



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Worship 			
Feb. 12	Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany	In person/Facebook	10:00 a.m.
Feb. 15	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.
Feb. 16	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 17	Service at DelManor	In person	10:30 a.m.
Feb. 19	Black History Month Service	In person/Facebook	10:00 a.m.
Feb. 22	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.
Feb. 22	Ash Wednesday Service with the imposition of ashes	In person	7:00 p.m.
Feb. 23	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 26	First Sunday in Lent	In person/Facebook	10:00 a.m.

Other Events/meetings 			
Weekly	Coffee Hour	in person	after the Sunday service
Feb. 10	Pub Knight at The Frog	in person	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 15	ESL	in-person	11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Feb. 15	ESL	By Zoom	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Feb. 22	ESL	in-person	11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Feb. 22	ESL	By Zoom	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
March 3	World Day of Prayer 2023	in-person	Lunch 12:00 Service 1:00

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>

Parish Announcements

Please note that the Office Administrator is on vacation and will be back in the office on February 28th. Please speak to a Warden or Rev. Leonard for any urgent matters.

THANK YOU!

The ministries of St George on Yonge could not happen without the commitment of all the staff and volunteers. I am especially grateful to the dedicated leadership team, the parish advisory board and to the leaders and team members of the various ministries and ad hoc groups. A special "thank you" to Aili Maki who has served faithfully as the rector's warden and has assumed new responsibilities as a Synod delegate. We welcome her successor, Judy Bradshaw, to the leadership team.

Thanks for your faithful service over the past year, and for your diligence in preparing for our annual vestry last Sunday. I look forward to working with you who have decided to continue in your current positions of leadership, or to assume new responsibilities. Thanks be to God! Rev. Leonard

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY PROGRAM

There will be no children's program on February 19th or February 26th. Activity bulletins will be available to use during the church service. Ask at the welcome desk for them.

ESL CLASSES HAVE RESUMED AT ST. GEORGE!

The first evening Zoom session was on Wednesday February 8 at 7:00-9:00 p.m., led by Craig Robertson. Please use this Zoom meeting link and password - ***Join Zoom Meeting***
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87290742735?pwd=eHlwQllyN2wzM1YzWjhFeE5MRUhpQT09>

Meeting ID: 872 9074 2735

Passcode: 375375

The first in-person session will be at the St. George, 5350 Yonge Street, **Wednesday February 15, 11:00-1:00.**

Please plan to attend, or pass this notice onto others who may wish to attend. For further information, contact Craig Robertson (mcrobertson3@gmail.com) or the office at 416-225-1922.



CHURCH LIBRARY

The Church Library is getting restored by our librarian, Damiana. Books are getting reorganized into subject areas that will be easy to access. For the present time, please see the cart of suggested books which will be outside the library each Sunday morning. If you wish to borrow a book, please fill in the sign out sheet in the red binder. We ask that books be returned within a month.

We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

Worldwide Anglican Cycle

The people and leaders of The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

Canadian Anglican-Lutheran Cycle

ACC The Rt. Rev. Sam Rose, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador

ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Central Toronto Area and Greater Toronto Areas East and West of the Eastern Synod

Outreach prayer cycle

Pray for Holy Trinity, Trinity Square, its daily meal program, offering food, hygiene and harm reduction supplies, encampment support, shelter and housing advocacy, its Homeless Memorial, refugee sponsorship and advocacy, and its partnership with Toronto Urban Native Ministry and Trinity Square Café;

for the Church of the Holy Wisdom, their weekly food pantry and monthly services for residents of Bendale Acres Seniors' Residence;

and for the Church of the Incarnation, its support of local food banks, the North Yorkers for Disabled Persons group home, Flemingdon Park Ministry, the Pikangikum First Nation Water Project, Enochkay Birchstick School Suicide Prevention Programme, Canadian Food for Children, monthly seniors' lunch, and community garden.

Diocesan Cycle

The people and leaders of York Mills Deanery

Deanery Cycle

The people and leaders of Church of the Ascension

Congregation Cycle

Russell M & Lea-Lyn D / Amanda M / Jackson N / Wilson N / Edwin N

“GIVING”: REASONS FOR DONATING

- Caring for others; being our brother's keeper
- Helping others because it is the right thing to do; the Bible says to give to those in need
- We will be held accountable for our assets and resources
- God asks us to give willingly and with joy
- I give because God has given me what I have, so I want to give back to recognize God's goodness to me and my family
- Giving and generosity is healthy for the donor. It puts 'money' in perspective
- Sometimes it's just because I was asked, I cannot say no.
- I give because someday I could be the one on the receiving end
- To help do mission work, support people who are going out to serve
- The joy of giving - makes me feel good

STEWARDSHIP - 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.
- At Sunday services, the offering plate will be passed around at collection time. If you would like a box of envelopes, please contact the envelope secretary Anne Baillie.
- If you are not coming in person to the services, cheques can be mailed or dropped off at the Church during the week. 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.
- 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).



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

Are there special occasions that you would like to celebrate with fresh flowers? We can only buy fresh flowers for regular services when there are donations. Flowers are also needed for special services like Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. When flowers are donated, we place a notice in the worship bulletin, 'The flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of/in honour of.....' naming the person (s) and the special event (birthday, anniversary, loved one's memory, etc.) and the names of donors. If you attend the services when you donate flowers, they are yours to take home. The Altar Flower Request Form is available at the welcome desk.

A LITTLE INSPIRATION

“Black History Month shouldn’t be treated as though it is somehow separate from our collective American history or somehow just boiled down to a compilation of greatest hits from the March on Washington, or from some of our sports heroes. There are well-meaning attempts to do that all around us, from classrooms to corporate ad campaigns. But we know that this should be more than just a commemoration of particular events.

It’s about the lived, shared experience of all African Americans, high and low, famous and obscure, and how those experiences have shaped and challenged and ultimately strengthened America. It’s about taking an unvarnished look at the past so we can create a better future. It’s a reminder of where we as a country have been so that we know where we need to go.”

—Remarks by President Barack Obama at Black History Month Reception,
February 18, 2016

A LITTLE HUMOUR

If you're going to cross-country ski, make sure you start with a small country.

