



## Parish Prayer Care

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

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| Fr. Jim Roberts   | Gregory McMullin  | Kim Estabrooks          |
| Gillian Feindel   | Hilary Rivera     | Elizabeth (Betty) Adams |
| Sadie Allen       | Ron Stone         | Carol Danforth          |
| Wendy King        | Ken Richmond      |                         |
| Margaret Richmond | Linda (Cole) Long | Becca Scholfield        |
| Rob Bragg         |                   | Juliana                 |

If you know of anyone in the Parish who is in hospital, please contact send an email to [Ranall.Ingalls@gmail.com](mailto:Ranall.Ingalls@gmail.com).

## Parish News and Updates

The Annual Meeting of the Parish of Sackville will be held in the Great Hall of St. Paul's this afternoon. Members of the congregation are encouraged to take part in these meetings as we reflect on the work of Christ's Church in 2017 and prepare for our work in 2018.

St. Paul's ACW will be meeting this week on Wednesday February 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at the home of Marion Carter.



St. Ann's A.C.W. is running our "Bring a Loonie in Lent Campaign." Members of all three congregations are invited to bring a loonie—more or less, as you are able—each Sunday and place it in the collection can at the back of the Church.

The monies raised through the six weeks of lent will help fund the excellent work being done with the students of Fr. Paul Jeffries at Bishop McAllister College, Kyogyera, Uganda.

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](mailto:rcann1@bellaliant.net).

### Burying the Alleluia

In the language of worship, there are words and phrases that are not translated, words that seem to need no translation. *Amen* is such a word, a Hebrew word that indicates assent, "so be it," and the word by which a congregation expresses its participation in a prayer said by the officiant. *Kyrie eleison*, Greek for "Lord, have mercy", is a phrase that continued in use long after Latin became the official language of liturgy of the West. *Alleluia* is a word

that is heard throughout the Christian world, whether the language of the local liturgy is Latin or Greek, Slavonic or Armenian, French or English. It is a word that has occasionally been translated but, more often than not, has been left untranslated. It is the Greek and Latin form of the Hebrew word *Hallelujah*, a word which means "praise the Lord." In the West, *alleluia* came to have a particular association with the celebration of the most important feast of the Church year, Easter, and this led to some unique, beautiful, interesting customs.

The association of *alleluia* with Easter led to the custom of intentionally omitting it from the liturgy during the season of Lent, a kind of verbal fast which has the effect, not of depressing the mood of the liturgy, but of creating a sense of anticipation and even greater joy when the familiar word of praise returns. Indeed, when the *alleluia* does return, it is with an incredible flourish. Before the proclamation of the Gospel at the Great Vigil of Easter, *alleluia* is sung to an exceptionally elaborate tone. It is a moment of unrestrained fervor as a singer intones the elaborate *alleluia*, and the congregation sings it back. The cantor raises the pitch and sings the *alleluia* a second time, and again the congregation echoes it back. Once more, the cantor raises the pitch, and the congregation responds. And then the good news is proclaimed that Christ is risen from the dead. The dramatic effect of the return of the *alleluia* is heightened considerably by the fact that no *alleluias* have been heard since Lent began.

(From <http://fullhomelydivinity.org/Lenten%20customs%20full%20page.htm>)

### SERVICES THIS COMING WEEK

#### February 21: Lent Ember Day

7:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist, St. Paul's, Sackville

#### February 25 – Second Sunday in Lent

9:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist – 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

Jeremiah 17: 5-10    1 Thessalonians 4: 1-7    St. Matthew 15: 21-28

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



May I reach that purest heaven, be to other souls the cup of strength in some great agony, enkindle generous ardour, feed pure love, beget the smiles that have no cruelty – Be the sweet presence of a good diffused, and in diffusion ever more intense! So shall I join the choir invisible whose music is the gladness of the world.

George Eliot

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