare scenes, bake sale, mug and muffins. All this will be happening inside the church and outside on Gower Street where there will be a fish and chip truck.

Come for an hour or for the afternoon and be sure to see our newly installed Labyrinth in the beautiful Anglican Cathedral in downtown St. John’s. Free admission, donations welcomed.