



Prayer Chain

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Anglican & Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Jan. 6: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia; the Most Rev. Philip Richardson, the Most Rev. Don Tamihere, the Most Rev. Fereimi Cama, Primates. Council of the North, Diocese of Brandon, Bishop William Cliff, Bishop Larry Beardy, the Henry Budd College for Ministry in The Pas and coordinators, indigenous parishes of the Diocese as they seek how best to become more self-determining and self-supporting. Archbishop Fred Hiltz, Anglican Church of Canada. Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, Archbishop Ron Cutler and the Provincial Council. Diocese of Ho, Bishop Matthias Medadues-Badohu. Diocese of Yukon, communities of Carmacks & Keno, Bishop Larry Robertson, Sheila & family. David, our Bishop, Claude, William and George, retired Bishops, and their families.

Prayers for the Churches in the Uptown Saint John area

Calvary Temple, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Central Saint John Community Ministry

Prayers for our Political Leaders

Elizabeth our Queen, Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau; Premier, Blaine Higgs; MP, Wayne Long; MLA, Gerry Lowe; Mayor Don Darling and all those who work with them for the public good.

Prayers for the Sick & Shut-in

Debbie Collicott, Rod Daley, Pat Loring, Sally Marshall, Gillian Stoddard
(Please call Pam at the Office to include anyone who needs prayer for acute illness or those hospitalized. We must have permission from the individual to publish their name. Thank you.)

Pray for our new Canadian Family

Lubna Ramadan and her children Bebars, Lama, Anas and Youssef.

St. John's (Stone) Church

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30-11:30 am



6 January 2019

John Paul Westin, Rector

Pam Stuart, Parish Administrator

Marilyn Williams, Music Director

Liza Jackman, Sexton

10:00 am – Holy Communion - Epiphany

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP SET *The Light of Christ; Prepare the Way; Here I Am to Worship*

CHILDREN'S EPIPHANY PLAY

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY - page 185

COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Eternal God, who by a star led wise men to the worship of your Son.
Guide by your light the nations of the earth, that the whole world
may know your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.*

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 60:1-6 - Carolyn Westin
- page 779

PSALM 72:1-7, 10-14 - page 611

THE GOSPEL Matthew 2:1-12 - page 1008

SERMON *Jesus With the Wise Men* - Rev. Terence Chandra

PRAISE SONG *I Will Offer Up My Life*

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INTERCESSIONS & THANKSGIVING

Reader: Lord God, we lift our voices to you.

Response: We proclaim the praise of the Lord.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION - page 191

THE PEACE

OFFERINGS SONG *As With Gladness Men of Old*

THE LORD'S PRAYER - page 211

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION WORSHIP *The First Nowell*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

CLOSING HYMN *We Three Kings*

BLESSING & DISMISSAL



Healing Prayer

If you would like prayer for healing of any kind, we invite you to come up to the left side of the communion rail at the conclusion of the final hymn and we will have people there to pray for you.

New Epiphany Teaching Series Starts Today

This week we start a new teaching series for the season of Epiphany. Epiphany means "showing" or "revealing". Jesus reveals who he is to various groups of people. How does he show himself to the groups you hang out in and work with?

Jesus in the Midst of Small Groups

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| Jan. 6: | Matthew 2:1-12 | Jesus with the Wise Men |
| Jan. 13: | Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 | Jesus at His Baptism |
| Jan. 20: | "Justice, only justice, you shall pursue" Deuteronomy 16:20 | - Guest Speaker: Hans Weichbrodt |
| Jan. 27: | Luke 4:14-21 | Jesus in the Worshipping Community |
| Feb. 3: | Luke 4:21-30 | Jesus Faces Opposition in Groups |
| Feb. 10: | Luke 5:1-11 | Jesus Models Fishing for Small Group |
| Feb. 17: | Luke 6:17-26 | Jesus Chooses His Holistic Small Group |
| Feb. 24: | Luke 6:27-38 | Jesus' Small Group Principles for Life |
| Mar. 3: | Luke 9:28-36 | Transfiguration: Jesus with the Inner Circle |

Questions for Personal and Small Group Study

Every week we will have questions for you to use for deeper consideration of our gospel texts for each Sunday. They are taken from the Serendipity Bible.

Matthew 2:1-12 - *The Visit of the Magi*

1. What is your favourite tradition related to Christmas?
2. Who are the three "Magi" or wise people you look to for advice?
3. Why was it important that Jesus be born in Bethlehem?
4. What do the star, the Magi, the gifts, the homage, the hostility of Herod, and the prophecy teach about the significance of Jesus?
5. In your journey toward God, how are you like the Magi? How unlike? Have you had to leave anything to follow Jesus?
6. What is the "gold, incense and myrrh" in your life? How have you offered this to Jesus?

*Our hope is not in the new year...but in the One
that make all things new.*