

We welcome the newly baptized



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We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Sidespersons' team on duty next week is team # 2.

Counting team on duty next week is team #4.

ANNUAL CEMETERY MEMORIAL SERVICES: Kenmount Road Cemetery, Wednesday, 12 July at 7:00 p.m., Church of the Good Shepherd officiating; Forest Road Cemetery, Wednesday, 19 July at 7:00 p.m., Church of St. Mary the Virgin officiating. If inclement weather on either Wednesday evening, then the Cemetery service will be postponed to the Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. If both Wednesday and Thursday evenings are also inclement, the services will be moved indoors on the Thursday evening and will take place 7:45 p.m. The Kenmount Road Service will be moved to the Church of the Good Shepherd, Mount Pearl, and the Forest Road Service moved to St. Mary's Church. Confirmation or changes will be broadcast on VOWR and VOXM in the early afternoon.

Services During the Week:	Morning Prayer daily at 9:30 a.m. (Except Wednesday & Saturday)	
Wednesday, June 7	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
Sunday June 11 Trinity Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
	11:00 a.m.	Welsh Eucharist
	6:30 p.m.	No Evening Service

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Parish of the Ascension Chimes



June 4, 2017
Day of Pentecost

Lections: Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:25-35,37
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13; John 20: 19-23

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)
Presider/Homilist: Rev.'d Canon David Burrows

9:20 a.m. Ascension Café

11:00 a.m. Holy Baptism & Holy Eucharist (BAS)
Celebrant: Rev.'d Lynn Courage
Homilist: Rev.'d Canon David Burrows
Readers: Baptismal Families
Gift Bearers: Baptismal Families
Psalm Refrain: *Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth*
Hymns (CP): 643; 254; 645; 644 & 649; 429

6:30 p.m. No Evening Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful; and kindle in us the fire of your love.

Weekly Word

*And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Saviour's blood!
Died he for me, who caused his pain!
For me? who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
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That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
Long my imprisoned spirit lay,
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray;
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.
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I rose, went forth, and followed thee.
(Charles Wesley, May 21, 1738)*

A number of years ago, in a privileged holy conversation with my dad, he recounted to me his wish to have this hymn sung at his funeral, combined with a stirring proclamation and sermon on the Gospel, by whomever was his parish priest. I confess at the time, I quietly took all this information in, reflecting on what I might be feeling and experiencing at my father's death.

This hymn recounts Charles Wesley's conversion, and also reflects upon the message from the Acts of the Apostles, concerning Saul's conversion on the road to Damascus. I am reminded of the presence of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, which enabled disciples and apostles to share the good news of God in Christ Jesus. Without this good news, Saul would not have been transformed to become Paul. Paul would not have spread the news to gentiles, and thus to the world beyond Jerusalem.

Without this good news, Charles Wesley would not have had a conversion in the eighteenth century. Without this good news, my dad would not have had a conversion and lived as missionary and pastor in various communities in Canada and the U.K.

There is something to the telling about transformation that brings us into the presence of God. Throughout the ages there have been

individuals, those who witnessed Pentecost, to the Wesley's, to the present day; individuals and communities have been shaped and moulded by the transformative love of God.

This past week in the parish, we recalled and remembered Murray Gordon Randell, beloved child of God, pastor, priest and friend of the Ascension for eighteen years. When I first arrived at the Parish of the Ascension in 2005, I heard stories of the work and ministry of Murray as priest, and I experienced the depth of spirituality and service in the parish to which he had offered so much of his life. When I finally met and interacted with Murray, I witnessed the heart of a loving priest for the people of God. This past Thursday we sang the hymns and said the prayers which formed him in ministry, and transformed his experience of humanity, of the divine.

We grieve with his family; we give God thanks for the seeds of ministry that were planted that have affected so many. May he rest in peace, may he rise in glory.

We continue the life and the story of God's transformative love that formed Paul, Charles Wesley, my dad, and Murray Randell this Sunday at Pentecost. We sing hymns, offer prayer, and rejoice at the blessing of the baptism of three infants. We are reminded of the gift of the Holy Spirit, and God's call for us who follow the way of Jesus, to go out into the world bringing the transformative love that is offered through cross and resurrection.

Peace,
David

VBS: Calling all Heros! Get out your super hero costumes!!! The theme for VBS 2017 is **Hero Central: Discover your strength in God**. It will take place on **June 26th-30** 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Registration forms are now available at the office. The deadline for registration is June 11, 2017. We are still looking for some Hero Helpers!!! The success of our vacation bible school each year depends on our dedicated volunteers! There are lots of ways for you to **help**. You may volunteer for decorating and set up in the weeks before VBS or you may like to be a leader for our activities. You may be available for one day or the whole week! We can match you to a job that works for you. Please contact Denise Gill at 364-7928, rdenisegill@hotmail.ca for any additional information or questions.

Spring Clean-up: Let's hope for good weather next Wednesday, June 7, as that is the day for the cleanup of the church grounds and parking lot. All parishioners who are able are asked to meet at the church grounds around 6:30 p.m. with their shovels, brooms, rakes or whatever your cleanup tool of choice. Let's freshen up our church grounds for the summer! Garbage bags will be on site.

Parish Summer Student Position: The parish has been accepted for summer student position. Full time, minimum wage, hours/weeks to be negotiated. If you require further information please contact the church office. Deadline for applications is June 9th.

Appointment: The Rev'd Canon David Burrows has been appointed by the Primate, The Most Rev'd Fred Hiltz, to represent the Anglican Church of Canada at the Executive Council meetings of the Episcopal (Anglican) Church of the United States of America. This is a three year appointment with weekend meetings three times a year. With Bishop Geoffrey Peddle's blessing, he accepts this responsibility. The first meeting is June 7 – 12 in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Please pray for the continued work of the Anglican Church in both Canada and the United States.

Sabbatical: The Rt. Rev.'d Geoffrey Peddle has granted a sabbatical leave for The Rev'd Canon David Burrows, effective June 15 to September 15, 2017. During this time, Canon David will be reflecting on his mission and ministry, with a purpose of compiling his last twelve years' worth of writing into a book. Proceeds from the publication and selling of the book will be donated to the ongoing mission and ministry of the Parish of the Ascension

Church Audio Knowledge Sharing Event: The Cathedral of St. John the Baptist will be hosting a Church Audio Knowledge Sharing Get-Together on Saturday, June 10 from 10:30 to noon (following the 10 am Eucharist). All clergy and lay in the Diocese with an interest in church audio are welcome to attend this informal event which will consist of an overview of audio production at the Cathedral and an opportunity for all to share church audio knowledge over coffee and tea. Those interested in attending the event should contact Dave Morgan, Cathedral Churchwarden (and sound guy) at david_morgan@nl.rogers.com or call 745-1789.

LAVROCK SUMMER CAMPS - SALMONIER LINE 2017

Girls Camp (Ages 8-13) July 10 - 14
Coed Camp (Ages 8-13) July 17 - 21

For further information and application forms, please contact your Rector, Diocesan Synod Office at (709) 576-6697, email: lavrocksummercamp@gmail.com



Flea Market/ Rummage Sale



When: Saturday, June 17

Time: 8:00 a.m. to noon

Where: Parish of the Ascension
Auditorium, 58 Smallwood Drive

Admission: \$1

The Men's Service Club are looking for donations of items suitable for a Flea Market. Books are acceptable, but **please don't donate text books, encyclopaedias, or magazines.** Also, we cannot take old TVs, stoves, or fridges. Someone will be at the auditorium (ramp entrance) to receive items at the following times (the auditorium is not available to us other than these times):

Mon. June 12	9 a.m. – noon;	7 – 9 p.m.
Tue. June 13	NA	7 – 9 p.m.
Wed. June 14	9 a.m. – noon;	NA
Thur. June 15	9 a.m. – noon;	7 – 9 p.m.
Fri. June 16	9 a.m. – noon;	7 – 9 p.m.

Thank you in advance for your support in this much needed fund raising venture. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact MSC president Tasker King at 368-5676 or taskerking@nf.sympatico.ca