



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Worship 			
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve – spontaneous Christmas Pageant and family service	in person/Facebook	7:00 p.m.
Dec. 25	Christmas Day Eucharist Service	In person only	10:00 a.m.
Dec. 28	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.
Dec. 29	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 1	The Epiphany of the Lord	In person/Facebook	10:00 a.m.

Other Events/meetings 			
Jan. 8	Children's Ministry resumes	in person	10:00 a.m.
Jan. 13	Deadline for Vestry Reports	to the office	
Feb. 5	Vestry Meeting – save the date	in person / By Zoom	after the service

HOW TO JOIN ST. GEORGE EVENTS ON ZOOM AND FACEBOOK

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

FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgeonyonge>

CHRISTMAS SERVICES INFORMATION

Please note that Rev. Leonard is unable to lead the services due to an unexpected COVID positive test. Our service for Christmas Eve will be the spontaneous pageant and family service without communion. On Christmas Day Father Arthur Boers will be the celebrant and preacher.

Parish Announcements

MESSAGE FROM THE ENVELOPE SECRETARY

As many of you are aware, our church is going through a very difficult financial crisis. We respectfully request that if you are able to increase your monthly or weekly

contributions through PAR or weekly offerings, it would help us get through this very difficult period.

For your convenience, a PAR application form and a PAR change form are attached to this weekly update. A completed form can be emailed to me at:

family.baillie@sympatico.ca or if you have questions, please feel free to call me at: 416-225-2570.

Thank you for your continued support of St. George on Yonge.

Anne Baillie, Envelope Secretary

2022 DONATIONS

A reminder: In order to receive income tax receipts for 2022 donations, they must be received by Sunday, December 25th so that they can be included in the year-end deposit for 2022. Any last-minute decisions to give a donation – please do an on-line donation through [CanadaHelps](https://CanadaHelps.com). Receipts can be issued by CanadaHelps for donations up to the evening of December 31st.

TO PARISHIONERS WITH OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The boxes of offertory envelopes will be available for pick up at the Sunday services. If you're not attending in person, please contact the Church office – 416 225-1922 or office@stgeorgeonyonge.ca – to make alternate arrangements. If you are using the generic envelopes each week please ask for a set of offertory envelopes. This makes it easier for the counters and you do not have to fill in any information.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Our in-person children's program will resume on Sunday, January 8th, 2023. We wish all the families a very Merry Christmas season and look forward to seeing everyone again in the New Year.

VESTRY MEETING – SAVE THE DATE

The Vestry meeting for St. George on Yonge will be held after the service on Sunday, February 5th. To all of the people in charge of the various ministries at St. George, please note that the deadline to get your reports in to the office administrator is Friday, January 13th. Thank you.

We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

Worldwide Anglican Cycle

The people and leaders of The Anglican Church of Melanesia

Canadian Anglican-Lutheran Cycle

ACC Director Joe Vecsi and the staff of Communications and Information Resources;

Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer Amal Attia and the staff of Financial Management and Administration
ELCIC Carmen Ramirez, Assistant to the National Bishop, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion;
Assistant to the National Bishop for Worship

Outreach prayer cycle

Pray for Christ Church, Brampton, its support of local outreach ministries, including Regeneration, Knights' Table, Coldest Night of the Year, and the Ste. Louise Outreach Centre;
for Christ Church, Deer Park, its support of the Churches-on-the-Hill Food Bank, its refugee sponsorships, Saturday morning breakfast program, Let Your Lights Shine outreach donation program, and the Deer Park Skills Institute in Uganda;
and for Christ Church, Holland Landing, its community lunch, Christmas meal at the local seniors' centre, support of the Helping Hand food bank, Inn From the Cold, meal and snack programs at local schools, Crosslinks, Women's Shelter of York Region, and other local agencies.

Diocesan Cycle

Christmas Day

Deanery Cycle

The people and leaders of Flemingdon Park Ministry

Congregation Cycle

Dilip G / Eleanor G / Ferdinand G / Parivin G / Azita G

The Christmas Poinsettias are given to the Glory of God and

in loving memory of our parents, John & Helen Hunter and Stan & Gladys Pummell,
from Laura & John
and in celebration of Christmas from Lorraine Baillie

SANCTUARY READY FOR CHRISTMAS



Thank you to everyone who made donations towards the plants. Thank you to Lorraine Baillie for decorating the Christmas trees and sanctuary.



DONATIONS OF FOOD AND ESSENTIAL ITEMS

The grocery cart in the narthex is for donations of non-perishable food and other essential items. 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.



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 Thanksgiving, Christmas, and 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 available at the welcome desk.

A LITTLE HUMOUR

**THESE BIG CHEERIOS ARE WAY
BETTER THAN THE SMALL ONES.
AND YOU DON'T EVEN NEED MILK.**

