

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

December 30, 2018

*Unto us a child is born;
O come, let us worship!*

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer:

✠ Psalm 132 | Isaiah 41:8-20 | Colossians 1:1-20

9:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist

Introit: Psalm 93:	page 450
The Gloria:	page 86
The Collect:	page 113
The Old Testament Lesson:	Isaiah 62:10-12
Christmas Anthems	page 104
The Epistle:	page 113
Gradual Psalm 110:1-4:	page 477
The Holy Gospel:	page 114
The Creed:	page 71
The Homily	
The Prayers of the People:	L: Lord, in your mercy; C: Hear our prayer
The Consecration:	page 82
Post-Communion Prayer:	page 85

9:45 a.m. – Sunday School: Parish Hall Time with Fr. Stockall

10:30 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist

♪ PROCESSIONAL HYMN:	81 (Regent Square 628)
The Gloria:	page 86
The Collect:	page 113
The First Lesson:	Isaiah 62:10-12
Christmas Anthems	page 104
The Epistle:	page 113
♪ GRADUAL HYMN:	747 (Iris)
The Holy Gospel:	page 114
♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (refrain only):	747 (Iris)
The Sacrament of Holy Baptism:	page 523
The Homily	
♪ OFFERTORY HYMN:	357 (King's Weston)
The Prayers of the People:	L: Lord, in your mercy; C: Hear our prayer
The Consecration:	page 82
♪ HYMN DURING COMMUNION:	736 (See amid the winter's snow)
Post-Communion Prayer:	page 85
♪ RECESSIONAL HYMN:	319 (Noel)

*Please join us in the Parish Hall
following the 10:30 Celebration for
Coffee & Conversation.*



We are very pleased to welcome Myles Tesfaye, son of Gregory Campbell and Tina Waterhouse-Campbell, as a member of the Body of Christ and an inheritor of the Kingdom of God. We pray that the Grace which God has shared with him in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism might strengthen him each and every day of his life.

From the Rector _____

As we approach a new year what do you hope for most for your life and for our very troubled world? The prophet Isaiah spoke of God's promise to give His People what they needed most: a prince, a king, a saviour to re-establish their Kingdom and to restore their national life. He spoke of God's promise to give them peace when their nation had known nothing but violence and war, to give them security when all security and stability had fled.

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called "Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Mary spoke of God's promise to give His People what they needed most. She spoke of His mercy to those who honour Him, His power to bring down those who are mighty. She spoke of His grace to feed the hungry and His ability to turn away from the haughty and proud.

He has shown strength with his arm, he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts, he has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent empty away.

The birth of the Christ is the story of how God meets all of our greatest needs. More than the very best gift we've ever gotten or imagined, God gives us His Son, and in giving us His Son He gives us life. In a way that fulfils all our hopes and dreams, Christ comes to us, not just to help us live life but to transform life, to help us to see everything from an entirely new, an entirely different perspective. Christ comes to us. He is born for us. He lives as one of us.

At the start of 2019 what do you need most of all? What does your heart yearn for? What is your greatest wish? I pray that you may always find it answered in this child, in this Son, in this Saviour, in the hay.

A QUICK REMINDER! Members of all three congregations are invited to a presentation regarding the proposed entrance and kitchen renovation next *Sunday, January 6th*, following Coffee & Conversation. Please join us as we review the design concept and see how proposed plan can serve as a solution to several building issues that we wrestled with in recent years. For more information please speak to one of the wardens, James & Thomas, or the Rector.

✠ **PLEASE NOTE THAT WE WILL BE CANCELLING THE usual Shared Meal on the first Sunday in January to allow more time for the presentation.**

The Anglican Church of Canada *The Diocese of Fredericton* **THE PARISH OF ST. MARY, YORK**



**Veiled in flesh, the Godhead see;
hail the incarnate Deity
Pleased as man with men to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.**

Charles Wesley

Priest and Rector

The Revd. Canon Kevin M. Stockall, B.A. (Hons), M.Div.

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Parish Notices and Updates

THE BISHOP, THE RT. REVD. DAVID EDWARDS, invites all members of our Diocesan Family to a New Year's Day Eucharist & Reception at 11:00 a.m. on January 1st at Christ Church Cathedral.

ALLAN AGNEW, OUR PARISH TREASURER, has prepared the 2019 offering envelopes. If you're not currently using envelopes and would like a box for next year, please let Allan know. And if you're not currently using e-offering please have a word with Allan about how that can be set up.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Everyone is warmly invited to join us for a *Parish Breakfast* on **Sunday, January 13th** between our two Sunday morning Celebrations. It's our hope that members of both congregations will gather together as members of one Parish Family. The breakfast will start at approximately 9:45 a.m. and run to about 10:30. We'll be looking for some members of the 10:30 congregation who will work during the first service to prepare a delicious, as well as members of the 9:00 a.m. congregation who will help with clean up during the second service. You'll hear more over the next couple of weeks but, in the meantime, please mark your calendars so that you'll be sure to join us on the 13th!



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

JANUARY 2: THE OCTAVE DAY OF CHRISTMAS

6:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

7:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

JANUARY 3: CHRISTMAS FERIA

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

Followed by time for personal prayer in the Church

11:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, *Eden Retirement Home*

JANUARY 5: TWELFTH NIGHT: THE EVE OF EPIPHANY

4:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

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