

**CALENDAR**

**Week of December 22<sup>nd</sup> to December 29<sup>th</sup>**

*All services unless noted are in All Souls' Chapel*

**Tuesday (Christmas Eve):**

4:30 p.m. Christmas Family Worship, *Cathedral*  
Evening Prayer, Nativity Pageant, and  
Blessing of the Crèche  
11:15 p.m. Christmas Eve Organ Recital  
11:30 p.m. Christmas Eve "Midnight Mass"

**Wednesday (Christmas Day):**

10:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist *Cathedral*

**Thursday:** 5:00 p.m. Evensong St. Stephen's Day

**Friday:** 5:00 p.m. Evensong St. John the Evangelist

**Saturday:** 5:00 p.m. Evensong The Innocents' Day

**Sunday: *Sunday after Christmas***

7:30 a.m. Matins *Cathedral*  
8:00 a.m. Eucharist *Cathedral*  
10:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist *Cathedral*

*Please note that the Chapel is open daily for prayer and reflection*

**WELCOME!**

*Please let us know if you have any questions or if we can assist you in any way.*

*A visit from a priest? Interest in Baptism? Interest in Confirmation?*

*Interest in Marriage? To add a name to the list of those for whom we pray each day.*

*Or any other question \_\_\_\_\_*

*Please offer contact information: e.g. address, name(name(s)) email/phone*

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*Cathedral Office 902-566-2102*

**THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF  
SAINT PETER**

**ROCHFORD SQUARE,  
CHARLOTTETOWN**



**The Fourth Sunday in Advent  
December 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024**

*The order of service is found in the red Book of Common Prayer  
and the Service Guide in your pew.  
The Hymns are found in the green Hymn Book*

7:30 a.m. MATINS page 6  
8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST page 67  
Minor Propers Please read bold type printed below  
The Collect, Epistle, and Gospel page 102

10:30 a.m. SUNG EUCHARIST  
*Mass Setting Missa Brevis XIV (St. Alphege)* Healey Willan

The Advent Wreath *standing* Four candles are lit.

All: In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only-begotten Son into the world that we might live through him.

(1 John 4.9)

Introit *standing*

Remember us, O Lord, with the favour that thou bearest unto thy people; O visit us with thy salvation: **that we beholding the felicity of thy chosen, may rejoice in the gladness of thy people; and may glory with thine inheritance.** We have sinned with our fathers: **we have done amiss and dealt wickedly** 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.** Remember us, O Lord, with the favour that thou bearest unto thy people; O visit us with thy salvation: **that we beholding the felicity of thy chosen, may rejoice in the gladness of thy people; and may glory with thine inheritance.**

The Collect for Purity *kneeling* page 67

Kyrie Eleison ~ Christe Eleison ~ Kyrie Eleison

Collect for Fourth Sunday in Advent page 102

Collect for Advent page 95

The Epistle *sitting* Philippians 4: 4-7 Myrtle Jenkins-Smith

Gradual *sitting*

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him: **yea, all such as call upon him faithfully.** My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: **and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name.**

Alleluia *standing*

Alleluia. Alleluia. Come, O Lord, and tarry not: **forgive the misdeeds of thy people. Alleluia.**

Sequence Hymn vs. 1 - 3 *There's a Voice in the Wilderness* Ascension

(For words, see insert)

Holy Gospel *standing* St. John 1. 19-29

Sequence Hymn continues, verse 4

The Nicene Creed page 71

Notices

The Sermon

The Rev'd Clement Carelse

Offertory Sentence *standing*

Be strong, fear not; behold, our God will come with a recompense; **he will come and save us.**

Offertory Hymn 504 *Thy kingdom come* Irish

Intercession √ O Lord hear our prayer Edie Rogers

**℟ And let our cry come unto Thee.**

√ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord

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

The Invitation page 76

Confession & Absolution *kneeling* page 77

Sursum Corda *standing* page 78

Sanctus & Benedictus page 81

Prayer of Consecration *kneeling* page 82

Our Father page 85

Prayer of Humble Access page 83

Agnus Dei page 84

Communion Sentence

Behold a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son: **and his Name shall be called Emmanuel.**

Holy Communion

*The Sacrament is offered in both kinds, both bread and wine. If you choose not to receive the wine, please fold your arms X, 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.*

Communion Hymn 735 *Drop down, ye heavens* The Advent Prose

Anthem *Tomorrow shall be my dancing day* John Gardner

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day: I would my true love did so chance To see the legend of my play, *To call my true love to my dance: a Sing, O my love; This have I done for my true love.* / Then was I born of a virgin pure, Of her I took fleshly substance; Thus was I knit to man's nature, *To call my true love . . .* / In a manger laid and wrapped I was, So very poor this was my chance, Betwixt an ox and a silly poor ass, *To call my true love. . .* / Then afterwards baptized I was; The Holy Ghost on me did glance, My Father's voice heard from above, *To call my true love. . .*

Prayer of Thanksgiving page 85

√. Depart in the peace of Christ.

**℟. Thanks be to God.**

The Blessing page 86

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

Voluntary *Introduction et Menuet (from Suite Gothique)* Léon Boëllmann

*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.*

## Our Brother in Christ Michael Edward

Michael passed away peacefully on Thursday Dec 19<sup>th</sup>. Visitation will be held in the Church Hall today from 4:00 – 8:00. Requiem Mass will be held tomorrow December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 am in the Cathedral.

### FOOD BANK

The next food bank Sunday is January 19<sup>th</sup>, and we will be collecting canned tuna, and for February, the requested item will be chunky soups and stews, so please watch the flyers for good deals on each of these.

*Thank you for your generous support  
of the mission of Christ in and through St. Peter's.*

### GIVING

#### December 10th, 2023

General Revenue \$ 2,810  
Building Fund \$ 285  
Friends of St. Peter's \$ 0

#### December 15th, 2024

General Revenue \$1926  
Building Fund \$135  
Friends of St. Peter's \$2500

### Automatic Debit Plan

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 Kristina Chandler in the Cathedral Office 902-566-2102.

### ATTENDANCE December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

8.00 a.m. 13

10.30 a.m. 56

**Sunday Morning Child Care:** At the 10:30 a.m. Eucharist, a qualified childcare provider is delighted to welcome any younger children in the nursery downstairs beside the Sunday School room.

**Christmas Decorating:** The decorating of the church will take place following the funeral on Monday December 23. Everyone is welcome. Please let Debra Leuty know if you are able to help.

**Sunday School:** Please note that there will be no Sunday School classes today or December 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Calendars:** 2025 Church calendars are available at the church office for \$12 each. These make a thoughtful Christmas gift!

**2025 Envelopes:** Church envelopes are available on the table at the back of the church.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

✠ **Peace in the world** The Holy Land, both Israel and Palestine; Lebanon and Syria; Armenia, Azerbaijan, Nagorno-Karabakh and Turkey; Ukraine and Russia; India, Iraq, and Iran; Sudan, Afghanistan, Korea; Taiwan and China; Haiti; the United States, and Yemen.

✠ **On this Island:** St. George's Church, Montague; St. Alban's Church, Souris; St. Stephen's, Irishtown

✠ **In the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island:**

The Parish of Northumberland, (Pugwash and River John), Nova Scotia.

The Parish of St. John's, Truro, Nova Scotia.

Let us pray for The Rt. Rev'd Sandra Fyfe, Diocesan Bishop.

✠ **In the Anglican Communion:** Let us pray for the Church of Uganda, and for Archbishop Stephen Samuel Kaziimba Mugalu, Primate.

✠ **Our fellow parishioners;** Jacalyn MacAulay; Cyril Armstrong; Carl Mathis; David Bell; Donna Bulman; Joseph Shama; Alana Arsenault; Paula Kays; Julianne Kalem; Lynda Lockert; Father David Garrett; Stephanie Ross; Lillian Hennigar; William Hennigar.

✠ **These others for whom our prayers are also desired:** Charles, our King; Jeremy Soutiere; Dorothy Turner; Gordon Gillespie; Claude Ayube; Barbara Olejarz; Paul Gregory; Vera Morn; Mabel Morn; Audley Martin; Pam MacNeill; Deborah Roberts; Leela; Phyllis; Marion Sampson; Ray Rogers; Jacquie, Jim and Maria; Jeff Acorn; Timothy Goddard.

✠ **The Departed:** Michael Edward and All those whom we remember in our hearts.

✠ **Those who in life and death have glorified God:** St. Stephen; St. John; The Holy Innocents.

**Memorial Flowers:** Those wishing to have memorial flowers in memory of loved ones placed in the Cathedral at Christmas are asked to visit or phone the church office at 902-566-2102 by. Donations can also be placed in the collection plate in an envelope marked Altar Guild.

**Binney Raffle Basket Winner:** Thanks to Rana Malakie for preparing a beautiful basket of goodies on behalf of the Binney Group, and to everyone who made donations, sold tickets and purchased tickets in support of this event. Binney raised appropriately \$700 in this fundraising effort. The lucky winner was Heather Pollard. Congratulations Heather!

**House Blessing and New Year's Party at the Francis Residence:**

All parishioners are invited to the home of Ann and Rory Francis on Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, to participate in their house blessing and celebrate the ringing in of 2025. Arrival is set for anytime after 9:00 pm, with the house blessing to be conducted by Father Clem Carelse at 10:00 pm. The New Year will be counted down and celebrated at midnight as is the custom. Please bring along some finger-food for all to enjoy throughout the evening. Drinks will be provided by the hosts. The address is #2 Crestwood North, on the corner of Admiral and Crestwood. Parking is allowed anywhere along Crestwood. All are welcome!

## **CHRISTMAS SERVICES:**

### **Tuesday December 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve:**

Evening Prayer, Nativity Pageant and  
Blessing of the Crèche - 4:30 p.m.  
Organ Recital - 11:15 p.m.

### **The Vigil of the Nativity:**

Procession and Sung Eucharist – 11:30 p.m.

### **Wednesday December 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day:**

**THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD: CHRISTMAS DAY** Procession  
and Sung Eucharist - 10:00 a.m

### **Question Box:**

What is the purpose of the Advent wreath and when did it become part of the church's observance of the season?

The Advent wreath finds its roots in the German Lutheran church of the 16th century but only became popular in North America towards the mid 20th century. The four purple candles signify hope, peace, joy, and love and are lit one by one on subsequent Sundays of Advent. The one white candle in the middle is the Christ candle and it is lit for the first time on Christmas Eve. Together the four candles encircle the Christ candle and symbolize that the love of God has no end.

### **Why is the Advent season so short compared to others?**

Every season of the church year has its own meaning and special significance. The season of Advent is one of preparation and introspection. While all around us it may seem that this time of year is focused solely on the coming of Christmas, Advent is a time to look back at the birth of Christ but, perhaps more importantly, to look forward to his coming again. This involves looking at our lives and seeing what may need changing. This is reflected in the four themes of the Advent wreath thus the four weeks. It is sometimes referred to as a "little Lent" and that idea is reinforced with the colour purple in the vestments and hangings.

## **Sequence Hymn**

1. There's a voice in the wilderness crying, a call from the ways untrod:  
Prepare in the desert a highway, a highway for our God!  
The valleys shall be exalted, the lofty hills brought low:  
Make straight all the crooked places where the Lord our God may go!
2. O Zion, that bringest good tidings,  
get thee up to the heights and sing!  
Proclaim to a desolate people the coming of their King.  
Like the flowers of the field they perish, the works of men decay,  
The power and pomp of nations shall pass like a dream away.
3. But the word of our God endureth, the arm of the Lord is strong;  
He stands in the midst of nations, and he will right the wrong.  
He shall feed his flock like a shepherd,  
and fold the lambs to his breast;  
In pastures of peace he'll lead them, and give to the weary rest.
4. There's a voice in the wilderness crying, a call from the ways untrod;  
Prepare in the desert a highway, a highway for our God!  
The valleys shall be exalted, the lofty hills brought low:  
Make straight all the crooked places where the Lord our God may go!

See next page for the readings and psalms for this week.

**Reading The Scriptures with The Church...**  
*Daily Psalms and Lessons appointed for this week*  
**Following The Fourth Sunday in Advent, 2024**

	<i>Morning</i>			<i>Evening</i>		
	Psalm	Lesson I	Lesson II	Psalm	Lesson I	Lesson II
Sun, Dec 22	33	<b><u>Isa.</u></b> <b>35</b>	<b><u>Matt.</u></b> <b>25.</b> 31-end	25	<b><u>Isa.</u></b> <b>40.</b> 1-11	<b><u>2 Pet.</u></b> <b>3.</b> 1-14
Mon, Dec 23	114, 115	<b>51.</b> 1-16	<b><u>Mark</u></b> <b>10.</b> 32- end	116, 117	<b>51.</b> 17 – <b>52.</b> 12	<b><u>Jude</u></b> <b>1.</b> 1-16
Tues, Dec 24	119, pts 3- 4	<b>52.</b> 13 – <b>53.</b> end	<b>11.</b> 1-26	8, 19	<b><u>Zech.</u></b> <b>2.</b> 10-end	<b><u>Heb.</u></b> <b>2.</b> 10-18
*Wed, Dec 25	45	<b>9.</b> 2-7	<b><u>Matt.</u></b> <b>1.</b> 18-25	85, 110	<b><u>Isa.</u></b> <b>7.</b> 10-14	<b><u>1 Jn.</u></b> <b>4.</b> 7-end
†Thurs, Dec 26	15, 16	<b><u>Gen.</u></b> <b>4.</b> 1-10	<b><u>Acts</u></b> <b>6</b>	31	<b><u>2 Chr.</u></b> <b>24.</b> 15-22	<b><u>Acts</u></b> <b>7.</b> 59 – <b>8.</b> 8
‡Fri, Dec 27	116, 117	<b><u>Exod.</u></b> <b>33.</b> 9-end	<b><u>John</u></b> <b>13.</b> 21-35	27	<b><u>Isa.</u></b> <b>6.</b> 1-8	<b><u>John</u></b> <b>5.</b> 1-12
↓Sat, Dec 28	26	<b><u>Bar.</u></b> <b>4.</b> 21-27	<b><u>Rev.</u></b> <b>6.</b> 9-11	130, 131	<b><u>Jer.</u></b> <b>31.</b> 1-17	<b><u>Matt.</u></b> <b>18.</b> 1-10

\* The Nativity of our Lord

‡ St. John the Evangelist

† St. Stephen the Martyr

↓ The Innocents

*from The Crown of the Year by Austin Farrer, weekly paragraphs on the Holy Sacrament.* Advent is a coming, not our coming to God, but his to us. We cannot come to God, he is beyond our reach; but he can come to us, for we are not beneath his mercy. Even in another life, as St John sees it in his vision, we do not rise to God, but he descends to us, and dwells humanly among human creatures, in the glorious man, Jesus Christ. And that will be his last coming; so we shall be his people, and he everlastingly our God, our God-with-us, our Emmanuel. He will so come, but he is come already, he comes always: in our fellow-Christian (even in a child, says Christ), in his word, invisibly in our souls, more visibly in this sacrament. Opening ourselves to him, we call him in: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; O come, Emmanuel.