

10:00 Holy Eucharist BAS

Licensed Lay Minister: Jon Muers

Opening Hymn – Crown Him with Many Crowns

Gathering of the Community

Gloria

Collect of the Day: God of deep soil and luxurious growth, you call us from our shallow selves to find our depth in you: may we abide in him alone who can teach us who we are, Jesus Christ, the true vine. **Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word:

Acts 8: 26-40 (Sarah Lennerton)

Psalm 22: 24-30

1 John 4: 7-21 (Joan MacDonald)

Gradual Hymn – You are the Vine

Gospel: John 15: 1-8 (Jason Reynolds)

Homily – David Torrerville

A New Zealand Creed

Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

The Peace

Offering Hymn – God the Creator

Prayer over the Gifts: Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

Amen

Australian Eucharistic Prayer

Sanctus

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

Breaking of the Bread #8

Lamb of God

Communion Hymn – O God Unseen Yet Ever Near

Ablution Hymn – Be My Hands and Feet

Prayer after Communion: God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in our life. May we always walk in your way, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**

Doxology

Children's Hymn – This Little Light of Mine

Blessing

Recessional Hymn – Will You Come and Follow Me?

Music – May the Lord

Dismissal

Postlude

Chancel Guild: Kim Benedict, Natasha Bejarano, Leona Hunt

Greeters: Mary Feltmate, Walter Spears, Clifford Holder, Cory Lunn, Mary Wolfe

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Weds., May 1st – Choir 6:30 p.m.

Fri., May 3rd – Meditation 10:00 a.m.

Lectionary Bible Study 11:00 a.m.

Next Sunday, May 5th – 6th Sunday of Easter

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist BAS Coffee Hour

Our **parish book club**, Bookworms and Church Mice, meets next on Sunday, May 12th after worship in the parish hall meeting room. The book for discussion is Sisters of the Southern Cross by Jean Grainger. All are welcome to join us in the discussion.

Our next **Coffee Hour** date will be next Sunday, May 5th.

Next **8:00 Holy Communion (BCP)** service will be held on May 12th.

Sunday School dates for the spring term: May 12th, May 26th.

Our parish office is open Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Stephen Hamlin turns 50! Please join the celebration on Monday, April 29th at the Truro Fire Hall, 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served and a cash bar. Please RSVP Heather Hamlin 250 463 2852 (call or text - BC time zone).

Calling all parish members and greeters! We will be offering training in CPR and the use of our defibrillator on Sunday, May 26 after church at 11:15. The course takes 1 hour and is free. It will not provide you with certification but will teach you to use the defibrillator safely and provide basic CPR until help arrives in the event of an emergency. Please make this a priority!

One more post-Lent **Big Idea** session is being planned! This one is about **The Eucharist** and will take place on Thursday, May 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of the church. Join us for one more quiet discussion!

The **Water of Life Project**, formed in September 2003, is celebrating its 20th anniversary by holding a **Day of Celebration**. Our mission: to create a caring community working together to raise funds to drill wells giving life and hope to African communities. In our 20 years working with Lifewater Canada, we have provided safe and accessible water to more than 50,000 people in Africa and Haiti.

We invite you to join us on Saturday, June 8th at 12:00 noon at the Bible Hill Recreation Park. We will hold an 800 meter walkathon to help continue fund raising for this important work. There will also be games for all ages, a barbecue, a fudge venue, and music. Please bring your own chair.

To participate in the walkathon (you may choose an alternate date) please contact Placide Chiasson to obtain a participation form:
placide@ns.sympatico.ca

Rain date will be June 15th.

Our Water of Life Project for 2024 ends this week!

In the weeks to come, you will hear more about this well-creating and water improving program. Again this year, we partner with Lifewater Canada, social community groups, schools and individuals around Colchester County as they help us to dig wells in Africa and Haiti.

We're very proud of this St. John's created and led initiative in our community. We encourage you to support this important, life saving and life changing project and also to inform and encourage your friends, family and co-workers to get involved.

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In the 20 years since then, we have been involved in several projects – we have raised sufficient funds to dig wells, repaired many broken pumps and supported health clinics for villages receiving a well. Over 46,000 people now have access to safe drinking water because of our efforts since 2003.

Ways you can give:

1. Put money in the jar.
2. Make a cheque out to Lifewater Canada. A receipt will be sent to you from Lifewater Canada.
3. Donate online using this URL:

www.canadahelps.org/en/pages/water-of-life-project

When you have completed your donation you can immediately print your tax receipt. Your donation will go directly to Lifewater Canada for our project.

Common Cup: As part of our cautionary approach in dealing with Covid 19 and other communicable illness, we continue to offer two options for the receiving of communion wine: the common cup and a second cup from which a medicine dropper is used to place wine upon the host. You are invited to make the choice that is best for you and cross to the appropriate chalice after receiving the host. **Note:** Dipping of the wafer (intinction) is not permitted in the common cup.

At 7:30 p.m. on **Sunday, May 5th** The Veterans Memorial Park, Bass River, will host a **candlelight ceremony** commemorating lives lost during the Holocaust which occurred during WWII. Each year 6 stories are chosen for the Six Million. Bearing witness to the past, with hope for the future. Rabbi David Ellis will speak. A Kosher Reception will follow at the Victoria Hall in Bass River. All Are Welcome.

IG Wealth Management **Walk for Alzheimer's** takes place on Sunday, May 24th at 4:00 p.m. at Civic Square, Truro. Join us to support the thousands of Nova Scotians affected by dementia. Register today at walkns.ca We're right here to help in your community! Dementia helpline: 1-800-611-6345.

On Friday, May 3rd the **Nova New Horizons Band** program will present A Spring Fling Thing - a concert featuring The Music of The Beatles at Inn on Prince starting at 7:30 p.m. Admission \$20 adults/\$10 students. Refreshments will be available.



April 28th, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Easter



Rector: Rev'd Lori Ramsey



Wardens: Neil Harris and Hazel Sherren

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