

**Welcome to
St. Paul's Anglican Church**

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8:30 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION

Greeters: Patricia Kennedy and Lois Rochon

Reader: Joan Scott

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Rector's Warden: Wendy Shaw People's Warden: Bob Bassett
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We gather today on the traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnabe Nation. May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.



December 23, 2018
Advent 4

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According to the Book of Common Prayer

Lighting of the 4th Advent Candle (see insert)

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Hear, O Israel p. 69

Collect of the Day (said together)

Heavenly Father, who chose the Virgin Mary, full of grace, to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour, now fill us with your grace, that we in all things may embrace your will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. AMEN

First Reading: Micah 5:2-5a

Psalm: Psalm 80: 1-7 p. 433

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

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The Blessing

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

The Church in the World: We pray for Kubwa - (Abuja, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Duke Akamisoko. We pray for the safe return of the Bishop of Ahoada, Clement Ekpeye, kidnapped by unknown gunmen in Nigeria's Rivers State on Thursday.

In Canada: We pray God's blessing on Director Rev. Dr. Eileen Scully and staff of Faith, Worship, and Ministry at the national church office.

In the Diocese of Ottawa: We pray for our John our bishop, Jonathon our priest, and for The Well, (one of our Diocesan Community Ministries) Rachel Robinson, Executive Director. In our Companion Diocese, The Diocese of Jerusalem, we pray for Redeemer Church, Amman, Jordan.

Our Mission Partners: We pray for everyone involved in The Lanark County Food Bank.

Our Local Community: We pray for our local satellite Food Cupboard providing support to local area people and, we pray for the people and leaders of this town of Almonte and the surrounding communities that the Lord will help us contribute to its well-being.

In Our Parish: We pray God's comfort and healing for Lucy Poaps, Anne Wheatley, Bill Aird, Bessie Exley, Geneviève Coxon-Marshall, Sally Gentry, Dorothy Berg and Doris Scanlon.

In Our Parish Cycle of Prayer: We give thanks for and pray God's blessing on our members Robin and Rita Webb, Anne Wheatley, Anne Winters. We pray also for our sponsorship family: Assad, Alsit, Lana and Elias.

For the Whole Human Family that we may learn to live together in justice and peace. We pray for refugees and displaced persons, thinking especially of the people seeking refuge from war and persecution and we remember the victims of terrorism around the world. We pray for all those whose lives are impacted by social unrest, disaster and poverty.

Prayer for St. Paul's: Heavenly Father, you have welcomed us into your kingdom and your heart's desire is to draw every human being to yourself. Grant us clear eyes to see people as you see them, sensitive feet to stand in their shoes, and warm smiles to welcome them into your name. Give us generous hearts, that our church becomes a foretaste of heaven where every soul you send us finds their loving home in the community of your Son our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26 ~ Psalm 148 ~ Colossians 3:12-17 ~
Luke 2:41-52