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## Parish Update-June 24, 2022



We should indeed keep calm in the face of difference, and live our lives in a state of inclusion and wonder at the diversity of humanity.

George Takei

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

# DO YOU KNOW?

- 1) Who is joining the group at the Pride Parade?
- 2) What goes into the recycling bin after Lemonade on the Lawn?
- 3) When is Pride Sunday?
- 4) What do the colours of the new Pride Flag mean? (See the end of the newsletter for the answers)
- 5) Where do used napkins and paper plates go?
- 6) How does Moses make his coffee?

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: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/5482169827">https://zoom.us/j/5482169827</a> 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 find included this week

- The bulletin for Sunday June 26<sup>th</sup> service
- Bishop's Letter

# **MESSAGE FROM BISHOP KEVIN - JUNE 18th**

Good morning friends at St. George on Yonge,

As always, thank you for sharing your weekly calendar of events, announcements and links. I always appreciate seeing what's happening in the life of the parish. Be assured of my ongoing prayers as you continue in the mission of God's Church for God's world.

Blessings,

+Kevin

# Please join us for in-person Worship

Our services are in-person as well as normally live streamed on Facebook at 10:00 each Sunday and available afterwards to watch at any time. Unfortunately this Sunday the Broadcast team (Egan) is unavailable so the service will only be in person this week. 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: Third Sunday after Pentecost

#### WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS FOR JUNE

June 26 is Pride Sunday celebrating LGBTQ+.

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Worship				
June 26	Third Sunday after Pentecost	In person only	10:00 a.m.	
June 29	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.	
June 30	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.	
July 3	Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	In person/ Facebook Live	10:00 a.m.	

Other Events/meetings				
June 26	Lemonade on the Lawn	in person	after the service	
June 26	Virtual Children's program (3-11+)	By Zoom	12:30 p.m.	

#### **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.

#### **ON-LINE SERVICES**

Unfortunately the service for June 26<sup>th</sup> is not able to be live-streamed this week.

\*The bulletin is attached.

# LEMONADE ON THE LAWN – EVERY SUNDAY IN THE SUMMER!

Lemonade is optional

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 – Ann-Marie Waithe Powell

# WILLOWDALE YARD SALE DAY THIS SATURDAY, JUNE 25! 60+ VENDORS!



21 yard sales happening across the neighbourhood and 40+ vendors at Spring Garden Church on Saturday! Take a look and see if any of your neighbours are selling. Click Here to View the Map: <a href="http://tiny.cc/x0ssuz">http://tiny.cc/x0ssuz</a>

#### **MORNING PRAYER SERVICE**



Join us for Morning Prayer by Zoom. Next service is on Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>

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, June 30<sup>th</sup>

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**



Carter's Roses



Snow on the Mountain (snow still to come)



Lamb's Ear in bloom

# **CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY**



Our next session for the children 3-11 is this **Sunday June 26**<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m. on Zoom. This is the last session before the summer break. Children's activity bulletins can be made available each week during the summer for use during the service, please let the office know if you are interested in having these. Colouring pages, markers, and toys for the younger children are available from the storage bin by the library.

I will be evaluating what my involvement will be moving forward with the Children's ministry and would like any input from families and others that may be willing to help with this important ministry. My hope is to restart our in-person Children's program in September but that won't happen without help. You can reach me at:

Kathy: <u>fambail@hotmail.com</u>

#### **CELEBRATIONS**

Any birthdays coming up in July? 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*.

#### PROUD ANGLICANS



After a COVID-enforced absence for two years, the Toronto Pride Parade is returning this Sunday - June 26<sup>th</sup>. We'd like to invite members of our welcoming parish to join in the parade. St. George on Yonge is considered a welcoming parish as a LGBTQ2S+ affirming church. Contact Aili Maki if you would like to join the parish group. Aili Maki (rectorswarden@stgeorgestoronto.ca)

For more information please see their Facebook page – <a href="www.facebook.com/groups/ProudAnglicans/">www.facebook.com/groups/ProudAnglicans/</a> or email them at <a href="mailto:info@proudanglicans.ca">info@proudanglicans.ca</a>

#### **POETRY CORNER**

#### **Jews With a Cross**

While struggling with financial woes
I stood before a baby's clothes
Exalted then and through the years
Could this tot assuage my fears
A voice inside directed me
From this scene nativity
To buy a cross and wear it proud
Though it would make some furrows browed
The Lord explained with language terse
What Jesus suffered was much worse

by Randall Pancer

Submitted by Hazel Perkin

#### THE GREAT CANADIAN GIVING CHALLENGE – LESS THAN 1 WEEK TO GO



#### What is the Great Canadian Giving Challenge?

The Great Canadian Giving Challenge is a month-long initiative to encourage people to donate during a slow time of the year for fundraising. Historically, this has been the month of June. CanadaHelps wanted to change that so in 2015, they launched the first Great Canadian Giving Challenge to help charities engage their supporters and raise more money. **We currently have 50 entries from one donation of \$50.** 

#### Here's how it works:

Every dollar donated to St. George on Yonge in June through CanadaHelps is an entry for a chance for St. George on Yonge to win \$20,000. Donations must be made via canadahelps.org.

\* Minimum \$3 donation required. Contest runs from June 1, 2022 at midnight Newfoundland Daylight Time (NDT) to June 30, 2022 at 11:59:59 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time (PDT). See full rules at: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/givingchallenge-rules/

Please note we are not asking you to switch over to giving through CanadaHelps. Continue to give through envelopes or PAR to save the Church the credit card processing fees (3.75%) CanadaHelps charges. While we know these are hard times for many, we are asking if it's possible for you to give a little extra during the month of June to give St. George on Yonge a chance to win the \$20,000 prize. Thank you!

#### **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**

Mary Elizabeth & Robyn C

Margaret C

Jackie C

Yan C

Cynthia C



# "As for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God."

#### **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-show-nee) 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.

# \$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 <a href="maily.baillie@sympatico.ca">family.baillie@sympatico.ca</a> 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 oldfashioned 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 <a href="mailto:pwrdf.org/give-today">pwrdf.org/give-today</a>

Another avenue is the United Nations Refugee Agency at <a href="https://give.unhcr.ca/">https://give.unhcr.ca/</a>

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: <a href="https://www.forbes.com/advisor/personal-finance/donate-relief-to-ukraine/">https://www.forbes.com/advisor/personal-finance/donate-relief-to-ukraine/</a>

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 <a href="https://www.neighbourlink.org/prayforpeace">https://www.neighbourlink.org/prayforpeace</a> 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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Rev. Leonard Leader Ext. 515 <u>leonard.leader@stgeorgeonyonge.ca</u>

Michael Leach Ext. 504

Prayer Requests – Margie Lyttle 416-512-6265 <u>mmlyttle@hotmail.com</u>

#### **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 <a href="https://www.toronto.ca/covid19">www.toronto.ca/covid19</a>. This link will also connect you to Provincial and Federal information.

For information and updates from the Diocese, please visit <a href="www.toronto.anglican.ca">www.toronto.anglican.ca</a>

ANSWER TO How does Moses make his coffee? Hebrews it! LOL

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

Singing in the shower is fun until you get soap in your mouth. Then it becomes a soap opera!

If a child refuses to nap, are they guilty of resisting a rest?

What do you call an illegally parked frog? Toad! LOL



#### A LITTLE INSPIRATION



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