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TRINITY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

August 8, 2024

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Our Parish Events Calendar is now available on our Webpage! http://trinitysj.com

You are receiving this weekly Trinity Newsletter as you are a member of the Trinity family. Should you not wish to receive this, please indicate by return e mail.

Trinity Security Message: Trinity will have an assigned volunteer on rotation to keep a watchful eye on the Charlotte Street entrance. In addition, the Sunday School program will have two adults going forward and are looking for volunteers to help fill this rotation in assisting Helen Webb who has been the main-stay for this ministry for the past two years. Please let Denise in the office know if you are able to assist in either of these two critical roles on a rotation basis going forward. Thank you to all who have already graciously offered your time. Rev. Steven Scribner

Trinity OFFICE HOURS: Our parish administrator works in the church office Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 12-3 pm while working from the home office on Monday and Friday. All telephone messages regarding church business are to be directed to the office 506-693-8558 or **trinsj@nb.aibn.com**.

You Tube Trinity Services: You can view Trinity's recorded services by going onto YouTube and typing in Trinity Anglican Church SJ. That will bring you to our channel and all of the previously recorded services.

New Brunswick Day 2024



As part of my New Brunswick day reflections, I thought I would add the following:

New Brunswick is known for:

1) **Ice cream cone** – (1899) – did you know this was accidently invented in Sussex NB by Walter Donnelly – a baker by trade – born in Sussex Corner. He had a bad batch of dough and wondered what to do with this crispy pastry. A summer job which may suggest why he messed up. He took the innovation to the ice cream parlor next door – Sussex Cheese & Butter and there we have it. This was shared as well in the TJ on Saturday August 3, 2024.

2) John Peters Humphrey – a little boy who was bullied – lived in Hampton NB and was the 'Drafter' of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights. There is a great tribute to Mr. Humphrey in the Winnipeg Museum of Human Rights honouring this great man from New Brunswick as well as in Hampton NB. His story is published in the book titled "The Boy Who Was Bullied" by Anne Huestis Scott.

3) Five Top things to do in New Brunswick

- a. Visit the Acadian Village 1770 NB being the only official Bilingual Province in Canada
- b. Take a Road Trip there are five mapped out
 - i. Appalachian Range Route
 - ii. Acadian Coastal Drive
 - iii. Miramachi River Route
 - iv. River Valley Scenic Route
 - v. Fundy Coastal Drive
- c. Drive, Cycle, or Hike the Fundy Trail system which has 90 kms of paved road and 10 kms of trail which leads to the Ocean floor or walk across the 84 m suspension bridge over Salmon River
- d. Visit the 3 Cities Saint John (Oldest incorporated city & the Reversing Falls), Moncton (the most populated and has Magnetic Hill) and Fredericton (the capital of New Brunswick)
- e. Visit Hopewell Rocks and the Bay of Fundy the 'flower pots' which were carved out by millions of years of water erosion and walk on the sea floor.

I found the following musical selections honoring New Brunswick.

(If you have access to you tube – you can find them as well)

My Home in New Brunswick by	he Sea Jim MacFarlane (Quispamsis NB)
	You tube – Beth Weath
The Land of New Brunswick	(New Brunswick's Official Theme Song)
	Luke Johnson
Take Me Back	Peter Jacobs
St. Anne's Reel	(Provincial Anthem of NB) – Sally Gardens



This week Trinity wishes a very happy birthday to both Mary Jones and Winston Wilson and hope they have a wonderful celebration with family and friends.

Trinity Financial Update



Trinity continues to be on a solid start for 2024.

May - Revenue – was above budget by \$11,346 with Regular Offering above by \$3,727 and Fundraiser contributing \$7,350 (which is a timing issue against budget) **Expenses –** were all in check with the total expenses being within \$281 off of budget positioning the parish for the month of May with an improved Net Revenue.

June – Revenue – was slightly below budget by \$909. **Expenses** - was \$9,887 over budget which was mainly attributed to the expenses (timing) of the very successful fundraiser – 6th Annual Speaker / Dinner along with Professional Fees for accounting again a timing issue when compared to June budget numbers. Net Revenue for the month of June ended up adding \$9,968 to the deficit.

Year to Date – June – 2024 – Revenue – YTD is \$23.3K ahead of plan. **Expenses –** were \$6,620 over plan. This results in a Net Revenue of (-\$24.8k) against a budget Net Revenue for April YTD of (-\$41.5k).

As we continue in these summer months, we pray that the stewardship of the Parish continues to be strong to support the committed ministries and their programs.

E-Offering Stewardship Option

Thank you to all who are supporting Trinity through their regular stewardship, as this helps the Treasurer meet the ongoing financial needs of Trinity's ministry. Should you wish to join the E offering program, you can do so from your home by contacting Denise at 506-693-8558 or through the church email, trinsj@nb.aibn.com.

As of year-end 2023 Trinity had 16 parishioners utilizing the E Offering option for ongoing stewardship. Can we move this number upwards of 25 in 2024? **As of this week, Trinity remains at 16 on E-Offering.**

Thank you for your continued support.

Last Sunday at Trinity: Trinity celebrated the 11th Sunday after Pentecost where we talked about the continued narrative, we are reading in John's Gospel picking up from last Sunday's where Jesus and His Disciples fed the five-thousand. Following which the Disciples left the shore in boat while Jesus walked alone to be one with His Father. We picked up the story this Sunday where those who were fed, woke up and found Jesus and His Disciples gone – gone over to the other side of the Sea of Galilee. They too crossed the water and our story picks up here.

They are there possibly for one of three reasons:

- 1) They are now again hungry and want to be fed physically as Jesus and His Disciples did the day before.
- 2) Some may have been close enough to Jesus and His Disciples to witness the sheer magnitude of what they did in multiplying of the bread and fish to feed all of them.
- 3) Or, hopefully there were some who having been physically fed, yet still felt hungry deep inside and felt that Jesus was the only one who could satisfy this hunger.

I a-liken our inner being similar to an 'old house' in this way. An old house which has many great memories for us, such as comfort, rest, great gatherings, good food, and an open invitation to all is only that if someone is attentive to the maintenance of its physical structure. Our inner being, our souls are similar. We have the physical needs in hand but how are we doing with the inner needs, the needs of our souls. We do the maintenance on our inner beings through a constant reading of the Bible, talking to God through prayer, attending with community going to church and living out God's will in sharing of our means and love to those we meet.

Jesus gives us the model to replicate and we are fortunate to have this recorded for us in scripture. As part of growing up we often model ourselves after those who have influenced us in life, our parents, extended family, workmates and friends. Jesus is asking us to include Him in that list as we continue to shape who we are today and for the years to come.

Jesus says, *"I am the Bread of Life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."* Do you believe this is so? I certainly do!

Prayers



We offer special prayers for:

Prayers for Ukraine Most Holy God and Father. Hear our prayers for all who strive for peace and all who fight for justice. Help us, who today remember the cost of war, to work for a better tomorrow and as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict, bring us all, in the end, to the peace of Your presence through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Special Prayers ongoing for Viktoriia (34) and Alex (34) Yezerskaya and their children, Daniel (4) and Samuel (7). Let us pray for their safety and the blessings they will share as God's hands, speech, and feet in their answering of His call on them as they continue as missionaries in Russia among their own peoples.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Korea, the Most Rev Peter Kyongho Lee, Primate. Anglican Church of Canada, Archbishop Linda Nicholls, Council of General Synod, National Indigenous Archbishop Chris Harper and the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples. Diocese of Ho, Bishop Matthias Meduadues-Badohu. Diocese of Yukon, Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame, Diocesan social & ecological justice ministries: PWRDF and diocesan rep Betty Davidson, AFC and diocesan rep Glen Gough, ACW and Diocesan President Blanche Buckle and all members, Mother's Union members. Archbishop David, retired bishop William and their families. Camp Medley and Camp Brookwood, staff and campers.

Prayer for Israel and Palestine – Isaiah 11:9 "They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea." God of mercy, we pray earnestly, send your Holy Spirit of peace and comfort, to surround all those whose lives have been torn apart by violence and death in Israel and Palestine. Amen

Parish Prayer Requests Richard (Dik) Coates (workmate of Rev. Steven from Wpg who suffered a severe heart attack and is recovering), Theresa Wanamaker, Malcolm Smith, Claire Cleary, Shirley Shaw, Winston Wilson, Ann Campion, Grace Gogan, Frank Rodgers, and Diane Cameron.

I would also ask your prayers for healing and recovery of a dear friend of ours from Thunder Bay, childhood friend of our boys, Taylor Vanderwey who had a Kidney and Pancreas transplant over five weeks ago and is having his fifth operation today in Toronto addressing continued complications he is experiencing.

From our Archbishop of Canterbury The Most Reverend Justin Welby – asking of the whole Anglican Communion to hold up our Royal Family in our prayers at this time.

Trinity Building Care

2024 Focus



Chiming and Timing into the Future Campaign

Upcoming Campaign Event Fundraisers

24 Aug 2024 Afternoon Tea The Tea will run from 1-5pm in the Bennett Room.

7 Sep 2024 East Indies Evening – The Indian Supper The dinner is at 7pm in the Bennett Room.

Tickets for both of the above events are \$20 each and are available through the office or the Chiming & Timing team and the office.



6 Dec 2024 Appreciation Gala

Trinity Bell Restoration Project							
	Estrabrooks Engineering	CR&M	Verdin Bell Co Project design	Contingency 10%	Total Cost		
Phase 1a	\$4,600.00	\$27,312	\$749.00	\$0	\$32,661.50		
	Verdin Bell Co.	Bell Rod Repair	Electrical T&T	Contingency 20%	Total Estimate		
Phase 1b	\$65,135	\$1,437	\$7,500	\$14,814	\$88,886		
Phase 2	\$10,557	\$5,750	\$1,500	\$3,560	\$21,367		
Phase 3	\$12,746	\$17,250	\$11,500	\$5,062	\$30,370		
Sub Total	\$88,438	\$17,250	\$11,500	\$23,438	\$140,626		
Total Project					\$177,109		

The target completion for this project is set for December 2024 so that the Bells, originally rung Christmas 1882, will be proudly played once again for Christmas 2024. Let us all 'chime in' as we complete the Trinity Tower's purpose proudly standing tall on our city's peninsula.

When you hear these bells ring for the first time Christmas 2024 you can proudly say, "I was there when we announced this project" and hopefully be able to say, "I was a part of this project's success."

Project Update



The re-hanging of the twelve bells is going shall I say 'well'. I knew this would be a challenging task and it has pulled out many of my long-ago distant skills as a Machinist and Industrial Mechanic as each bell has had its' own complexities.

They are all different in size (dimensions) along with the available structural steel to provide the much-needed support required so the bell does not drop during the removal of the existing support rods.

Each bell's weight ranges from the largest, the Loyalist Bell that was gifted to Trinity from the City of Saint John upon its' rebuild post the Great Fire of 1877 weighing in at 2000 lbs to the

smallest estimated at 750 lbs. While most of the rods were removed from the bells with some light persuasion there have been a couple that had to have the rods drilled out. The Verdin Bell representative upon his visit over a year ago warned that if the rod is difficult at all to remove, then one has to drill them out. Forcing them out might crack the cast brass bell. He also estimated at the time the replacement cost of the recast supply of the twelve bells Trinity has (dating from 1880) would be over \$800,000 in present day dollars. Not to mention the installation price on top. So, I took this warning to heart and spend a few extra hours drilling out three rods to date to be safe rather than sorry.

Progress to date: July $30^{th} - 2$ Bells, July $31^{st} - 3$ Bells, August $1^{st} - 2$ Bells, August $4^{th} - 1$ Bell (Loyalist Bell weighing 2000 lbs) and August $7^{th} - 2$ Bells – having 10 of the 12 now completed. I had to cut off (and drill out the rods from one of the two smallest bells in order to determine the rods sizes to be manufactured as they were so badly corroded. These along with the others are manufactured out of 316 stainless steel and parts ordered August 8^{th} . I hope to finish the Bell re-hanging on Monday August 12^{th} pending the availability of the last order of rods being ready.

Delivery of the Verdin Bell equipment



The long awaited delivery from Verdin Bell Company, Cinncinati Ohio arrived on Tuesday, August 6th and thanks to many hands on site, it was unloaded and placed in the base of the Tower in record time. The pallet in the first picture along with the tube being taken into the tower comprises all the hardware. The middle picture is the replacement control cabinet which houses all the circuitry and electronic hardware for the twelve circuits that will operate the twelve bell solenoids (strikers). The picture on the left along with the Carilon Master will provide the software interfaces that will control the bells being played and the clock operations.

I met with T &T Electrical, Tyler, on Wednesday to review the installation of this equipment and anticipate his return on Monday, August 12th to start the new wiring for Trinity's state-of-the-art Tower Bell system.

We now have a clearer vision to the completion of this monumental project and thanks to Kyle, Jennifer and so many others, this dream is about become a reality and we will be ringing the bells which first rang Christmas morning 1882 again this Christmas 2024.

TRINITY's SERVICE CALENDAR

Date	Sunday	Service	Readings	Presider
Aug 11	12 th Sunday after Pentecost	BCP HC	2 Samuel 18:5- 9,15,31-33 Psalm 130 Ephesians 4:25-5:2 John 6:25,41-51	Rev. Steven Scribner
Aug 18	13 th Sunday after Pentecost	BCP MP	1 Kings 2:10-12,3:3-14 Psalm 111 Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58	Rev. Steven Scribner
Aug 25	14 th Sunday after Pentecost Baptism of Arthur Donald Scribner (Rev. Steven & Heather's 2 nd grandson)	BAS Eucharist	1 Kings 8:22-30,41-43 Psalm 84 Ephesians 6:10-21 John 6:56-69	Rev. Steven Scribner
Sept 1	15 th Sunday after Pentecost	BCP HC	Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6- 9 Psalm 15 James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-9, 14-15, 21- 23	Rev. Steven Scribner

What to expect this Sunday! This Sunday at Trinity we will talk about our physical references getting in the way of reality.

What is in Trinity's Future you need to be aware of!

Upcoming Events

August 12th Cool Chicks & Ugly Doclings' - Easy listening & Humour



You do not want to miss this evening - it will be full of great music, humour and fun for all!

August 24Afternoon TeaChiming & Timing FundraiserTickets \$20eaAvailable Tickets – 200 plusSold to date50Tickets will be available at the door, however always good for the organizers to have pre-sold tickets for their
planning. Tickets available through the church office, or on Sunday with Jennifer Waldschutz or myself Rev Steven.

September 7	East Indies Evenin	g – Dinner of East Indies Fare	Tickets \$20ea
Available Tickets	<mark>50</mark>	Sold to Date 5	
September 27	Kitchen Party	Musical Evening	Tickets \$10ea
Available Tickets	<mark>125 plus</mark>	Sold to Date 7	

Battle of Britain Sunday The 84th Anniversary Battle of Britain Sunday – Plans are being prepared for the Trinity Battle of Britain Sunday September 15th. Trinity has been approached to incorporate a full service commemorating the Battle of Britain acknowledging the 100th anniversary of the RCAF. Preliminary plans have been drafted for this wonderful memorial tribute to those who answered 'yes' when asked to serve their country.

Trinity Summer Sounds 2024 Monday August 5th Michael Molloy – Organ 'Variations'



On Monday evening past, over fifty were present to hear Michael Molloy tickle the 'ivories' so to speak as he exercised Trinity's Phoenix Organ to its' fullest of range.

It was an evening, speaking for myself who had lots on my mind from physical work being done in the Church tower to working with families from a pastoral point of view, one of the purest times of spiritual respite. I along with those present could just slip into a state of pure relaxation and let the music fill our inner being. Thanks to Michael who Trinity is so privileged to have as our Organist from time to time and also recipient of Michael's great organ recitals during the year. **Construction on Charlotte Street** Patience is a virtue held by few – be patient as the city does the necessary infrastructure upgrades. And do we need to excise our patience!

Beacon Cove – 50 Broad Street in Saint John's south end on the property that once housed St. James



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Anglican Church.

Toiletries in larger size (not travel size), feminine hygiene products, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner and body wash. Also looking for clothing, shoes, socks, blankets and larger towels. Gift cards in small denominations. Paper products, toilet tissue, paper towels and facial tissue are welcomed.

Trinity will collect these products and deliver. Beacon Cove will also accept donations via the diocesan website – choose Beacon Cove from the drop-down menu:

Keep up the great work and remember the great work Beacon Cove is doing in our community.

Something for everyone this Summer at

SUMMER SOUNDS 2024 Trinity Church, Saint John MONDAYS at 7:15 JUNE 10- AUGUST 26

June 10: Buckley-Sametz Duo – Classical Cello & amp; Violin – 50 attended June 17: 'Before the Mast' – Maritime Sea Chanteys – 60 attended June 24: Andrew Clark – Balladeer /Guitarist – 35 attended July 01: National Holiday – No performances this evening July 8: 'Back In Time' - Swing Band – 100 attended July 15: Ron Maloney - Old-Favourites Sing-a-long – 50 attended July 22: Calvary Temple Music Team - Praise Music – 55 attended July 29: 'Summer Strings' - Steven Mott & Friends – 100 attended August 05: Michael Molloy – Organ 'Variations' – 50+ attended

August 12: 'Cool Chicks & Ugly Doclings' - Easy listening & Humour August 19: Richard & Rachel Kidd - Classical Piano & Violin August 26: Saint John Chorale - Broadway Show Tunes

Spacious cushioned seating - FREE-WILL OFFERING

Construction Season for Trinity



This is Trinity's South exit on to Charlotte Street this week. You see the communication chambers have been installed and the grade re-established.

Details shared by the city include the following; The City of Saint John will be undertaking the relocation of overhead power and communications to underground. Also included in this project is the reconstruction of curb and sidewalk, new brick medians, new decorative streetlamp poles and tree pits. The purpose of this project is to provide upgraded infrastructure that is deteriorated. The finished work will match the upgrades done elsewhere and blend with the work done as part of the Irving Oil Office project.

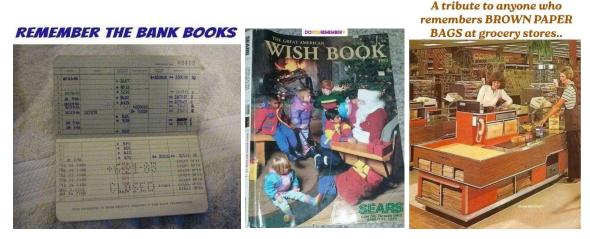
The project began on June 18th and is expected to be

completed by mid-August. Trinity has been informed that access to one of the two entrances off of Charlotte Street will be available – however with construction we must accept there will be delays at times during this construction period.

. Progress seems to be moving along albeit slow from a residents' view – however we look forward to this projects' completion. We continue to have alternate accesses into the church parking lot however they have been wonderful and patient with all of our coming and goings as they are in a full construction mode trying to complete this work as efficiently as possible. A few more weeks of construction yet.

This week the city is preparing for the concrete curbs on Trinity's side of Charlotte Street which is interrupting access at times.

Remember When?



These three images brought back many memories for me this week - hopefully for you as well:

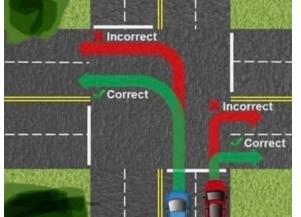
<u>The Bank Book</u> How I remember passing the bankbook to the teller both of which for all purposes have become invisible to our daily banking these days as we have moved to faceless banking, paperless records and little to no need for cash anymore.

<u>The Christmas Wish Book</u> If you could read the date in the bottom corner, you would notice it is dated, August 31, 1993. I had forgotten how early in the year this catalogue came out annually, both Sears and Eaton's. We would be checking daily for its arrival and growing up with three other siblings, there was always competition in getting a peak at the wonders

advertised in it creating many moments of pleasure in the 'what if' scenario. So I guess when Costco gets their Christmas Trees and other items on display in late August they are not far off of what it was like getting into the spirit of Christmas shopping back in the 60's.

<u>The grocery check-out</u> Remember the various size (weight) paper bags the cashier or the checkout lad would choose depending on the size or weight of your order. The checkout conveyor was designed for the proper storage of each at the ready disposal of the packer. And there would be lads to take your order out to your car and assist in placing them in the trunk. We surely have evolved – not for the best I might suggest, to packing our own groceries, being our own cashier at the instant tellers and being our own delivery service to the car. And for all that we now do, that was part of the price of purchasing the goods in the store, what have we saved? You tell me!

Driving Instructions



When I took Drivers Education in grade 11 at Millidgeville North High School – provided as part of our educational learnings back in the day Mr. Ross Northrup, our instructor and my Pre-Engineering course teacher gave us the theory, practical and the commonsense instructions of operating a vehicle. Something that has either been missed in present day driver's education instruction or forgotten. The diagram shows the proper way to enter through the intersection and by the way the turn signal is not an option, but a requirement to be used. Another key area of driving a vehicle that seems to evade most drivers in this city is the knowledge of how to merge into traffic. I do realize that in a number of areas around our city, the merge lane is extremely short, however one has to adjust. The Harbour Bridge is a prime example of the lack of knowledge of merging traffic.

A couple of lessons Mr. Northrup passed on to me back in the day.

- 1) It is not a right but a privilege to operate a motor vehicle never forget this.
- 2) When you are driving a vehicle, you have to actually drive four; the one in front of you, the one behind you, the coming traffic towards you and the one you are behind the wheel of. You have to always keep all of these in your focus.

Reflective Thoughts



Upcoming Movies to watch for:



This short film starring Hunter Mullinger and Barry Arthurs, his grandfather, just won Best Narrative Short at the Vegas Independent Film Awards. This movie was written by Hunter, (at the time) 11 years old about his love for a part of New Brunswick (the Kingston Peninsula) who most of Canadians have never even visited. It was directed by Tyler Warren Ellis (TWE Productions) with the soundtrack by Ethan Ash. Its trailer is up and it is very inviting. I cannot wait to see the film in its' full length.

Did You Know?



Thursday, August 8th was International Cat Day – who knew? This is Maddie, Heather's Covid cat. She came into our house as a fearful, extremely small kitten during the start of COVID 2020 and for the next 1 ½ years she was only really around Heather and me. So, no wonder she has acted strange if not extremely impolite to anyone who came into our home. It was downright embarrassing the welcome our visitors would get from her.

She has evolved somewhat. However if you should visit, do not be surprised at her lack of social skills as she runs and hides till your departure. She is a lovely cat for the two of us – and our Sheltie has learned, having been around cats all her ten years, not to have anything to do with them or her.

Humour



Blessings 2024 - Reverend Steven