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| ***Worship Calendar***S**unday, July 7th Pentecost 7** 10:30 a.m. – (Green) Holy Eucharist**Sunday, July 14th, Pentecost 8**10:30 a.m. – (White) Holy Baptism & Holy Eucharist**\* Wednesday, July 17, Flower Service, 7:00 p.m. St. John the Evangelist Cemetery****Sunday, July 21st, Pentecost 9,**10:30 a.m. (Green) Holy Eucharist **(Old Church Building)**S**unday, July 28th Pentecost 10** 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

July 7th Rex H. James S.

July 14th Audrey M. Andrew B.

July 21st Gail T. Robert D.

July 28th John C. Philip G.

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| Bishop: The Right Reverend Samuel RoseDiocesan Administrator: The Venerable Charlene TaylorRector: The Reverend Canon Josiah “Jotie” Noel, T.S.S.F. (Third Order, Society of St. Francis)Parish Deacon:  The Reverend Lisa CoxOrganists/Choir Director: Stephanie Gavell, Amanda Dawe-LedwellParish Warden: Rex HillierOffice Administrator: David Kelland |

**Welcome to the**

**Parish of St. John The Evangelist**

**Conception Bay South, Newfoundland**

**June 30, 2024**

**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Anticipating Canada Day**

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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

Jesus asked, “Who touched my cloak?” … But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth.He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.” Mark 5: 30b, 33-34

In keeping with Diocesan Synod Office, the Office will be **CLOSED** on

**Monday, July 1st** for the **Canada Day / Memorial Day** Holiday

and will re-open on Tuesday, July 2nd at 9:00 A.M.

With the touch of Jesus’ hand and a word from His mouth, Jesus broke down the doors that separate all people from God. We are free to give thanks to God for our new eternal life. Free to live a new spiritual life together as God’s people . . . forgiven, restored, renewed people waiting for the full glory that is still to come.

And this Jesus! He undid sin's grave effect by going straight to the source of sin's power, into death itself. He sacrificed Himself so that by His death our sins would be paid for in full, and our sinful condition renewed and restored by His gracious giving of Himself to us.

 And He continues to touch millions of lives every day.

His Word is proclaimed in the Eucharist on the Lord’s Day throughout the world so that all may know of God’s forgiveness.

In our Eucharistic meal a great exchange takes place: all our uncleanness is removed from us . . . be it in heart, mind, conscience, soul, or body; and in exchange, we have His perfect life imparted to us that we might live as His holy people now and forever.

Like this dear woman, with Jesus’ touch all our sins, pains, sufferings, and separation from God is taken away and we are left cleansed and forgiven to live with Him forever.

To which we can only cry aloud in amazement with her:

Thanks be to God! Thanks be to our Lord Jesus Christ! Amen. *Canon Jotie, TSSF*

*God of hope, you are ruler of both night and day,*

*guardian of those who wander in shadows.*

*Be new light and life for those who live in the darkness of despair,*

*for those imprisoned by guilt and grief, for those living with anxiety and depression,*

*so that, even where death’s grip tightens,*

*all may know the power of the One who conquered fear and death. Amen. (ACC)*

**Important Message from the Treasurer**

At the regular meeting of Vestry on June 20th, I provided a financial update with projections that invoked a very thorough discussion of our financial position. The update included …

**January – May 2024 Net Loss YTD (Revenue/Expenditures) = ($52,000)**

One-time expenditures Jan – May 2024 = $27,000 (new A/V system, computer, insurance, etc.)

**Net loss on fixed expenditure costs Jan – May 2024 = $25,000/5 months = $5000/month**

As per the above information, for the first five months of 2024, our expenditures are exceeding revenue by an average of $5,000 per month. Our level of contributions is down significantly, and it is very unlikely that we will meet our budgeted amount for contributions this year. This level of financial loss is not sustainable for the long term and directly impacts our ability to operate in the short term.

Vestry agrees the situation requires our ongoing attention. As such, Vestry has passed a motion to withdrawal $42,000 from our Land Sale Investment to cover fixed operational expenses for the remainder of this year. This withdrawal was included in the Budget that was approved at our last Annual Meeting.

In addition, your Vestry has taken further action and limited expenditures for the remainder of 2024 to fixed expenses (utilities, salaries, etc.). If necessary, any other expenditures will be approved by the whole of Vestry.

Your Vestry is taking this situation very serious and will continue to make responsible decisions. It is important that our congregation understand and realize this situation is not sustainable for the long term and we will provide necessary updates.

Ken Carter,

Treasurer

***Churchill Falls Fire***

Almighty God, who is our strength and our refuge; be with those who are besieged by fire, guide those who evacuate so that they may find care and comfort in a safe place; protect their homes and their pets, their neighbours and their friends, so that they may return home to a loving community. We ask this in the name of Jesus your son, who abides with you and with the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**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.

*Almighty and immortal God, the giver of life and health: We beseech thee to hear our prayers for thy servants for whom we implore thy mercy, that by thy blessing upon them and upon those who minister to them of thy healing gifts, they may be restored, according to thy gracious will, to health of body and mind, and give thanks to thee in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Our Summer Students –** This year we have received funding from two levels of government and have arranged for two students, Willis Gulliver and Jacob McGann, to work with us in the cemetery for the Summer. We are glad to have them with us!

**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.