

MORNING PRAYER

8:30 am

Morning Prayer begins at the bottom of p. 6. The psalms for today are Psalm 110-113, beginning on p. 482. The canticles after the lessons are the *Benedictus es Domine*, p. 11, and the *Benedictus*, p. 14.

HOLY EUCHARIST

9:00 am

The service follows the order of the 1928 Book of Common Prayer (page 67 and following) with Minor Propers from the Anglican Missal.

11:00 am

Opening hymn, <i>Winchester New</i>	Hymnal 10
Collect for Purity.....	BCP 67
Summary of the Law	BCP 69
Introit (<i>Choir</i>)	
DROP down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness : let the earth open and bring forth a Saviour. The heavens declare the glory of God : and the firmament sheweth his handy-work. Glory be.	
<i>Kyrie, eleison</i> , ninefold,	Hymnal 747
Collect for Advent IV	BCP 95
Collect for Advent Season.....	BCP 90
Of St. Mary	
Epistle, <i>Philippians iv. 4</i>	BCP 95
Gradual and Alleluia (<i>Choir</i>)	
THE Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him : yea, all such as call upon him faithfully. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord : and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name. <i>Alleluia, alleluia.</i> Come, O Lord, and tarry not : forgive the misdeeds of thy people. <i>Alleluia.</i>	
Gospel, <i>St. John i. 19</i>	BCP 95
Nicene Creed	BCP 71
Sermon.....	Father Athanaelos
Offertory sentence (<i>Choir</i>)	
HAIL Mary, full of grace : the Lord is with thee : blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.	
Offertory hymn, <i>Merton</i>	Hymnal 9
Presentation of Alms & Doxology (Hymnal Supplement 819)	
Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church.....	BCP 74
Bidding to Confession & General Confession	BCP 75
Absolution & Comfortable Words.....	BCP 76
<i>Sursum corda</i>	BCP 76
Preface of the Holy Trinity	BCP 79
<i>Sanctus & Benedictus</i>	Hymnal 799
Prayer of Consecration (Canon of the Mass).....	BCP 80

Our Father.....	BCP 82
Fracture, Pax, Embolism & <i>Agnus Dei</i>	Hymnal 749
Prayer of Humble Access.....	BCP 82
<i>Ecee, Agnus Dei &</i> Holy Communion	
Communion hymn, <i>Greenland</i>	Hymnal 4
Communion sentence (<i>Choir</i>)	
BEHOLD, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a Son : and his Name shall be called Emmanuel.	
Thanksgiving.....	BCP 83
Postcommunion collects	
O LORD, who hast here vouchsafed unto us to be partakers of thy bounty : grant, we beseech thee, that we may so continue to draw near unto the same ; that growing more and more in grace, we may attain in the end to everlasting life. Through.	
We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts : that as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel ; so by his cross and passion we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through.	
Dismissal: <i>Let us bless the Lord.</i> Response: <i>Thanks be to God.</i>	
Blessing (kneel)	BCP 84
Closing hymn, <i>Helmsley</i>	Hymnal 5

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The **sanctuary lamp** this morning is given by the members of the church to the Glory of Almighty God and in thanksgiving for His many blessings.

We welcome our visitors and guests this morning. We are glad you are with us today. Please **fill out one of the guest cards** (located in the pew) and drop it in the offering plate. There are visitor's packets containing information about St. Stephen's and the Anglican Catholic Church in the narthex.

Pastoral Care: If you would like a visit from the clergy, or if you know of someone who is sick or shut in, or if you would like someone put on the parish prayer list, please contact the Church office.

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Adult Sunday School will be in recess until January 20th.

The **Archbishop's Bible Study** will be in recess until January 2nd.

The **church business office will be closed** on December 24-25.



Please pray (BCP 597, For a Birthday) for those with known **birthdays** this week: Tony LePain (12/24), Penni Hamilton (12/25), and Barrie Finney (12/26).

Prayers and best wishes to them from all their parish family.

Year's Mind: Of your charity, pray (BCP 598, For an Anniversary of One Departed) for the blessed repose of the soul of Anne Jane Kelley (12/25) on the anniversary of her death.

Rest eternal grant unto her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

Please remember the following parishioners and friends of St. Stephen's in your **daily prayers:** Hildegard, Bill, Lena, Victoria, Devon, Aubry, Patrick, Rene, and John.



Donations for **Clergy Christmas** will be accepted through the end of the year. Help us show our appreciation for the exceptional clergy we have at St. Stephen's!

If you still have not sent in your **pledge form for 2019**, you may still do so before the end of the year. This information is crucial to our budgeting process for next year. If you did not receive or have misplaced your form, there are additional ones in the narthex.

Any monies to be credited towards a 2018 pledge must be **received** in the church office before December 28th!

Upcoming Events

Monday, December 24, 7:30pm	Music
Monday, December 24, 8pm	Christmas Eve Solemn High Mass
Tuesday, December 25, 10am (only)	Christmas Day Low Mass
Wednesday, December 26, 6pm	St. Stephen's Day Mass

The Nursery will be available on December 24th. It will not be available on Christmas Day or St Stephen's Day, December 25th and 26th.

Please silence your cell phones...thank you

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The Fourth Sunday in Advent
December 23, 2018

*The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated this week on
Tuesday at 10am, Wednesday at 6pm,
Thursday at 8 am, and Friday at 12 noon.*