

Upcoming Sunday Schedule

July 10 Trinity 7 – Holy Baptism & Eucharist

- Henri Wood and Clara Harding will be baptized
- Pat Vincent guest Organist
- Rev. Eileen and Canon Albert leading the service

July 17 Trinity 8 – Choral Eucharist

- The Rev. Stephen Scribner guest Celebrant and Preacher
- Charles Willett, Organist

July 24 Trinity 9 – Choral Eucharist

- Canon Albert, Celebrant and Preacher
- Pat Vincent, Organist

July 31 Trinity 10 – Holy Baptism & Eucharist

- Navika Mo Jones will be baptized
- Canon Albert, Celebrant and Preacher, Charles Willett, Organist

BEYOND THE PARISH

General Synod

On July 7, the 41st Session of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada will be convening at Richmond Hill, Toronto for six days. Please keep the members of Synod in your prayers, as they faithfully celebrate and discern the direction of our church while maintaining our unity.

Wondering how to keep abreast of General Synod news (July 7-13)? Here's the link, via the Anglican Journal:

<http://www.anglicanjournal.com/gs2016>

PRAYER FOR GENERAL SYNOD

Almighty God, you call your Church to witness that you are reconciling all things in Christ: So bind us together in love and obedience to you, that the beauty of our lives, the truth of our words, and the justice of our deeds may draw all people to you; through him who gave himself for us and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

... a warm welcome to St. Paul's today to **the Rev. Marian Lucas-Jeffries**. Rev. Marian has been a strong voice for the work of PWRDF and the Canadian Food Grain Banks for many years. This is very important work, that often goes unheralded. Thank you Marian for sharing your work and observations with us ... **Charles Willett** is on his tour to Newfoundland with the North Lakeshore Chorus of Ontario. We are delighted to have **Pat Vincent** at the organ with us once again. As well, we welcome **Mary Louise Belyea**, who is part of the Choir School counselling staff, and who is our Cantor this morning ... it was certainly a glorious service last Sunday afternoon at the Cathedral in Fredericton for the ordination of five Deacons and two Priests, (including our own **Rev. Ann Fairweather**) and the reception of a priest into the Anglican Church. The Cathedral was filled to capacity, with people travelling from all over the Diocese. A number of St. Paul's parishioners made the trek, with several Layreaders joining the procession. A happy day in the life of our Diocesan church family ... we would like to pass along that **John Steele** (age 96) played 18 holes of golf with his son Peter a week ago, and shot 107! Pretty impressive ... exciting news for **Lydia Buckley** (daughter of John & Adrienne). She is in Winnipeg for the month of July, dancing with the Royal Winnipeg Ballet ... some significant birthday greetings to celebrate. June 28th was a big day for birthdays among the ladies of the parish - **Jackie Blagrove**, **Jean Starr** and **Joan Buckland** all celebrate their birthdays on that day. **Rita Hale** will celebrate her 90th birthday on July 4. Our very best wishes to these great gals ... best wishes to **Vicky-Lynn Long** and **Blake Armstrong** who will be married Saturday, July 9 at the Netherwood Chapel. Canon Albert will be officiating ... a note of thanks to **Ted Sayre** for patching up the lawn in front of the church.... *that's the news, from our pews. ALS.*

PARISH NOTES

A Note about Summer Services

We will be keeping our regular pattern of services through the summer months, with celebrations of the Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. (BCP) and 10 a.m. (either BCP or BAS). Eucharists will also be celebrated on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. during the month of July, but not in August.

PARISH NOTES Continued

St. Thomas the Apostle

Rev. Marian has asked that we keep the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle this morning. His saints day is July 3. Some notes from *For All the Saints* by Stephen Reynolds

Saint Thomas was a disciple who followed Jesus from Galilee to Jerusalem. The first three Gospels list his name among the twelve apostles but say nothing more about him. It is in the Fourth Gospel (John) that Thomas gains prominence – and even some notoriety. According to John, when Jesus began his final journey to Jerusalem, Thomas understood what it meant and said to his fellow disciples, “let us also go, that we may die with him”. But after the resurrection, Thomas refused to believe that the other disciples had seen the risen Jesus. His doubt was quashed in the most dramatic way; and in John’s account the risen Lord drove the point home by telling Thomas: “you have believed because you have seen me; blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe”.

Church tradition claims that after the Ascension, Thomas travelled to preach in India. A church of Syrian Orthodox Christians in Malabar in the southwestern coast of India, claim to be descendants of those converted by the life and preaching of St. Thomas. Our dear friend, the late Dr. Mohan Iype, was born into this church tradition. Mo once told how someone in Canada was surprised he was a Christian, assuming that since he was from India, he was most likely Hindu or Muslim. They asked Mo, “how long have you been a Christian?” Mo said he was raised a Christian. They continued, “how long has your family been Christian?” Mo replied, “since St. Thomas.”!



Summer Office Hours Begin This Week

It's that time of year again when the traffic in the Parish Office slows down and the sunshine beckons. The office will be open Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. from Mon, Jul 4 until the week after Labour Day. Ah, summer!



Choir School Week

The 59th year of the Diocesan Choir School begins today, and runs until next Sunday. The school is held at RNS. It is a full week of choral singing, daily worship, games, meals and fun. We are pleased to welcome the staff of the Choir School to our worship this morning. They have been in Rothesay a day early, getting things ready. There are two public services of Evensong we would encourage you to take in:

Thursday, July 7 at 7 p.m.
St. Paul's, Rothesay

Sunday, July 10 at 3:30
Trinity Church, Saint John



Sea Tides

Whatever the tide
The Lord is at my side,
In storm or in calm
To keep me from harm,
In good or in ill
He is with me still.
- David Adam