



Advent IV Sunday December 23 2018 Services

8am	HE BCP	Christ Church	Rev. Darlene
9:15am	Morning Prayer	St. Bees'	Lay Readers
11:15am	HE BAS	Christ Church	Rev. Darlene
11:15am	Morning Prayer	St. James'	Lay Readers

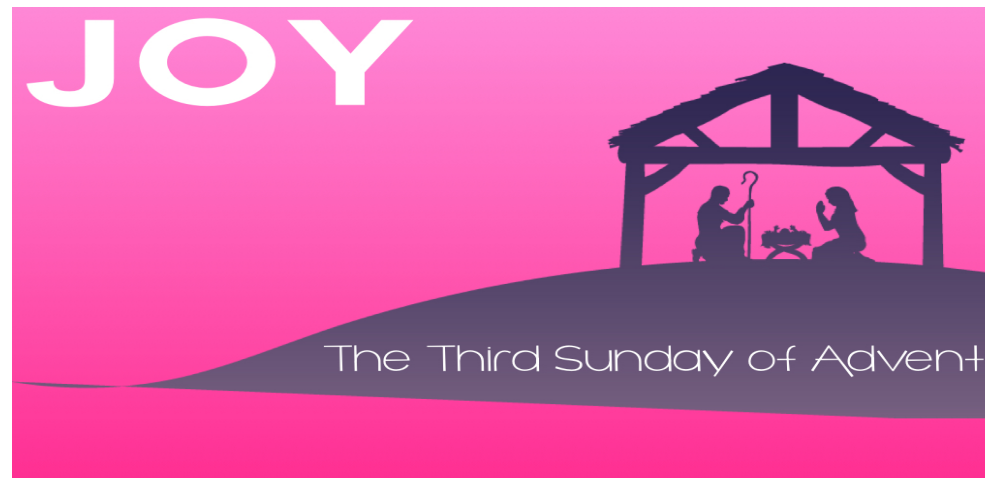
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Community Events

Eat, Drink & Share: An Advent Bible Study for the Hungry Heart
Wednesdays (Dec 19) you are invited to gather at The Thistle Bar and Grill, New Glasgow for a time to socialize and share your thoughts on the gospel readings for the four Sundays of Advent. Come for Food at 6pm with Bible Study at 7pm. Come for just the Bible Study at 7 pm.

Annual Community Christmas Dinner at St. George's Church will be served once again this year on Christmas Day from Noon to 2pm at St George's Anglican Church, 199 Temperance St, New Glasgow.
 Tickets are free (used to make sure we have enough food prepared) and can be reserved by calling the church office at 902 752-4551. If no answer leave a voice message and your ticket will be held for you.



The Anglican Churches of Pictou County Advent III Sunday, December 16, 2018

1st Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-20

Psalm Canticle 3 (Isaiah 12:2-6)

2nd Reading: Philippians 4:4-7

Gospel: Luke 3:7-18

Collect: God of power and mercy, you call us once again to celebrate the coming of your Son. Remove those things which hinder love of you, that when he comes, he may find us waiting in awe and wonder for him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Prayer over the Gifts: God of hope, renew in us the joy of your salvation and make us a living sacrifice to you, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer after Communion: Merciful God, may this eucharist free us from our sins, fill us with unending joy, and prepare us for the birthday of our Saviour. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, who is Lord now and for ever. Amen



Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Kivu (Rwanda) The Rt Revd Augustin Ahimana

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Maitland and Stewiacke & Shubenacadie, NS

Provincial Cycle of Prayer: Diocese of Central Newfoundland Bishop John Watton

Pictou County Council of Churches: Bethel Presbyterian Pictou Landing

ACW Prayer Partner Ministry: We pray for St. Andrews', Cole Harbour

Parish Prayer Cycle: Pray for St. Bees' and Patti Shea, Larry & Helga Sinclair, Doug & Jean Sinnis, Gleniss Smith, Gerald & Inez Smith, Lorraine & Ed Smith, Sybil Smith, Leona Smith, Todd & Crystal Snell, Henry & Doreen Snow, Robert & Diane Snow, Clarence & Faye Spears, Lloyd Stamper, Alex & Shirley Steeves, Edwin & Penny Stewart, Margaret Stewart, Lillian Stroud, Robert & Helen Stroud, Don & Lucy Stuart

Parish Prayer List

Bob Austin	Karen Jeffery	Muriel Jackson	Kerstin
Ruth Myles	Dagmar Hubley	Gordon Clarke	Erma Chenell
Laura Kelly	Rev Bill White	Bill Colbourne	John MacLean
Carvell Riley	Lisa	Dianne Hardy	Wayne Burry
Cheryl Lynds	Evan Crowe	Mary MacKeigan	Brian Kelly
Nancy Marcott	Jerry Austin	Bruce Heighton	Donnie MacDonald
Amanda, Davis,	Robyn	Neil MacDonald	Betty MacLeod

Memorials

St. Bees'

In Loving Memory of **Darrell Oickle** given by Harold & Emily Lacey

St. James'

In Loving Memory of **Art Alexander** given Jane MacMillan

Christ Church

In Loving Memory of husband **Jim MacKenzie** given by wife Gladys MacKenzie

In Loving Memory of **Doug Austin** given by Judy, Cathy, James, & David

A donation has been given to Christ Church by Norman Hunter

Announcements

ACPC Advent Mission Community Outreach: Individuals, couples, and families, who are in need, in our area often reach out to Rev. Darlene for help, this is particularly so during the advent season. Rev. Darlene is hoping to be able to provide some of the basic necessities to those in need so that they may have a brighter Christmas season. To help with this endeavor you may have gift cards for local stores that you wish to donate or make a monetary contribution by marking it **Advent Mission** on an envelope and placing it in the collection plate. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity to those in need in our community.

Advent Bible Study: *Looking at Advent Through the Old Testament*

St. James' next 2 Sundays at 6:30pm/ St. Bees' next 2 Tuesdays at 6:30pm.

Christmas Eve Memorials for bulletin must be submitted to the ACPC office by Tuesday December 18 by noon.

St. Bees'

Card Socials: Every Friday evening, beginning at 7:30pm

Food Bank donations will be collected every 3rd Sunday of the month.

St. Bees' Helping Hands meets the second Tuesday of every month in the church hall at 10am. Everyone Welcome.

St. James'

Food Bank Donations collected the 1st Sunday of every month.

Coffee Hour after the 11:15am service on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Christ Church

Notice: On the 1st Sunday each month please bring in items for donation to the Food Bank.

During Advent, Christ Church is collecting both food stuffs for the food bank and we are collecting mittens, gloves, hats, socks, for students at GR Saunders School in Stellarton. If you would like a Santa to shop for you please see Stacey Ferguson.

Christ Church Financials

	Income	Expenses	Difference
November 2018	\$19,577.25*	\$16,651.43	\$2,925.82
Year to Date	\$84,507.01*	\$77,373.59	\$7,133.42

*Income includes recent transfer from investments to cover 4.5 months' apportionment (\$13,374.00) owed to ACPC. To date \$19,374.00 has been transferred from investments to cover general operating costs.

Weekly Reflections

"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God." (Philippians 4:6)
St. Paul reminds us that our God is an abundant God, the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. When we trust that God will take care of us, it is easier for us to share what we have been given.

That we may take time to be grateful to God, who is the ultimate giver of all gifts.