

# St. George on Yonge – November 20, 2020



Photo credit: Kathy Baillie – the stairs to the south garden

**To our St. George on Yonge Parish Family and Friends,**

## **The “I read it” quiz.**

Once again, well done DeeDee! Who’s going to be first this week? Submit your answers to [office@stgeorgeonyonge.ca](mailto:office@stgeorgeonyonge.ca) and if you’re first we will congratulate you in the next issue.

- 1) When is the deadline for the Christmas Newsletter?
- 2) What is happening this Saturday?
- 3) How did the turtle say thank you?

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## **Message from former Parishioners**

*Thank you for the newsletters and Weekly Parish Updates. We appreciate it very much.*

*Remember us to all at St. George’s.*

*Warm regards,*

Sherwin & Jean

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Please find attached

- Letters from the Bishop (November 17<sup>th</sup> and November 20<sup>th</sup>)
- the bulletin for Sunday’s online service
- Kids Corner and Youth Zone page
- Information re silent auction

## **In-Person Worship suspended at this time**

With the rising numbers of COVID-19 cases and advice from the City and the Diocese, the leadership team of St. George on Yonge has decided to suspend in-person worship at this time. The services will be live streamed at 10 a.m. and only those people involved on the worship team will be in attendance.

We will be monitoring the situation and keeping you informed.

Please join us on Facebook, and comment so we know you are with us!

Stay well,

Rev. Leonard Leader and the Wardens



## **FaithWorks**

FaithWorks is the annual appeal of the Anglican Diocese of Toronto building communities of compassion and hope. FaithWorks Sunday is this Sunday - November 22<sup>nd</sup>. The service will include a video sermon from Peter Mentis, FaithWorks Campaign Manager, promoting FaithWorks. Check out their website for more information -

[faithworks.ca](http://faithworks.ca). You can mail to or drop-off a cheque at the church. If you wish to donate by credit card, please use the Donate bar on our parish website and specify that your donation is for FaithWorks. Please see the attached letter from the Bishop (November 17<sup>th</sup> letter) for more information.

### **FaithWorks Sunday, Reign of Christ - Single Petition - 2020**

Let us celebrate the Reign of Christ today in remembrance that Divinity arose among us in Jesus, lives within us, and sees us daily in the lives of those who call out for assistance.

We pray for all those who work within the FaithWorks family of support. We pray that our gratitude for their work may enrich their lives and sustain their energies for the great work that they are called to do.

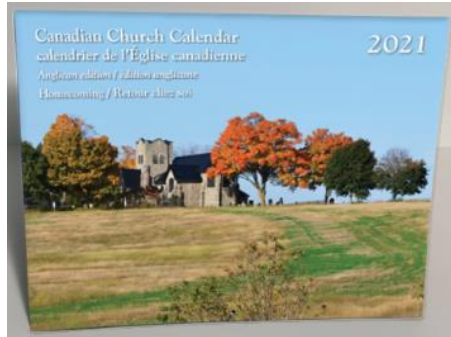
We pray for all those whom they assist, that their lives may be renewed for full participation in the human family.

We pray for the success of the FaithWorks fundraising campaign, that we too may be given a chance to be those hands that do the work of saving lives and offering hope for so many. Help us to be as generous a possible, especially in this time when we are made aware of what it is to be alone, in need, and fearful of the future.

May the eyes of our hearts be always open to the full humanity of all.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Brother.

Amen.



### **Church Calendars**

2021 Church calendars are now available for \$6 each. Please let the office know if you are interested in purchasing a calendar and we will make arrangements for you to pick them up from the Church. There is also a possibility of having them delivered depending on where you are located. Email the office at [office@stgeorgeonyonge.ca](mailto:office@stgeorgeonyonge.ca)

### **Farewell Gifts**

With COVID-19, we were not able to have our regular St. George "send-off" for two staff members who left us in the spring. We would like to thank Craig and Morning for their service to the parish. If you would like to contribute to gifts for either of them please drop-off or mail your contribution to the church office, being sure to indicate what it is for. **Deadline: November 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

### **Christmas Newsletter**

We are looking for articles to include in our Christmas Newsletter. Do you have a story from times long ago? A special Christmas memory? How about a favourite recipe? Please send all articles to the editor – Kathy Baillie [fambail@hotmail.com](mailto:fambail@hotmail.com) by **November 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

## You're invited to St. Mary's Anglican Richmond Hill first-ever virtual Christmas Market and Bazaar!



The Anglican Church Women (ACW) at St. Mary's have been hard at work to make our annual Christmas Bazaar a success. While Covid-19 has been a challenge for so many, we have found a way to safely mobilize and offer a new virtual Christmas Market & Bazaar experience!

Take a look around and see how you can take part - by doing some Christmas shopping, sharing the site with your friends, participating as a vendor or supporting our work through sponsorship! We look forward to seeing you on November 28th and/or December 5th during our curbside pick-up dates!

Shop Online at: <https://st-marys-anglican-church-christmas-market.myshopify.com>

Sponsorship Proposal: [bit.ly/Sponsorship-OR-1101](https://bit.ly/Sponsorship-OR-1101)



### Kaitlyn and her Bear Silent Auction

Contest open from Nov 1 to **Nov 22, 2020**

Doug is looking to find a new home for Mom's little girl, Kaitlyn and her Teddy. This is not a doll to be played with, and is not suitable for children under 8 years of age.

Simply send an email to [DougMheyes@gmail.com](mailto:DougMheyes@gmail.com) to enter the silent auction stating your name, contact information and the amount of your bid. The winning top bid amount, no name, will be provided next week update (current top bid in regards to the treasured doll collection Kaitlyn and her Bear; is presently \$ 20.00) up until the 12:00 p.m. closing on the 22nd to allow you to submit a new bid if you choose. If, at the closing, there is more than one person with the same maximum bid submitted, then Rev. Leonard will draw the winning name from a pool of each matching top bid on Nov 29. All proceeds are to be payable to St George on Yonge. Please remember to submit your bid to Doug before the deadline **THIS WEEKEND**. Bid early and bid often. Good Luck!

### Children and Youth Ministry

New opportunities for the children to connect with us and each other while staying safely apart!

Calling all **3-5 year olds** (and their parents). We are having a zoom program this Saturday **November 21<sup>st</sup>** at 11:00 a.m. We will be having a short, age-appropriate session.

Calling all **6-11+ year olds**. We are having a zoom program on Saturday **November 28<sup>th</sup>** at 11:00 a.m. We will be reading a story and doing some activities related to the story. (Please note that if there are any children a bit older than 11 and they would like to join in – please do so.)

Stay tuned for the 12+ age group. Information coming soon!

To join by computer, tablet or smart phone – Go to the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4136849381> You may have to download Zoom. **You must use a passcode 1922**

To join by phone – Call **647-374-4685** When prompted to enter the Meeting ID number, enter **4136849381** Then press **#**. If prompted to enter a participation ID, just press **#** and stay on the line. **You must use a passcode 1922**

Please email Sarah or Kathy to let them know that you are interested in joining in.

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAM MATERIALS



Hey Parents and Kids,

Check out the **Kids Corner and Youth Zone** information attached from Sarah. If you have any questions for Sarah she's only an email away: [sarah.layman@stgeorgetoronto.ca](mailto:sarah.layman@stgeorgetoronto.ca)

There are weekly Children's story and activity bulletins available. Please let us know if you would like to receive the weekly story and activity bulletin by email. [fambail@hotmail.com](mailto:fambail@hotmail.com)

Kathy

## DVRR Preparing to welcome a new family to Canada

The Don Valley Refugee Resettlers are busy preparing to welcome a family of 4 to Canada. The family, a mother and 3 boys ages 7, 9 and 12 are due to arrive on December 8. They are originally from Iraq, but fled to Turkey after the father of the family was murdered. The family will also be welcomed by the mother's Aunt, Uncle, Grandmother and Grandfather, who are already in Canada. DVRR originally agreed to sponsor this family in fall 2018. It's been a long two years, but suddenly it's time to find an apartment and collect furniture and appropriate winter clothing. If you would like to know more about how you can help, please contact Aili Maki ([ailli@makifamily.ca](mailto:ailli@makifamily.ca)).



### ALBRECHT DURER: HANDS AT PRAYER

### The Story continues...

My friend called me last week. She is now almost blind and has just gone into a retirement home. She phoned to say that she had decided to give me the plaque - this time to keep. I have found the perfect spot for it, and I shall think of her every time I go by.

Anonymous

## Virtual Service

The online service for November 22<sup>nd</sup> is being streamed live on the St. George on Yonge Facebook page at **10 a.m. ET**: <https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgeonyonge/live> OR <https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgeonyonge>.

The entire video will also be available on the page immediately after.

Please invite your friends and family to watch, pray, sing and react together while apart! Since you'll be in your own homes, you can belt out the hymns if you like!

You can continue to access the service at <https://stgeorgeonyonge.ca/sermons>. Services for previous Sundays can be accessed from the website by clicking on *Sermon Archive*.

You can hear the sermon by calling the church phone number and choosing option 8.

### Comment on Facebook!

It is great to know who is taking part in our virtual services. When you make a comment, we can see who has joined us for the service.

## VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR – This Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1 p.m.



(drinking actual coffee is optional)

This Sunday at 1:00... Please join us for our Virtual Coffee Hour. Don't be afraid of joining in... speaking during the call is also optional. It's just a great way to connect with others which is so important in these challenging times. We hope to see some new faces joining us this week.

To join by computer, tablet or smart phone – Go to the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4136849381> You may have to download Zoom. **You must use a passcode 1922**

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If you would like to practise signing on, or need any further information, please contact Lorraine at 905-881-1465 or [lbaille@rogers.com](mailto:lbaille@rogers.com). On Sunday if you have any trouble getting on, please call Lorraine.

**Bring your beverage and treats to the chat!**

**Host this week: Lorraine Baillie**

**If you would like to be a Host for these virtual coffee hours, please let us know.**

### Donations of Warm Clothes needed



As the colder weather is now upon us, the Willowdale Welcome Centre is seeking donations of men's clothing and warm winter clothing items (hats, scarves, gloves, coats, boots, etc.) Women's clothing will also always be accepted but is currently not as high of a priority. Donations can be brought to the Church.



Are there any birthdays or special celebrations coming up in December? Please let us know.

## Please help save God's creatures great and small



With the necessity of wearing masks, if you are wearing disposable ones, please **cut the ribbons** before throwing them away properly. Animals, birds, fish, etc. can get caught up in the elastic. Don't forget to **cut the plastic** rings of can holders too. Please say **no to plastic straws**... there are many alternatives out there now. And please use **reusable bags** when possible. Thank you on behalf of God's creatures.



Thanks!



Merci!

Gracias!



## Church Contact Information

\* In these COVID-19 times, anyone visiting the church, for any reason besides in-person worship, must sign in a log book as required by public health directives for contact tracing. Visitors should call the church before coming, and inform Rev. Leonard or the Office Administrator or a Churchwarden that they need to visit St. George. For in-person worship, a checklist will be completed at the screening table.

The church phone number is **(416) 225-1922**.

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## Important Links

\*For regular updates on COVID-19 from Toronto Public Health, or for updates on the impact of COVID-19 on City services, please visit [www.toronto.ca/covid19](http://www.toronto.ca/covid19). This link will also connect you to Provincial and Federal information.

\*For information and updates from the Diocese, please visit [www.toronto.anglican.ca](http://www.toronto.anglican.ca)

*“And you will have confidence, because there is hope;  
you will be protected and take your rest in safety.  
You will lie down, and no one will make you afraid;  
many will entreat your favour.”*

Job 11.18-19

