

**Notices: 27 April 2008**

(Lunch available in Emmaus Rm after liturgy)

**Easter Season**

*“Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; and Christ, the undefiled, has sinners to his Father reconciled.”*

These words marvelously express the mystery accomplished in Christ's Passover. They point to the power of renewal flowing from his Resurrection. With the weapons of love, God has defeated sin and death. The eternal Son, who emptied himself to become the obedient servant to the point of dying on the cross, has conquered evil at its roots by opening to contrite hearts the path of return to the Father. He is the Gate of Life who at Easter overcomes the gates of hell. He is the Door of salvation, opened wide for all, the Door of divine mercy, who sheds a new light on human existence.

Jesus' commandment is that His disciples love one another, even to the point of laying down their lives, if necessary. What gifts of myself – my skills and talents, my time and resources – will best demonstrate my love for God's people?

Pot Luck lunch today following the liturgy. All welcome.

This morning we welcome the newly installed vestry. Let us pray for, love, support them in our shared ministry together.

Seniors Café this Thursday beginning at 1pm.

**Lunch available in Café** daily (except Saturdays).

Next **Pot Luck Lunch**: last Sunday of May.

Next **Parish Breakfast**: 18 May

Next **Senior's Café** May 1. For more info contact Fr.Paul.

Next **Youth Café**: next Saturday. For more info contact Valerie Westcott or Sharon Myrden.

**Café donations**: please be mindful that, according to your means, when using the café to leave a donation for the coffee and lunches in order to help support these ministries.

A CHILDREN'S CHURCH FIELD TRIP is planned for Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will be visiting the Butterfly Exhibit at Bowering Park; will spend some time at the playground in the Park and later visit The Rooms where many exciting and interesting exhibits are located. A lunch will be provided once again for the children and bus cost and admittance fees for the children to the exhibits will be covered by the Parish. Admittance fees for the Butterfly Exhibit are \$6.00 for any parents who wish to attend. There are no fees for The Rooms. We encourage all children to attend and bring a friend. It promises to be a fun-filled day!

For further information please call Winston or Denise at 528-1394.

Applications for Lavrock summer camps available from Father Gerald.

Remaining Monday Night Christian Education dates and teachers:

5 May: Fr.Paul

19 May: Pastor Bess

26 May: Rev Joe Burton

**Ministry Leaders meeting** on Wed, May 7, 10am in Fr.G+'s office.

**Vestry Meeting** on Tuesday, May 13 at 7:30pm.

Parking in front of windows at entrance to Emmaus room is "BLUE" parking for families with infants or with difficulty walking.

**Scent Free Environment**: Many people now suffer from allergies. Please, when gathering in our House for the Church, refrain from wearing colognes and perfumes.

**Guatemala Mission**: Sept 2008. The vestry is sponsoring this mission. Please pray for the mission, the team, Larry & Lyn, & making donations (through the parish) for this very important work.

Guatemala donations are to be put in marked envelopes and collected with the offertory on Sundays.

**Helping Hand**: remember to bring grocery items on Sunday mornings in aid of the ecumenical ministry of the Helping Hand.

**Parish Recycling Account**. Remember to collect your recyclable's and bring them to the depot in Bay Roberts to credit to our parish account.

**Auction Tickets** available from auction committee

**Personal automatic bank deposits** for your financial contributions to the parish (verses church envelopes) is practiced in many churches today. It is a convenient way to ensure your regular donation even when weather or other circumstances keep you away. It is obviously good for the parish because it ensures a more regular cash flow to meet the weekly and monthly financial demands. The vestry has agreed to make this form of contribution available to those interested in the parish. You can now sign up through our treasurer Bob Bishop.

**Stain Glass donations:** there is one window left to the Resurrection Series (Pentecost). If any family is considering making a stain glass donation, contact Fr.Gerald.

**Receiving at Holy Eucharist:** Some have adopted the practice of receiving Communion in one kind only (the consecrated Bread). This is an acceptable practice, for we do not receive "half" of Christ in each species, but the full Christ in both. Hence, with reference to concerns around communicable diseases, communion in one kind has become, and continues to be, an option for some. Reception in both kinds is in no way discouraged.

- 2007 receipts are available in Emmaus Room.

Anyone wanting a home visit, discuss the life of prayer & spiritual living, receive the sacrament of reconciliation, or any other pastoral need, please don't hesitate to contact Father Gerald.

### **Free will offering**

It is your free-will offering, Sunday to Sunday, that has to cover our operating needs. Now that we are in our new house for the Church, please take more ownership of our shared ministry and mission, and ensure that your free-will offering is consistent and proportional (to your income). Your offering is absolutely necessary for our operational and ministry needs. Envelopes available at entrance to Oratory.

*The Lord Jesus calls us to be a welcoming and Spirit-filled community. As we gather from Sunday to Sunday, and throughout the week, please make the opportunity to greet and love those whom you don't YET know.*

### **Parish Leadership Team**

Administrator: Alfred Efford 786-4117; Wardens: Lyn Clarke 786-1798; Jennifer Dearing 680-1650; Treasurer: Bob Bishop 528-4669; Adult Christian Education: Gladys Harvey 528-4247; Emmaus Room Café: Bob Bishop 528-4669; Seniors Café: Father Paul Bishop 528-1021; Children's Church: Denise & Winston Bishop 528-1394; Music Director: Valerie Westcott; Sexton: Albert Wilson 786-2975

### **Get Connected! At the Resurrection**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Tel no \_\_\_\_\_

### **Connect me to:**

- the next alpha course
- helping out on the Emmaus Room Café team
- youth café
- children's church
- the worship team
- the sound team
- the prayer life
- the next marriage course
- other courses
- the liturgy welcome team
- the lay pastoral visiting team
- the senior's café team
- something else!
- (please call Fr.Gerald)