This Week in the Parish

Monday to Friday, Morning Prayer will be prayed and live

streamed at St. George's Chapel at 8:30 a.m.

Monday 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Beavers (St. George's)

7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Scouts(St. George's)

Tuesday 10.00 am People Park Tower (Morning Prayer)

Wednesday 10:30 a.m. Bible Study (St. George's)

1:00 p.m. Bible Study (St. James)

Cubs :6:30-8:00pm

Thursday 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (St. George's)

DAILY BIBLE READING

A modified schedule from the Prayer Book's Table of Lessons

Sunday	Isaiah 43: 14- 44: 5	Mathew 5: 1/- End
Monday	Isaiah 44: 6-23	Mathew 6: 1-18
Tuesday	Isaiah 44: 24-45: 13	Mathew 6: 19- End
Wednesday	Isaiah 45: 14- End	Mathew 7
Thursday	Isaiah 46	Mathew 8: 1-17
Friday	Isaiah 47	Mathew 8: 18- End
Saturday	Isaiah 48	Mathew 9: 1-17

Prayer for New Priest Almighty God, who knowest the needs of thy Church in every place: Look graciously at this time upon the people of Six Saints; and give to us a faithful Pastor, who shall lead us according to thy will, and make us a people acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. BCP p.45

Please remember our long-time Warden, Sheila Searle. January 5, 2026 marks one year since her passing.

Offering Envelopes for 2026 are available – if you require, please collect it from the church front or office.

The Parish of the Six Saints

Jesus Christ the Same, Yesterday, Today and Forever

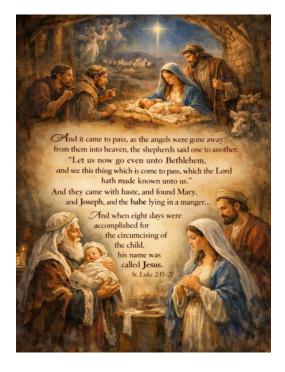
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THE Octave of Christmas

January 04, 2025



The Gospel for today: St Luke 2: 15-21

<u>Prayer Requests</u>: please contact the Parish Office: <u>office@stgeorgesmoncton.ca</u>. or 506-855-5209

Wardens:	Noel Eustace	506-862-9920
	Loanna Whitmore	506-734-3274
Deacons:	The Rev Barb Haire	506-203-0188
	The Rev David Alston	506 866-5986
	The Rev Norman Dupuis	506-386-1324

Welcome to the Parish of the Six Saints Services this morning are being offered at:

9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	St Mary's Church
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	St Andrew's Church
11:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	St James' Church
8: 00 a.m,	Holy Eucharist	St George's Church
10:00 a.m	Holy Eucharist	St George's Church
5: 00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	St George's Church

Fellow ship Café



Please join us for refreshments after the Service

The Collects for Octave of Christmas:

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen*.

O Immortal Lord God, who inhabitest eternity, and hast brought thy servants to the beginning of another year: Pardon, we humbly beseech thee, our transgressions in the past, bless to us this New year, and graciously abide with us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Introit Psalm

When as all the world was in profoundest quietness, and night was in the midst of her swift course: thine almighty word, O Lord, leaped down from heaven out of thy royal throne. The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength. Glory be and to the Holy Ghost. As it was and ever shall be: world without end. Amen

Today's Readings: Octave of Christmas

Psalms 85, 113

The Lesson: Isaiah 9: 2-7

The Epistle: Ephesians 2: 11-18 Gradual Psalm: 145: 18-22 The Holy Gospel: Luke 2: 15-21

Next Sunday's Readings: Epiphany I

Psalms 66

The Lesson: Proverbs 1: 1-9 The Epistle: Romans 12: 1-5 Gradual Psalm: 84: 1-4

The Holy Gospel: Luke 2: 41-52



GriefShare Begins at St. George's! Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one: GriefShare meets at St. George's! Help and



encouragement after the death of a loved one: You'll receive valuable guidance and tips, leading you to relief, comfort, and peace of mind Tues, Jan 06 1:30 – 3:00 PM Everyone is welcome! Facilitator: Rev. Wendy Amos Binks

wamamosinks@yahoo.com, 506-688-2800

St. Peter's 2026 Calendar Is here Available now for \$12 each from the Parish Office or simply pick one from the front of the Chapel and drop \$12 in the purple jar. Thank you for your support!

Reading the Sermons of St. Leo: ZOOM meet will be on Thursday, Jan 08th at 11:30 a.m. If you would like to join, please email the Parish Office.

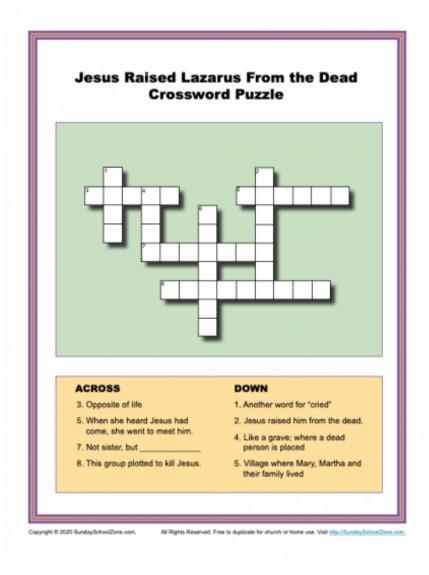
Bible Study is Back! The Bible study sessions for St. George's and St. James will restart on January 7th. Join us as we come together in prayer, learning, and reflection.

Bible Study Gathering Join us at Loanna Whitmore's Home 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 7 14 Oxley street, Hillsborough, E4H 3A3. Join us for a meaningful time of learning, reflection, and fellowship as we continue our bible study series. All are welcome!

Please follow us on website at https://www.stgeorgesmoncton.ca/

We warmly welcome back and thank Captain The Reverend Nicholas Saulnier for celebrating and leading our service today.

BIBLE QUIZ





Happy New Year Everyone!

As we change the calendar to a new year and view all of the plans we have for the coming months and year, no doubt there are dates that we flag as significant.

Speaking of calendars, have you ever noticed *The Calendar* in the Book of Common Prayer – which begins on page "ix" right near the very front of the book?

Under each month of the Calendar, you will notice **important church festivals** such as Christmas, Epiphany and Easter, and you will also see the names of the Apostles and other saints featured —to acknowledge our connection with some of the many faithful people over the centuries who have served God.

Among the names, you will see St Augustine, the first Archbishop of Canterbury. You will also notice John and Charles Wesley. Over his life, Charles Wesley wrote over 6500 hymns! Notice also on March 6 – Perpetua. She was one of the only women to be martyred. Her faith and witness were very significant in the early church.

There is also a significant figure man **named Polycarp** (remembered January 26). He was a student of the **apostle John** and lived between 70 and 155 A.D. Polycarp wrote supportive letters to the church at **Philippi - encouraging them to remain strong** in their faith and character.

Polycarp served as the **bishop of the church at Smyrna** (modern day Izmir , Turkey), and was recognized as one of the early combatants of Christian heresies. He rejected the teachings of Marcion, an influential heretic who tried to create a **"new brand"** of Christianity by redefining God and rejecting Old Testament teachings.

Polycarp's testimony is encouraging. Throughout his life, **his faith remained strong.** In his 86th year, and amid a period of great persecution at the hands of the Romans, Polycarp was resolute. When they eventually came for Polycarp, urging him to recant his faith to avoid martyrdom,, Polycarp responded with conviction, saying: "Eighty-six years I have served Christ, and He never did me any wrong. How can I blaspheme my King who saved me?"

Polycarp's strength of character was, and remains a great encouragement to Christians of all time.

There is a similar Calendar in the BAS which includes other saints which have been noted since the BCP was published. The lives of the Saints stand for us as examples of faith and trust in Christ. Let us be people who continue to grow in our faith and trust in the Lord as they did.

May the Peace of the Lord be always with you. Rob+