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Parish Motto: Be disciples; make disciples.

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The Gridiron *St. Lawrence Anglican Parish*



Sunday, October 10, 2021
Harvest Thanksgiving
Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

The Gridiron is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of:
Yvonne Oliver-Dooling by: Lorraine McDonald

The Parish of St. Lawrence welcomes our Diocesan Executive Officer the Venerable Charlene Taylor. We thank her for sharing in ministry with us!

Please note the Parish office will be closed on Monday, October 11 in observance of Thanksgiving Day.

In observance of World Food Day the parishes of St. Lawrence and St. Philip will be holding a joint food drive in aid of the St. Lawrence Pop Up Pantry. The group Neighbors Assisting Neighbors PCSP will also be collecting food. Due to COVID-19 food items will not be picked up. Instead, you may drop off your donation to either church between 9AM and Noon. Thank you for your support as we continue to help out those in need!

The Parish of St. Lawrence wishes all of you a Happy Thanksgiving! This year, as you share in a meal with family and friends, take the time to thank God for the blessings in your life. When we take the time to reflect on our lives, there will always be something for which to give thanks.



Please note that we are currently looking for another counting team. Counting teams are scheduled on a five-week rotation and duties include counting the weekly offering for your scheduled week and preparing the bank deposit. Training is available and it is important to note that the count does not have to be done on Sunday. If you are interested, or is you have any additional questions, please contact Reverend Amanda.

As you are all aware, we have been having problems with our furnace for quite some time now. Our vestry has been busy exploring different models of heating and the efficiencies associated with them. We are in the process of developing a multi-phase plan for the replacement of our current system. As you can imagine, this is an expensive venture that will take quite some time to complete. Having said that, we are ready to move on phase one of

the plan. During this phase, all the piping beneath the church has to be replaced. We have awarded the contract and work should begin next week. We are in the process of setting up a special fund for the new heating system, and we ask that you will prayerfully consider giving to this fund. As more information becomes available, we will share it with you. Thank you for your consideration.

Are you or someone you know struggling from mental health challenges? Do you need to talk to someone? Know you are not alone. You may call the Newfoundland and Labrador Mental Health Crisis Line at 1-888-737-4668 or visit <https://nl.bridgethegap.ca/>.

The Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador is pleased to host **an Evening with our Primate**, Archbishop Linda Nicholls. We will have a time of Questions and Answers with our Primate at **7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 20th, at the Cathedral**. You can pre-register for the event at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/qa-with-archbishop-linda-nicholls-tickets-187644729437> or by calling the Cathedral Office at 726-5677. The event will also be available on-line on the Diocesan Facebook page.

Would you like to financially support the work of St. Lawrence Parish?

Doing so has never been easier! You can now e-transfer your donation to parishofstlawrence@outlook.com. No password is required and you will be credited for your donation at the end of the year. Thank you for your support. It is only through your financial gifts that we are able to offer the many ministries and outreach initiatives to our community!

Those on duty next week (October 17, 2021):

Eucharistic Assistant: Elaine Beckton
Counters: Gloria Hibbs/Sandra Keough
Reader: Susan Hall
Vestry Member: Tanya Skinner
Greeters: Brenda Brown/Ruth Bugden