

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

MAY 12, 2022

Finally, spring has arrived...or perhaps the temperatures this week may make us think that we are now into summer! Garden centres are busy and people are crowding the trails and streets, walking and cycling! We are so thankful to be able to enjoy the outdoors at this time of year!

DID YOU KNOW...that three Anglican Churches have been built in Collingwood? Trinity Episcopal Church, on Cedar Street in 1856; All Saints Anglican Church at Elgin and Ste. Marie Streets in 1858; and St. Timothy's Chapel, at Russel and Simcoe Streets in 1878.

(Thanks to Archivist, Bruce Mackison for providing interesting facts about our church's history!)

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

“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.

Kathi Wilkinson brings us up to date on the work of our staff and church leaders. Much is happening around All Saints', both inside and out. The Green Team and Garden Guild are busy making plans to decorate the church property. Seedlings will soon be planted in the gardens and raised beds. Kathi has also provided information on the re-start of the cluster groups, such as CO3 and Coffee Hour. Please read this important news!

WARDENS' MONTHLY UPDATE, May 3, 2022

Staff, Wardens and Father Doug were in attendance for the meeting on ZOOM which took place on Tuesday morning, May 3, 2022. The meeting included an informative and successful meeting with Church staff who provided updates on their current activities and workplace issues. The Wardens thanked them for their commitment to keeping our All Saints Parish in great shape inside and out, continuing with our ukulele group and chamber choir rehearsals and providing much needed assistance in the Church office whilst the Church remains closed to the public.

Highlights are:

- Father Doug, Rev. Sharon and Wardens have been attending ZOOM training sessions, workshops and meetings this past month to keep updated on Diocesan guidelines and procedures.
- As Ministry Cluster Group assignments have been reorganized Wardens have continued to contact their respective co-ordinators to discuss their group's projected future needs and plans.
- Interior painting within the Church, repairs within the Rectory and yard cleanup continues to be completed by our custodial staff. Seasonal equipment including lawnmowers, trimming and other garden equipment are now ready for summer use.



- Warden Kathi has met with a local carpenter to discuss replacing the Church doors and the related costs. Further information will be shared once details are finalized. The Town of Collingwood's Heritage Committee has approved our grant application towards this project.
- Organ maintenance and repairs occurred last week with the assistance from Keiko. Future plans were discussed regarding further repairs or replacements needed to the organ. More details will be provided at next month's meeting.
- Plans will soon be considered in consultation with the Garden Guild and Warden Catherine Raaflaub to enhance the new space in the North Yard with flowers and plants to develop the Serenity and Peace Garden Project for parishioners and the Community to enjoy in the future. Two park benches have been purchased from the Town and donated by parishioners to be installed this summer. Dedication of the Garden is planned for the fall.
- Keep a look out in the local media for the Promotional Advertisements for All Saints' Anglican Church to invite visitors and potential new members moving to the Collingwood area. The Welcoming Committee are preparing "Newcomers Welcome Bags" which will include many informative items of interest to new members of the Church. Father Doug and Rev. Sharon will follow up with personal contact and delivery to the recipients.
- Nancy Milner has asked that anyone who wishes an All Saints name tag to contact her at grannymerry9@gmail.com These are also available if a replacement is needed.
- Thank you to the volunteers assisting in the Church. Just a reminder that all volunteers within the Church must share their vaccination proof with Warden Penny Bourne and also complete this Volunteer form. It is accessible on the Church website.
- Also, another Sexual Harassment Workshop will be available for those staff, volunteers and Cluster group coordinators who were not able to attend last week's session. Date to be announced. This is a Diocesan directive to be completed within each parish.
- Cluster Group meetings have been put on hold during the pandemic but it is our hope that they will be permitted to resume in September barring any further surges of Covid-19 or variant cases and Diocesan guidelines and protocols have been adjusted. Wardens will be contacting their respective co-ordinators once a date to resume has been approved. (These also include CO3, Coffee Hour, Back to Church Sunday, Colourful Meditation, Friendship Dinners, and other active groups within All Saints'.
- Save the Date: The Lunchtime Concert Series will continue next month at noon on Wednesday June 1. We were pleased with the number of parishioners and community members who attended in the Church at last week's "Romance" musical performance by Keiko and Susan Connolly. Everyone is welcome to attend these in person or continue to view them online.
- We encourage our parishioners to keep the Church office aware of address or contact information changes to ensure our Parish List is updated. It is important to us that we always maintain a connection with our parishioners but especially now during this time when full capacity in person worship is not in place and whilst many are continuing to view the live-streaming services.
- Under the direction of Bishop Shaw, The Rectory will remain vacant as a potential residence for Father Doug's interim replacement. This interim position is being considered by the Diocese and an announcement will be made to the Wardens and parishioners once their decision has been made.
- Save the Date: The Wardens approved the request from The International Dinner Committee to host a Garden Party and BBQ lunch in The Rectory yard on June 11 (with a rain date of June 12) at 1:00 p.m. Further details will be announced in the ASA.

Respectfully submitted by Kathi Wilkinson, Deputy Rector's Warden



Speaking of the re-start of church events, the International Dinner Committee is planning a “Garden Party” for June 11th. Elaine and Jim Cunningham are organizing this outdoor event which will take place on the Rectory property. Proceeds will support the work of All Saints’ Garden Guild. A poster with all the information has been attached.

**All Saints’
International Dinner Committee will be Holding a**



Lunch

June 11th at 1pm
Rain Date June 12th at 1pm

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Sausages, Salads, Desserts, Soft Drinks
It will be in the back yard of the Rectory

Adults \$20 / Children \$10
Profits to go to the efforts of the Church’s Garden Guild
Entertainment, Games, 50/50 Draw

Contact Jim or Elaine Cunningham 705-293-0740
To Reserve You’re Spot
Start Praying for Sunshine!

This week, All Saints’ Alive salutes Susan Connolly and Keiko for the wonderful “Lunch Time” concerts that they have been providing over the last few months. Last week’s concert was attended by many people, both in person and through live streaming. The next lunch time concert will be held on Wednesday, June 1st at 12 p.m.

Keiko was also the director and accompanist for the All Saints’ Men’s Choir. After “two years of silence”, this group sang in support of the Mother’s Day church service last Sunday. Despite the short time for rehearsals, these men rose to the occasion and did a great job, singing their hearts out! Thank you gentlemen! (Keiko has provided photos!)



Another amazing Community Friendship Dinner was held last evening. Susan Scouten and her team provided a wonderful pork dinner, complete with vegetables, roll, dessert and a loaf of Cobs Bread. Susan's complete report is attached! Please support this important outreach programme in our community!

Community Take Out Dinner Wednesday May 11 results

On a very Sunny Wednesday May 11, we gave out or delivered 255 take out bags. 16 were sent to Out of the Cold. The menu was Pork slices, Apple Sauce, Roasted Potatoes, Fresh Carrots, a Cobs bun and a Cobs dessert. As we packed them into take out containers, the volunteers commented what a colourful delicious looking meal.

Thanks to all the volunteers. We are so blessed at All Saints' to have such generous, hard-working, kind volunteers. Even a couple of special requests to Wasaga Beach were accommodated. WOW! To be the coordinator of this group is a pleasure for me!

Next's month meal is on Wednesday June 8th and we are starting BBQ season. First BBQ will be Sausage on a Bun with salads. Reply to me when you want to order your meal.

Scott (potato guy) tells me that we are lucky to have more PEI potatoes being donated by the Rotary Club of Collingwood and area. Sat June 11 is the date for pick up (or delivery if needed). Contact Scott to order at sahouston@sympatico.ca

Thanks and see you all soon.

Susan Scouten
Coordinator Food Programs at All Saints'

Birthday greetings go out to Terry White!!! We hope that you had a wonderful day, Terry!!

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!**

We pray for our family, our friends and for our church and community. We also remember in our prayers, those throughout our world, whose lives are torn by conflict, disease, hunger and other forms of strife. We pray for the continued efforts to provide humanitarian relief for all refugees in our world. Lord, help us to live each day for your pleasure.

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.

