

**Final Parish Update— July 29, 2022**



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

**DO YOU KNOW?**

- 1) **Who** do you contact if you want to get on PAR (Pre-authorized Remittance)?
- 2) **What** do we need in order for our Children's Ministry to restart in September?
- 3) **Which** option do you choose when calling the church if you want to listen to the recorded sermon?
- 4) **Where** can you find information about what is happening at the church now that the weekly updates are ending?
- 5) **Why** don't oysters share their pearls?

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

**LAST EDITION OF OUR WEEKLY PARISH UPDATE**

Our weekly parish updates started at the beginning of the COVID pandemic. This was to help everyone feel like a part of the church and to stay informed about what was happening in the church and with the pandemic. Now that we are having our services in person and are able to socialize afterwards, this will be our last weekly update. In the fall we will continue to provide updates on an occasional basis as needed. Information about our services and other activities can be found on our website. [www.stgeorgeonyonge.ca](http://www.stgeorgeonyonge.ca) Attached is a sheet of important information such as how to join in on Zoom and when the various services are happening to keep for your use over the rest of the summer.

**THANK YOU**



Thanks to all who provided articles, photos and items of interest for the weekly update over the last two years. A special shout out to the dedicated editorial team for their commitment to ensure that parishioners and friends received relevant information from the parish, the Diocese and others as well as some humour and inspiration to help get us through these challenging times.

## 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

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## SAD NEWS


Ms. Minwu Qiu (Mrs. Dorcas Liu), spouse of the Rev. James Liu, died tragically on Wednesday, July 20. Funeral arrangements are still pending and will be announced by St. James Cathedral in due course.

## Please join us for in-person Worship

Our services are in-person as well as live streamed on Facebook at 10:00 most Sundays 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: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

 <b>Worship</b>			
July 31	Eighth Sunday after Pentecost	In person/Facebook	10:00 a.m.
August 3	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.
August 4	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.
August 7	Ninth Sunday after Pentecost - The Rev. Canon Victor Li	In person/Facebook	10:00 a.m.
August 10	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.
August 11	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.
August 14	Tenth Sunday after Pentecost - The Rev. Canon Victor Li	In person only	10:00 a.m.
August 17	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.
August 18	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.
August 21	Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost – Morning Prayer service	In person/Facebook	10:00 a.m.
August 24	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.
August 25	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.
August 28	Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost	In person only	10:00 a.m.
August 31	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.
Sept. 1	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 4	Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	In person/Facebook	10:00 a.m.
Sept. 7	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.
Sept. 8	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 11	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost – Welcome Sunday	In person/Facebook	10:00 a.m.



## Other Events/meetings

July 31	Lemonade on the Lawn	in person	after the service
August 7	Lemonade on the Lawn	in person	after the service
August 14	Lemonade on the Lawn	in person	after the service
August 21	Lemonade on the Lawn	in person	after the service
August 28	Lemonade on the Lawn	in person	after the service
Sept. 4	Lemonade on the Lawn	in person	after the service
Sept. 11	Welcome Sunday	in person	after the service

## ON-LINE SERVICES

The service for July 31<sup>st</sup> 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.

## WELCOME SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> AFTER THE SERVICE

A parish event to get to know each other and to renew acquaintances; to hear about various parish ministries; and to exchange ideas for engagement in the life of the church.

All are welcome!

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



Lemonade is optional

Lemonade on the Lawn 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 dispose 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:

Napkins, paper plates, food, - go into the **green bin**



Styrofoam cups –go into the **recycling bin**



Toothpicks – go into landfill.  
Thank you.



Thank you to our host this week – Damiana Palmieri (DeeDee) and to all the people hosting in August.

## GARDEN REPORT

The gardens have been appreciated by many people passing by. The tiered gardens feature Cleomes (one in bloom) and Joe Pye weed. At the top tier we have a more naturalized garden with milkweed and sunflowers growing very tall.

The north garden has suffered from lack of water but our Snow on the Mountain is now snowy.

In the south gardens all our Rose of Sharon have started blooming. The annuals have been very colourful. Many of the vegetables are now ready to pick, with yellow beans, kale, radishes, lettuce and onions. Carrots are continuing to grow well. The recipients of our gift cards will be invited to take some vegetables home with them next Tuesday. Parishioners can help themselves any time after Tuesday.



Cleomes and Joe Pye Weed



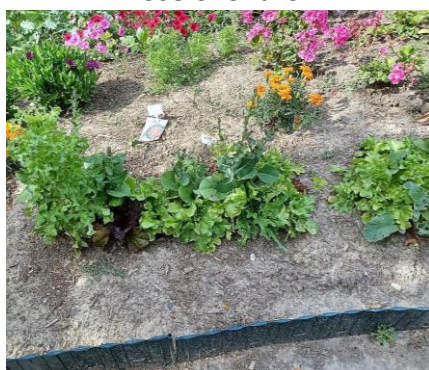
Rose of Sharon



Snow on the Mountain



Kale and Beans



Lettuce

Please check out the gardens when you come to the services or are in the neighbourhood. We are no longer doing the weekly updates but the gardens will continue to grow.

## MORNING PRAYER SERVICE



Join us for Morning Prayer by Zoom.

Next service is on Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</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 [doughey@gmail.com](mailto:doughey@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, August 4<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.

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY



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

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 teaching most Sundays as well as take on the planning and preparation for the classes (using Sermon4Kids curriculum as well as other resources). 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.

**Update:** As of today we have not had anyone come forward that will enable us to start our Children's Ministry on September 11<sup>th</sup>. The process to get a police record check can take a while to get so we really need people to come forward at this time to get all the prerequisite items done if we want to make this happen. We do have one potential teacher but they are not able to help at this time but could possibly start in the new year and another person who is able to assist occasionally but not on a regular basis.

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

## CELEBRATIONS



Pictures of the birthday girls – Anne and Betty – at the visits from Rev. Leonard

Happy Birthday and blessings to all who have special days coming up in August

## ST. GEORGE ON YONGE MEMORIES



When you are just looking for a label and come across some pictures from the past. This one was taken at an AWARE Conference in Geneva Park, Orillia. This was at an Anglican Women's conference – year unknown.

Participants in the picture are Eleanor G, Kathy L, Gail B, Pat W, Barb B, Carol H and Pat S.

Random pictures from my walk – non-natural things this week.

Photos by Kathy Baillie

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## A large, dense pile of various food items, including canned goods, boxes of instant noodles, and bags of rice, illustrating the concept of food security.

Items commonly asked for:

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 monthly.



## 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

Pam H  
Shirley H  
Chioma I  
Elvine J  
Sumedh J and Pearl S



*"Life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."*

Luke 12:15

## 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.

## 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

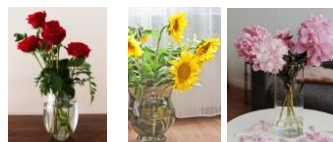
Please think about your gift to St. George in a very intentional and prayerful way. The note below on 'Donation Options' has useful information to help you with your decision.

## 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](mailto: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 off 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).



## LIVE FLOWERS FOR SERVICES



Any special events that you would like to have fresh flowers at the service to help celebrate? We have fresh flowers at services only 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*. If you are coming to the services in person, you will be able to take the flowers you donated home with you if you like. The Altar Flower request form is attached.

## UKRAINIAN RELIEF WORK

A report from PWRDF (the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund of the Anglican Church of Canada) on the situation in Ukraine is attached. It shows how serious is the human suffering in that country, and how the donations of the faithful are being used. Please take a few minutes to read the PWRDF report.

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, at <https://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>

Please consider helping as you are able.

## 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.

## 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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Rev. Leonard Leader Ext. 515

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Michael Leach Ext. 504

Prayer Requests – Margie Lyttle 416-512-6265

[mmlyttle@hotmail.com](mailto:mmlyttle@hotmail.com)

## 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)

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**ANSWER TO Why** don't oysters share their pearls? Because they're shellfish! LOL

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

How do you make an octopus laugh? Ten-Tickles!

Why did the coach go to the bank? To get his quarterback!

Why do golfers wear two pairs of pants? In case they get a hole in one!

## A LITTLE INSPIRATION

