



WEEKLY PARISH NEWS

Holy Trinity Parish News for Week of December 8, 2024

Check out the website at <http://anglicanparishofhammondriver.ca/>

Please forward Facebook events to your

contacts <https://www.facebook.com/holytrinityhammondriver>

Other parish contact information is located at the end of this newsletter. If you do not wish to receive these emails please reply to sender.

Readings for the Second Sunday of Advent, December 8th.

Baruch 5:1-9 or Malachi 3:1-4; Canticle 19 (Luke 1:68-79); Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6A

Readings for the Third Sunday of Advent, December 15th.

Zephaniah 3:14-20; Canticle 3 (Isaiah 12:2-6); Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18

<https://lectionary.anglican.ca>

Upcoming Advent and Christmas Services & Retreat 2024:

December 8th Service of Lessons & Carols at 9 am Holy Trinity and 11 am St Augustine's - Layreader Led

December 15th Joint Service of Holy Communion at 10 am Holy Trinity with the Rev. Canon Cathy Laskey

December 13th & 14th Advent Retreat at Villa Madonna <https://nb.anglican.ca/>

December 22nd Holy Communion Service at 9 am Holy Trinity and 11 am St. Augustine's with the Rev. Ann Fairweather

December 24th Christmas Eve Services 6:30 pm St Augustine's and 8 pm Holy Trinity Rev. Terrance Doncaster

December 25th Christmas Day Morning Prayer at 10 am Holy Trinity- Layreader Led

December 29th Joint Service of Lessons and Carols 10 am at St. Augustine's

The Holy Trinity Altar Guild is Seeking New Members:

The Altar Guild members at Holy Trinity reverently prepare the sanctuary for Worship and would be very pleased to have new members. If you feel able to help please contact Cleo Cyr at 506-647-8170.

Pray for local businesses this week:

Reficio Construction & Sentrex Wind Services

Happenings at Holy Trinity (2 Hammond River Rd Quispamsis) - For more information on all events call 506-343-1349

Sunday, December 8th

Christmas Families & Christmas Stockings Donations

Monday, December 9th

NCC Meeting 7 pm
Church Hall

Tuesday, December 10th

Choir Practice 10:15
Mission Meeting &
Knitting Group 2:00 pm
Multipurpose Room

Wednesday, December 11th

Advent Study Discovery 11 am
Healthy You 6-7 pm
Vestry Meeting 7 pm
AA group meeting at 8 pm.
Church Hall

A message from Denise Arseneau:

Denise will be doing the Romero House stockings again this year. She is advising parishioners that if they wish they can begin bringing items to her on Sundays. She will be taking the items to Romero House on December 13th so the last Sunday she will be accepting donations will be December 8th. Romero House are again focusing on youth ages 12-18 who tend to get left out when these events happen. And apparently they have lots of socks!

From Romero House: Suggestions for Christmas Gift Bags Wish List

Hats	Shampoo	Playing Cards	Gloves/Mitts	Soap
Puzzle Books	Socks	Body Wash	Chocolae	Facecloths
Deodorant	Candy	Hand Sanitizer	Lotion	Wallet/change purse
Cough drops	Razors	Hand warmers	Kleenex	Toothbrush
Tim's Card	Lip Balm	Toothpaste	Ear buds	Nail clippers
Brush/comb	Pen/Note Pad			

Christmas Families/Christmas Exchange December 8th:

If you know of a family in need for Christmas contact Brenda Bowron at 506-647-1948. On December 8th if you would like to make a donation for Christmas Families/Christmas Exchange, please do so by placing your donation in an envelope and place the envelope on the collection plate marked for Christmas Families. Thank you!

A message from Barb re Food Bank Sunday

Just wanted to let you know that the Food Bank closes up over Christmas and doesn't reopen until January 7th, so their last day for collecting food is December 23rd. That being the case, Food Bank Sunday has changed from the end of the month to December 22nd. Thank you, Barb.

A three week Advent Series study will be held in the church hall, Wednesdays, at 11:00 am, starting December 4th and finishing December 18th. The series is a chance to reflect on the meaning of Advent and Christmas, "Hope, Peace, Joy and Love". Everyone is welcome, with each 1 hour session consisting of a shot video, followed by a time to reflect and an open discussion.

Healthy You Wednesdays from 6 pm to 7 pm at Holy Trinity, 2 Hammond River Rd, Quispamsis. This group focuses on the 5 basics for leading a healthier life – Faith, Food, Fitness, Focus and Friends. The get-togethers

are held weekly. Cost is \$2.00 per session. Call 506-647-8170 for more information. Everyone is welcome - bring a friend!

Trinity Corner Café: The Next Seniors Drop in at the Trinity Corner Café is December 19th, 2024 from 1pm to 3 pm. The seniors drop-in Café is open the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 1 pm to 3 pm. A great opportunity to meet over coffee and snacks for card games, puzzles, explore the library or just sit and chat!

Christmas with Treble Clef special guest Valley Girls Choir-December 8 at 2:30 Hampton United Church 8 Upland Road, free will donation.

Message from the Home Communion Team: If you, or someone you know, would like to receive home communion please contact Brenda Bowron at 506-849-2584.

Message from the Rector: If you know of anyone who is in the hospital, please let Rev. O'Hara know by contacting him at 506-424-0564 or revmikeohara@gmail.com. Clergy lists are no longer available at the hospital so he has no way of knowing when a parishioner is admitted.

Message from Margo: If you would like someone you know to receive a get well / thinking of you card, or a sympathy card from our parish family please notify Margo Mapplebeck at mappmemo@nbnet.nb.ca

Message from the Mission Committee: If you are interested in joining any of the mission activities (making prayers shawls and baby blankets, making soup for Romero House) call the mission leader at 506-647-8170.

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"All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God." 2 CORINTHIANS 4:15 (NIV)

The Anglican Fellowship of Prayer -

Newsletter <https://anglicanprayer.org/newsletters/AFP%20Newsletter%20Advent%202022%20final.pdf>

Surprise the World with B.E.L.L.S. by being a Blessing to someone, Eating with someone new, Listening to them, Learning from them, and Spending some time telling them about Jesus. <https://nb.anglican.ca/resources/discipleship-resources/pages/bells-surprise-the-world>

Great Talks! Check out Rev's Terence & Jasmine talks and teachings at <https://www.stonesj.org/sermons--teachings-online>

DIOCESAN NEWS: <https://nb.anglican.ca/newsletters/>

Archbishop David's video messages
at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLeDGdPUL2BV6Y46tkaTzcukRz3jM6BmWo> and the diocesan website for more news and events
at <https://nb.anglican.ca/>

Holy Trinity Keeping Connected Prayer

Heavenly Father, we glorify your name and thank you for your many blessings. We humbly ask you to open our hearts and minds as we still ourselves to hear your word. In these difficult times help us to remember to focus on the positive not the negative and hold family, friends and neighbours close. Dear Lord, we ask you to hear the cry of those who yearn for love and help us to find ways to keep connected with them, especially the elderly, the lonely, and the marginalized within the church and the greater community, nourishing them through prayer and action as we ourselves continue to be nourished through your love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

The 5 Marks of Mission

To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom

To teach, baptize, and nurture new believers

To respond to human need by loving service

To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation

To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth.