

PRAYERS AND FLOWERS

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God our refuge and our strength, receive all we offer you this day, and through the death and resurrection of your Son transform us to his likeness. We ask this in his name. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Faithful God, in this holy bread you increase our faith and hope and love. Lead us in the path of Christ who is your Word of life. We ask this in his name. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Worldwide: Pray for Provinces L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo: The Most Revd. Henry Kahwa Isingoma, Archbishop of the Congo & Bishop of Boga.

Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands: In our companion diocese of the Windward Islands, we pray for St. Patrick, Barrouaillie with St. David, Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, All Saints, St. Mary Magdalene: The Rev. Coleridge Brooker.

Diocese: In our diocesan cycle of prayer we remember Christ Church, Calgary: The Rev. Ansley Tucker, The Rev. Jim Popham, The Rev. Mishka Lysack, The Rev. Tara Livingston.

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 Ruth, Anne, Pat, Dave, Will, Don, Dorothy, Joy, Nathan, Ava and Rev. Betty, and any others on our hearts today.

CALENDAR

WEEKLY February 22 - 27

SUN.	8:00AM	Holy Communion	Sanctuary
	9:15AM	Choir Practice	Music Rm.
	10:00AM	Holy Communion	Sanctuary
MON.	7:30PM	Contemporary Music Practice	Sanctuary
	8:00PM	Fireside Group (AA)	Parish Hall
TUES	8:00PM	Simply Serenity Al-Anon	Friendship Rm
	9:30AM	Crafts & Chats	Friendship Rm
WED.	6:30PM	Guides	Hall
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THURS.	6:30PM	Pathfinders	Music Rm
	7:15PM	Evening Bible Study	Friendship Rm
	10:00AM	Worship	Chapel
	10:45AM	Bible Study	Music Room
	7:00PM	Choir Practice	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. Next collection date is March 7 th , 2010.
4th Sunday	COOKIE Sunday – February 28 th , 2010.
1st Tuesday	Corporation Meeting 7:00PM March 2, 2010.
3rd Tuesday	Vestry Meeting 7:00PM March 16, 2010.

HOLY NATIVITY ANGLICAN CHURCH

RECTOR	The Rev. Bryan Beveridge
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Holy Nativity Anglican Church

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

Prayer of the Community

Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin, give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives 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 230

ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE

ORDER OF WORSHIP 10AM

10:00AM HOLY COMMUNION – BAS p.230

ANNOUNCEMENTS & WORDS OF WELCOME

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

The Grace p.230
Opening Hymn: 175
The Summary of the Law p.231
The Prayer of the Community (*on front of bulletin*)

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 1-11
Psalm: Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16, pg 828/829
Epistle: Romans 10: 8b-13
Gradual Hymn: 375
Gospel: Luke 4: 1-13
Sermon: The Rev. Bryan Beveridge
(*A moment for silent reflection*)

RESPONDING TO GOD

The Creed p.234
The Prayers of the People
Confession and Absolution p.238
The Peace

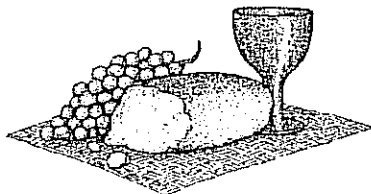
THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Offertory Hymn: 180
Thanksgiving and Prayer over the Gifts (*back of bulletin*)
The Great Thanksgiving – The Rev. Betty Vaughan
The Lord's Prayer p.245
Breaking of the Bread p.246
Communion
Communion Hymns:
Prayer after Communion (*back of bulletin*)
Doxology p.247

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

The Blessing
Closing Hymn: 371
Dismissal

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



REFLECTIONS ON TODAY'S READINGS

YEAR C - First Sunday in Lent
(Revised Lectionary)

TODAY'S READINGS, and all the Sunday readings throughout Lent, prepare us for Holy Week and the glorious fifty days of Easter. The Old Testament readings set forth Israel's salvation history, pointing to our Salvation in Jesus Christ. The Epistles tell of our participation in the Easter event, a participation which begins with our Baptism and which we express day by day in our Life in Christ. The Gospel readings give us stories about Jesus which foreshadow his coming Death and Resurrection.

The First Reading (Deuteronomy 26: 1-11) is about keeping the Harvest Festival and offering the First Fruits. Too often our offerings to God are not offered from the first of what we have, but from the last; we tend to make our offerings from what we have left over. The significant part of this passage, however, is the confession of faith. The worshipper is instructed to rehearse the great things that God has done for his people: "A wandering Aramean was my father ... we cried to the Lord ... (he) saw our affliction ... (and) brought us out of Egypt", etc. (vv. 5ff.). These events point ahead to the fulfillment of God's program of salvation: the Death and Resurrection of Jesus.

The Second Reading (Romans 10: 8b-13) is the main point of Paul's letter, that faith in Jesus as Lord and Saviour is the key to our salvation. Here we have a statement of faith, much as the Old Testament reading from Deuteronomy contains a statement of faith. No doubt Paul is quoting here from the statement of belief required of new Christians at their Baptism. We too live in that same faith: Jesus is our Lord, and he is raised; and we rejoice to proclaim it.

The Gospel (Luke 4: 1-13) is Luke's account of Jesus' temptations, that is, his struggles with the power of Evil. This event is placed at the beginning of Jesus' ministry but we might well understand it to signify the nature of his temptations throughout the whole of his ministry (see v. 13) culminating in the Passion and the Cross. Jesus' victory was that, even in the horror of the Crucifixion, the love of God in Jesus was never overcome. That victory was ultimately demonstrated in the Resurrection, where even the power of death was defeated. It is by faith in that victory that we are forever made one with him.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY FEB. 28, 2010 – LENT 2

Readings for Lent 2, pg 288
Psalm 27
Luke 13: 31-35

Reader: Madison Yaworski

Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18
Philippians 3: 17 – 4:1

Prayers: Kathleen Patterson

NEWS 'N VIEWS

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Holy Nativity is hosting the World Day of Prayer on March 5th at 2:00 P.M. The service was written by the women of Cameroon. World Day of Prayer is a day set aside to pray for women, around the world, who are the centre of their families, communities and ambassadors of world peace. Men and women are welcome to attend.

SOUP AND BUN LUNCH: The Thursday morning bible study group invites you to join them at noon for a Soup and Bun Lunch on Thursdays in Lent.

DINNER AND A MOVIE NIGHT- Friday March 19, 2010: Please join us for a gourmet spaghetti dinner followed by a family friendly movie. Dinner begins at 6pm; Movie begins at 7:15pm. This will be our parish send off for the youth and chaperones heading off to Grenada on Thurs. Mar. 25th. Father Bryan will be commissioning them for their mission at this time. Cost for this event will be \$10.00/adult or \$25.00/family or if you prefer, "a free will offering". The money raised will help offset the group's expenses. We look forward to a full house so mark your calendar now. PS If you can help, please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Thank you so much

SAVE THE DATE – SAT MAY 1ST: Annual Highway Clean-up Youth Fundraiser. Alternate rain-out date is Sat May 8th. Plan to help out for all or part of the day – make it a family affair!

RECYCLED CELLPHONES: If you would like to donate your old cellphones, there is a ministry who will recycle them and donate them to good use.

ST. PETER'S PLAYERS are presenting "I Remember Mama", on Feb 25 – 28, and March 4 – 6. Evening performances 7:30pm, Sunday matinee at 2:00 pm. See bulletin board for details.

ST. STEPHEN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH is presenting an evening of Scottish Celtic Folk Music with singer/songwriter Margaret Christl, Sunday Feb 28 at 7pm. Tickets \$15. Please call 403-244-4879, ext 2. All funds raised go to the St. Stephen's 'Inn from the Cold' shelter for homeless program.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: If you have any information to be included in the Sunday bulletins, please note that the cut-off time for input is **Wed at 10am**.