# September 1, 2023 This Week's News

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Worship ©				
Sept. 3	Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	In person	10:00 a.m.	
Sept. 6	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.	
Sept. 7	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.	
Sept. 10	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	In person	10:00 a.m.	
Sept. 13	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.	
Sept. 14	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.	

Please note that the service on September 3<sup>rd</sup> is only in-person due to the unavailability of our technical "team". The sermon will be available afterwards on our Facebook page and by calling the church and pressing extension 8.

Other Events/meetings				
Sept. 3	Lemonade on the Lawn	in person	after the Sunday service	
Weekly -	ESL Class	in person	10:00 a.m. – Noon	
Wednesdays				
Sept. 8	Pub Knights night at The	in person	6:30 p.m.	
	Frog, a Firkin Pub			
Sept. 10	Coffee Hour returns	in person	after the Sunday service	
Sept. 10	Church School resumes	in person	10:00 a.m.	
Sept. 12	Delmanor Service	at Delmanor	10:30 a.m.	
Sept. 13	Seniors connect	By Zoom	10:30 a.m.	

#### HOW TO JOIN ST. GEORGE EVENTS ON ZOOM AND FACEBOOK

**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

## **Parish Announcements**



## **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.



## SAVE THE DATE: CONCERT ON NOVEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup> 2023

The Marion Singers of Toronto, under the direction of Christopher Dawes, will be giving a benefit concert at St. George on Yonge at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup>. Our partner for this concert will be the Willowdale Church Coalition. Ticket price is \$20 and information for purchasing tickets will be provided soon. The Marion Singers of Toronto is donating their services. For more information on The Marion Singers please see their website at <a href="https://www.marionsingers.com/dev/">https://www.marionsingers.com/dev/</a>.

## **COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED**







We will resume Coffee Hour on September 10, after a summer with great social times after services. Thanks to everyone who hosted Lemonade on the Lawn.

It would be wonderful to have enough teams of two or three people to host once every 6 or 8 weeks. All supplies and training are provided. New to hosting? We can pair you with someone who has experience!

Please contact Lorraine Baillie or Nancy Dodsworth if you would like to be part of this important ministry, or leave a message at the Church Office.

Thank You!

#### THANK YOU

Roshni Sircar would like to thank all those who gave a donation to St. George on Yonge in memory of Raj.



### **CHURCH LIBRARY**

Check out the books in the Church Library. Our library is getting restored by 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.

#### **ESL CLASSES IN-PERSON AT ST. GEORGE! NEW START TIME**

ESL sessions are at St. George on Yonge, 5350 Yonge Street, on Wednesdays **now from 10:00 a.m. to noon.** No preregistration required.

#### JOIN OUR ESL TEAM!

We are victims of our success - our weekly attendance has grown to over 40 people a week. We urgently need help to continue. Currently we have 2 levels of classes, a beginner class and one for people already comfortable with some English. We need people to teach the sessions as well as others to support the teachers. Someone to greet the people as they arrive and direct them to the correct class, prepare the coffee/tea, copy resources for the teachers, clean up afterwards, generally supporting the teachers. Are you able to help us out? Or have a friend who may be interested? No teaching or ESL experience required - we just need friendly people who are eager to get to know other people and want to help them settle and become comfortable in Toronto! Please note that volunteers for ESL must take an online Sexual Misconduct Policy training that takes about an hour before starting to volunteer (it can be done at home or at the church). Email the church office if you're able to help.

## "KEEP THE LIGHTS ON" CAMPAIGN MESSAGE



The leadership of St. George on Yonge has asked members of the parish to consider donations to our campaign called "Keep The Lights On". Over the past three months we are pleased to report that many in our church family have answered the need, including a substantial contribution from the estate of a former parishioner, Colin Dobson, allowing us to meet our monthly obligations.

We are also pleased to report that further efforts to raise funds are in negotiations currently, with hopefully two upcoming concerts being planned here at St George on Yonge.

All donations received, no matter if from a member of our parish family or not, in any amount, as long as the donor provides details such as name and address for our Envelope Secretary to record, qualify for an income tax receipt that helps to reduce your income tax for the 2023 tax year.

We are very grateful for those who have already come forward with additional funds; these gifts are really appreciated but everyone's continuing support is needed. Even if you cannot afford to give large donations, even your small contribution can add up, when combined with everyone else. Without increased financial support, from everyone as they are able, St. George cannot exist here much longer.

Please check out the link below for the "This Little Light of Mine" memorial donation opportunity.

https://stgeorgeonyonge.ca/stewardship/

Your Wardens

#### We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

#### **Worldwide Anglican Cycle**

The people and leaders of the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

#### **Canadian Anglican-Lutheran Cycle**

**ACC** The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land: Arthur Turner Training School, the Centre for Christian Studies, the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad, Henry Budd College for Ministry, Saint John's College, Dr. William Winter School for Ministry, James Settee College for Ministry

**ELCIC/ACC** The Season of Creation and a renewed commitment to a healthy relationship with the Earth

### Outreach prayer cycle

*Pray for* St. Paul, Beaverton, and its ministry of practical and pastoral support for Latin American migrant field workers and their families;

for St. Paul, Bloor Street, its ESL Café, its support of the Regent Park community dinner, and Advent Ask campaign in support of PWRDF;

and for St. Paul, Brighton, its support of the Brighton Food Bank, Supper's Ready community meal, Maplewood Nursing Home, refugee sponsorship and provision of water filters in developing countries.

#### **Diocesan Cycle**

The Anglican Schools in the Diocese of Toronto

#### **Deanery Cycle**

The people and leaders of Church of the Incarnation

#### **Congregation Cycle**

Grace N / Cliff O / Azibola O / Godfrey O / Damiana P

# Other Events/activities

# SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 20<sup>TH,</sup> 2023 7:00 P.M. THE BISHOP'S COMPANY DINNER IS BACK IN PERSON!

The Diocese of Toronto is grateful for your past support of



the Bishop's Company. You may have attended one of our annual dinners, contributed to our ministries, or even viewed our online Cabaret over the last three years. Now is your chance to come together and reconnect with members of our community, breaking bread with one another while supporting a great cause.

# Business leader and philanthropist Blake Goldring, CM MSM CD CFA ODT & Executive Chairman of AGF Management Limited will be this year's Guest Speaker.

Dinner includes a performance by jazz guitarist Nathan Hiltz and will be hosted by The Rev. Roshni Jayawardena.

Funds raised by The Bishop's Company support the Bishop's ministries, provide emergency care for clergy in need, and gives bursaries for religious education. Tickets are \$175 each or \$1,600 for a parish table of ten. Cocktails start at 6pm, with dinner at 7pm. Have your guest's **menu** selections ready when you purchase your tickets. For more details and tickets go **here** and follow us on **Facebook**.

They look forward to seeing everyone in person again on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

#### **SEASON OF CREATION GETS UNDERWAY**

The global Season of Creation begins with the World Day of Prayer for Creation on Sept. 1 and runs through to the feast of St. Francis of Assisi on Oct. 4. This is a time for Christians to give particular attention to praying and caring for God's creation. The theme for 2023 is "Let Justice and Peace Flow," drawing on the words of the prophet Amos. You can find resources on the Season of Creation website. You can also find sermon notes on the lectionary readings during the Season of Creation.

Virtual events you may like to join include:

- Trees in the Spiritual Life of the Church webinar, Sept. 7 at 12 p.m.
- Lambeth Call for the Environment and Sustainable Development webinar, Sept. 20 at 1 p.m.

#### TASTE OF NORTH YORK FOOD & DRINK FESTIVAL,

NeighbourLink North York and Street Eats Market present the 1st Taste of North York Food & Drink Festival, September 8-10 at Mel Lastman Square!

Celebrate all North York has to offer with over 50 food vendors, live music, art, dancing, kids activities and NeighbourLink's Meet & Eat! Net proceeds support NeighbourLinks food bank and community care programs.

The Meet & Eat located at the Reflection Pond at Mel Lastman Square includes:

- A patio to enjoy food and meet neighbours all weekend long
- A Community Fair of 25 local charities, organizations and clubs on September 9th
- Taste of North York
- ₱ September 8-10, 2023
- Mel Lastman Square, 5100 Yonge St.
- Fri (6pm-11pm), Sat (12pm-11pm), Sun (12pm-8pm)

Join in the fun of building a more connected community together! Learn more at <a href="https://www.neighbourlink.org/taste">www.neighbourlink.org/taste</a>

They are still looking to fill many volunteer slots over the Sept 8-10 event! There are plenty of opportunities available from setting up, to Greeters and more! You can fill out this form to sign up: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSexRqPhKLpUGWlm32vH7lk3x">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSexRqPhKLpUGWlm32vH7lk3x</a> tIR0En-6EstJVFEfP25jnHFA/viewform?pli=1 (copy and paste into browser if link doesn't work)

#### A LITTLE INSPIRATION



#### A LITTLE HUMOUR

