

## PRAYERS AND FLOWERS

### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**Worldwide:** In the worldwide cycle of prayer, today we pray for Torit (Sudan): The Rt. Revd. Bernard Oringa Balmoi.

**Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands:** In our companion diocese of the Windward Islands, we pray for St. Andrew with Holy Innocents, St. Giles and St. Michael: The Rev. Raymond La Touche.

**Diocese:** In our diocesan cycle of prayer we remember the parish of St. Aiden & St. Chad, Cowley; St. John, Pincher Creek.

**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, Joy, Ruth, Peggy, Anne, Pat, Dave, Clarke, Phyllis, Tammy, Marj, and any other on our hearts today.

### FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

*Given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for His many blessing, and in loving memory of our mothers.  
From Lesley and Keith Siggins.*

## CALENDAR

### WEEKLY October 25-31

<b>SUN.</b>	8:00AM	Holy Communion	Sanctuary
	9:15AM	Choir Practice	Music Rm.
	10:00AM	Holy Communion	Sanctuary
<b>MON.</b>	7:30PM	Contemporary Music Practice	Sanctuary
	8:00PM	Fireside Group (AA)	Parish Hall
	8:00PM	Simply Serenity Al-Anon	Friendship Rm
<b>TUES.</b>	9:30AM	Crafts & Chats	Friendship Rm
<b>WED.</b>	7:15PM	Bible Study	Music Rm
<b>WED.</b>	7:30PM	Crafts and Fellowship	Friendship Rm
<b>THURS.</b>	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

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday</b>	<b>Food Bank</b> – The Food Bank values donations at \$2/lb. YTD Oct donations approx. 80 lbs, or \$160. YTD 2009: 429 lbs or \$858. This is slightly ahead of last year! Next collection date November 1 <sup>st</sup> .
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday</b>	COOKIE Sunday –October 25 <sup>th</sup>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday</b>	Corporation meeting 7:00PM November 3 <sup>rd</sup> .
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday</b>	Vestry meeting 7:00PM OCT 27 <sup>th</sup> (NOTE CHANGE)

### HOLY NATIVITY ANGLICAN CHURCH

RECTOR	The Rev. Bryan Beveridge
PRIEST ASSOCIATE	The Rev. Betty Vaughan
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Sunday Oct 25, 2009



## Holy Nativity Anglican Church

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

### Prayer of the Community

Lord God our redeemer,  
Who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery, free us from the tyranny of sin and death, and by the leading of your Spirit bring us to our promised land; 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 8AM

### 8:00AM HOLY COMMUNION – BCP p.67

#### THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

Words of Welcome  
The Collect p.67  
The Commandments  
The Prayer of the Community (*on front of bulletin*)

#### THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

First Reading: Job 42: 1-6, 10-17  
Psalm: Psalm 34: 1-8, (19-22)  
Refrain: **Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are they who trust in him.**  
Epistle: Hebrews 7: 23-28  
Gospel: Mark 10: 46-52  
The Creed p.71  
Sermon: The Rev. Bryan Beveridge  
(*A moment for silent reflection*)

#### RESPONDING TO GOD

The Offering  
The Prayers of the People  
Confession and Absolution p.77

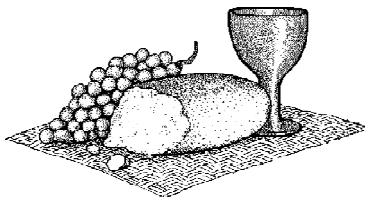
#### THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

The Great Thanksgiving – The Rev. Betty Vaughan  
Communion  
The Lord's Prayer p.85

#### 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

### YEAR B - Proper 30 (Revised Lectionary)

**TODAY'S READINGS** continue the course readings from Job, Hebrews, and Mark. A common theme today might be found in the restoring power of God. Job's condition is restored even better than it was before; Christ, our High Priest, pleads before God for our ultimate restoration; and blind Bartimaeus has his sight restored by Jesus.

**The First Reading** (Job 42: 1-6, 10-17) is the conclusion of the Book of Job. Job at last accepts God's rebuke and humbles himself before him. What is the message of this book? It is debatable. Perhaps it is that Job finds no peace while he questions God; he has to learn simply to obey him, accept his ways, and trust him. Certainly we see in Job the rebellious pride that is in us all, the tendency to think that we can do better than either God or others. But the god we question is usually a god of our own making. The bottom line, of course, is that human suffering is beyond our comprehension. It is only in the sufferings of Christ, who shares our sufferings and rises above them, that we can discover their meaning and significance (see Romans 8: 35-39).

**The Second Reading** (Hebrews 7: 23-28) brings us in this letter to the main point (to which the writer has been leading) that is, that the Aaronic priesthood of the temple has now been replaced by Christ's Priesthood. Christ's self-offering on the Cross supersedes the old daily sacrificial system, for his sacrifice is a perfect, eternal, once-for-all Sacrifice. Christ is both priest and victim, for he is the Priest who offers the Sacrifice, and he is the Victim, the one who is offered; and he continues to plead that Sacrifice eternally in heaven (v. 25). We have only to trust in him and his sacrifice to be forgiven and saved from sin.

**The Gospel** (Mark 10: 46-52) tells how Jesus restored the sight of blind Bartimaeus. This passage concludes this chapter in which Jesus struggles to show his disciples the role of the Messiah: that he must be a suffering servant. Here Bartimaeus, physically blind, was able, in his faith, to "see" just who this Jesus was and what he was about. Then, receiving physical sight, Bartimaeus followed Jesus "on the way" (v. 52) up to Jerusalem showing that true discipleship is to follow Christ in the way of his personal self-offering, and to share in his resurrection Victory.

### READINGS FOR SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1 – All Saints

All Saints, pp.427  
Revelation 21: 1-6a

Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9  
John 11:32-44

**Reader: Bob Mummery**

**Prayers: Pat Gilroy**

## NEWS 'N VIEWS

**HOLY NATIVITY WEBSITE HAS BEEN REDESIGNED! HAVE A LOOK!!!**  
[www.holynativity.ca](http://www.holynativity.ca)

**BIBLE STUDY:** Beginning on September 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 pm to 9:00 pm there will be a Bible Study on the "**Parables of Jesus**". This study is for 6 weeks and each week is a separate study. Join us for coffee at 7:15 and study to begin at 7:30 pm. There is a DVD and discussion based on a study guide. All are welcome. The co-ordinator for this evening is Alan Scott.

**A NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR CRAFTS AND FELLOWSHIP:** Would you like to spend time relaxing with your craft, learn a new one or just have time to socialize with other like minded people? Beginning Wednesday evening September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 pm in the Friendship Room there will be an opportunity. The co-ordinator for this evening is Marylyn Bradshaw.

**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. They are in the church foyer for you to look at. We can play it on the sound system for you if you wish to hear a bit before purchase. All funds go to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations.

**OUR FALL SUPPER** is set for November 27<sup>th</sup>. A co-ordinator is needed for this event. Please call the office if you are interested. 403-278-0001

**SOUTH CALGARY COMMUNITY CHURCH** is hosting a Couples Night Out, an evening of comedy and inspiration sponsored by World Vision Canada, on Tues Oct 27 at 7:30pm, \$5/couple. [www.couplesnightout.ca](http://www.couplesnightout.ca), 403-281-7655

**CALGARY ASSOCIATION OF SELF HELP'S GARAGE SALE:** Fri Oct 30 from 11am-5pm, Sat Oct 31 from 10am-3pm. 1019 – 7<sup>th</sup> Ave SW. Free parking behind the building.