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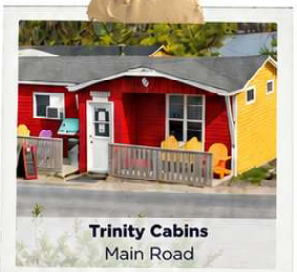
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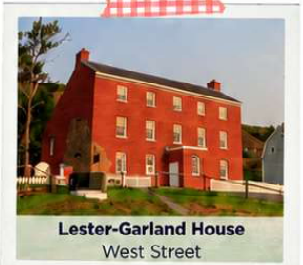
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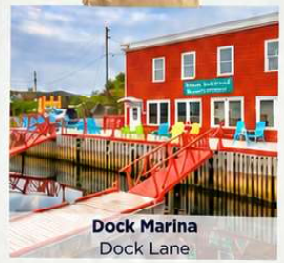
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Lester-Garland House
West Street



Aunt Sarah's Chocolate Shop
Dock Lane



Dock Marina
Dock Lane



Trinity Crafts
Church Road



Elizabeth Burry Studios
Clinch's Lane

Saturday, October 3rd there will be a Soup/Sandwich Sale at the Fire Hall, Trinity hosted by the ACW. Soup, sandwich, slice of homemade pie, tea/coffee for $15 from 11am - 1pm.

October 2nd - 4th

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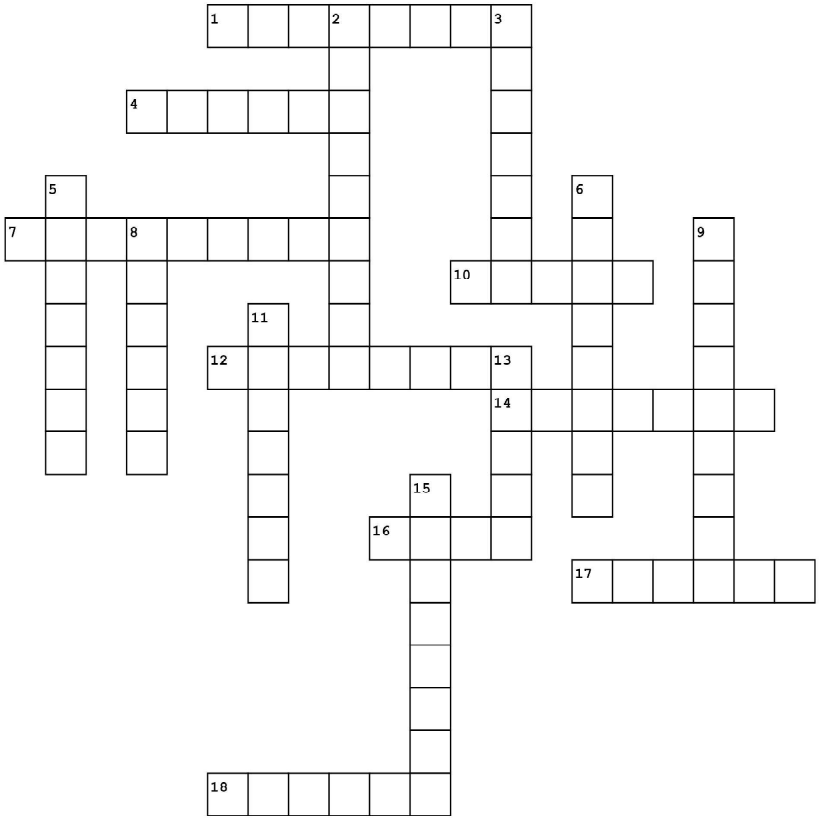
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Parish of Trinity – Port Rexton

Service Schedule For October 4 – October 25, 2026.

October 4th Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 27) (Green)	11:00 A.M. St. Clement's (Champney's West) 7:00 P.M. Church Of The Good Shepherd (Dunfield)	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer
October 11th Harvest Thanksgiving (White)	11:00 P.M. St. Matthew's (Trouty) 7:00 P.M. Christ Church (Port Rexton)	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist
October 18th Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 29) (Green)	11:00 A.M. St. Paul's (Trinity) 7:00 P.M. St. John The Evangelist (New Bonaventure)	Holy Eucharist Evening Prayer
October 25th Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 30) (Green)	11:00 A.M. Church Of The Good Shepherd (Dunfield) 7:00 P.M. St. Clement's (Champney's West)	Holy Communion Evening Prayer

October 2026



Across

1. The _____ church was built in Trinity in 1833.

4. The editor and publisher of the Trinity Record.

7. The shallow area inside Trinity harbour near Fort Point.

10. What public transit system started in Trinity in 1845?

12. A short stick with a metal hook used to hook cod pull up on a handline.

14. The community on Ireland's Eye at the Thoroughfare.

16. Who wrote the book Aspects of the History of Trinity?

17. Who was Reverend William Bullock's father-in-law?

18. In verse two of the Ode to NL what land do we love?

Down

2. This Purity Factory NL delicacy was in short supply this past summer.

3. A small dog of mixed breed.

5. Who wrote the sermon preached at the consecration of both the 2nd and 3rd St. Paul's churches?

6. The plank next to the keel on a wooden boat.

8. Thomas _____ built the first court house in Trinity.

9. Kids love October 31st because it's _____.

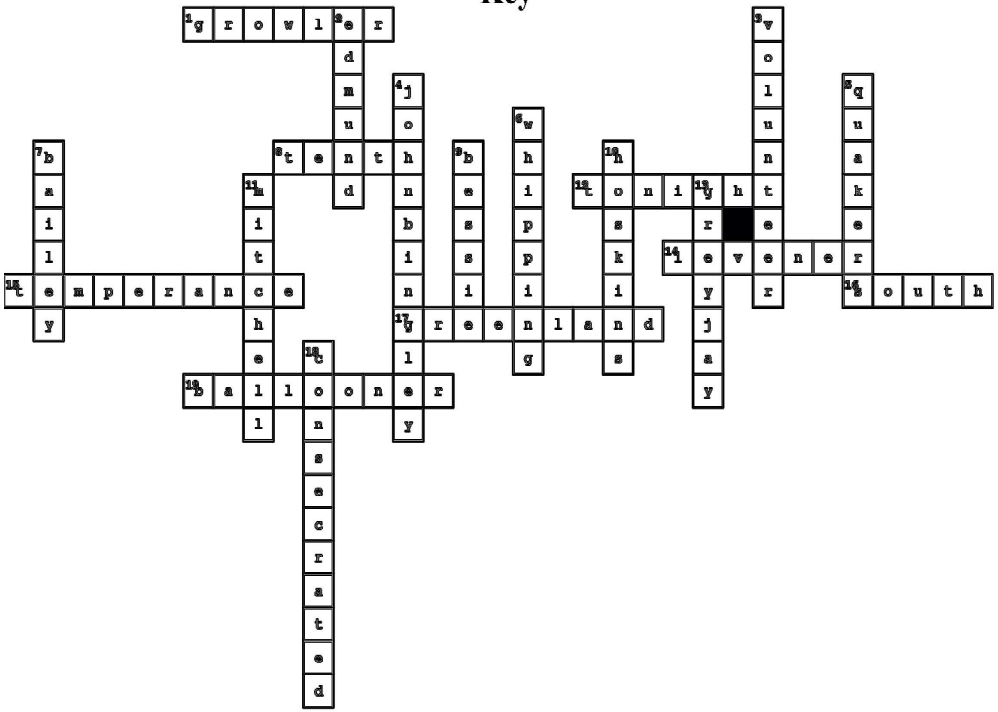
11. The whale factory in Trinity was located in _____ Cove

13. A _____ generation saltbox house is one story with a peaked roof and a one story linhay?

15. A barrel with a capacity of 84US gallons.

September 2026

Key



Across

1. A house size piece of Arctic ice.

8. Port Rexton Brewery had its _____ anniversary this year.

12. When are the Joe Batt's Arm longliners coming home?

14. A lunch eaten in NL at 11AM.

15. The Sons of _____ was an association formed in Trinity in 1869.

16. In "We'll Rant and We'll Roar" on which Newfoundland coast is Toslow located?

17. From what land mass do NL icebergs originate.

19. Another name for a flying jib on a schooner.

Down

2. _____ Hunt was an Anglican minister born in Trinity in 1888.

3. The Loyal Trinity _____ Rangers were a Trinity militia organization during the war of 1812.

4. The first speaker of the first NL House of Assembly was ___ ____ Garland from Trinity.

5. What religious affiliation of the White merchants of Trinity in the 1700s.

6. The common corporal punishment for theft or assault in the 1700s.

7. Trinity barbour and cobbler in the 1950s.

9. First name of Mrs. Frank Ploughman of Trinity.

10. John _____ was the methodist priest tarred and feathered by sailors in 1780.

11. Surname of the owners of Warblers on the southside of Trinity harbour.

13. Another name for a whiskey jack.

18. The present St. Paul's was _____ in 1894.

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Port Rexton Lions Hall

FALL DINNER
Buffet cold plate
Desserts, tea or coffee
$20 per person
Doors open 5:30 p.m. • Dinner served 6:00 p.m.

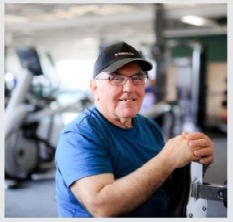
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CARD GAME (120s)
Around 8:00 p.m. • Grocery prizes
$5 per person

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SOUP & SANDWICH LUNCH

OCTOBER 3RD 11 - 1



SOUPS

Turkey
Moose
Pea

Held at the Trinity & Area Fire Dept.



SANDWICHES

Egg Salad
Ham & Cheese
Tuna
(white and whole wheat bread)

DESSERTS

Partridgeberry Pie
Lemon Meringue Pie
Apple Torte
Strawberry Rhubarb Pie





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Trinity Crafts
9:30 - 5:30 PM
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Elizabeth Burry Studios
10:00 - 4:00 PM
Lots of specials on candles, bath and body items as well as 'pick a bead' to save 15%-50% off your entire purchase of regular priced items.

October 8-18 is Vision Week

On Saturday, **October 17** Fort Point Lions Club will be holding an **Eyeglasses Drive.**

Please hang a bag containing any used glasses and cleaning cloths outside your door before 10:00am. Lions members will be around after that time to collect them.

Lions RECYCLE For Sight

Note: We will also accept used hearing aids for recycling.



Fort Point Lions
will host
World Day of Service for Seniors!

If you are 60 years or older, and reside in a community from

Bonaventure to Lockston

you and your partner are invited to a

Cold Plate Supper and Card Game

on

Friday, October 16

at the Lions Hall, Goose Cove.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
Supper starts at 6:00

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Mailout is scheduled for Friday, October 30th.

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TRINITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THE EARLY YEARS

by Norman MacFie
Founding Member, Trinity Historical Society

When the Society was founded in the mid-1960s, it consisted of local citizens with a wish to preserve the history of the town. It was a small group dedicated to exploring and gathering historical information before it became lost forever.

Meetings were held in members' homes, most often at the home of Walter White. We were in possession of the Anglican Church records dating back to the mid-18th century, which proved to be a great source of information in our endeavours.

Our dream was to open a museum where we could display local artifacts and written information regarding our community. Unfortunately, we were not in a financial position to do so.

In 1967, Canada Confederation year, the government made available funds to communities to commemorate the occasion. We applied for and received approval of a grant for $600.00. Port Rexton likewise was approved for a similar grant of $600.00, which was later allocated to us as they did not intend to use it. However, we would not receive the funding until we had established our project.

One evening during one of our meetings someone mentioned a local house going up for sale at $1,000.00 with all belongings, and it would be worth looking at to see if it was suitable for a museum. We visited the house, returned to our meeting, and agreed it would be ideal. The problem was we had no money.

Sherwood
SUITES & MOTEL

Sherwood Suites and Motel are seeking the public's interest in winter housing in the Trinity Bight area.

We are currently collecting names of people who would be interested in seasonal housing from November until the end of May. The housing would include all furnishings in the bedrooms and living room and a fully equipped kitchen; cable television; internet; snow clearing and access to a laundromat. The occupant will be required to pay rent (to be determined) as well as utility and phone bill.

Anyone interested can call the Sherwood Suites office (709) 464-2130 and leave your contact information and someone will get back to you to discuss any questions you may have.



Colouring Page



That night there were thirteen members present. I offered the suggestion we borrow the money. The others asked how we could do that. As the local bank manager, I offered to advance $1,200.00 to the Society if each member present was willing to post an individual guarantee of $100.00 as security. This would enable us to purchase the house and still have $200.00 in working capital for any renovations we might wish to make. As we were awaiting the government grant of $1,200.00, there was little risk. We purchased the house that night. Another member suggested we hold an auction and dispose of the contents of the house, the proceeds of which could be used to acquire further artifacts. This proved quite successful, and conversion to a museum shortly followed.

During a later meeting someone suggested a cannon in front of the museum might be appropriate. The following evening four of us, with a jeep and strong chain along with pry bars, proceeded to Gun Hill where we successfully dislodged a cannon. Someone suggested we roll it downhill, which we proceeded to do, forgetting it was not a perfect cylinder and had lugs on each side and weighed several hundred pounds. It left us with a mind of its own, weaved through a small orchard without hitting one, barely missed the foundation of a house and landed in the street in front of the post office. From there we towed it to the museum where it was placed in front of the building. It has not moved since.

We then began to hold our regular meetings in the museum.

We later acquired a Waterloo Stove which was installed in the kitchen. It was in fine working order and provided great warmth during those winter nights we met.

Norm MacFie, A.I.C.B., CD

Council Candidates

October 6

We are pleased to present the candidates that have volunteered to run in the upcoming municipal by-election on Tuesday, October 6 in the Town of Trinity.

All candidates were asked to provide between 200-250 words as a free listing in this months' newsletter.

All names are listed in alphabetical order by surname.

Thank you to all that have put their names forward as candidates. We wish them all good luck and encourage everyone to learn more about these individuals and most importantly to get out to vote on October 6.

Jennifer Hann

I am excited and honoured to share that I will be a candidate in the upcoming Municipal Election in Trinity.

Karl and I moved back home 8 years ago. Its been a busy time, but in the last 6 months since we retired, I have been pondering how best to get involved in my community in a volunteer capacity. Now that I have the time, I feel that this is my opportunity.

Trinity obviously holds a special place in my heart. It is more than just a beautiful town. Every road, house, beach, hill and field holds a memory of growing up here. It is the place that made me who I am today. It is time for me to give back.

I am stepping forward, as I believe in the town and the people who call Trinity home, and those that call it home for part of the year as well. I want to listen to all residents, to contribute and work with our current mayor and councillors to make an already vibrant community even stronger. I feel that I bring a unique perspective to the town as I grew up here, moved away and came back. I have seen how Trinity has changed and survived and my hope is to see it continue to thrive. That said, this growth and change is not without challenges. If elected, I look forward to open and honest communication with all residents, learning more about the issues that matter most to you and working collaboratively to find practical ways forward.

Thank you to those who encouraged me to put my name forward. I am proud to call Trinity home and would be honoured to serve our community.

Note of Thanks

The family of the late Melvin Lloyd McGrath wish to extend their heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the support and kindness received during his cancer journey, final days and passing. Thanks to Dr. Holmes & Dr. Siddiqui at the Cancer Care Clinic, Health Sciences Centre. Heartfelt appreciation to Dr. Dawson, Nurse Corey at Pain Management Dept and Lisa, Sonia & staff at the Chemo Unit, Dr. GB Cross Memorial Hospital. The attentiveness of his Cancer Navigator Angela Sheppard cannot go unspoken and thank you to his End-of-Life Care nurse Beverly Clouter. We also want to thank the Fort Points Lions Club, Rev Sparkes and everyone who visited, called, texted, messaged, dropped off or sent food and cards, or offered support in any way over the past months. Thank you—our hearts are filled with gratitude. We would be remiss if we didn't send out a very special thank you to Darrell Verge who was there through every snowstorm, emergency and anything that needed doing. You, sir, are an angel on earth. To anyone we may have missed (we apologize) and all of you, may your blessings be trifold for all your thoughtfulness.



Thank You.

As Port Rexton Lions Club prepares to celebrate 50 years of service and operation, community members are invited to become part of the next generation of Lions. Welcoming new members who would like to spend a few hours a month helping friends and neighbours and contributing to the growth and prosperity of our community would be a pleasure. Some of the many activities and services you would be supporting include:

*Opening the food bank to those in need *Hosting and judging local school events such as the Peace Poster Contest and Speak Out*Giving donations to local and worldly charities such as Janeway and Ronald McDonald House etc
*Assistance for annual community clean up *Making the hall available for voting polls and other events *Catering parties *Maintaining local bus stops
*Organizing community rummage sales and other fundraisers *Organizing annual Santa Claus Parade and seniors supper *Offering Christmas Hampers
*And so much more!

With a meeting every second and fourth Tuesday of each month, feel free to come on in! If interested you can also reach out to any Lions member for more information. Thank you to all who support Port Rexton and area Lions Club in their endeavors to "Aid the weak and Right the wrong!"



Bill Stoikos



I'm Bill Stoikos, and after falling in love with Trinity, I moved here in 2022 along with my spouse, Amanda Mitchell. We love the town, the people and sense of community more than we thought was possible.

I am running for municipal councillor because I know I can be effective by bringing to council the residents' needs and concerns, improving local processes, and applying my personal principle of leaving every role in a better place than when I started.

I have retired now but my professional background spans many years in manufacturing, specializing in continuous process improvement, team building, materials management, and cost savings. As Director of Strategic Sourcing for TempurSealy Inc., I managed well over $100 million in annual purchases across Canadian and Mexican facilities while leading a team of buyers and inventory coordinators. Earlier, as National Materials Manager for Sealy Canada, I directed a national team across three manufacturing plants and realized millions in cost savings through contract negotiations, value engineering, and process improvements. My operational approach is grounded in my technical education as an Industrial Engineer Technician, alongside a Manufacturing Technician diploma and certificates in purchasing and inventory control management.

Throughout my career, I have consistently focused on fiscal discipline, team building, process improvement, and sustainable operations. I am eager to apply my real-world business experience and skills to serve the residents of Trinity as a town councillor.

People who know me would say I'm passionate, loyal, and accountable. Outside of work and local governance, I am an avid pool player, a huge hockey fan, and I dabble in woodworking. Amanda and I recently purchased snowmobiles to get back into the sport, and we love boating here in Trinity alongside our Lab, Archie.

Ian White

My name is Ian White, and I am honored to run for Trinity Council once again.

Most people know me as the 'Coffee Guy' as I have run the Trinity Mercantile Restaurant and the Trinity Coffee Company. I have had to make some difficult decisions to remain, work and thrive in Trinity. I hope to bring the skills learned in making these tough decisions to the Council table.

I have had experience working in both the 'Not for Profit' and 'For Profit' sectors in Trinity, St. John's and in Vancouver, British Columbia. I am very proud of my experience in the 'Not for Profit' sector working on the Downtown East Side of Vancouver. Where I was given the opportunity to take a lead role in developing a new not for profit society from the ground up. The Society is still in existence today. I would like to bring these skills and experiences to being a Town Counselor

I know well that Trinity exists far beyond the intersection by the Royal Bank and I have concerns with regard to the maintenance and improvement of the infrastructure that currently exists over the entire Community. Roads, snow clearing, water and sewer are of particular concern, and I would like to be a part of efforts to improve them.

Please vote, and when you do I hope you will consider my history and dedication to the Town of Trinity.

Other candidates:

Hayter, George

King, Gregory - see advertisement on another page

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K. Toope, J. Morris, Eds.

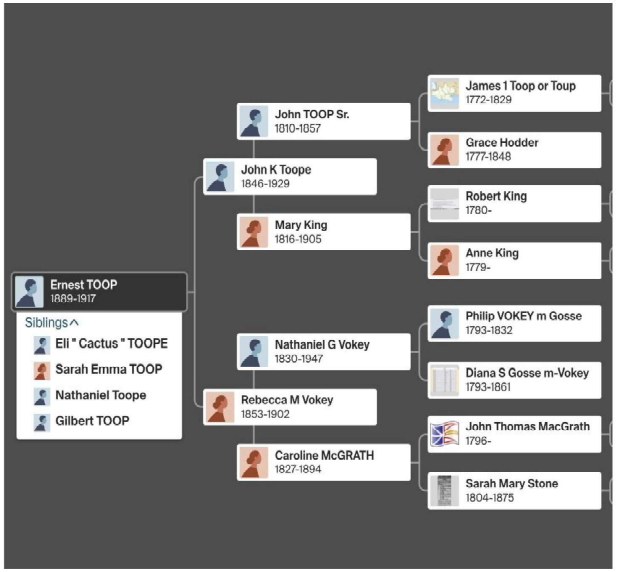
In this edition of our Newsletter, we present the story of Ernest Toope of Ireland's Eye. The population of the community of Ireland's Eye, as recorded in the 1911 census, was 157 individuals. This edition concludes the stories of the 68 men from Trinity Bight who lost their lives in WWI and WWII and are remembered on monuments and church windows in the Bight. Ernest is one of two casualties from the island of Ireland's Eye.

As always, the THS welcomes application for membership from anyone interested in the objectives and activities of the Society.



Ernest Toope

Ernest, the son of John Toope and Rebecca Vokey, was born at Ireland's Eye on March 29th, 1889. He enlisted in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment on May 8th, 1916. He was killed in action in Belgium on October 9th, 1917. He was 28.



Family Tree

Ernest embarked for England on-board S. S. Sicilian on July 19th, 1916. After training, he joined the regiment in France on October 14th, 1916. He was wounded on March 3rd, 1917, and invalided to England for recovery. He rejoined the battalion near Langemarck, Belgium on August 12th, 1917. He was killed two months later and was interred in Poelkapelle British Cemetery, Belgium.



Death Location



Gravestone