

PRAYERS AND FLOWERS

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Holy God, accept all we offer you this day. May we who are reconciled at this table bring wholeness to our broken world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of peace, in this Eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Worldwide: In the worldwide cycle of prayer, today we pray for the Southern Highlands (Tanzania): The Rt. Revd. John Mwela.

Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands: In our companion diocese of the Windward Islands, we pray for St. James, Layout with St. Mary Buccament: The Rev. Alric Skeritt.

Diocese: In our diocesan cycle of prayer we remember the parish of St. John, New Brigden All Saints, Oyen: The Rev. Catherine Holland.

Parish: Here at Holy Nativity we pray for all our parish families and individuals, and for those desiring individual prayers. Today we especially pray for Nathan, Pam, Joy, Ruth, Peggy, Anne and any others on our hearts today.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Given to the glory of God, and in thanksgiving and memory of our parents Margaret and Michael, and Nettie and Jack, by Eunice and John Moldon.

CALENDAR

WEEKLY Sept. 13 – Sept. 19

SUN.	8:00AM	Holy Communion	Sanctuary
	9:15AM	Choir Practice	Music Rm.
	10:00AM	Holy Communion	Sanctuary
MON.	7:30PM	Contemporary Music Practice	(resumes in fall)
	8:00PM	Fireside Group (AA)	Parish Hall
	8:00PM	Simply Serenity Al-Anon	Friendship Rm.
TUES.	9:30AM	Crafts & Chats	Friendship Rm.
THURS.	10:00AM	Morning Prayer/Holy Communion	Chapel
	10:30AM	Bible Study	Music Room

If you wish to use the church for a meeting, gathering or any other use, please call the office to determine availability of, and to book space. It is very limited during the week.

MONTHLY

1st Sunday	Food Bank – The Food Bank values donations at \$2/lb. YTD donations \$500. Next collection date October 4 th .
4th Sunday	COOKIE Sunday – Sept 27 th
2nd Tuesday	Corporation meeting 7:00PM – Oct 13 th
4th Tuesday	Vestry meeting 7:00PM – Sept 22 nd

HOLY NATIVITY ANGLICAN CHURCH

RECTOR	The Rev. Bryan Beveridge
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Pentecost 15

Sunday September 13, 2009



Holy Nativity Anglican Church

*Our mission - To be God's people,
demonstrating God's love*

Prayer of the Community

Almighty God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you. Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who live and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

TODAY AT HOLY NATIVITY

8AM	HOLY COMMUNION	BAS p.230
10AM	HOLY COMMUNION	BAS p.185

ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE

ORDER OF WORSHIP 8AM

8:00AM HOLY COMMUNION – BAS p.230

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

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The Prayer of the Community (*on front of bulletin*)

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

First Reading: Proverbs 1: 20-33
Canticle: Wisdom of Solomon 7:26-8:1
Refrain: Wisdom is an image of God's goodness; she orders all things well.
Epistle: James 3: 1-12
Gospel: Mark 8: 27-38
Sermon: The Rev. Bryan Beveridge
(*A moment for silent reflection*)

RESPONDING TO GOD

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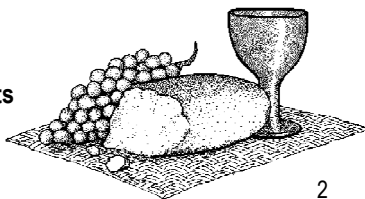
THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Prayer over the Gifts (*back of bulletin*)
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Communion
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WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

The Blessing
Announcements
Dismissal

AGAPE: Please join us for refreshments following worship. All are welcome!



REFLECTIONS ON TODAY'S READINGS

TODAY'S READINGS continue course readings from Proverbs, James and Mark. A common theme today might be found in the service of God with wisdom, discipline and sacrifice.

The First Reading (Proverbs 1: 20-33) is an appeal by Wisdom to be heard and heeded. This is a sample of "Wisdom Literature", also to be found in such books as Job and Ecclesiastes in the Old Testament, and in Ecclesiasticus and the Wisdom of Solomon in the Apocrypha. Wisdom Literature is to be distinguished from the Law (the first five books of the Old Testament) and the Prophets. It exhorts us to follow "Wisdom", that is, to walk in the way of righteousness and virtue and so enjoy a life of prosperity and well-being. Wisdom is usually given a personality as in today's passage. She rebukes the "simple", the "scoffers", and the "fools" (v. 22), and warns them of the disasters that will befall if they ignore her. The beginning of wisdom, we are told, is the "fear of the Lord" (v. 29), reminding us of the prophets who said, "Seek the Lord and live" (e.g. Amos 5: 4).

The Second Reading (James 3: 1-12) admonishes us to control our speech, for great damage and hurt can be caused by a careless tongue. Preachers and teachers especially, says James, should be responsible in what they say for teachers are in a position of influence. James uses some graphic illustrations: the little bit in the mouth of a powerful horse; the relatively small rudder that turns a large ship; the tiny spark that starts a devastating forest fire; so an off-hand remark can have an overwhelming effect. We should be disciplined in what we say. He reminds us that we, who give praise and glory to God with the voice, should find it impossible to use the same voice for blasphemy and evil.

The Gospel (Mark 8: 27-38) is Jesus' declaration that he is indeed the Messiah, but that he is a Messiah who suffers. He states further that those who would be his disciples must be prepared to suffer with him. Neither material possessions nor personal status can be allowed to stand in the way. "For", says Jesus, "what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life?" (v. 36). He makes it perfectly clear that we cannot compromise our discipleship. Jesus must come first in our lives.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20 - Pentecost 16

Proper 25 p.381
James 3:13-4:3; 7-8a
Reader: Stan Reid
Proverbs 31: 10-31
Mark 9:30-37
Prayers:

NEWS 'N VIEWS

HOLY NATIVITY WEBSITE HAS BEEN REDESIGNED! HAVE A LOOK!!!
www.holynativity.ca

TODAY IS KICK-OFF SUNDAY - this is the official start of our program year. After our 8am and 10am services, there will be an opportunity for people to get some information about the various ministries, fellowship and outreach opportunities you can get involved in. After the 10:00am service, and after we have all had a chance to visit the various areas, we will move to the hall for a Soup & Bun Lunch beginning about 12:00 noon. Come and see how you can make a difference at Holy Nativity and then share lunch with us!

SPLASH! WE NEED YOU! God willing, we will be baptizing three babies this fall. So we are once again looking for members in our parish who would be interested in being sponsors for our newest members. This requires a willingness to mail out a monthly newsletter to the family. Between now and then, please pray and reflect on whether this is a ministry you would like to become involved with – a golden opportunity to touch the life of another. For further information, please see Rev. Betty.

IF YOU LIKE THE NEW PAINT COLOUR AND DÉCOR - would you also like to see the hallway, doors and the music room painted the same colour as the Sanctuary? The total price is \$2,835.00 GST included. Should you wish to assist financially, please obtain an envelope from the sidespersons marked "Painting", and add your contribution.

PRIMATE'S FUND CD – Our Primate's World Relief and Development Fund has produced a wonderful CD. We have ordered 20 of these CD's for sale at \$20. If you wish to purchase one speak to Dorothy Kaethler or drop by the church office. We will play it on the sound system for you if you wish to hear a bit before purchase. All funds go to the 50th. Anniversary Celebrations.

BOWLING TOURNAMENT – On Sunday, Sept. 27 at 2:30 pm we will have a Bowling Tournament. Teams of 5 will be formed from those who sign up or sign up a whole team. Cost \$15 / person includes shoes, lane, pizza and drinks for all. Sign up sheets will be posted. Don't miss it!! (Holy Rollers?)

MEN'S GROUP: Sat Sept 19th, 8:30am: Breakfast followed by a brief presentation. We will also plan our yearly events. Hope to see you all out to kick our year off.

CHOIR PRACTICE: new and present members are invited to join. Choir practice is on Thursdays at 7pm, and Sunday mornings at 9am. Kick-off date is today, Sept 13.