



**RECTOR: THE REV. CANON ROD GILLIS**  
 Director of Music: Dr. David Wilson  
 Lay Readers: Alice Hadley & Andy Harvey  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Gael Page & Carmon Stone



We warmly welcome all newcomers and visitors who are worshipping with us today. Please introduce yourselves to the Clergy and kindly sign the guest book provided near the Choir Vestry in the Narthex.

### 8:30 A.M: HOLY EUCHARIST

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-14 (printed) Reader: *Alice Hadley*

Psalm: 147: 13-21

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14 (printed) Reader: *Richard Kirkey*

Holy Gospel: John 1:10-18

Before Communion: Priest: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: *Therefore let us keep the Feast.*

Dismissal: Minister: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia

Server: *Alice Hadley*



**10:00 A.M. SERVICE**  
 Prelude: Trio Sonata in G Major, Op. 5, No. 4 - Georg Fredric Handel  
 Allegro . A tempo ordinario – Allegro, Passacaille

*Amanda and Karen Li, violins, Rebecca Li, cello*

Processional Hymn: 160 (Dix) *As with gladness men of old*

Gathering of the Community (page 185)

Lord Have Mercy (page 186)

Collect (printed)

Priest: *The Lord be with you*

People: *And also with you*

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-14 (printed) Reader: *Jean Bradley*

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14 (printed) Reader: *Rebecca Li*

Holy Gospel: John 1:10-18

Before the Gospel: *Glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ*

After the gospel: *Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ*

Sermon: The Rev. Canon Rod Gillis

Prayers of the people (page 126)

The Gifts of the People

Offertory Hymn: 122 (Cranham) *In the bleak midwinter*

Eucharistic Prayer 1 (page 193)

The Lord's Prayer (page 211)

The Breaking of the Bread #2 (page 212)

Communion: Canzona

Post Communion Prayer (page 214)

Children's Story

Recessional Hymn: 143 (Regent Square) *Angels from the realms of glory*

Dismissal: Minister: *Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia*

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia*

Postlude: Prelude and Fugue in e -J.S. Bach



Servers: Alice Hadley

*Please join us for Coffee hour following the 10:00 a.m. service.*

**MOTHERS' UNION** will meet Wednesday January 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Townsend Room. Our guest speaker will be Margo Burke. She will be speaking on "Project Rachel". All parish members are welcome.

**PARISH COUNCIL:** The January 2005 meeting of Parish Council will take place on Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Townsend Room. (*Parish Council members please note that the January meeting will be one week LATER THAN USUAL this month only*).

**CONFIRMATION FOR THE CHEBUCTO REGION** will take place Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup> 2005 at 7:00 p.m. St. James will host the Confirmation Service. Bishop Susan Moxley will preside.

**THE PARISH ANNUAL MEETING** is Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Groups and Organizations are reminded to have reports prepared and submitted for inclusion in the annual report as soon as possible. The nominating committee will be seeking nominees for positions on Parish Council. Please give prayerful consideration if you are asked to be nominated. If there is an active member of the parish whom you believe might be a candidate for Parish Council please speak with one of the following people: Ernie Clarke, Bill Li, Phil Page, Carmon Stone, Pam Williams, or the rector.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:** (*additional listings*)

To the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of: *Ray Bowditch, Nancy & Edward Bowditch, and Marjorie & Jack Edsall.*

**PLEASE PICK UP YOUR 2005 ENVELOPES FROM THE NARTIEX.**

**COLLECT** God of power and life, the glory of all who believe in you, fill the world with your splendour and show the nations the light of your truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**FIRST READING**

**JEREMIAH 31:7-14**

7 For thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel." 8 See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labour, together; a great company, they shall return here. 9 With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. 10 Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." 11 For the Lord has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. 12 They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. 13 Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. 14 I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the Lord.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord      **Response:** *Thanks be to God*

**Psalm 147:13-21 Refrain: PRAISE GOD, O ZION.** 13 Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise your God, O Zion; 14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; he has blessed your children within you. **R** 15 He has established peace on your borders; he satisfies you with the finest wheat. 16 He sends out his command to the earth, and his word runs very swiftly. **R** 17 He gives snow like wool; he scatters hoarfrost like ashes. 18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; who can stand against his cold? **R** 19 He sends forth his word and melts them; he blows with his wind, and the waters flow. 20 He declares his word to Jacob, his statutes and his

judgements to Israel. <sup>21</sup> He has not done so to any other nation; to them he has not revealed his judgements. Hallelujah! **R**

**SECOND READING**

**EPIHESIANS 1:3-14**

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup> just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup> He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, <sup>10</sup> as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup> In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup> so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup> In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup> this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord. **Response:** *Thanks be to God*

**HOLY GOSPEL**

**JOHN 1: 10-18**

<sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup> He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup> But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. <sup>14</sup> And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. <sup>15</sup> (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") <sup>16</sup> From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. <sup>17</sup> The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup> No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known. **Reader:** *The Gospel of Christ*

## THE ST. JAMES STAINED GLASS WINDOW MURAL

Your Stained Glass Window Committee is indeed pleased to report that Parish Council gave unanimous approval, in November, to proceed into a contractual arrangement with Sattler Studio for the fabrication and installation of the mural. With 78% of the windows currently sponsored and considerable interest now being shown in sponsoring three of the remaining five windows, it is important to communicate any positive interest you may have in sponsoring a windows, or making a contribution to this wonderful St. James parish project.



I baptize you in the name  
of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit

## THE FOLLOWING DATES HAVE BEEN SET-ASIDE IN 2005 FOR THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY BAPTISM

February 6<sup>th</sup> - The Last Sunday of Epiphany

April 3<sup>rd</sup> - The Octave Day of Easter

May 22<sup>nd</sup> - Trinity Sunday

September 18<sup>th</sup> - Holy Cross Sunday

November 20<sup>th</sup> - Reign of Christ

*Parents inquiring about baptism for children should contact the rector at least six weeks prior to the date of interest. Adults interested in preparation for baptism are asked to speak with the rector before the*

*beginning of Lent*

## CALENDAR

Mon. Jan 3	6:30 p.m.	Beavers (Church Hall)
	7:30 p.m.	Inquirers' Group (Townsend Room)
Tue. Jan 4	2:00 p.m.	Knitting/Embroidering/Crocheting (Townsend Rm.)
	7:00 p.m.	Cubs (Church Hall)
Wed. Jan 5	10:00 a.m.	Holy Communion
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee -Parish Office
	11:00 a.m.	Bible Study
Thu. Jan 6	7:30 p.m.	St. James Choir
Sun. Jan 9	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School and Confirmation Class
	10:00 a.m.	Choral Eucharist BCP

## READINGS NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 42:1-9; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-17

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 pm. & Friday: 10:00a.m. - 12 noon  
The nursery is available during the 10:00 a.m. service.



Today the ushers are from Team #1 Donald Quinn  
Next Sunday the ushers will be from Team #2 Stephen Fry  
Art & Linda Ewing and Anne Hockin are on Sanctuary Duty during January.

