

ALL SAINTS' ALIVE
THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH
COLLINGWOOD'S HAVEN OF SUPPORT, CARE, OUTREACH AND INSPIRATION

JUNE 30, 2022

**HAPPY CANADA DAY!
IN 1867
On July 1st in the morn
Sir John A said "okay"
And Canada was born.
It grew until it lay
From sea to sea to sea
Cause John A. said "okay"
And Canada came to be.
It's here we'll work and play
For years and years to come
Cause John A. said "okay"
To Canada, our home**

Written by parishioner, Ann Bye

Welcome back to our weekly newsletter. We welcome in a new month on Canada's birthday tomorrow. Thank you, Ann for providing your poem for All Saints' Alive. Father Doug is now on vacation, and he, Vanessa, Rebecca and Jason are enjoying a holiday with their family in the UK. We pray that they have a safe and enjoyable journey! Rev. Sharon will keep the church in order during the month of July.

Please note the following schedule for All Saints' Alive for the next two months. Newsletters will be sent: July 14th and 28th; August 11th and 25th. We will resume weekly newsletters again of September 8th.

Correction from last week's newsletter. Regarding Bishop Ryscilla Shaw's appointment of Rev. Michael to All Saints'. Rev. Michael was appointed as "Priest In Charge" not as an interim priest. Sorry for any confusion resulting from this.

DID YOU KNOW?.....that the first rectory for All Saints' Church was built by Reverend Doctor John Langtry on a block of land bounded by Napier, Erie, Peel and St. Vincent Streets in the east end of Collingwood...it was known as "Rock Court".....from the archives of All Saints' Anglican Church, Bruce Mackison, Archivist. Note: a photo of Rock Court is attached.

You are invited!!!! Our good friends across Elgin Street have invited parishioners at All Saints' for a "Strawberry Social". Please see the attached information from Mary Thompson and the Catholic Women's League of St. Mary's Church.



Invitation To Our Anglican Church Neighbors You are Cordially Invited to Our
Strawberries and Cream Event Sunday July 3rd at 12noon
St Mary's Church in the Parish Hall (Please use side entrance to the hall)
We look forward to seeing you
Run by Catholic Women's League
Donations Appreciated and will go to a Local Charity



Our Pastoral Care Team is an active group of dedicated and trained parishioners who quietly go about their special work in our Parish. Please read the newsletter below to learn about the work they do for others.

Pastoral Care

As the Body of Christ, we are all called to care for each other and the people of All Saints' have shown they are excellent at this. When adversity strikes, parish friends help each other in numerous ways, by visiting, telephoning, listening empathically, praying, providing meals, driving to doctor's appointments, grocery shopping, knitting/crocheting prayer shawls, etc.

Along with the above, there is a place for a fully trained Pastoral Care Team, and to this end, several parishioners have taken a training course at our local hospital, which covers aspects of visiting, including infection control, effective communication, privacy and confidentiality issues, representing the faith community and grieving. This team will also have done the 'Screening in Faith' required by the Diocese, which includes police checks and a session on 'Sexual Misconduct'. At this point in time, the Diocese is also requiring all volunteers to be at least double vaccinated. The training and screening equips the team to visit people in their own homes, in retirement and nursing homes and the hospital, on behalf of the church family.

The team may supplement, but never replace, what other parishioners are doing. As well, the team will be available to those who perhaps don't have many church friends. The priests will, of course, continue to look after those in crisis.

As well, we have people who are authorized and ready to take communion and/or anointing out to parishioners who are shut-in, either temporarily or permanently.

We have been able to develop a fairly comprehensive list of parishioners for whom Pastoral Care would be helpful, and at this moment there are over 70 people on that list. If you are aware of someone who should be on the list, or if you or anyone you know would wish a visit or communion brought to their home, please contact the church office or the Pastoral Care co-ordinators listed below. We wouldn't want anyone to be overlooked. Thank you.

Moira Southwell (705) 441-2725 & Sharon Goldsworthy (705) 441-2577

Susan Scouten has updated us on the weekly, "Entrées-to-Go" programme. For more information about this community outreach programme and how you can assist, please see her report.

Entrées-to-Go Food Program & Cobs Bread

Over 120 Frozen Single Serve Entrees plus all the donated Cob's Bread given out. Please reply any time during the month if you would like Cob's Bread products.

BBQ season continues with the next Community Friendship take-out dinner on Wed Jul 13. Burgers, Salads and Dessert...YUMMY! Pre-order today. This take-out dinner is for YOU! Just reply to sscouten1@gmail.com to order.

We support Out of the Cold each month as well by donating prepared food to them on Friendship Take-Out dinner day.

Thanks so much. There is an information page for the Food Ministry on the church Website. www.allsaintscollingwood.com Click on Ministries, and then click on Food Ministries.

Here's how it all works: email sscouten1@gmail.com or call or text 705-441-1419 (Susan). Please keep donating! So appreciated and needed.



In our news section of this week's newsletter, we have a report from France. Apparently in most French churches now, a notice is posted inside the entrance to the church...(the message has been translated into English...)

"It is possible that on entering this church, you may hear the 'Call of God'.

On the other hand, it is not likely he will contact you by phone.

Thank you for turning your phone off. If you would like to talk to God, please come in and choose a quiet place and talk to him.

If you would like to see him, send him a text while you're driving."

John C. Young

In your prayers this week, please remember those whose names are on our Parish Prayer list. We pray for their caregivers and for all who assist others in need. We remember our church, our community and on this special holiday, we pray for our country.

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

Please keep the family and friends of Dorothy Jane in your prayers. Dorothy passed away this past week.

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.

Do you remember older generations drinking from their saucer? Then today I came across this poem that made me feel there was symbolism to the coffee ritual.



Drinking from My Saucer

by John Paul Moore

I've never made a fortune and it's probably too late now.

But I don't worry about that much, I'm happy anyhow.

And as I go along life's way, I'm reaping better than I sowed.

I'm drinking from my saucer, 'Cause my cup has overflowed.

I don't have a lot of riches, and sometimes the going's tough.

But I've got loved ones around me, and that makes me rich enough.

I thank God for his blessings, and the mercies He's bestowed.

I'm drinking from my saucer, 'Cause my cup has overflowed.

I remember times when things went wrong, my faith wore somewhat thin.

But all at once the dark clouds broke, and the sun peeped through again.

So God, help me not to gripe about the tough rows that I've hoed.

I'm drinking from my saucer, 'Cause my cup has overflowed.

If God gives me strength and courage, when the way grows steep and rough.

I'll not ask for other blessings, I'm already blessed enough.

And may I never be too busy, to help others bear their loads.

Then I'll keep drinking from my saucer, 'Cause my cup has overflowed.

June is National Indigenous History Month and below you will find an Indigenous prayer as well as a link to a number of resources gathered by the Diocese of Toronto. As we become more educated about issues, perhaps when we come together again to dialogue there might emerge an idea that All Saints as a parish would consider engaging in re the Recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. In the meantime, we are certain that many of our parish family are making their own individual commitments to this issue.

Honouring the Four Directions

Come Great Spirit, as we gather in your name.

We face East: To your symbol colour Red, the hue of revelation; To your animal symbol the Eagle, strong and nurturing; To your lessons calling us to the balance of your Spirit in Harmony with brothers and sisters; To invoke your wisdom and grace, the goodness of the ages, We pray: COME HOLY SPIRIT, COME.

We turn to face South: To your symbol colour Gold for the morning star. To your symbol Brother Sun that enlightens our intellect and brings light on our path to live responsibly; To your lessons calling us to balance of Mind in the Spirit of humility; To invoke your spirit of illumination and far sighted vision; Help us to love you and one another with our whole heart, our whole mind, and our whole soul, We pray: COME HOLY SPIRIT, COME.

We turn to face West: To your symbol colour Black, still and quiet. To your animal symbol the Thunderbird; To your symbol the Thunder mighty and purposeful; To your lessons calling us to balance our emotions in the spirit of Gentleness and Honesty; To invoke your spirit of introspection, seeing within; Give us your strength and the courage to endure, We pray: COME HOLY SPIRIT, COME.

We turn to face North: To your symbol colour white of clarity and brightness. To your animal symbol the swan which brings us in touch with Mother Earth and growing things; To your lessons calling us to balance of our Body in the spirit of a good sense of humor; To invoke your spirit of innocence, trust and love; Help us to open our eyes to the sacredness of every living thing, We pray: COME HOLY SPIRIT, COME.

