

The Parish of Saint John the Divine

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Our primary purpose as the Church of St. John the Divine in downtown North Bay is to be a welcoming, nurturing and worshipping community which demonstrates by word and deed the love of Jesus Christ for all creation.

Epiphany VI

February 12, 2012 ✠ 10:00 AM



A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees,

“If you are willing, you can make me clean.”

- St Mark 1. 40

THE HOLY EUCHARIST – *The Book of Alternative Services*

Celebrant: The Rev. Fr. A. E. Nussey, Rector

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THE COMMUNION – *All baptized Christians who are communicants in their own churches are invited to share in the holy Communion. Those not receiving Communion but wishing to receive a blessing are invited to come to the altar rail and cross their arms over their chest. Please note that, according to our bishop’s directives, the practice of “intinction” (dipping the bread in the wine), is not permitted for sanitary reasons.*

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➤ **Cycles of Prayer**

Anglican Cycle: Pray for the Church of the Province of Central Africa and the Most Rev. Albert Chama, Archbishop of Central Africa & Bishop of Northern Zambia

Diocesan Cycle: Pray for the parishes of Christ Church, Lively and St. John's, Copper Cliff and the Rev. Glen Miller and Mrs. Beverly Van Der Jagt.

➤ **Prayer List**

The ill and recovering... Spencer Moore, Arlene Bartlett, Estelle Pelkey, Mark Kennedy, Sue, Margaret Dennewald, Sal Renshaw, Ann White, Margaret Park, Margaret Johnson, Marilyn Buchanan, Wayne & Diane, Jessie Turenne, Mark Rogers, Margaret Hall, Biff Gigg, Carol Komo, Charlene Higgins, Joan Gravelle, Helen Stanton, Robert Ure, Helen Atkinson, Rob Paterson.

Thanksgiving... Diane Barnes gives thanks for prayers and healing

➤ **Next Sunday's Readings**

Isaiah 43. 18-25	Psalms 41	2 Cor. 1. 18-22	St. Mark 2. 1-12
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➤ **Parish Calendar**

Feb. 14	1:30 PM	ACW – Parish Hall
Feb. 15	11:00 AM	Friendship Group
Feb. 16	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Feb. 16	10:00 AM	P.A.C. – Thornloe Room
Feb. 21	5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Pancake Supper
Feb. 22	1:30 PM	Chancel Guild – Thornloe Room
Feb. 22	11:00 AM & 5:30 PM	Ash Wednesday Services
Feb. 24	7:00 PM	Ultreya Reunion – Parish Hall

Have an event? Please contact the Parish Office by 12:00 Noon on **Wednesdays**.

➤ **Groups and Committees**

We have various active groups in our church. If you are interested in obtaining more information, please feel free to contact the church office.

➤ **Mary Sherwood Sunday — Next Sun.**

➤ **Food Shelves**

We served 25 people last week through the Food Shelves. Your contributions are greatly appreciated. We are in need of one more volunteer for Wednesday mornings: if you are willing and able to help, please contact Donna Sakaluk (705.476.1686). **A big thank you to Christ Church for their generous contributions to our Food Shelves.**

➤ **The Diviner**

The deadline for the Lenten issue of the Diviner is **today**. Send items to Larry Claus at lclaus1@cogeco.ca or hand them to him at church.

➤ **Intinction**

It is the policy in our diocese to not permit the practice of 'intinction' (dipping the bread in the wine) during the reception of Holy Communion. This directive is from the bishop. Thank you for your co-operation.

➤ **No Scents Makes Sense**

Some people suffer allergic reactions to scents. Please refrain from wearing heavily scented products. Thank you for your consideration.

➤ **Kitchen cleaning**

In order that our church kitchen stay well within the health requirements, and to help keep members of our church family healthy as well as guests whom we entertain on our premises, we are asking for volunteers to share in this task. Groups will consist of 4 persons per team each month to give our kitchen that little extra "spit and polish" for approximately 1 to 1½ hours per cleaning session. A list in the narthex has been posted for volunteers to sign up. You may also speak with Phyllis Macdonald (497.3571). Thank you for helping out.

➤ **Ultreya Reunion**

Ultreya Reunion on Friday, Feb. 24 in the parish hall. Everyone welcome!

➤ **Parish Website**

If you have not yet checked out the Parish Website, please do so! There is a lot of up-to-date information posted. And if you have Facebook, remember to "Like" us! Thanks for stopping by: www.stjohndivine.ca

➤ **Lenten Bible Study: "The Freedom of Forgiveness"**

Lent is such a wonderful time for us to look at forgiveness as we experience God's forgiveness through the life and death of Jesus. This is a six-week Wednesday morning Bible Study starting Ash Wednesday, February 22 at 9:00 a.m. and ending Wednesday, March 28. We will be discussing what forgiveness is not, what real forgiveness looks like, how do I get from here to there, forgiving myself and God, and reflecting on the process—the process of forgiveness increases our awareness of the miracle of God's grace for us. This Bible Study, which will be led by Peggy Morrison, is open to both men and women and the Rector will be participating. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

➤ **Parish Lenten Book Club**

Beginning the Thursday before Ash Wednesday

The Rector will be hosting a six-week study of the Archbishop of Canterbury's book *Christ on Trial: How the Gospel Unsettles Our Judgement*. The trial, conviction, and death of an innocent man 2,000 years ago has particular resonance today. Atrocities from around the world shake us nearly every day, and each of us also experiences trials in our own lives. In this book the Archbishop of Canterbury looks in depth at the trial of Jesus, using it to teach readers how to face the challenges of life in a world like ours. Bringing the biblical accounts of Jesus' trial vividly to life, Archbishop Rowan Williams highlights what is to be learned about Jesus from each of the four Gospel portraits.

We will meet on the following Thursdays at 2:30 p.m.: Feb. 16, Feb. 23, March 1, March 8, March 22, and March 29.

➤ **Visit Requests**

If you or someone you know would like a visit from the Rector, please inform the office or the Rector directly so that he may have opportunity to respond to pastoral needs. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

➤ **The Daily Offices in Lent**

The Daily Offices will begin with Matins on Thursday, February 23 and end with Matins on Thursday in Holy Week, Thursday, April 5. During Lent, Matins will be every week day at 10:00 a.m., except at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesdays. Evensong will be every week day at 4:00 p.m., except at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

➤ **Confirmation**

God willing, the bishop will Confirmation on the feast of St. Mark, Wednesday, April 25. Please remember in your prayers the candidates who are being prepared for Confirmation on this date: Cameron Cleator, Colin Cleator, Vincent Cyr, Gillian McCann, Grant Hatherley, William Hatherley, Colton Point, Mashall Point, Liam Smith, Cassandra Wagner and Shelby Wallace.

➤ **Atlantic Theological Conference**

The topic of the 2012 Atlantic Theological Conference will be "The New Atheism." The keynote speaker at this conference will be Peter Hitchens award-winning British columnist and author of such books as "Rage against God," which details his journey from the militant atheism of the far political left to Christianity. Peter Hitchens' brother, Christopher, was a key champion of the New Atheism movement. The conference will take place at St. Peter's Cathedral in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, from Tuesday, June 26 (evening) to Friday, June 29 (noon). Further details about the speakers at this year's conference, as well as more specific topics of individual papers, will be posted on the conference Website at <http://www.stpeter.org/conf.htm> as information becomes available.

➤ **Swiss Chalet**

Did you know that you can financially support your church by eating out? Did you know that you can make Swiss Chalet tithe to our church? When you dine at Swiss Chalet here in North Bay, keep your receipts and provide them to the church office. We will submit your receipts and Swiss Chalet will kindly give the church 10% of what you spent. Thank you for your support.

***"It is safe to tell the pure in heart that they shall see God,
for only the pure in heart want to."***

- C. S. Lewis

➤ **St. Brice's Valentine's Day Supper**

St. Brice's Church is hosting a Valentine's Day Supper on Tuesday, February 14 in the parish hall. Tickets are \$20 each. Please call Arlene (705.476.3083) or Don (705 495-5970). Advance sales only.

➤ **Recycling News**

*** Total collected since 1995: \$27,620.54**

We are still collecting beer bottles and cans, wine and liquor bottles. Scrap metals – aluminum, copper, brass etc. are fetching a good price. Please let me know if you have anything to donate. Thank you for your help.

➤ **Postage Stamps**

The Canadian Bible Society needs all your used postage stamps to help fund world side distribution of Bibles. There is a box in the narthex for your donations.
- *Christine Whatmore & Chuck Walkey*



RULE OF LIFE

Especially as Lent approaches, all parishioners are invited to consider the following as set forth in our Prayer Book (page 555):

Every Christian man or woman should from time to time frame for himself a RULE OF LIFE in accordance with the precepts of the Gospel and the faith and order of the Church; wherein he may consider the following:

1. The regularity of his attendance at public worship and especially at the holy Communion.
2. The practice of private prayer, Bible-reading, and self-discipline.
3. Bringing the teaching and example of Christ into his everyday life.
4. The boldness of his spoken witness to his faith in Christ.
5. His personal service to the Church and the community.
6. The offering of money according to his means for the support of the work of the Church at home and overseas.

Children's Hymn: "Jesus, Friend of Little Children"

Jesus, friend of little children,
Be a friend to me;
Take my hand, and ever keep me
Close to thee.

Teach me how to grow in goodness,
Daily as I grow:
Thou hast been a child, and surely
Thou dost know.

Never leave me, nor forsake me;
Ever be my friend;
For I need thee, from life's dawning
To its end.

Ash Wednesday (February 22)

11:00 a.m. - A Penitential Service and Ante-Communion* (BCP)
5:30 p.m. - Holy Eucharist for Ash Wednesday (BAS)

** Please note that "Ante-Communion" refers to those parts of the service before the Celebration of the Eucharist. There will not be a celebration of the Holy Eucharist at the 11:00 a.m. service.*

The Imposition of Ashes will take place at both services

➤ **Guest Preacher**

The Rev. Dan Colborne will be our guest preacher on the First Sunday in Lent, February 26. Mr. Colborne has a B.Ed. from University of Alberta (1972) and an M.Div. from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville Kentucky (1977). He was a Senior Pastor in Western Canada from 1978 to 2010 in Jasper, Calgary, Edmonton, and Victoria, and he also served as an Interim Pastor in Leduc, AB in a North American Baptist church (1998) and Edmonton (2010). Mr. Colborne was ordained in 1979 in the Baptist Union of Western Canada (now Canadian Baptists of Western Canada) affiliated with the Canadian Baptists of Ontario and Quebec. We look forward to having Mr. Colborne open up the Word for us.

TRUE LENTEN DISCIPLINES

**Fast from judging others;
Feast on Christ dwelling in them.**

**Fast from fear of illness;
Feast on the healing power of God.**

**Fast from words that pollute;
Feast on speech that purifies.**

**Fast from discontent;
Feast on gratitude.**

**Fast from anger;
Feast on patience.**

**Fast from pessimism;
Feast on optimism.**

**Fast from negatives;
Feast on alternatives.**

**Fast from bitterness;
Feast on forgiveness.**

**Fast from self-concern;
Feast on compassion.**

**Fast from suspicion;
Feast on truth.**

**Fast from gossip;
Feast on purposeful silence.**

**Fast from problems that overwhelm;
Feast on prayer that sustains.**

**Fast from worry;
Feast on Faith.**

~ Anonymous

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Sunday Worship Schedule – 10:00 AM

First & Third Sundays: Holy Eucharist, Book of Common Prayer

Second & Fourth Sundays: Holy Eucharist, Book of Alternative Services

Fifth Sunday(when it occurs): Sung Matins, Book of Common Prayer

Welcome to worship at St. John's!

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today.

Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall after the service.

Newcomers are kindly asked to make themselves known to a greeter—we would be pleased to assist you however we can.

Special "Welcome Envelopes" are available in the pews should you wish to use one. Nursery facilities are available