

**CALENDAR & NOTICES**  
**December 17th - December 24th**

**Today** Evensong - 5:00 p.m. (Chapel)

**Monday:** Evensong - 5:00 p.m.; Mass - 5:15 p.m.

**Tuesday:** Matins - 7:15 a.m.; Mass - 7:30 p.m.  
Evensong - 5:00 p.m.

**Wednesday: EMBER DAY**  
Matins - 9:45 a.m.; Mass - 10:00 a.m.  
Evensong - 5:00 p.m.  
Choir Rehearsal - 7:15 p.m.- 9:15 p.m.

**Thursday: ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE**  
Matins - 9:45 a.m.; Mass - 10:00 a.m.  
Evensong - 5:00 p.m.

**Friday: EMBER DAY**  
Matins - 9:45 a.m.; Mass - 10:00 a.m.  
Evensong - 5:00 p.m.

**Saturday: EMBER DAY**  
Matins - 9:45 a.m.  
Mass - 10:00 a.m.  
Evensong - 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday: FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT**  
Matins - 7:30 a.m.  
Said Eucharist - 8:00 a.m. (Chapel)  
Said Eucharist - 10:30 a.m. (Chapel)  
**CHRISTMAS EVE**  
Brass Ensemble - 4:00 p.m.  
Evening Prayer, Nativity Pageant and Blessing  
of the Crèche - 4:30 p.m.  
Organ Recital - 11:15 p.m.  
Procession and Sung Eucharist - 11:30 p.m.

*The Cathedral Church  
of St. Peter*

*All Souls' Lane & Rochford Street*

*Charlottetown, P. E. I.*



*Jesus, Saviour and Judge*

***THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT***  
***December 17, 2023***

***Rector:***

***The Rev'd Canon David C Garrett, B.A., M. Div.***

***Assistant Priest:***

***The Rev'd Ralph Moore, L.Th., Dip. Min.***

***Rector Emeritus:***

***The Rev'd Canon Peter W. Harris, B.A., M.S. Litt., D.D.***

***Organist and Choir Director:***

***The Rev'd Clement Carelse, BA, ARCT, ARCCO, CHM***

Envelope Receipts Missions, Etc. Not Included			
2022		2023	
<u>General Revenue</u>		<u>General Revenue</u>	
Dec 11th	\$ 2,917.00	Dec 10th	\$ 2,810.00
Year to date	116,721.95	Year to date	111,689.84
		Weekly Budget	2,885.00
		Budget Yr to Date	144,250.00
		Annual Budget	150,000.00
<u>Building Fund</u>		<u>Building Fund</u>	
Dec 11th	155.00	Dec.10th	285.00
Year to date	22,453.94	Year to date	53,338.00
<u>Friends of St Peters</u>		<u>Friends of St Peters</u>	
Dec. 11th	350.00	Dec. 10th	0
Year to date	32,199.00	Year to date	33,980.00

**Attendance December 10th: 8:00 a.m. 13 10:30 a.m. 61**

### **Automatic Debit Plan**

Automatic Debit Plan information Authorization Cards and Offering Cards are available at the back of the Cathedral. If you have any questions on the plan, please call Rory Francis 902 367 2850 or the Cathedral Office 902 566 2102.

### **Intercessions:**

Anglican Cycle of Prayer - Let us pray for The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer - Parish of Maitland NS; and Parish of Stewiacke and Shubenacadie, NS.

DCS Sunday Cycle of Prayer - Let us pray for St Luke's, O'Leary, Prince Edward Island.

### **Hillsborough Hospital**

Please contribute toiletries for use of residents at Hillsborough Hospital using the basket under the table at the back of the Cathedral.

We welcome all visitors with us today and invite you to join us for Coffee & Tea in the Cathedral Hall following the 10:30 a.m. service.

### **Memorial Flowers**

Those wishing to have flowers in memory of loved ones placed in the Cathedral at Christmas are asked to please phone the Cathedral Office 902-566-2102 by Monday, December 18th. Donations, in an envelope marked Altar Guild, may be placed on the collection plate or sent to the office at P O Box 713, Charlottetown, C1A 7L3.

### **Child Care**

At the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service, our qualified child care provider will be delighted to welcome any infants and younger children downstairs. This service is available throughout the year.

### **Calling all singers,**

Come and join our congenial choir for this new season of music making! Our repertoire includes everything from Gregorian chant to the music of Messiaen and Fauré, and especially the English Cathedral tradition. Rehearsals are each Wednesday evening and we sing each Sunday morning as well as monthly Evensongs. Come and have some fun singing some glorious music in a beautiful setting. An audition to see how the voice lies is all that is required. Let me know please.

**Rev Clement Carelse**

### **Christmas Decorating**

On Thursday, December 21st, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. the Altar Guild will be decorating the church for Christmas. Anyone willing to help decorate would be most welcome.

### **Food Bank Sunday**

Sunday, December 17th is Food Bank Sunday. The requested item for December is condensed soups.

“We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional land of the Abegweit Mi'kmaq First Nation.”

7:30 a.m.                      Matins                      Prayer Book page 6

8:00 a.m.                      Holy Eucharist  
Propers - **please read bold print**                      See Below  
The Collect for Advent III                      Prayer Book page 99  
The Advent Collect                      Prayer Book page 95  
The Epistle                      Prayer Book page 99  
The Gospel                      Prayer Book page 99

10:30 a.m.                      Sung Eucharist  
Mass Setting: Missa Simplicior - John Merbecke  
The Advent Wreath, Advent III

*Joy*  
Three candles are lit.

All: Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say, Rejoice.  
O God of hope, fill us, we beseech Thee, with all joy and peace in believing, and the power always to obey Thy holy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Litany (in procession)                      Prayer Book page 30

Introit *standing*  
Rejoice ye in the Lord, and again I say, rejoice ye; let your moderation be known unto all men, the Lord is at hand: **be careful for nothing, nor troubled; but in all things, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God.** And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding: **shall keep your hearts and minds..** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.** Amen. Rejoice ye in the Lord, and again I say, rejoice ye; let your moderation be known unto all men, the Lord is at hand: **be careful for nothing, nor troubled; but in all things, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God.**

Collect for Purity *kneeling*                      Prayer Book page 67

Kyrie Eleison ~                      Christe Eleison                      ~                      Kyrie Eleison

The Collect for Advent III *kneeling*                      Prayer Book page 99

The Collect for Advent                      Prayer Book page 95

The Epistle *sitting*                      Beth Dowbiggin                      Prayer Book page 99

Gradual  
Show thyself, O Lord, thou that sittest upon the Cherubim: **stir up thy strength and come.** Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel; **thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep.**

Alleluia *standing* Alleluia. Alleluia. Stir up thy strength, O Lord: **and come and help us. . Alleluia.**

Sequence Hymn 5 vs 1-3 *Hark! A herald voice is calling* - Merton

Holy Gospel                      Prayer Book page 99

Sequence Hymn 5 vs 4 & 5

The Nicene Creed                      Prayer Book page 71

The Sermon

Offertory Sentence *standing*  
O Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land, thou has turned away the captivity of Jacob **thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people.**

Offertory Hymn 9                      *On Jordan's bank* - Winchester New

The Intercessions *kneeling*                      Ian Dowbiggin

∩ O Lord hear our prayer                      Ɱ **And let our cry come unto Thee.**

∩ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord

Ɱ **And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

The Invitation                      Prayer Book page 76

Confession & Absolution *kneeling*                      Prayer Book page 77

Sursum Corda & Preface *standing*                      Prayer Book page 78

Sanctus & Benedictus                      Prayer Book page 81

Prayer of Consecration *kneeling*                      Prayer Book page 82

Our Father                      Prayer Book page 85

Prayer of Humble Access                      Prayer Book page 83

Agnus Dei                      Prayer Book page 84

Communion Sentence

Say to them that are of a fearful heart: **Be strong, fear not; behold, your God will come and save you.**

Holy Communion

Communion Hymn 1 *Creator of the stars of night* - Conditor alme siderum  
*Every Christian who is baptized and a communicant in his or own congregation is welcome to receive Holy Communion. The Sacrament is now offered in both kinds, bread and wine. If you choose not to receive the wine, please fold your arms and remain at the rail to hear the words of administration. If the rail is full to the middle, please go as far to the left as possible before you kneel so that others will not have to walk over your legs.*

Motet during ablutions                      Adam Lay Ybounden                      - Boris Ord  
Adam lay ybounden, Bounden in a bond; Four thousand winter Thought he not too long./ And all was for an apple, An apple that he took, As clerkes finden Written in their book. / Ne had the apple taken been, The apple taken been, Ne had never our Lady Abeen heavene queen. / Blessed be the time That apple taken was. Therefore we moun singen. Deo gracias!

Prayer of Thanksgiving                      Prayer Book page 85

∩. Depart in the peace of Christ.                      Ɱ. **Thanks be to God.**

The Blessing                      Prayer Book page 86

Closing Hymn 8 *O come, O come Emmanuel* - Veni Emmanuel

Please remain seated for the Voluntary

*Veni, Emmanuel* - Clement Carelse

## **Binney Group ACW - News**

The lucky winners of the two Binney Raffle Baskets were Debbie MacArthur and Fr David Garrett. Congratulations!

Reminder for those who purchased poinsettia vouchers to redeem them for a poinsettia at VK Greenhouses.

There are a few church calendars for sale at \$10 each and St Peter's Cathedral Christmas tree balls at \$5 each in a choice of blue, red or gold.

**DECEMBER 20th, 22nd, and 23rd EMBER DAYS.** In the liturgical calendar of the Western Christian churches, Ember Days are four separate sets of three days within the same week – specifically, the Wednesday, Friday and Saturday – roughly equidistant in the circuit of the year, set aside for fasting and prayer. These days are set apart for special prayer and fasting and are especially suitable for the ordination of clergy.

**CONFIRMATION** is the affirmation by the Church and by each individual of his or her Baptism. It is an opportunity for grace for each person baptized and for their mature response. If you are interested in exploring this or know of someone who is, please contact the Rector.

## **A MESSAGE FROM THE WARDENS AND VESTRY**

There are rumours and worries about the pending departure (December 31st) of Mrs. Anne Chisholm, our long-time secretary. For 28 years, Mrs. Chisholm has been a central figure in the office and involved in many parish activities. (Bulletins for services, rental operations, Food Bank, Fund Scrip, Cemetery, ticket sales, Choir, phone and in-person inquiries, ordering supplies, financial administration, mail management, and a knowledge bank of operations.) We owe her a deep gratitude for the decades of selfless service. Mrs. Chisholm has made many contributions to the health of our parish and fostered many friendships.

We thank Mrs. Chisholm for her service and wish her good health and happiness. She will certainly be missed.

Parishioners should also be aware of the background to the funding of the Cathedral Office Secretary position.

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For decades St. Peter's Cathedral (SPC) has enjoyed a beneficial relationship with St. Peter Publications (SPP), which includes the Anglican Planet publication. St. Peter Publications is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors independent from St. Peter's Cathedral. St. Peter's Cathedral has provided office space for St. Peter Publications and shared the cost of Secretarial support (65% covered by SPP and 35% by SPC). This resulted in Mrs. Chisholm working four days per week and because she was so willing to help, parishioners were left with the impression that St. Peter's had a full-time secretarial position.

The market for the materials produced by St. Peter Publications has been impacted by technology, changing times, and changing demands. These changes have necessitated St Peter Publications reviewing its operations. Mrs. Chisholm is currently working four half-days per week until the end of the year.

St. Peter's Cathedral faces the task of planning for the future and striving to provide the consistent and numerous office services we have enjoyed because of the dedication of Mrs. Chisholm and our relationship with St. Peter Publications.

Vestry will work with St. Peter Publications to ensure appropriate staffing is in place for next year (2024) and beyond.

Wardens and Vestry