

## Offertory Hymn – Here I Am, Lord

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them, whom shall I send?

### Chorus

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold you your people in my heart.*

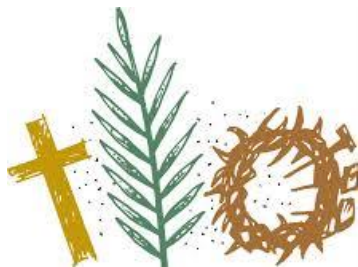
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them, they turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them, whom shall I send?

### Chorus

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide, till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them, whom shall I send?

### Chorus

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## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

... at the end of January, **Paul Rodger** retired from his career with *Scotia MacLeod*. He and Sue are shortly off on a trip to the south. Before they left, Sue (as a representative of Neighborhood #5, who is hosting the pancake supper) did a great deal of work organizing our supper this week. We wish them both many retired years of health and happiness ... we send our best wishes to **Rev. Eileen Irish**. She had a fall on Monday, breaking her leg. Ouch! It is crutches and cast for the next while. Good thing Peter is handy in the kitchen! ... we understand, but we are sad to report that **Daniella Haggerty** and her husband Ryan have decided to return to their native province of Saskatchewan. Ryan is a pharmacist and has accepted a position beginning in June. Daniella feels that her opportunities to find work in the teaching profession are stronger for her in the west. They do not have a specific date for their move, although it is not likely to be before April as they do have a home to sell. We truly appreciate Daniella's attention to our ministry with children, both in the church and in the afterschool programme. She has been a gentle and positive blessing to us this year at St. Paul's ... the ACW reports that the *World Day of Prayer* will be held on Friday, March 4 at Quispamsis United Church ... it is a most demanding time of the year in the parish office as end of the year financial reports are prepared, as well as the budget for the new year, and tax receipts. Thank you June and Katherine so much for the extra hours and dedication ... *that's our news, from our pews! ALS.*

## PARISH NOTES

### Parish Vestry Meeting Today

The vestry will be meeting after church this morning to review the end of the year financial statements, as well as the 2016 Parish Budget in preparation for the Parish Annual Meeting.

### Mission Beyond the Parish Committee

Will be meeting Wednesday at 11:30 for their monthly meeting, in the parish library.

### Pancake Supper Invitation

The pancake supper is one of our two parish suppers in the year, and provides a bridge into the holy season of Lent. Everyone is invited for supper, children, extended family and neighbors. You do not need a ticket, and there is no cost. We do receive donations, with all the proceeds going to the valuable work of the *Mission Beyond the Parish*. We hope you will be able to join us.

## Ash Wednesday Services – Wednesday, February 10

10 a.m. & 7 p.m.

All parishioners are encouraged to attend worship on Ash Wednesday as we begin our Lenten journey to Easter. It is a powerful liturgy emphasizing penitence and turning afresh to the Lord. The imposition of ashes will be offered at both services. Please note that there will not be a service of Holy Eucharist on Tuesday this week.

### Parish Lenten Study Program

Bishop David Edwards is inviting the Diocese to focus this Lent on the subject of prayer. He has selected a book to guide our reflection: *Meditative Prayer: Entering God's Presence* by Richard Peace. The book explores 7 different styles or traditions of prayer. At St. Paul's, we will be looking at 4 of the 7 styles.

Sunday, February 14	Introduction and Centering Prayer
Sunday, February 28	Prayer of Blessing – the Hebrew <i>Berekah</i>
Sunday, March 6	The Ignation Prayer of <i>Examen</i>
Sunday, March 13	Written Prayers – enriching your experience

Our gatherings will begin at 5 p.m. in the Parish Hall with a light supper of soup and rolls. After supper we will move into the Crosby Room for some worship and our study together. Our plan is to be completed by 7 p.m. We look forward to growing together in faith and learning from each other.

Copies of the study book are available for \$15. There are sign up sheets to let us know that you are joining us. There are also sheets to help with the suppers.

### A Letter from the Diocese of the Arctic

Dear Friends, I am writing to express our deepest thanks for your recent donation to the Diocese of the Arctic for St. Jude's Cathedral. There is no way to fully express our gratitude for your gift. We are continually inspired by the dedication and generosity of donors like you ... We are getting closer to having the cathedral debt free so that it can be consecrated at our 2016 Diocesan Synod in May.

- Debra Gill, Executive Officer

*The Mission Beyond the Parish made a gift of \$500 at the end of 2015. The outstanding debt is \$575,816 on the famous "Igloo Cathedral" of the Arctic.*

### A Letter from Romero House

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff and volunteers, I would like to thank you for your generous donation to Romero House. With the support of the community we strive to do our best to lessen the stress of family crisis in terms of food and clothing ... Your donation will assist us greatly.

– Carolyn McNulty, Director

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## Parish Annual General Meeting

Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>

A light lunch will be offered after church prior to our Parish meeting.

### Nominations for 2016

The Nominating Committee for 2016 Wardens, Members of Vestry and Delegates to Synod will consist of Debra Godlewski, Lea Lord, Bruce Cook and the Rector. The congregation is encouraged and invited to make nominations for these positions. There will likely be a one day Synod in the fall of 2016. Please consider serving your church in this important area.

## BEYOND THE PARISH

### The Coolchicks and Ugly Doclings

The Rotary Club of Hampton is hosting a Fundraising Music Concert featuring the Fabulous `The Coolchicks and Ugly Doclings`, to be held on **Feb. 13, 2016**, 7:00 pm, storm date Feb 14, at the Hampton High Community Theatre, Hampton NB, Ticket available at Hampton Pharmasave, Hampton Guardian Drugs, Kennebecasis Drugs Rothesay. Beats & Bits Saint John, Morris Music Lancaster Mall Saint John. & at the door, tickets \$15.00 each. That's Feb 13, ;00 pm at the Hampton High Community Theatre, Get your tickets now and Celebrate Valentines, Romance Lots of Laughs wonderful Music for a Great Cause, `The Coolchicks & Ugly Doclings` medical doctors team entertaining you See you there, Thank you !!!!

### Memory Cafe

"The **Memory Cafe** is a program of the Alzheimer's Society, for those who have been diagnosed with dementia and their loved ones. It will be held **February 14, 2016** at St Paul's Anglican Church Hall, 4 Church Ave, Rothesay, from 2-4 pm. This month Lisa Muckler of Lifeline will present us with options for seniors who want to stay at home safely. Come and ask all your questions about *aging in place*. There will also be musical entertainment and refreshments as we celebrate Valentine's Day. Come join us in an accessible, inclusive and social environment. For more information contact Emily at [saintjohn@alzheimernb.ca](mailto:saintjohn@alzheimernb.ca) or Tel: (506)634-8722 / 1-800-664-8411."