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TO OUR FUTURE VALUED CUSTOMERS

I am grateful for the opportunity to continue serving the community and local customer base. I am looking forward to continuing the partnerships, relationships and commitments already established in the community, and am excited to continue the work and build upon the solid foundations already in place! Thank you to Karl & Jennifer for trusting that their vision for the business will be carried on. - Rebecca Russell



Sending you and yours endless well wishes for a joyful and relaxing holiday and exciting New Year.



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Trinity Historical Society will hold a Remembrance Ceremony in St. Paul's Churchyard on November 11th led by Kris Drodge. Please see The Trinity Bight Enterprise for details.

In this edition of our Newsletter, we present the story of William Penney who is remembered on the War Monument in English Harbour

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



William Penney



William Edward Penney, the son of Alexander Penney and Annie Kearley, was born at English Harbour on February 23rd, 1894. He enlisted in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment on February 12th, 1915. He was killed in action on April 18th, 1917. He was 23.



The fundraising committee of St. Paul's Anglican Church thanks everyone for coming out to play Bingo at Rocky's Place from June to October. We had a blast at bringing Bingo back to the Bight and we certainly couldn't have done it without your support. We are pleased to say that we have raised nearly \$20,000.00 through this fundraising effort and the credit for it goes to you all for showing up weekly.

We began our fundraising efforts in December 2024 and our total board has just broken the \$130,000.00 mark towards our \$200,000.00 goal. This is amazing and we thank you. A special shout out and thanks to Corey Jones for letting us use Rocky's Place for our weekly event and being accommodating for us.

Thanks to the committee members and all others that volunteered and pitched in to make sure Bingo was what it was. You know who you are. Congrats to all the winners and a special congrats to Tony Toope for being the Jackpot winner at the last game.

The blessings of the holiday season to all and we look forward to ***Bringing Bingo Back to the Bight in 2026!!!!***

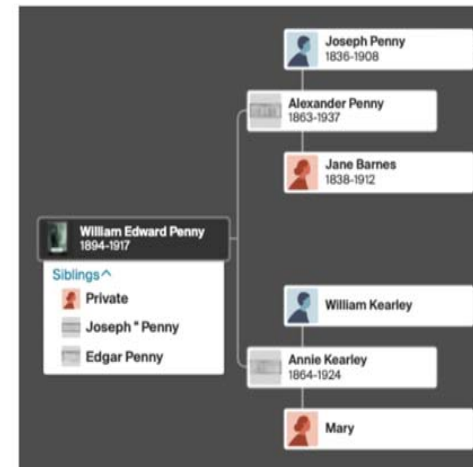


Service Schedule – December 7 – December 28, 2025

December 7 th The Second Sunday Of Advent (Blue)	11:00 A.M. Church Of The Good Shepherd (Dunfield) 7:00 P.M. St. Clement's (Champney's West)	Holy Eucharist Evening Prayer
December 14 th The Third Sunday Of Advent (Blue)	11:00 A.M. St. Andrew's (Trinity East) 7:00 P.M. St. John The Evangelist (New Bonaventure)	Holy Eucharist Evening Prayer
December 21 st The Fourth Sunday Of Advent (Blue)	11:00 A.M. St. Paul's (Trinity) 7:00 P.M. Christ Church (Port Rexton)	Holy Eucharist Evening Prayer
December 24 th Christmas Eve (White)	7:00 P.M. St. Clement's (Champney's West) 9:00 P.M. St. Matthew's (Trouty)	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist
December 28 th First Sunday Of Christmas	11:00 A.M. St. John The Evangelist (New Bonaventure)	Parish Service Of Lessons and Carols

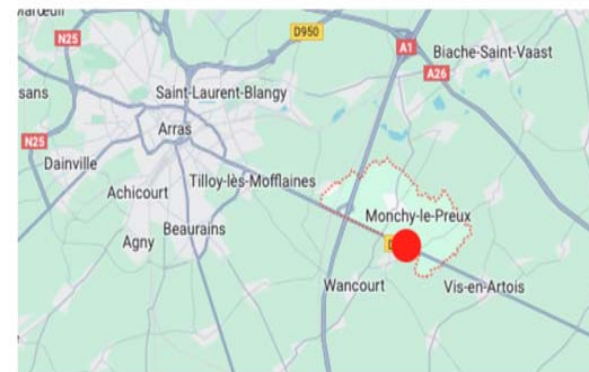
Memorial Tree Lighting Services

December 16 th ;	St. John The Evangelist (New Bonaventure) St. Matthew's (Trouty)	-	6: 30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.
December 17 th ;	Church Of The Good Shepherd - St. Paul's (Trinity)	-	6:30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.
December 18 th ;	St. Clement's (Champney's West) - Christ Church (Port Rexton)	-	6:30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.



Family Tree

William a fisherman before enlisting, embarked for England from Halifax on-board SS Orduna in March 1915. After training in Scotland, he first saw action at Gallipoli in September 1915. He immediately became severely ill with dysentery and rheumatism and was evacuated to Cairo, and then to England in December 1915. After recovery he rejoined the regiment in France in October 1916. He was promoted to Lance Corporal on February 15th, 1917. On April 14th, 1917, he fought with the regiment in the Battle of Monchy at Monchy-Le-Preux where he was wounded by shell fire. He died of his wounds four days later and was interred in Duisans British Cemetery, Duisans, France.



Death Location



Headstone



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Christmas



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We would like to wish our valued customers a Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year! Looking forward to serving you in 2026, thank you
all so much for your continued support.

Scott and Lisa Hurdle

BEDA invites you to Light the Bight



*The Bonaventure-English Harbour Development
Association is hosting a decorating contest for the holidays.*

*We encourage all Trinity Bight residents to keep their
outside lights & decorations up from December 20th to
January 6th—judging will take place during this time!*

Prizes include:

"Best in the Bight" \$200

"Most Spirited" in each community \$50



*Organizations interested in sponsoring the event can contact
BEDA on Facebook.*

Thanks for helping bring holiday cheer to Trinity Bight!





Trinity Bight's Santa Claus Parade

Saturday, December 6, 2025

We will leave the Bonaventure Crossroads at 11:00 am,
Travel to English Harbour, then
Return to the Port Rexton Lions Club to award the prizes

Enter a float! Three categories! (Registration 10:00 - 10:45)

Commercial; Groups & Organizations; Friends and Family
with prizes of **\$100, \$75 and \$50** in each category.



A FOOD DRIVE float will accept contributions for the Port Rexton and Area Food Bank and

A TOY DRIVE float will accept new, unwrapped toys for those who need them.



Lions Clubs and Volunteer Fire Departments
Serving our Communities



Please Note:

Due to Safety Concerns / Highway Regulations, there are SEVEN DESIGNATED SANTA STOPS

1. Bonaventure Crossroads (Parade Start);
2. Trouty Intersection at Plant Road
3. Bottom of Dunfield Hill
4. BEDA Building, Trinity
5. Robin Hood Beach in Port Rexton
6. Champney's East Community Centre
7. English Harbour Beach (Parade End)



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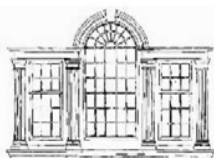
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Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

My name is Thunder. I am 7 years old and I live in Dunfield, NL. Thank you for the gifts you brought me last year. This year I would like a Lego set, giant Minecraft blocks so I can build things and a surprise.

Please remember to visit the children at the Janeway as they are spending Christmas away from their homes and extended family. We will leave a snack of blueberry muffins and milk for you and some vegetables for the reindeer! Have a safe flight on Christmas Eve!

Thunder

PS: I almost forgot - we have a new kitten, his name is Oliver!

He can get into trouble - so watch out for him!



WANTED: A Few Good Men!

Join The Loyal Orange Lodge, New Bonaventure.

Help us keep going the annual square dance, cold plate supper, donations to local Santa Claus Parade, Janeway Children's Telethon and more.

For more info call ; Alex Spurrell 464-3510; Ed Verge 464-3784, Morley Goodyear 464-2032 or Michael Hiscock 464-3396.

We meet once a month from October - May.

Dear Santa,

My name is JJ. I am 8 years old and I live in Dunfield, NL. Thank you so much for the gifts you gave me last year. This year I would like to have a Chatty Cathy Doll from the 1970's, a Miss Beasley Doll and a Tickle Toes Doll from the 1920s that's dressed in its original clothes and bonnet. Please stop by the Janeway Hospital and bring some toys to the children there. Also don't forget the children who may not have much and will really enjoy a gift from you! We will leave a snack for you and the reindeer. We will probably leave it on the kitchen table in a container. We have a new kitten this Christmas and he likes to get into mischief!

Your friend,

JJ

P.S. Watch out for the new kitten, Oliver! He likes to run and jump around!



Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,
My name is Abbey Ray, and I am 3 years old. I have been trying my best to be good this year! Thank you so much for the wonderful gifts you brought me last Christmas! For Christmas this year, I would really love to get a pink flashlight and a big dollhouse. Oh, and please bring something special for my little brother, Lennon too. I hope you, the elves, and the reindeer have a wonderful Christmas. I will be excited to see you on Christmas Eve! Thank you, Santa!

Love,
Abbey Ray



Dear Santa,
Hi Santa! My name is Lennon, and I am only 1 and a half years old. I am learning and growing every day! Thank you for the presents you brought me last Christmas. This year, I would love something fun to play with and some new books. I'm still little, but I love to laugh, explore, and play with my toys. Please bring something special for my big sister. Thank you, Santa! I will be asleep and cozy when you come.

Love,
Lennon



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SING ALONG & Santa

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Frank Bartlett, March 11, 1952 - December 5, 2022

To my Husband;

When I miss you, I remember how good it was to have you in my life.
No matter where I go, or what I am doing I always think of you.
I would not change my memories for the world.

Love always, Shirley

Dad, Pop;

Sadly missed along life's way
Quietly remembered every day
No longer in our life to share
But in our hearts, you're always there.

Love Lisa(Scott)

Grandchildren Chelsea(Nathan), Michael (Allie) and Matthew

Note of Thanks

The family of the late Nina McGrath extends our thanks and gratitude to all who reached out to the family via phone call, text or Facebook messages, sent cards, attended the viewings and or funeral service.

A very special thank you to Kim Hansford and Vardy's Funeral Home for all her tender care and compassion with the family even adding special touches like a piece of material for all to place so she could continue her quilting in heaven.

Thank you to Rev. Sparkes for a truly wonderful service and all his kind words of encouragement to get us through those hard days.

To Jennie, who at the last minute jumped in to beautifully play the guitar for the service, the readers in church who all did an amazing job, the pallbearers and Chris Hiscock (grave digger).

Last but not least, the Fort Point Lions Club who provided an amazing luncheon. It meant so much for the family to be able to focus on all who gathered at the hall knowing the lunch and serving of tea/coffee and cleanup was taken care of by all while providing additional support to us. To each and every one of you who contributed in any way great or small, thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Family of Nina McGrath



Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

It's your little friend Paisley Bailey!

How are things at the North Pole? I am a whole year older now and I can walk! I love to chase my big brother around and climb on everything.

For Christmas this year I would like a Miss Rachel Doll, a little people set, and a surprise. I know you will remember all the boys and girls, but please bring something special to my brother Parker. He is so good to me!

Have a safe flight from the North Pole!

We will put out milk and cookies for you and carrots for the reindeer.

Love, Paisley



Dear Santa,

It's your little friend Parker Bailey!

I'm in Pre-K now and I've been trying really hard to be kind all year. Thank you for the wonderful gifts you brought me last year. I loved playing with them!

This year I would like to have a play couch for me and my sister, a new guitar, and a little surprise.

Have a safe flight from the North Pole!

We will be sure to leave cookies and milk for you and carrots for the reindeer.

Love, Parker



Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,
Hi again. This is your little friend Adalynn Cooper and I am 4 years old. I am still a little too small to write this letter to you by myself, so my mommy is helping me. I hope that you and Mrs Claus are doing well at the North Pole. I am very excited for your visit this year. I have been a really good girl. Thank you for all the gifts you brought me last year, I loved them all. This year could you please bring me a scooter, a new dollie, some new clothes, a nintendo switch with some games and anything else you would like to bring to me. Please do not forget to bring all my friends at school some special gifts as well. I will leave some cookies and milk for you and some reindeer feed outside for your reindeers, just in case you get hungry on your journey. Have a safe trip.
Your little friend,
Adalynn Cooper
Port Rexton, NL



Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus, Parker and Joy? How are the reindeer? Thank you for all the gifts you gave me last year! For Christmas I would like to have a pizza slime mart, four passenger barbie car, slime kit, a gaming headset with a mic, a barbie ambulance, foodie mini brands.
Don't forget the sick children who can't make it home for Christmas.
From, Leah J



Please join us on Sunday, December 7
for our Christmas Sing-along and Tree
Lighting, from 3:30–5:30 pm.

There will be gift draws and visits from
Frosty and Santa. Sandwiches, cookies,
tea/coffee and hot chocolate and will be
served.

We will light the Christmas Tree at dusk,
as we leave the building.

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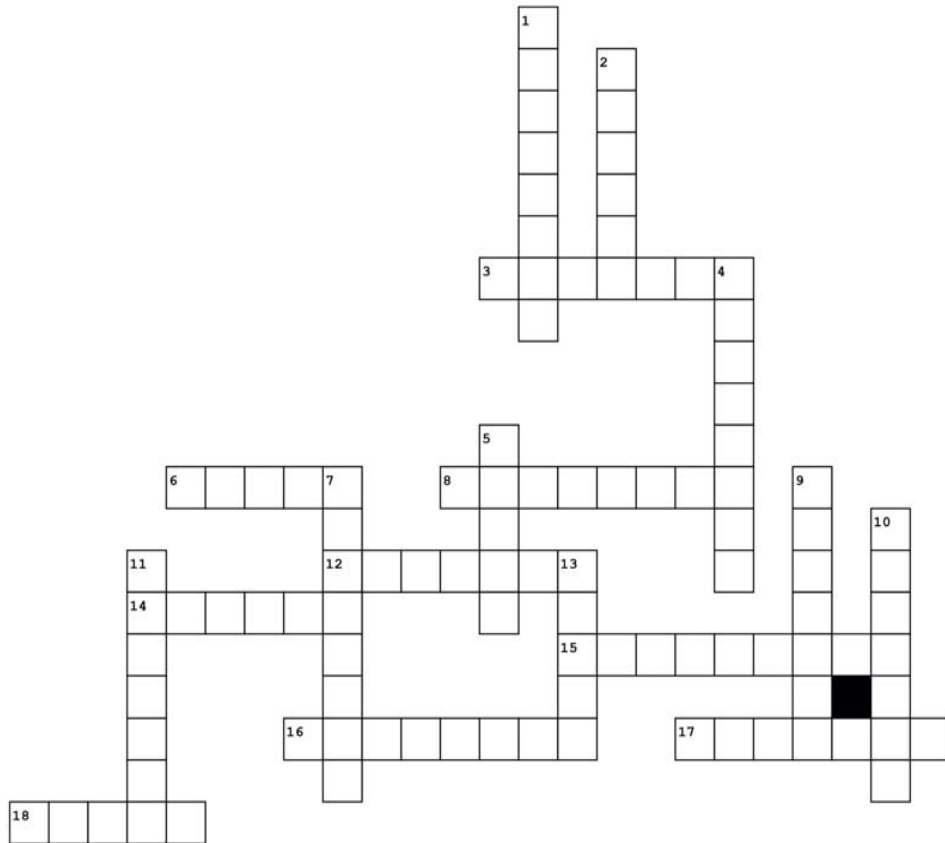


This Christmas, may the love of
your family and the warmth of the
season light your way. Stay safe
and have a very happy holiday.
From the Staff and Board members
of the Trinity Historical Society.

If you would like to place an ad in our
January issue please
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or call 709-464-3599.

Deadline for the January issue is Friday,
December 19th, with a
release date of December 30th

December 2025



Across

3. What mostly affects the movement of icebergs?
6. The distance wind blows in a constant direction over water.
8. In the song Trinity Cake the cake caused the man's jaw to ____.
12. The 1800s Trinity shipbuilder known as "The Prince of Shipbuilding">
14. ____ Hunt, and Anglican minister, was born in Trinity in 1888
15. A danger of encountering a thunderstorm at sea.
16. In the song Trinity Cake who complained about his stomach?
17. Who operated a shop in the old Garland Hotel in the 1950s and 60s?
18. The Trinity Old Benefit Club meets of February second and November ____.

Down

1. In "The Ryans and the Pittmans" the pretty young maiden was chewing ____.
2. The recently appointed new mayor of Trinity.
4. The day before Christmas Eve is called ____.
5. ____ Taverner was appointed a Justice of the Peace in Trinity in 1728.
7. Who wrote the review "The Ryan Brothers of Trinity 1906-1952"?
9. An anchor made of wood and a rock.
10. If you are ____ along you are walking slowly.
11. ____ Neck is the point of land between Gotts Cove and the Northwest Arm.
13. The recently appointed new mayor of Port Rexton.

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

My name is Loik Bolger and I am 7 years old. This year I started grade 2! I love spending time outside in the woods with my friends working on our basecamp & treehouse, playing video games, building legos & playing with RC cars & figures. I've been trying to be kind & I've been a big help to my family with my baby sister Linnea. Please remember all of the children going without, we are going to donate food to our local food pantry to try & help. We are waiting to see our elf Tinsel - she is mischevious!

We will leave cookies, milk and carrots.

Love, Loik

PS If you can please bring me a Vtech laptop, a red RC nissan GT car & a bug book if you can. Thank you!



Dear Santa,

My name is Lilia Bolger and I am 5 years old. This year I started Kindergarten! This year I am trying to be very helpful & kind with my brother & sister & all my friends at school. I am hoping you could bring me Butter Slime, a karaoke machine & a Vtech Secret Diary and if you can a Gabby's Dollhouse book as I'm learning to read & write. I love drawing, writing & doing crafts. Please don't forget all the children in need this year Santa.

We are going to donate some food to our local food pantry to help. And please don't forget my brother Loik, little sister Linnea & my cousins Ellie & Jack. We can't wait for our Elf Tinsel to visit soon too!

We will leave cookies, milk & carrots.

Love, Lilia



Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,
My name is William King and I am 5 years old. I live in Trinity, Newfoundland. I have been trying very hard to stay on your good list this year, but sometimes I forget. I'm still learning, and I promise I'm doing my best!
For Christmas this year, I would love a trampoline, a smart watch so I can learn to tell time and help keep Mommy on track, and a pair of roller blades. I think they would be lots of fun! Please don't forget my furry friends, Sammy and Finn. They have been good too!
Thank you, Santa. I will leave some milk and cookies for you, and carrots for the reindeers.
Love,
William King



Dear Santa,
My name is Maria King and I am almost 4 years old. I live in Trinity, Newfoundland. I have been a good girl all year, even if I tease my brother sometimes- but only for fun! I am very excited for Christmas! This year, I would love a new baby doll, a watch, and a trampoline. Thank you for everything you gave me last year. I will leave you milk and cookies, and carrots for the reindeer.
Love,
Maria King

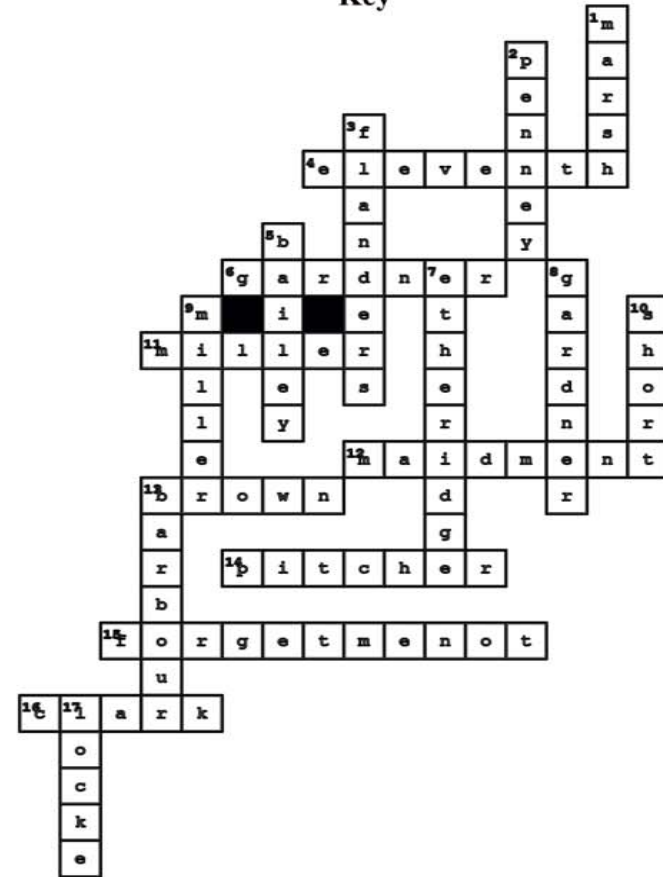


Dear Santa,
My name is Linnea Bolger. I am 1 year old! I have been busy keeping up with my brother Loik and sister Lilia. I love dancing, climbing, animals & Miss Rachel. I hope you could bring me a piano mat to dance on, a baby doll as I love to take care of my sisters dolls and a bath toy as I love my baths. Please remember all the boys and girls in need, and I'll try to listen to my mom and dad too! We will leave cookies, milk and carrots!
Love Linnea



November 2025

Key



Across

4. WW I ended on November _____ 1918.
6. Theophilis _____ from British Harbour died at Beaumont-Hamel July 1, 1916.
11. Benjamin _____ from Champney's West died in Belgium on October 9, 1917. He was 20.
12. Arthur _____ from Trinity died at Monchy Le Preux, France April 14, 1917. He was 20.
13. Orlando _____ from Trinity East died in France on February 25, 1917. He was 18.
14. Walter _____ from Old Bonaventure was awarded the military medal in WW I.
15. The _____ was the original NL flower of remembrance after WW I.
16. William _____ from Kerley's Harbour died at Monchy-Le Preux on April 14, 1917. He was 19.

Down

1. Walter _____ from Dunfield died in the torpedoing of SS Rio Verde February 21, 1918. He was 25.
2. William _____ from English Harbour died of wounds received at Monchy on April 18, 1917. He was 23.
3. In _____ Fields the poppies grow, among the crosses row om row.
5. Aaron _____ from Old Bonaventure was killed in action in Belgium April 27, 1916. he was 22.
7. Gordon _____ from Champney's East died at Beaumont-Hamel July 1, 1916.
8. Edward _____ from British Harbour died at Beaumont-Hamel July 1, 1916.
9. George _____ from Trouty died in the disappearance of SS Halifax in December 1917. He was 21.
10. Richard _____ from New Bonaventure died at Beaumont-Hamel July 1, 1916.
13. Horatio _____ from Port Rexton died at Beaumont-Hamel July 1, 1916.
17. William _____ from Lockston was an RAF pilot shot down near Malta March 20, 1943. He was 20.

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

Hi my name is Kinsley and I am 7 years old so I'm writing my own letter this year. First of all I would like to thank you for the gifts you gave me last year. This year for Christmas I would like a stitch and angel pillow, some clothes for my boy newborn doll and a surprise.

Santa don't forget my little niece Lilly.

See you soon

Your friend Kinsley.

P.S. Mom will leave cookies & milk for Santa and carrots for the Reindeer.



Hello Santa

My name is Mallory Drodge. I hope you and Ms. Claus are doing well and Tinsel, candy cane, Ginger, and Buddy are doing well too. You must be very busy getting ready for Christmas!

I hope all the kids that sent you letters get what they want. Now on to my Christmas letter, this year I would like a mini fridge and a couple of surprises, and that is it!

I hope you have a nice day and I will hear from you soon.

Mallory



Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus? My name is Lexie Bellows. I am 10 years old and I live in Dunfield. I have a dog named Molly who loves treats and a sister named Payton. Thank you for the gifts you gave me last year. I play with my lego set every day! This year I would like another lego set to add to my collection, a gaming headset to play with my friends online and maybe a surprise or two. Please don't forget the boys and girls that are in the hospitals and can't get home for Christmas. I will be sure to leave out a glass of milk and some cookies for you and carrot for the reindeer. Don't forget my big sister Payton and my dog Molly!

Love Lexie



Letters to Santa

Hi Santa,

It's me your friend Brielle! This year I am 6 years old and in grade 1. You probably already know this because you're watching me but I have 2 baby brothers, Walker and Jovi. I am so excited to tell them all about you! I tried my best to be a good girl this year so I could ask for a big doll house, Barbie doctor and a mini iPad. Don't forget to bring something special for my brothers. We will leave a lunch and milk for you by the tree.

Thank you

Love your friend,
Brielle



Dear Santa,

This year you have two new little friends, our names are Walker and Jovi and we are 2 months old! Our big brother and sissy is writing this letter for us this year. We hear your name a lot at our house and we love to look at all the pretty Christmas lights. We don't really need much for Christmas this year but we would love more clothes as mommy says we are growing so quickly! A jolly jumper and maybe some new books. Brud and sissy will leave out milk and cookies for you by the tree. Don't forget to bring them something special.

Love your two new buddies,
Walker and Jovi



Dear Santa

It's me, Ayden! I'm 6 years old now! How have you, Mrs. Claus, elves and reindeer been? I have two new baby brothers this year, they're pretty cute! Thank you for all my presents last year, this year I would like to have a hatching dinosaur egg, Minecraft creeper, and a Batman car. Me and sissy will leave milk and cookies out by the tree for you

Love your buddy,
Ayden

