

This Week in the Parish

Monday to Friday, **Morning Prayer** will be prayed and live streamed at
St. George's Chapel at 8:30 a.m. on Mondays at 8:15 a.m.
Starting October 5, Evensong 4 p.m. Monday-Friday
Sunday Evening Prayer at 5 p.m.

Monday 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Scouts

Tuesday 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion People Park's Tower

Wednesday 10:30 a.m. Bible Study (St. George's)
 1:00 p.m. Bible Study (St. James)

Thursday 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion Service

DAILY BIBLE READING

A modified schedule from the Prayer Book's Table of Lessons

Sunday	II Kings 6:24-7:2	I Timothy 6
Monday	II Kings 7:3-End	Titus 1:1-2:8
Tuesday	II kings 8:1-15	Titus 2:9-3End
Wednesday	II kings 9	II Timothy 1
Thursday	II Kings 11:1-20	II Timothy 2
Friday	II Kings 11:21-12End	II Timothy 3
Saturday	II Kings 13	II Timothy 4

🚧 **Parking Notice for St George's church** Kindly note that the parking area across the Queen Street entrance is no longer available.

St. James Church ACW Card Parties: Our next monthly card party will be on Wednesday October 14. We thank all who help with this special event. If you would like to book a table or help in any way, please call Denise at 506-854-3118 or Loretta at 506-854-5499. Thank you

Donations are appreciated to help keep our community warm this season. Community Groups are collecting Hand warmers and foot warmers, Socks, Hats and mittens Footwear, Warm clothing, **Drop-off location: 473 St. George Street** Your generous donations can make a meaningful difference this season.

If you or a loved one has been admitted to the hospital, please kindly call the parish visit. (506)-855-5209 📞 📠 📧

The Parish of the Six Saints

Jesus Christ the Same, Yesterday, Today and Forever

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The Eighteenth Sunday After Trinity

October 4, 2026



The Gospel for today: Mark 12:28-37

Prayer Requests: please contact the Parish Office:
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Welcome to the Parish of the Six Saints

Services for this Sunday are being offered at

❖ 8:00 a.m.	Holy Communion	📍 St. George's
❖ 9:00 a.m.	Holy communion	📍 St Mary's
❖ 9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	📍 St Andrew's
❖ 10:00 a.m.	Holy Communion	📍 St George's
❖ 11:00 a.m.	Holy communion	📍 St James
❖ 5:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	📍 St. George's



✚ After the Service ✚ ☕ Coffee • 🍵 Tea • 🥞 Light Snacks ♡

Served with love ✨ Enjoy fellowship and meaningful conversation as we gather, share, and connect together.

THE COLLECT FOR TODAY IS:

LORD, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE INTROIT PSALM

Give peace, O Lord, to them that wait for thee, and let thy prophets be found faithful: **regard the prayers of thy servant, and of thy people Israel.** I was glad when they said unto me: **we will go into the house of the Lord.** Glory be... and to the Holy Ghost. **As it was... and ever shall be: world without end. Amen**

READINGS FOR TODAY AND NEXT WEEK

Today's Readings (Trinity 18)

BCP- Book Of Common Prayer and BAS- Book of Alternate Service

Psalms 122, 1-5	BCP p 498/BAS p 882
The Lesson: 2 Samuel 7:8-14	
The Gradual: Psalm: 122:6-9	BCP p 498/BAS p 883
The Epistle: I Corinthians 1:4-8	BCP p 247
The Holy Gospel: Mark 12:28-37	BCP p 248

Next Sunday's Readings, Trinity 19

Psalms 138
The Lesson: Proverbs 2:1-10,20-22
The Gradual: Psalm: 103:1-5
The Epistle: Ephesians 4:17-32
The Holy Gospel: Mathew 9:1-8



Announcements

✨ Celebration of New Ministry ✨

We joyfully invite you to join us on October 11 as we give thanks to God for Father Christopher's ministry among us and welcome him into his new ministry with the Parish of Six Saints. 🏠 3:00 p.m. – Induction Service at St. James' Church 🎵 5:00 p.m. – Evensong at St. Andrew's Church and Reception at St Georges church at 6 p.m.' . Everyone is warmly invited to this special celebration!

Dive into Camp Medley. If you, your children or grandchildren have ever attended Camp Medley you will know what a fun time it is. Right now there is a campaign to replace the aging swimming pool and have an accessible modern pool in its place. For the month of October we are going to put on a drive as a parish to contribute to this effort. Donations can be placed on the offering plate or through e transfer marked Camp Medley Pool drive. Donations are being generously matched by the J T Clark Family Foundation. You can read more about this project at <https://nb.anglican.ca/>.

Annual General Meeting for ACW The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on **Tuesday, October 6, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** at **St. Andrew's Church, Petitcodiac.** Everyone is warmly invited to attend.

St. James Church, Soup Sunday, October 11 - St. James Church will be having a Soup luncheon after the 11 a.m. service on Sunday, October 11. Please join us for Soup and Fellowship as we prepare for the Celebration of New Ministry service here at St. James at 3pm., followed by events at St. Andrew's and St. George's.

Needle Art Craft starts from October 18, Sunday | 7:00–9:00 p.m. at St Georges church, Ladies Parlour. Join us for a fun evening of **needle art!** Everyone is welcome to attend, whether you are experienced or new to needle art. We will be making **Christmas tree ornaments**—some to keep for yourself and some to share with our **shut-ins during the Christmas season.** Please contact Robyn by phone or email: 📞 506-874-8835 ✉ robvng65@gmail.com Come and enjoy an evening of creativity, fellowship, and giving!

🎵 **Deanery Lessons and Carols** will be held at **St. George's Church** on **November 29 at 4:00 p.m.** All are warmly invited to join us for this beautiful celebration of Scripture and music.



December Combined Parish service & Lessons and Carols Please note that the **December Parish Service** has been moved to **Sunday, December 20.** On the Parish service, we will also celebrate our **Parish Lessons and Carols** at **St. James' Church.** We look forward to gathering as a parish family

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TESTING OR TRUSTING?

The notion that we could actually test God, seems quite shocking, because it implies that he is unreliable and unpredictable, changeful or capricious like the old ‘gods’ were considered to be. ‘Testing’ God means trying to prove his existence, it is like a child saying “if you can do this, God, I shall believe in you!” When the Israelites were complaining to Moses about their thirst, he had to cause water to flow out of a rock to ‘prove’ that God was leading them (Exodus 17: 7). This was an action that showed such lack of trust that it became the reason God did not allow Moses or Aaron to enter the Promised Land.

(Numbers 20: 10 – 13, and Deuteronomy 32: 48 – end). It seems unfair that they should be punished for doing what God told them to do, but they had not given God the glory – the words recorded in **Numbers 20: 10** give the reason clearly, as Moses said to the people “Hear now, you rebels; shall we bring forth water for you out of this rock?” Note: “shall WE” not “God will do this for you, the people he loves”.

When it comes to trusting God rather than testing him, it helps to remember that Jesus says we must ‘receive the kingdom of God like a little child’ **(Mark 10:15)**. In other words, we must be ready to accept without question. This is difficult. Luke reports that Jesus says “Ask and you will receive” **(Luke 11:9)** which is a saying we need to look at in context, as he is referring to the Holy Spirit. In the letter of James, we also see the words “ask in faith” **(James 1:6)** but this too, refers in fact to asking for wisdom. People who want urgent help, for healing, for physical safety, or for other worrying predicaments, use these sayings indiscriminately and then feel aggrieved if there is no immediate ‘answer.’ Learning to trust God implicitly, absolutely and without reservations, is the study of a lifetime. Our world is held in being by God, and his love for it, and for us, never alters, so we need to lean back, as it were, on this knowledge.

This leads me to reflect upon a subject I am very interested in – the choice of words. When the phrase ‘God has everything in control’ is used, I get very uncomfortable, and I have been trying to discover exactly why I feel this word is not the correct one.

Definitions of ‘control’ in the dictionary include such words as these: command; dominate; regulate; check. But God is giving, loving, surrounding, watching over, pouring himself out and even weeping over his world, I am sure. These attributes do not tally with the word ‘control’ at all.

There was a time when it was thought that God had made the world and set it going like a watchmaker starts a clock. But a better analogy that I have come across more than once, is that God’s creation develops in the way music grows in the mind of a composer. He starts with a phrase or two, that he hears in his mind. Sounding them, playing them over, adding to them, and excitingly finding that more phrases almost come by themselves, a thing of beauty emerges.

And then, when he decides to share his music, he discovers that creation itself interprets it in differing ways. Instead of saying “That’s not what I meant!” he delights in this, and rejoices in it. When a false note enters, he doesn’t throw away his ‘score’ in order to try again - he adapts and gently tries to steer the music into a better harmony.

But he doesn’t control - he is not intrusive, or manipulative, he only wants us to listen to his wisdom, so that the final work will be one of perfect concord, ‘a combination of sounds satisfying to the ear’ when none of us will wish the music to stop.

Confirmation The Confirmation service will be held on **Sunday, January 24, 2027, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Mary’s Church. Confirmation classes will begin in October, date to be announced.** Those interested in preparing for Confirmation are encouraged to attend the classes.

St. James Church, Flu Shot Clinic, October 18 - David Ford has generously offered to do a Flu shot clinic here at St. James on October 18 right after the service. We appreciate and thank him for this annual service to our church. All proceeds go to the parish. Come and get your flu shot, Everyone is welcome and it is free to all.

Support 1st Moncton St. George’s Scouting Group Sausage Fundraiser!
Stock up your freezer in collaboration with Kurt’s Sausage from Oct 6 – Oct 25!
Varieties (4 per pack):

- German Bratwurst: Traditional, mild spice.
- Honey Garlic: Local honey with a hint of garlic.
- Hot Italian: Traditional flavors with a nice kick.
- Pizza: Italian sausage, pepperoni, peppers, tomato & mozzarella (medium spice). Great Savings: 3 packages for \$35.00. To order by Oct 25, contact Allen Urquhart at 380-4241 / allenurquhart@hotmail.com. Thanks for supporting our Scouts!

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