# October 27, 2023 This Week's News

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Worship				
Oct. 29	Twenty-second Sunday after	In person and Facebook	10:00 a.m.	
	Pentecost			
Nov. 1	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.	
Nov. 2	Evening Prayer/ALL SOULS SERVICE	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.	
Nov. 5	Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost	In person and Facebook	10:00 a.m.	
Nov. 8	Morning Prayer	By Zoom	8:00 a.m.	
Nov. 9	Evening Prayer	By Zoom	7:30 p.m.	

Other Events/meetings				
Weekly	Coffee Hour	in person	after the Sunday service	
Weekly	ESL Classes	in person	Wednesdays 10:00 a.mnoon	
Oct. 29	Children's program	in person	during the Sunday service	
	resumes			

# **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

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

**FACEBOOK**: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgeonyonge">https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgeonyonge</a> 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**



#### CHILDRENS PROGRAM

The children's program is resuming this Sunday (October 29<sup>th</sup>) and takes place in the Narthex during the 10:00 service. We are hoping to grow our children's program and to have it available each Sunday but in order to do that we need to have more teachers. Please speak with Kathy, or email Kathy at <a href="mailto:fambail@hotmail.com">fambail@hotmail.com</a> 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.

#### **ALL SOULS SERVICE**

Please make a note of the special prayer service planned for Thursday November 2 at 7:30 pm over ZOOM when we will remember all the people who have been an important part of our lives and now rest in paradise with GOD. Please stop by the lectern in the narthex on Sunday or else email to church office to include loved ones on the list of people to be prayed for.

# **SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE**

Please make a note of the special service planned for Sunday November 12 at 10:00am when we will remember all the people who have fallen victim to the many wars and conflicts which have taken place around the world. Please invite any veterans or current military staff members that you may know to join us on this day.

### **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.



# **CONCERT ON NOVEMBER 25, 2023**

The Marion Singers of Toronto, under the direction of Christopher Dawes, will present a concert of Christmas songs and sacred music at St. George on Yonge, on Saturday, November 25, at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 and are on sale at Coffee Hour after Sunday worship services, from the church office, and through the EventBrite website at <a href="https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/the-marion-singers-of-greater-toronto-benefit-concert-tickets-728953548687?aff=oddtdtcreator">https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/the-marion-singers-of-greater-toronto-benefit-concert-tickets-728953548687?aff=oddtdtcreator</a>.

The Marion Singers of Toronto are donating their services to benefit St. George on Yonge and the Willowdale Church Coalition, who are assisting with promoting this concert in the community. As this will be a fundraiser for the parish, everyone at St. George is encouraged to support the parish by buying tickets, promoting the concert to friends and family members, and putting up advertising posters where possible. Posters are available from the Church office and at Coffee Hour after Sunday worship services. Everyone, please do your best to fill the church and make this concert a big success!

You can find more information about The Marion Singers at their website <a href="https://www.marionsingers.com/dev/">https://www.marionsingers.com/dev/</a>.







### **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. 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.

#### **OUR PURDYS CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER**



Want to know the most DELICIOUS way to support us? Order Purdys chocolates from our fundraiser!

This year, we're hoping to raise \$1,000 for Outreach at St. George on Yonge, and we need YOUR help!

From now until November 27, you can order Purdy's treats from our fundraiser by joining our campaign and browsing the tastiest selection of Christmas chocolates online. Shop gifts for family, friends, neighbours AND yourself in one convenient place. After all orders are submitted, we'll sort, distribute, and let you know when you can collect your goodies. (December 15)

What you'll need to order:

- 1. Our campaign number: 69741
- 2. Go to our fundraising website: <a href="https://fundraising.purdys.com/1767188-108154">https://fundraising.purdys.com/1767188-108154</a> and click "Join Campaign" to sign up. You will need to register.
- 3. Click on Shop Online and go to the Marketplace to see pictures and prices of all that's available. Shop, shop, shop away!

OR ask for a catalogue and make your order on paper.

Thank you EVERYONE for your support. Even if you can't buy chocolates from us, it would mean the world if you could share this fundraiser link to everyone you know! Happy chocolating!

## **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. Helpers are needed for this – teachers and hosts. Please speak with Kathy or Lorraine Baillie if you are able to help with this. We have been getting about 50 people each week at this time.

# **KEEP THE LIGHTS ON' CAMPAIGN MESSAGE**



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. Members should be proud of their response so far, as to date this year, internal support for St George on Yonge, even without the payment from the estate received a couple of months ago, is up almost \$32,000 over this same time last year. That is an increase of about 13%.

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 Anglican Church of Melanesia

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

**ACC** The Rt. Rev. Leslie Wheeler-Dame, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Yukon

**ELCIC** The president, faculty, students, and staff of Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon

#### Outreach prayer cycle

*Pray for* St. Timothy, Agincourt, its involvement with weekly hot lunch and breakfast programs and an Out of the Cold program, and its support of the Agincourt Community Services Association, Stephen Lewis Foundation, and other local, national and international outreach programs;

for St. Timothy, North Toronto, its monthly community lunches, monthly dinners at St. George House, support of services including Moorelands Community Services, The Stop Community Food Centre, the Pikangikum Water Project, and a school and rehabilitation centre in Malawi;

and for the Sisters of St. John the Divine, their ministry of intentional prayer and support for the outreach and advocacy work of the Diocese, and their provision of pastoral care to St. John's Rehab Hospital.

### **Diocesan Cycle**

The Eastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada - Bishop Michael Pryse

# **Deanery Cycle**

The people and leaders of

# **Congregation Cycle**

Maxwell & Anne W / Jack and Sylvia Y / Kay Y & Kira L / Grazyna Z / Raphael O

A LITTLE INSPIRATION

A LITTLE HUMOUR



#### Things to ponder

There are two kinds of people who don't say much: Those who are quiet and those who talk a lot.

I just paid for a one year gym membership - my bank called to ask if my credit card was stolen.

I had amnesia once... or twice.

All I ask is a chance to prove that money can't make me happy.

What is a 'free gift'? Aren't all gifts free?

They told me I was gullible... and I believed them.

Experience is the thing you have left when everything else is gone.