



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>Worship</b> 			
Oct. 8	Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost- Harvest Thanksgiving	In person and Facebook	10:00 a.m.
Oct. 11	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.
Oct. 12	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 15	Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost	In person and Facebook	10:00 a.m.
Oct. 18	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.
Oct. 19	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.

<b>Other Events/meetings</b> 			
Weekly	Coffee Hour	in person	after the Sunday service
Weekly	ESL Classes	in person	Wednesdays 10:00 a.m.–noon
Oct. 10	Service at Delmanor	in person	10:30 a.m.
Oct. 11	Seniors Connection	By Zoom	10:30 a.m.
Oct. 13	Pub Knights night	in person at The Frog	6:30 p.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:

<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

**Please remember that the Sunday services are live on Facebook, not on Zoom.**

**FACEBOOK:** <https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgeonyonge> and can be watched anytime afterwards as well. Sermons can be heard on the phone by calling the church number and pressing extension 8.

## Parish Announcements

### WELCOME TO THE REV'D. IAN LAFLEUR

The leadership of St. George on Yonge is officially able to announce the arrival of our new Interim Priest in Charge, the Rev'd. Ian Lafleur to the parish. We were pleased to see that many of you took a few minutes to speak with him after his first Sunday worship service with us last week at 10 a.m. and hope that everyone will get the opportunity to introduce themselves to him in the coming weeks. We are sure that you will all make him feel welcome and we look forward not only to him leading us in worship services each week, but also look to him to work with the leadership and staff of the church to build up and continue to strengthen the body of Christ here at St George on Yonge.

### BLURB FROM FR. IAN

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Through the initiative of Fr. Leonard, now, happily retired, Bishop Andrew has appointed me, to be your Interim Priest & Pastor for a little while. Lorraine and I are grateful for your warm welcome and have received your kind gifts with thanksgiving.

We come to you after a time of sabbath, following a two-year stint at St. Stephen, Maple.

We served at St. Cuthbert, Leaside, 2015 through 2021, following a curacy at St. Andrew, Scarborough.

Lorraine and I make our home in Newmarket. Our family consists of four adult children, two daughters, two sons and our great delights, a grandson and three granddaughters!

I plan to work at the church Monday through Wednesday, 10 to 2pm. I will work from home on Thursday and rest on Friday.

I am old-fashioned regarding communications, preferring to meet or speak in person, so please call me at 647 974 5156 for urgent matters, for less urgent matters, please set some time with Kathy, to meet or speak with me in person. If all else fails, send me an email at [ianlafleur@gmail.com](mailto:ianlafleur@gmail.com).

As you might expect, I am occupied with all the newness of settling in, reviewing files, testing light switches, figuring out keys and Wi-Fi! I also plan to chat with as many of you as possible, ministry leaders in particular, in the coming days.

Fr. Leonard, graciously, gave me some sense of where you are as a parish, and I look forward to completing that picture in the near term through fellowship, prayer, and conversation.

May the Lord bless and enable us to work together to build up, the Body of Christ in this place, to equip and release disciples of the kingdom.

The Lord bless and keep you and those you love on this day and for ever more.

Every blessing.

Fr. Ian.



## **CHILDRENS PROGRAM**

The children's program takes place each Sunday in the Narthex during the 10:00 service. There will be some weeks when the program will need to be cancelled due to the unavailability of the teachers but we will let you know in the updates. We are hoping to grow our children's program but in order to do that we need to have more teachers. Please speak with Clavel or Kathy, or email Kathy at [fambail@hotmail.com](mailto:fambail@hotmail.com) if you would be able to help out with this ministry. All teachers must complete a police record check and take the Sexual Misconduct Policy online training.

[We are using the Sermons 4Kids program.](#) Each week they provide a daily discussion that can be used throughout the week relating to the theme of the Sunday lesson. We can have them email you the daily discussion questions that relate to the theme of the Sunday lesson. Please let us know if you would like me to add your email address to their email list for this.



## **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. Thanks to all who have donated to this important ministry.



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

The Marion Singers of Toronto, under the direction of Christopher Dawes, will present a concert at St. George on Yonge on Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are priced at \$20 and will be available for purchase after Sunday worship services, from the church office, or limited tickets through the EventBrite website at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/the-marion-singers-of-greater-toronto-benefit-concert-tickets-728953548687?aff=oddtcreator>. The Marion Singers of Toronto are donating their services as a benefit for St. George on Yonge and for the Willowdale Church Coalition, who are assisting with promoting this concert to the community.

For more information about The Marion Singers, please see their website at <https://www.marionsingers.com/dev/>.

## **COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED**



Coffee Hour is a chance to have some treats and social time after the Sunday service. People are needed to host. All supplies and training are provided. 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.

## **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.

## **PURDY'S CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER**

Have you started thinking about your Christmas shopping? Make plans to give some chocolates to friends, neighbours and others you would like to thank at Christmas time. Up to 25% of the profits will come back to the church. Our goal is to raise \$1,000 and we need everyone to help. More information will be available soon. The ordering process will be easy and you can have your chocolates sent to you directly or to the church for pick up. For further information, please contact Lorraine Baillie at [lbaille@rogers.com](mailto:lbaille@rogers.com) or 416-565-4923.



## **ESL CLASSES AT ST. GEORGE!**

ESL sessions are at St. George on Yonge, 5350 Yonge Street, on Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. to noon. There are 2 separate classes: a beginner level and intermediate level classes. No preregistration required.



## **ANNUAL DVRR FUNDRAISER - AMARYLLIS AND HONEY**

Don Valley Refugee Resettlers is having it's annual fund-raiser to support it's work in sponsoring and settling refugees.

- Amaryllis kits are \$15, choice of colours (red, white, pink, red & white, pink & white), but not guaranteed
- Honey is \$10 for 375 mL jar, \$20 for 750 mL jar

Please get your orders in with Aili (aili@makifamily.ca) by Sunday Oct 22. Orders should be available for pickup in late November.

Thanks you for supporting this important outreach ministry!

### **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 few months we are pleased to report that many in our church family have answered that need but more help is always needed.

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 continuing support is needed. We would also like to remind everyone about the opportunity to remember loved ones expressed in the video listed below as well.

Please check out this link 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 Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East

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

**ACC** The Rt. Rev. David Lehmann, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Caledonia

**ELCIC** The dean, council, and congregations of the North Region of the British Columbia Synod

**ELCIC/ACC** People and ministries working to address issues of poverty, homelessness, and affordable housing.

#### **Outreach prayer cycle**

*Pray for* St. Saviour, Toronto, its Bread of Life grocery gift card program, refugee sponsorship in partnership with the East End Refugee Committee, and its participation in Centre 55's Share a Christmas program.

*for St. Stephen in-the-Fields, its weekend community breakfast program, community garden, Friday drop-in, encampment support, support of the Toronto Seed Library, and environmental and anti-poverty advocacy;*  
*for St. Stephen, Downsview, St. Stephen's Community Ministries, the homework club, mentoring, and recreation programs of the Downsview Youth Covenant, and the St. Stephen/St. Felix Café, providing free lunches to those in need;*  
*and for St. Stephen, Maple, its community pantry, winter clothing support, and community garden.*

### **Diocesan Cycle**

The people and leaders of Foodbanks and food sharing ministries

### **Deanery Cycle**

The people and leaders of Spiritual & Religious Care at North York General Hospital, Long Term Care Homes and Senior's Residences

### **Congregation Cycle**

Richard & Laura, Peter & Owen / Emile S / Alan & Geraldine S / Margarette S /  
David G & Irene S

## **Community Events**

**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.



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>.

## A LITTLE INSPIRATION



"ME 'N JACKSON ARE EXACTLY THE SAME AGE.  
ONLY HE'S DIFFERENT. HE'S LEFT-HANDED!"

## A LITTLE HUMOUR



Two "Math for Dummies" at  
\$16.99 each. That'll be \$50.

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