

PRAYERS AND FLOWERS

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of life and freedom, we celebrate the revelation of Jesus as the Christ who makes all creation new. Accept all we offer you this day and make us new in him, who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, lover of all, by this sacrament you make us one family in Christ your Son, one in the sharing of his body and blood, one in the communion of his Spirit. Help us to grow in love for one another and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ. We ask this in his name.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Worldwide: Pray for the Church of Bangladesh: The Rt. Revd. Paul Sishir Sarkar, Moderator, Church of Bangladesh & Bishop of Kushtia.

Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands: In our companion diocese of the Windward Islands, we pray for Christ-the-King with St. Francis, Carriacou: The Rev. Otis Nichols.

Diocese: In our diocesan cycle of prayer we remember St. George, Caglary: The Rev. Dean Houghton.

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 and Ava, and any others on our hearts today.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for His many blessings.

CALENDAR

WEEKLY January 11 – 16, 2010

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
	8:00PM	Simply Serenity Al-Anon	Friendship Rm
TUES.	9:30AM	Crafts & Chats	Friendship Rm
WED.	7:15PM	Evening Bible Study	Music Room
THURS.	7:30PM	Holy Eucharist	Sanctuary
SAT.	8:30AM	Men's Breakfast	Friendship Rm

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. Jan 3, 2010: 185lbs, \$370. This was one of our largest donations! Next collection date is February 7, 2010.
4th Sunday	COOKIE Sunday – January 24 th .
1st Tuesday	Corporation meeting 7:00PM February 2, 2010
3rd Tuesday	Vestry meeting 7:00PM January 19, 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

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit, keep your children, born of water and the Spirit, faithful to their calling; 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 BCP p.67
*10AM	HOLY COMMUNION BAS p.185

ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE

ORDER OF WORSHIP 10AM

10:00AM HOLY COMMUNION – BAS p.185

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

The Grace p.185

Opening Hymn: #106

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

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

First Reading: Isaiah 43: 1-7

Psalm: 29, pg. 738

Epistle: Acts 8: 14-17

Gradual Hymn: #647

Gospel: Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

Sermon: The Rev. Bryan Beveridge

(*A moment for silent reflection*)

RESPONDING TO GOD

The Apostles Creed p.189

The Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution p.191

The Peace

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Offertory Hymn: #656

Prayer over the Gifts (*back of bulletin*)

The Great Thanksgiving – The Rev. Bryan Beveridge

The Lord's Prayer p.211

Communion

Communion Hymns

Prayer after Communion (*back of bulletin*)

Doxology p.214

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

The Blessing

Announcements

Closing Hymn: #380

Dismissal

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



REFLECTIONS ON TODAY'S READINGS

YEAR C - Proper 1
(Revised Lectionary)

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD is one of the events in the Gospels which depict the Epiphany of Jesus. At his Baptism the heavenly Voice declared that Jesus is his "beloved Son".

The First Reading (Isaiah 43: 1-7) is God's assurance to his people that he loves them and will redeem them. This writing dates from the time of the Exile in Babylon. There the Jews were cut off from their homeland, and they felt cut off from their God as well. "But now", says the Lord, "do not fear" (v. 1). He reminds them that it is he who has created them; and he has redeemed them by bringing them out of Egypt (v. 1). He says to them, "You are mine" (v. 1). They are, in fact, so precious to him that he is willing to sacrifice even Egypt, Ethiopia, and Seba (i.e. Arabia) for them; and he will bring them home to their own land. In Jesus' Baptism we see this same loving concern of God for his people. This Jesus is God's Son whom he has sent into the world, and anointed with his Spirit, to redeem us and gather us into his Kingdom.

The Second Reading (Acts 8: 14-17) tells of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the first Christians in Samaria. These Christians had been evangelized by Philip the deacon (8: 4-8, 12). When the apostles at Jerusalem heard about them, they sent from their number Peter and John who, when they came to Samaria, prayed and performed the rite of the laying-on-of-hands so that these newly baptized persons might receive the Holy Spirit. This has often been cited as a kind of "Bishop's visit for Confirmation" but the situation is not that clear. We know that the Holy Spirit is received in Christian Baptism (cf. Titus 3: 5), and even before it (Acts 10: 44-48). What is clear here is that all Baptized Christians are expected to be filled with the Holy Spirit just as Jesus was at his Baptism.

The Gospel (Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22) is Luke's account of Jesus' Baptism. John proclaimed that the Christ would baptize "with the Holy Spirit and with fire" (v. 16), and in fact, when Jesus was baptized, he was anointed with the Holy Spirit. The point is that God's Spirit was present and at work in Jesus, declared by the Voice to be his "Son, the Beloved" (v. 22).

READINGS FOR SUNDAY JANUARY 17, 2010 – EPIPHANY 2

Propers : pg 349

Psalm: 36: 5-10

John 2: 1-11

Reader: Jillian Yaworski

Isaiah 62: 1-5

1 Corinthians 12: 1-11

Prayers: Youth

NEWS 'N VIEWS

HOLY NATIVITY WEBSITE HAS BEEN REDESIGNED! DID YOU NOTICE OUR NEW SIGN ??? Web Site - www.holynativity.ca

PARISH POTLUCK SUPPER: Please mark your calendars for **Friday January 29 at 6:30pm**. Bring your family and friends and join in for an evening of fun, food and fellowship. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST- 16th January at 8:30AM. Just a reminder for the men of Holy nativity about the breakfast on the 16th Jan. The Chefs this month have a sterling reputation in food presentation so bring your appetite. Hope to see you there!

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY: Come and join us for studies and discussion on the Miracles of Jesus, using the Deeper Connections videos, starting January 6 to and including February 10. We have the coffee on at 7:15, start the session at 7:30 and end at 9 pm. Each session stands alone so you can miss some and still enjoy the others. All are welcome. For information, contact Alan or Barb Scott at 403-278-1643.

THANK YOU: The Eades Family would like to express their thanks to Rev. Bryan, Rev. Betty and parish members for their prayers and get well wishes for Ken during surgery and now recovering at home.

SOUTH CALGARY TRADITIONAL HYMN SING: Sunday Jan 24 at 2pm, McDougall United Church, 8516 Athabasca Street SE, Calgary. Free will offering. Everyone welcome! Come sing your favourite hymns.

ANNUAL KAIROS EVENT: Feb 6, 2010 from 8:45am – 4:30pm, Our Lady of Grace, 1714 – 14 Ave NE, Calgary. Topic: The Oil Sands, Engaging Constructive Dialogue. Speakers: Don Thompson, President of the Oil Sands Developers Group; and Andrew Nikiforuk, Author of Tar Sands: Dirty Oil and the Future of a Continent. To register: visit www.kairos-calgary.ca, or 403-243-5478, or e-mail pwrdfcalgary@telus.net. Registration is \$20 and includes lunch.

2010 DAYTIMERS – If you need a daytimer for 2010, we have a quantity of them from the Bible League of Canada. Please pick one up in the entrance area.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: If you have any information to be included in the Sunday bulletins, please note that the cut-off time for input is Wednesdays at 11am.