

ALL SAINTS' ALIVE
THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH
COLLINGWOOD'S WELCOMING HAVEN OF SUPPORT, CARE, OUTREACH AND INSPI-
RATION

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Hello and welcome back to our weekly newsletter for All Saints' Church. Well, we had some sad news this past week....Father Doug, Vanessa, Rebecca and Jason, will be moving on this summer. We are so happy that the Anglican Church recognized how special Father Doug is! I can vouch that nine years ago, the search committee of All Saints' saw the same thing! We have been blessed that the Michaels family has been part of our lives for such a long time. In the past, clergy families have been in a parish for perhaps, five years at the most. To have the Michaels family here this long, has been a very special blessing for All Saints'. The people in Kingston are in for a very special treat! On a personal note, I had the privilege of meeting Doug at the airport, on his "clandestine" visit to Collingwood in the summer of 2013. He came to visit a friend in Toronto, but had, at the time, submitted his application for the opening at All Saints' and was "one of the three" applicants appointed by the Bishop. Since the Diocese wouldn't pay for the search committee to go to South Africa (darn!), Doug came to us. He spent a weekend in Collingwood and even attended the 10:30 church service on Sunday morning....and as they say, the "rest is history"!

This week, All Saints' Alive features a special tribute from Susan Scouten. The week of April 24-30 is "Volunteer Week" in Ontario and Susan shares a message. Please see below....

As this is **Volunteer Week (April 24-30)**, I want to pay tribute to all the volunteers that donate their considerable talents to the Food Programs at All Saints'. Your thoughtfulness, your caring and your hard work is so appreciated by the parishioners at All Saints' and by the community. You are so important! You are thanked, but more importantly you are VALUED! This ministry would not run without YOU. I send out email messages to 85 + volunteers. All 85 + volunteer in one way or another. Some are staff of the church, some are parishioners, some are community members who heard about what important work we do at All Saints' providing food to those that need it.

A great big THANK YOU! Well done!

Next Community Friendship take-out dinner is Wednesday May 11. Pre-order today. This take-out dinner is for YOU! Just reply to this email to order. at sscouten1@gmail.com

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Our All Saints' Archivist, Bruce Mackison has included a bit of history about All Saints' Church. His "Did You Know" articles will appear in our weekly newsletters in weeks to come. Enjoy!

DID YOU KNOW THAT.....the first Anglican Service of Worship in the community that was to become Collingwood was held on February 18th, 1855, in the "upper room" of a tavern at the corner of Ontario and Hurontario Streets? Over the coming weeks further questions about the history of All Saints' Anglican Church, Collingwood will appear on these pages; it is hoped that you will find them of interest.

Bruce Mackison, Archives

Keiko has provided us with the weekly, Music Ministry Report. We congratulate Keiko on being selected as one of 60 organists, world wide, to participate in a very special international recital that originated from Winchester Cathedral in England. Please refer to her report to access the youtube link to this wonderful concert. We also extend thanks to Bill Pryde and Father Doug for technical assistance.

Music Alive

Last weekend, **RCO (Royal College of Organists, UK)** celebrated **International Organ Day**. I was privileged to be invited to perform at one of the special events along with representative organists from 16 countries around the world!. The recital was 6.5 hours long, and a total 2000 people tuned in! It was an amazing production - 60 organists played organ pieces from the church, concert hall and home, almost feeling like I visited 60 different concerts and thoroughly enjoyed watching it. The host was Richard McVeigh who is the Assistant Organist at Winchester Cathedral where close to Susan Connolly's home town also Rev. Doug's parents have a place (small world!), it was a wonderful opportunity that our organ was presented internationally. For those who are interested in watching this show, YouTube video is available at <https://youtu.be/JA5SpDuPCMq> All Saints' organ is presented at 3:28:45

The credit goes to our best tech crew Bill and Rev. Doug. Thank you so much for taping and editing the video so beautifully! - it was well accepted and I am already invited to the next production - 100 organists in concert!



Upcoming event - **All Saints' Lunchtime Concert series Vol.4 "Romance" on Wednesday May 4th at 12:00pm.** Please join in from your home also the church will be opened for the audience.

All Saints' Lunchtime Concert Series 2022 Vol. 4 "Romance"

Please Join us Online at

<https://www.allsaintscollingwood.com/livestream-sunday-service-at-930am/all-saints-lunchtime-concert-series-2022/>

Wednesday May 4th 2022 at 12:00pm - 12:30pm

Featuring music by Schuman, Dvořák and Elgar



Performers- Susan Connolly (Violin) - Keiko Yoden-Kuepfer (Piano)

A donation to All Saints' Music Ministry will be appreciated

Please click the following link for ways to donate

<https://www.allsaintscollingwood.com/home-2/how-to-donate/>

Producer: Rev Doug Michael, MC: Rev Sharon Johnstone

Broadcasting: Bill Pryde, Music Director: Keiko Yoden-Kuepfer

The Men's Choir is reformed after 2 years of silence! 7 gentlemen will be singing in a group and leading the worship service on **Mother's Day May 8th.**

After busy recording sessions for Easter Sunday service are over, All Saints' Musician keeps active and already the next project has started. **Ukulele Club & Chamber Choir** rehearse weekly by **hybrid style** - you can join in zoom or in-person. Please contact the members or director Keiko keikokuepfer@gmail.com for those who are interested in joining.



Sharon Goldsworthy and our Parish Missional Transformation team have shared with us, an article that helps us “open our eyes and hearts” to the community around us. This week’s article is entitled, “Increasing Our Awareness—Ecological Care/Racial Justice”.

Parish Missional Transformation is about opening our eyes and our hearts to the community outside our walls, being aware of where God's Spirit is at work, and joining in to work with others toward bringing love, healing and justice to our world. Over the next while your PMT team will be posting a number of articles or links which we hope you will find enlightening, thought provoking & encouraging.

Increasing Our Awareness—Ecological Care/Racial Justice

(Excerpts from an article in What On Earth, a weekly newsletter from CBC.)

The National Tree Seed Centre in Fredericton is like an ark for seeds.

And it hopes to send some of those seeds out into the world to help repopulate vulnerable species that First Nations communities across the country hold dear.

Since the 1960s, the seed centre has collected and catalogued millions of seeds and stored them in freezers below ground level at the Hugh John Flemming Forestry Centre.

...For about 15 years, the centre has worked with Indigenous communities, but McPhee described the relationship during these years as "ad hoc." The priorities of the federal government and the seed centre came first, and there was little concern for what First Nations were noticing around them, he said.

But this is changing.

"One thing we've really begun to notice over the last few years is when we're working with Indigenous communities, no matter where you are in the country, there's different species that are of concern to them," McPhee said.

"Maybe they're not a registered species at risk, but the local community has noticed that there's a decline in their populations for this particular species."

Under a program just launched by Natural Resources Canada, the seed centre is looking to focus on species that First Nations consider important.

The Mi'kmaq ad Wolastoqey in New Brunswick, for instance, say black ash, a wood that has been historically used in Indigenous art, has become rarer in modern times.

While stands of white birch aren't rare, it has become difficult to find trees large enough to provide adequate bark for traditional birch-bark canoes.



"Those are trees within that community that we should be collecting seed for, and that's the seed we should be planting there," said McPhee.

Cecelia Brooks , the seed keeper for her community of St. Mary's First Nation in Fredericton, called the seed centre initiative fantastic.

"It's a long time coming, but ... I really relish the idea that we're going to have Indigenous people across Canada who are going to be a part of this process of collecting the seeds and planting the seeds and growing trees."

Brooks said the need to preserve plant species isn't just important for art and heritage but also for traditional foods.

An Indigenous seed program is already growing across Canada.

"The momentum is amazing, and so the tree seeds just make sense," Brooks said. "It's another food source for us, especially acorns, as you know. And of course, there's lots of berries and butternut and other nut trees and fruit trees that we would eat."

— Shane Fowler

In your prayers this week, please remember those individuals on our Parish Prayer list. We also pray for their caregivers and all those who assist others in need. We pray for those throughout our world whose daily lives are affected by war and other forms of conflict, by disease, famine, and by natural disasters. Lord, we pray for our families, our friends, for all whom we know and love. Help us to live each day for your pleasure! And remember, God is available 24-7!

“Please pray for these people during the week” - Ayako Yoden, Gord M, Dave Foster, Brenda Teeter, Bob Teeter, Michelle A, Sandra Girdle, Mary Ratensperger, John Crust, John Heinrich, Margaret Godwin, Pam Muir, Mike, Chris, Winona Waring, Shirley Normore, Bob Normore, Bob, Linda Lampman, Ed Lampman, Ann Farrell, Judy Keown, Bev Baxter, John, Ann Bye, Paul Reid, Cheri Kelly, George, Eric Vignola, Ian Sewell, Geraldine Villeneuve, Ruth Wallace.



Our Wardens' report this week comes to us from Catherine Raaflaub. Thank you Catherine and welcome to our group of Wardens!

Happy Spring!?

The warden team have been hard at work this week following the news of Father Doug's appointment to Dean of Ontario and Rector of St George's Anglican Cathedral in Kingston. We of course are delighted for him and his family for this wonderful opportunity, and grateful for the almost nine years he has spent with us. We acknowledge this is a time of anxiety and uncertainty, but God had plans for Father Doug, and He has plans for All Saints' too!

We have met with the Bishop and she is working on securing an interim priest to assume our Parish after Father Doug's last service with us on August 14. The Bishop will guide us as we conduct a full parish search for our new incumbent to help ensure we get the right person.

We have decided not to rent the Rectory at this time as the Bishop feels this will be an attractive part of the recruitment package, so the special vestry called for this coming Sunday will not be necessary.

Rest assured, Father Doug is with us, leading us, praying with us and for us until he assumes his next post and we look forward to being able to gather in person to thank and honor Father Doug and his family and wish them well on this next Calling.

The Warden Team

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS RESIDES ON THE TRADITIONAL TERRITORY OF THE ANISHNAABE AND WENDAT PEOPLES. THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT REMINDS US OF OUR RESPONSIBILITIES TO OUR RELATIONSHIPS AND THE ANCESTRAL LANDS ON WHICH WE PRAY, LEARN, SHARE AND LIVE.

