

Sunday after Christmas Day

*Unto us a Child is born:
O come, let us worship!*

December 30, 2018

The Service of Morning Prayer

9:30 a.m. – Trinity Church, Dorchester

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The Lord be with you; **And with thy Spirit.**
Let us go forth in peace!
In the Name of the Lord. Amen.

Lesson Summaries _____

Galatians 4: 1-17

St. Paul writes to the Christians in Galatia about the new relationship with God, which has been given to them through the Son of God, who has come to share their very nature and, by grace, to make them with him the children of God.

St. Matthew 1: 18-25

Using sources different from those that St. Luke used, Matthew writes of the birth of Christ. Joseph is told by the angel that the child to be born of Mary has been conceived by the Holy Spirit and, in fulfillment of prophecy, will be named Emmanuel, - 'God with us'.

Calendar of Events _____

Jan. 9 Coffee in the Church Woods, 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. St. Ann's Church

Parish Prayer Care _____

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Fr. Jim Roberts	Gregory McMullin	Kim Estabrooks
Gillian Feindel	Hilary Rivera	Elizabeth (Betty) Adams
John Irwin	Carol Danforth	Adam Ploedow
Juliana	Ron Stone	Lynn Clipston
Margaret Richmond	Ken Richmond	Ulyess Fournier
Robert Soucy	Angie	Joanne Throop
Alexander James		
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If you know of anyone in the Parish who is in hospital, please contact your Warden.

Parish News and Updates _____

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to all those who have again shared in the preparations for our Christmas services. Thank you for all of your efforts, your time and your attendance, as we have again recalled the joyful news of our Saviour's birth.

Coffee in the Church Woods will begin again on January 9th from 9:00 until 10:30 a.m. at St. Ann's Church Hall. Everyone is welcome.

Wall calendars for 2019 have been requested for the chaplaincy ministry at Dorchester Penitentiary and the Shepody Healing Centre. If you wish to help, please leave your calendars in the parish office.

GOOD BOOK CLUB "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path" Psalm 119: 105 - The Good Book Club is an invitation through Forward Movement to join in reading Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans during Epiphany 2019. The Book of Romans has been divided into 50 daily readings. Beginning on January 7, 2019 participants will read a section every day (except Sundays) through the Epiphany season ending on Shrove Tuesday. Each day, participants are invited to read, reflect, and pray upon a few verses of Romans. There will be various resources offered to support you on your journey. This is all offered for no cost. If you are interested in signing up to enjoy the Good Book Club please go to <http://www.goodbookclub.org/> and sign up! I have printed a copy of the readings and posted it on the bulletin board in the Narthex for those who would like to take a look!

During the time of the vacancy in the Rectory, those in need of the ministry of a priest are asked to contact Father John Simons at 1-514-378-4443 (cell) or 536-0216 (home). You can also contact Deacon Elizabeth Wells at 536-1063. If at any time you are unable to reach him, please contact one of the Parish Wardens:

Parish of Dorchester

1. Thelma Cormier – 758-9371
2. Gaius Dobson – 379-2439

Parish of Sackville

1. Martha Ritchie (St. Ann's) – 536-3942
2. Bruce Robertson (St. Paul's) – 233-7479

Do you have an item for the bulletin? Please submit it in writing to the Parish Office by **Wednesday afternoon**. Or, if you prefer, you may email your bulletin item to rcann1@bellaliant.net.

ALMIGHTY God, who knowest the needs of thy Church In every place: Look graciously at this time upon the people of this parish; and give to them a faithful Pastor, who shall feed thy flock according to thy will, and make ready a people acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The soft light from a stable door
Lies on the midnight lands;
The wise men's star burns evermore,
Over all the desert sands.

Unto all peoples of the earth
A little Child brought light,
And never in the darkest place
Can it be utter night.

No flickering torch, no wavering fire,
But Light--the Life of men.
Whatever clouds may veil the sky,
Never is night again.

— Lilian Cox, included in *Masterpieces of Religious Verse*, James Dalton Morrison, ed.,
New York: Harper & Bros., 1948

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Joseph Dearest

Words: Originally sung as a lullaby by the Virgin Mary in 16th Century
"mystery" plays in Leipzig, Germany.

Joseph dearest, Joseph mine,
Help me cradle the Child divine;
God reward thee and all that's thine
In paradise," so prays the mother Mary.

He came among us at Christmastide
At Christmastide, in Bethlehem;
Men shall bring Him from far and wide
Love's diadem: Jesus, Jesus,
Lo, He comes, and loves, and saves, and frees us!

Gladly, dear one, lady mine,
Help I cradle this child of thine;
God's own light on us both shall shine
In paradise, as prays the mother Mary

SERVICES THIS COMING WEEK

January 2: Octave of Christmas

7:00 p.m. – Evening Prayer, St. Paul's, Sackville

January 6– Epiphany of our Lord

9:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer – St. Ann's, Westcock

9:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer – Trinity Church, Dorchester

11:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist - St. Paul's, Sackville

A **detailed schedule** which includes the Daily Office (Morning & Evening Prayer) and other services can be found on the website. Under "Worship" click "This Week".

Lessons for Next Sunday

Isaiah 60: 1-9

Ephesians 3: 1-12

St. Matthew 2: 1-12

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In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty;
in all things, charity
Rupertus Meldenius (1582-1651)



IT WAS NOT suddenly and unannounced that Jesus came into the world. He came into a world that had been prepared for him. The whole Old Testament is the story of a special preparation...Only when all was ready, only in the fullness of his time, did Jesus come.

Phillips Brooks

The Consolations of God: Great Sermons of Phillips Brooks

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