



THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH  
COLLINGWOOD'S WELCOMING HAVEN OF SUPPORT, CARE, OUTREACH AND INSPIRATION  
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Welcome to our Christmas newsletter. In this edition we include a report from our wardens regarding the most recent update from our province, diocese and parish regarding the Covid changes in access to our church building. As well, Gill Elias has once again provided us with an amazing recipe. We also have updates from Susan Scouten on Entrées-to-Go and the Christmas Dinner delivery, from Keiko on the music programme and interesting Christmas carol/song trivia from Jennifer Gauci! These and more in this edition of All Saints' Alive.

This week we remember the life of a good friend of All Saints', David Sutherland. David passed away this past week. Please keep Rose and her family and friends in your prayers. We will always remember David's friendly easy going approach to life.

Also this week we request that you pray also for the family of Judith Roberts. Judith passed away on December 13th. Please keep in your prayers her children, grandchildren, her nieces and nephew and her friends.

At this special time of year we say a special prayer for those people on our prayer list. Those names can be found on the church bulletin which is attached to this newsletter. In future editions of All Saints' Alive the list will be included.

Rob Potter, Warden, has announced the following....

"The Wardens deeply regret the need to cancel all church services for the foreseeable future, including Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. These services, as well as Sunday, December 27th and those in January, will be available on-line and through live streaming. Please log-in for our two services on Friday, December 24th at 4:30pm and 8:30pm for our livestreaming services.

As well please consider continuing your support of All Saints' through financial donations! This can be done by contacting the church office at 705-445-3841 or by emailing the church. We sincerely hope that in 2021 we will eventually see a return to normalcy....or at least, a "new normal"!!

Keiko has provided us with a year end report and sends her appreciation to all those who have contributed the incredible music programme at All Saints'. All Saints' Alive also would like to thank the wonderful work that Keiko has done for the music programme during this most challenging year! Thank you so much Keiko!!

On Christmas Day, Susan Scouten and her team are preparing 150 Christmas dinners to be distributed throughout our community. This is not a simple undertaking...hours and hours of planning and preparation, cooking and packaging go into this. We sincerely thank all those during these difficult times..... it is so important for our community. Please also keep in mind the Entrées-to-Go programme if you wish to order an entrée from the church. Donations are gratefully accepted and please remember that tax receipts are available!!

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Jennifer Gauci has provided us with something to ponder—to challenge our memories and creativity....can you answer the questions on Christmas songs below??? Answers will appear in our next newsletter so if you are anything like me, it's best to write down your answers!

- CAN YOU NAME THESE CHRISTMAS SONGS?
1. Move hitherward the entire assembly of those who are loyal in their belief.
  2. Embellish interior passageways.
  3. Vertically challenged adolescent percussionist.
  4. Natal celebration devoid of colour as a hallucinatory phenomenon for me.
  5. Majestic triplet referred to in the first person plural.
  6. Twelve o'clock on a clement night witnessed its arrival.
  7. Soundless nocturnal period.
  8. The Yuletide occurrence preceding all others.
  9. Precious metal musical devices.
  10. Omnipotent supreme being who elicits respite to ecstatic distinguished males.
  11. Caribou with vermilion olfactory appendage.
  12. Allow crystalline formations to descend, allow crystalline formations to descend, allow crystalline formations to descend.
  13. Jovial Yuletide desired for the second person singular or plural by us.
  14. Bipedal traveling through an amazing acreage during the period between December 21 and March 21.
  15. Exclamatory remark concerning a diminutive municipality in Judea, southwest of Jerusalem.

Gill Elias has out done herself once again....each week her recipes keep getting better and better! Please try this week's offering. I think Jacquie may be trying this over the holidays!!!

All Saints' Alive would like to express its thanks to Nancy in our church office....for almost 18 months and over 80 weeks, Nancy has been responsible for getting this weekly newsletter formatted and sent to your email addresses. Without her, All Saints' Alive would not have happened. Thank you so much Nancy!!! We appreciate all that you do for our Parish!!!

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Just over a month ago, we observed the 40th anniversary of the death of a music icon of our age. Whether you were a fan of the Beatles or not, you would have to admit that their music had an enormous impact on at least two generations, if not four or five! John Lennon was murdered in November of 1980...his song writing and music lives on.....youTube.."War Is Over".

And so this is Christmas  
And what have we done  
Another year older  
And a new one just begun

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Lord, our world is suffering through a most dangerous pandemic....tens of millions of people throughout our world have been inflicted and millions have died from this virus and it is fair to say, millions more will experience it before all is said and done. Most world leaders have risen to the occasion and have responded in supporting measures to help alleviate the severity of the illness....yet others stand idly by...

And so this is Christmas  
For weak and for strong  
For rich and for poor ones  
The world is so wrong

Our current world is on the verge of chaos on a daily basis...leaders of some of the richest and most influential countries bury their heads in the sand and accuse others of making up this news....hundreds of thousands of people are forced to leave their homes in search of food, protection and for their health.

Lord, the teachings of your Son 2000 years ago told us to “love one another, to be accepting of differences among people, to be tolerant, understanding, and to strive to live together in peace and harmony”.

In this world of crisis, Lord, we celebrate the birth of your son, Jesus Christ. Challenge us today, and in the days, weeks and months ahead to recognize the needs of others in our church, our community and in our country and world. Through your power working in us, empower us to work to help eliminate the hunger and homelessness that exists right here in our community so that hundreds of individuals will have food on their tables, a place to call home and peace in their hearts.

And so happy Christmas  
We hope you have fun  
The near and the dear ones  
The old and the young

A very Merry Christmas  
And a Happy New Year  
Let's hope is a (better one)  
Without any fear.

Lyrics from “War is Over” by John Lennon....prayer by ASA

MAY YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES HAVE A MOST ENJOYABLE CHRISTMAS  
AND LET US NEVER FORGET THE  
“REASON FOR THE SEASON”

GOD BLESS



## Warden's Report Update

We have journeyed through Advent together both in-person and on-line. However, all foreseeable services are now cancelled, including our Wednesday service, Christmas Eve and Christmas services. I hope you are able to view and enjoy the on line services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Regrettably we are not able to meet and celebrate these services in person, but our prayers are with you.

This has been an unusual year; however we all did our best to get through.

The Province has called for a shutdown which will impact services. Father Doug will continue to record a service for on -line viewing in the interim.

I hope we will have a reprieve as the vaccinations become available to the general public.

In the mean time I wish you all a better year in 2021.

Rosalind Kissoon  
Warden

## A Message from the Music Ministry

Thank you for all participating in the services Advent / Christmas season 2020.

**All Saints' Chamber Choir** - sang in the virtual choir!

**All Saints' Ukulele Players** - played for Christmas Caroling!

**Soloists** - thanks to Velma Cook, Peggy Cruickshank, Sue Waring, and Don McArthur for leading the services and Hymn Singing. Thanks also to Penny & Anthony Bourne, Jessica Schmeler for joining in the virtual Christmas Caroling. Thank you Susan Connolly for playing the violin at the services and for the virtual choir, as well singing more than one part in the virtual choir!

**A Special Guest - Rondo Ensemble** led by Susan Connolly and Keiko Yoden-Kuepfer. This group was re-formed in 2019 from the former "Bay Youth Ensemble". Unfortunately their group rehearsals have been suspended since March but Susan has met the members individually and made the virtual choir video to share Christmas cheer with the All Saints' family! Hopefully they can perform at All Saints' in 2021.

Thank you for our **fantastic technical crew** - Doug & Moira Southwell were always there to operate the screens during the services. Bill Pryde has been working on audio and visual setting since summer and livestreaming our on-line services under the direction of our head producer Rev. Doug.

Thank you to all the volunteers, staff and wardens for your support of our music ministry.

And I wanted Thank YOU for participating in the services and Hymn Singing in the church and from your home. Your support and encouragement are so much appreciated.

I wish you all the best in 2021 ♥ Hopefully we all can meet and sing hymns LOUDLY soon again.

Keiko Kuepfer / Music Director

## Christmas Cooking Corner

Oh my goodness I really don't know what to say without sounding sad; however I found this quote from Norman Wesley Brooks that I think sums up this Christmas so well...



Christmas is forever, not for just one day.  
For loving, sharing, giving, are not to put away.

So I wish you all a safe and blessed Christmas.

I have been asked to share one last Christmas recipe with you.

This one was requested by Jacquie Sims, when I told her that we were having these for Christmas instead of the more traditional Plum Pudding. For you Jacquie, with love.

### Little Sticky Toffee Puddings (Delia Smith, Christmas Book)

(Makes 12 muffin sized puddings.....note they freeze well in case you just need 2)

3 oz.	butter, at room temperature	For the Sauce	
5 oz.	sugar		
2	eggs, beaten	6 oz.	brown sugar
6 oz.	self-rising flour, sifted	4 oz.	butter
6 oz.	stoned dates, chopped	3 oz.	whipping cream
6 oz.	boiling water		
1 tsp.	vanilla essence		
1 ½	tsp. instant coffee powder		
¾ tsp.	bicarbonate of soda		



To make the sauce, melt all the ingredients together over a moderate heat until all the sugar has dissolved & is bubbling.

### **Method**

1. Preheat the oven to 350\*f
2. Grease 12 muffin cups
3. Begin by putting the dates into a bowl and pouring boiling water over them. Then add the vanilla, coffee powder and bicarbonate of soda, and leave on one side.
4. Using a mixer, next beat together the butter and sugar until light and fluffy.
5. Next add the eggs a little at a time beating well in between.
6. Carefully fold in the flour.
7. Next add the date mixture and mix. The mixture will be very wet at this time (don't worry)
8. Divide the mixture between the muffin cups.
9. Bake for 15-20 mins. until just firm.

### To finish

Allow the muffins to cool a little and then turn out of muffin pan and place on a plate (plate must be able to hold the sauce and be heat proof). Pour the sauce over the muffins

Place the puddings under a very hot broiler until the tops are a little crunchy and sizzling hot.

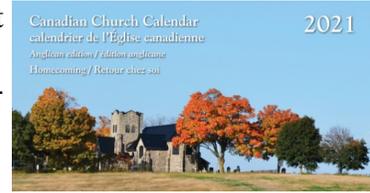
Serve with whipped cream or Brandy Butter.



Note: 1 cup All-purpose flour + 1½ tsp. baking powder = 1 cup of self-rising flour

**Offering Envelopes** are on their way, once they have arrived and ready to be distributed it will we will communicate their availability in the Bulletin/Announcements, Email and All Saints' Alive.

**Calendars** - We have 3 calendars for purchase \$6 each; contact the Church Office by calling or emailing 705-445-3841 or [allsaintschurch@bmts.com](mailto:allsaintschurch@bmts.com) Do not miss out on this charming Calendar.



We will be Live streaming our Christmas Services Thursday December 24 4pm & 8pm and Christmas Day Friday December 25 9:30am. Please click on

<https://www.allsaintscollingwood.com/livestream-sunday-service-at-930am/>

1. To watch the video click on the play triangle button
2. To enlarge the video click on the full screen icon
3. To turn up the volume click on the speaker icon
4. Enjoy!

If you are unable to attend or miss the livestream service we will be posting a recording of the service on the website please click the following link <https://www.allsaintscollingwood.com/worship-services/> to view the recorded service.

### **Entrées-to-Go Program & Cobs Bread**

The next Community Friendship Take-Out Dinner is Wednesday January 13th. Susan Scouten is offering a frozen 'Entrées-to-Go' program for the other weeks of the month. Note that this is NOT a full meal, just the main course such as Cabbage Rolls on Rice, Meat Lasagna, Vegetable Lasagna, Rainbow Cheese Tortellini with Meatballs, Cheese Burgers, Hamburgers, Ham and Cheese Croissants, Spinach and Feta Croissants, Cobs Pizza Bread. Could you, or, someone you know benefit from an entrée once a week? Also, we receive a large donation every Friday of fresh bread/rolls/sweets from Cobs Bread. Bread/rolls/sweets will be included with your requested Entrées-to-Go or you can just request Bread. We have lots!

Here's how it works: email [sscouten1@gmail.com](mailto:sscouten1@gmail.com) or call or text 705-441-1419 (Susan). In your email or text or phone message, indicate how many entrees you require. Susan will reply and let you know what she has available. Pick up or delivery will be arranged with Susan.

**Monetary donations are happily accepted and will keep the Entrées-to-Go program going and will help fund the Christmas Day Take-Out Dinner and monthly Friendship Take-Out Dinner. E-Transfers now being accepted at the church, check the website for details <https://www.allsaintscollingwood.com/how-to-donate/>**

*Merry Christmas  
And Happy Holidays  
To You and Your Family*