



Parish Update-June 30, 2022 - Canada Day Weekend edition



A friend is a gift whose worth cannot be measured except by the heart.

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

DO YOU KNOW?

- 1) Who did a silent auction last Sunday?
- 2) What do we need in order for our Children's Ministry to continue in the fall?
- 3) When are the donations of food blessed?
- 4) Where can you watch the service if you're not attending in person?
- 5) Why did the scarecrow win an award?

Did you find all the answers? Congratulations! Now you know!

HOW TO JOIN ST. GEORGE EVENTS ON ZOOM

To join by computer, tablet or smart phone – Go to the following link: https://zoom.us/j/5482169827 You may have to download Zoom. Passcode: 1922

To join by phone – Call **647-374-4685.** When prompted for the Meeting ID number, enter 5482169827 then press #. If prompted to enter a participation ID, press # again and stay on the line. Passcode: 1922

Please join us for in-person Worship

Our services are in-person as well as live streamed on Facebook at 10:00 each Sunday and available afterwards to watch at any time. If you are coming in person, please come to the welcome table to sign in and pick up a bulletin. The leadership team asks that we continue wearing masks for the safety of others.

This Sunday: Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS FOR JULY

July 3 - Canada Day

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Worship					
July 3	Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	In person/ Facebook Live	10:00 a.m.		
July 6	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.		
July 7	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.		
July 10	Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	In person/ Facebook Live	10:00 a.m.		

Other Eve	UPCOMING EVENTS Other Events/meetings				
July 3	Lemonade on the Lawn	in person	after the service		

ON-LINE SERVICES

The service for July 3rd is also being live-streamed on the St. George on Yonge Facebook page at **10 a.m.**

ET: https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgeonyonge/

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

- *The bulletin is attached.
- * 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.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN – EVERY SUNDAY IN THE SUMMER!



We are happy that our Lemonade on the Lawn is back after the service. It takes place outside in the garden area weather permitting. Hosts are needed for this important ministry. Please speak with Lorraine Baillie or Nancy Dodsworth if you are able to help with this. Lemonade Hosts will be responsible for serving and cleaning up. All supplies provided.

How to responsibly get rid of your items at Lemonade on the Lawn:

What goes where?

When you are finished with your Sunday treats, please dispose of the waste as follows:

Napkin, paper plate, food, toothpicks - go into the green bin

Styrofoam cup - goes into the recycling bin

Thank you.

Thank you to our host this week – Aili Maki Hosts are needed from July 24th.

GUIDELINES TO PREVENT ANAPHYLACTIC REACTIONS



No Peanuts / No tree nuts

St. George on Yonge is a **nut-sensitive** and **seafood-sensitive** facility.

There are children in the daycare who have **Anaphylactic Allergies** to:

- Peanuts
- Tree Nuts

There are members of the congregation who have **Anaphylactic Allergies** to:

- Peanuts and tree nuts
- Fish and Seafood

Contact with food containing the above ingredients can be **Life Threatening**.

Food products containing peanuts or tree nuts are prohibited throughout the building at all times.

For parish and outside events: If fish or seafood are planned to be served, the Hospitality Coordinator or Parish Administrator need to be informed ahead of time. These foods need to be kept separate from all other food and should be labelled. The parish will endeavour to limit the amount of seafood/fish brought for events.

Your co-operation is extremely important in this matter.

SILENT AUCTION SUCCESS

At Coffee Hour last Sunday there was a Silent Auction for a gift package of Godiva chocolates and a mug. The retail value was \$40.00 (plus tax). The bidding started at \$5.00, and ended at \$50.00, which was then given to the church.

My thanks to the generous person who bid \$50.00, and then gave the item to another parishioner. She took the big, white Godiva mug, and the chocolates were shared between three other members.

Thank you everyone for your support.

Does anyone have an idea for something they would like to auction in the same way? Every dollar helps to cover the day-to-day costs of the church, and is greatly appreciated by all.

I would be happy to speak to anyone interested.

Hazel Perkin

MORNING PRAYER SERVICE



Join us for Morning Prayer by Zoom. Next service is on Wednesday, July 6th

Time 8:00 to 8:30 a.m.

An opportunity to invite family and friends interested in morning worship. Interested in being a reader? Please respond to this weekly update or contact Doug Heyes at dougmheyes@gmail.com.

Use the Zoom link at the beginning of this update.

EVENING PRAYER



Join us for evening prayer by Zoom. Next service is on Thursday, July 7th Time 7:30 to 8:00 p.m.

An opportunity to invite family and friends interested in evening worship.

Interested in being a reader? Please respond to this weekly update or call Rev. Leonard at 416 225-1922 x515. Use the Zoom link at the beginning of this update.

GARDEN UPDATE

Guess the names of the flowers blooming in our south gardens.



CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY



There are no children's program for the summer but activity bulletins will be available each week for use during the service, please ask the Ushers for these. If you are not attending in person, these can be emailed to you every Friday – please let the office administrator know. Colouring pages, markers, and toys for the younger children are also available from the storage bin in the library.

In order for us to have our **Children's Ministry on Sunday mornings** during the church service we **need volunteers** to take on this challenging, important ministry. We are looking for volunteers who can **commit to most Sundays** as well as take on the planning and preparation for the classes. We can also use people who could fill in occasionally when the regular teachers aren't available or help out with some preparations, if we have regular teachers. Anyone interested needs to complete a police record check and take the online Sexual Misconduct Policy training before they can begin volunteering. At this time being fully vaccinated is also a requirement for any volunteers at the church. We would like to have everything in place to begin our in-person classes by the Sunday after Labour Day if possible.

Anyone able to help with this, please speak to Rev. Leonard after the service or email him (**priest-stgeorgeonyonge@toronto.anglican.ca**).

CELEBRATIONS



Happy Birthday Dilip!
Blessings on your special day!



Happy Birthday Canada!

Any more birthdays coming up in July? August? Are there any other special celebrations coming up? Just let the office know so we can wish you blessings on your special days.

Any special events that you would like to have fresh flowers at the service to help celebrate? We have fresh flowers at services when we get a donation for them. We also need flowers for special services such as Easter. We put a notice in our service bulletin that the flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of, in honour of *name(s)* celebrating a special event, *name(s)* celebrating a special birthday, anniversary... etc. from *their family* or *name of person/people donating*.

PHOTO GALLERY







South Gardens - Already producing some radishes! What's next? Maybe some Kale and beans!

Do you have any pictures of interest that we could share? Please submit them to the office for consideration.

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DONATIONS OF FOOD



Please remember that the grocery cart in the Narthex is there for donations of non-perishable food. The donations will help support the St George on Yonge Gift Card recipients, as well as the NeighbourLink food bank that helps the needy in Willowdale and the wider North York area. Contributions can be brought to the church anytime and placed in the cart in the narthex to be blessed on the last Sunday each month. Distribution is done once per month.

SMILE OF THE WEEK!





In these times, things that make us smile are very important. Do you have something that could make someone else smile? Please submit anything you have to the office for consideration.

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We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

Congregation Cycle

Hugo & Carolina C Ruby D, Ariana Cheryl D, Matthew Michael & Nancy D

Egan D & Karen N, Liam, Michael



"The Kingdom of God has come near"

Luke 10:11b

ONGOING REMINDERS

TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This is the Land Acknowledgement that has been adopted by St. George on Yonge:

The land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-shownee) and Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nations, and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory was the subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy and the Ojibwe and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. This territory is also covered by the Toronto Purchase. Today, Toronto is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island.

We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and work in this community, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

REVISED COVID INSTRUCTIONS

On Sunday, June 5 – the Diocese of Toronto moved to "Green Stage," of reopening, which is the complete removal of all COVID-19-related restrictions imposed during the pandemic. (The sole exception to this is our vaccination policy for clergy, staff and volunteers, which remains in force.)

The Common Cup is an important symbol in our Anglican tradition. It has been emphasized that receiving the consecrated bread alone is complete in itself, so those who aren't comfortable drinking from the Common Cup don't need to. The cup is now being offered to people who wish to return to drinking from the Common Cup.

For the time being, the parish leadership has decided to continue contact tracing, and ask that we continue wearing masks for the safety of others. (Please note that anyone entering the Office Administrator's area when she is at work will need to be wearing a mask – if you don't have one, one will be provided).

Please follow the Priest's and Ushers' instructions for the service; and be respectful of everyone's comfort level with physical distancing and contact.

\$TEWARD\$HIP

Please think about your gift to St. George in a very intentional and prayerful way. The note below on 'Donation Options' has useful information to help you with your decision.

DONATION OPTIONS

- PAR (Pre-authorized Remittance) is the ideal way to support the parish financially. If you are not already 'on PAR', please seriously consider this method of intentional giving, using safe, secure and automatic debit; it's very flexible and you can change or withdraw your commitment at any time. Commit to a manageable amount, and if you can offer more, place additional donations on the offertory plate on Sunday mornings. Regarding PAR or any form of donation, Envelope Secretary Anne Baillie will be happy to give you more information and assist you. She can be reached at family.baillie@sympatico.ca or 416-225-2570.
- Cheques can be mailed or dropped off at the Church in person. The Office Administrator is at the church on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays during office hours to accept your cheques or even good old-fashioned cash! Please phone or email to set up a time to drop of your donation.
- At Sunday services, the offering plate remains on a table at the Sanctuary entrance rather than being passed around, due to COVID protocols. Please place your donation as you enter for worship.
- Donations can also be made online with a credit card through CanadaHelps (there is a service charge to the parish, but all donations are gratefully received).



UKRAINIAN RELIEF WORK

There are many ways to support Ukraine and Ukrainians suffering from an unjust war in their homeland. As we've written in the past, one way is through the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund of the Anglican Church of Canada, at pwrdf.org/give-today

Another avenue is the United Nations Refugee Agency at https://give.unhcr.ca/

Many Canadians are donating through the Red Cross at https://donate.redcross.ca/page/100227/donate/1?locale=en-CA

This website seems to have other reliable avenues for donating to Ukrainian relief: https://www.forbes.com/advisor/personal-finance/donate-relief-to-ukraine/

Please consider helping as you are able.

HOW TO BOOK A COVID-19 VACCINE





https://covid-19.ontario.ca/book-vaccine/

Vaccines save lives. Let's all do our part. Thank you.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO SAVE GOD'S CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL



If wearing a mask and using disposable ones, please cut the elastic/ribbons before disposing of them properly; some ribbons can simply be pulled free of the mask. 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.

If you have the opportunity to share this message, please do so. The more people we make aware of this, the better off God's creatures may be. Thank you!

NEIGHBOURLINK NORTH YORK VIRTUAL PRAYER MEETINGS

NeighbourLink North York continues to host virtual prayer meetings at 9pm on Wednesdays. Regardless of your faith or denomination, we would like to invite you to join this global movement. You can attend by clicking this Zoom Link at 9pm: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82497465914... Or bookmark the link to our website https://www.neighbourlink.org/prayforpeace If you'd like to offer a prayer, read a poem or sing a song you are welcome to do so. All are welcome! We ask that this be a respectful and safe space!

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

Anyone needing to be at the church from Monday to Saturday must sign in and out of a log book. People must inform Rev. Leonard, the Office Administrator or a Churchwarden, before coming.

OFFICE HOURS

The Church hours are Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:30-4:00. Masks are still required if you are entering the Office Administrator's area when she is working. You can reach us by email or phone as well. The leadership ask that we continue to wear masks for the health and safety of each other.

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. This link will also connect you to Provincial and Federal information.

For information and updates from the Diocese, please visit <u>www.toronto.anglican.ca</u>

ANSWER TO Why did the scarecrow win an award? Because he was outstanding in his field! LOL

EXTRA JOKES OF THE WEEK... for those of you who read to the end!

How do Earth, Saturn, and Neptune organize a party? They planet! Why do nurses carry red pens? In case they have to draw blood! How do celebrities stay cool? They have lots of fans! LOL

GARDEN QUIZ ANSWERS

- 1. Morning Glory
- 2. Dahlia
- 3. Purple Daisy
- 4. Petunias
- 5. We don't know...if you do please let us know!
- 6. Alyssum
- 7. Daisies
- 8. Allium (or Giant Ornamental Onion)
- 9. Enchantment Lily

(If we have anything mislabelled, please let us know.)

A LITTLE INSPIRATION

