



SAINTS CONNECTION JANUARY 17TH, 2021

Next Sunday's Readings

1 SAMUEL 3:1-10 (11-20); PSALM 139:1-5, 12-17; 1 CORINTHIANS 6:12-20; JOHN 1:43-51



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Matt Gillard, Shannon Monger

THIS WEEK AT ST. GEORGE'S

January 17th—Vestry Reports are due TODAY! Please get your thoughts together for your reports and email them to ltelega@stgeorgesanglican.ca

Monday January 18th—7pm Parish Council on Zoom

Tuesday January 19th—Revive II and Book Study 7pm on ZOOM

Wednesday January 20—Out of the Cold Hot Meal Take Out—Doors open at 6pm

Wednesday January 20th - 7pm Advent Café Service will go live on our YouTube channel

Thursday January 21th, - 11am—Holy Hour Contemplative Prayer with Anita on YouTube

Friday January 22nd—Martha & Scott's day off. Please call the office 905 682 9232

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

February 7th—Annual Vestry Meeting

February 16th—Pancake Tuesday. Plan on mixing up your favourite pancakes at home this year!

February 17th—Ash Wednesday



Why are the altar hangings still white? Isn't Christmas over?

For those familiar with the colours of the church year, you know that White is the colour for Christmas, Easter and a few other special days. You might be used to the colour going back to green now that Christmas is over. However, the traditional Christmas season was actually 40 days, going for December 25th to February 2nd. We are going to celebrate Christmas the traditional way this year, leaving the altar hangings white. It's a simple thing, but it hopefully offers that all-important reminder of God's Incarnation, God's promise to be with us, and God's desire to bless us--no matter the circumstances--with hope, peace, joy, and love.

PRAYERS

We pray for Erin, who died last week. We pray for her mother, Marilyn Ball and sister Ruth Ann Mandley in this time of pain and loss. May Erin be received into your peace, light and eternal life. And may all of her loved ones be surrounded by care, compassion, support and love in the days ahead.

We pray for Keith Dixon a long time member of the parish who died this week. We pray that God receives Keith home, that he may rest in peace and rise in glory. We pray for Keith's children Mark, Brenda, Christine and their families.

We pray for Kathleen Horvath, sister of Rob Fead, who died this past week. We pray for her family and friends, and especially her mother Patricia, and her sister-in-law Veronica. We give thanks that she has returned to her Creator, and is at peace and rest and is reunited with all of those who have gone before her, especially Rob.



GREATER ST. CATHARINES SOCIAL JUSTICE NETWORK INVITES YOU

To Register now as a member of the Anglicans in Action team or make a donation to support our team click this link:

<https://secure.e2rm.com/registant/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=932289&langPref=en-CA>

***This year, you can walk in your own bubble in your own neighbourhood any time in February.
Please practice safe Public Health protocols during your walk.***

Your team leader is Diane Kidson (905-933-6759 or diane.kidson@live.ca)

Let's help make this a fun, positive event this winter!

ALL ARE WELCOME!

**St. Catharines CNOY is going
100% virtual!**

Today we joined 70+ other Coldest Night partners from across Canada by choosing to transition our blended event (in-person + virtual) into **100% Virtual**.

This news may be disappointing to you and your teammates, but the growing risks and restrictions of having any in-person portion of the event are just too high. This decision was not made lightly.

Moving forward 1) all current St. Catharines walkers (that's you) will receive Virtual Only messaging, so don't worry 2) new St Catharines registrants (that's your friends who will be joining your team) will only have the Virtual option when they sign up 3) Virtual doesn't mean "not walking". It means you will walk your chosen 2 or 5 KM route, in the safety of your bubble. Thanks for helping make our Start Me Up Niagara "virtual" Coldest Night of The year a success in February!

Emily DeGaut

CNOY St Catharines

Start Me Up Niagara

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Livestream & Stay-at-Home Orders

With the provincial Stay-at-Home Order and State of Emergency issued, we are now limited to just five people in our Sunday livestream (that includes worship leaders and the crew making the livestream possible). As we continue to get the appropriate team trained to be able to operate the new video and sound equipment, the number of people that you will be able to see on camera leading the services will be limited to just two or three people. Please know that our entire team is working together behind the scenes to make sure that our worship life can continue online. We all very much want to be part of leading the Sunday worship every week, but we respect the need for limited numbers. Thank you for your ongoing understanding through all of these changing public health measures.

Confirmation Classes and Ceremony

We will be providing a 6 week program taught by Matthew Gillard via Zoom to learn and prepare for Confirmation. The youth who were participating last year before the Pandemic, are asked to join again if possible. Also, looking to see if anyone else is interested in attending this year. Classes will take place one day per week for one hour for 6 weeks during Lent. The Confirmation Ceremony is scheduled for Sunday **April 18th at 4:00pm** (most likely over Zoom but we will see).

We would like to base the day and time for classes on suitability for those participating as best we can. If you would like to sign your child/youth, or yourself for Confirmation classes or have any questions please email Tanya or call the office.

tschleich@stgeorgesanglican.ca

Church Office Closed for Provincial Lockdown

Our church office must now be closed for the provincial lockdown. Phone messages will be checked daily and staff will be primarily working from home in accordance with provincial regulations. Please be in touch with one another, and be in touch with any one of our St. George's staff if you are in need of help, a listening ear, a connection or any other support. We need to need continue to rely on each other in order to stay connected through these difficult and potentially isolating times.

PLEASE CONSIDER HOW YOU CAN GIVE

If you are not on Pre-Authorized Automatic Offerings here are a few options to consider with your Offerings:

- 1-Donate Online through Canada Helps [here](#)
- 2-Send in a cheque by mail, or arrange with a staff member to drop it off at the office.
- 3-Go on Pre-Authorized Offerings now. Download here or call the office to get your form today.
- 4- Send an e-transfer from your bank to info@stgeorgesanglican.ca

Envelopes

While we are in our stay-at-home orders, we can't deliver Offering Envelopes to our parishioners. There are a variety of other ways of making your offerings to St. George's in the meantime (Pre-authorized Offering, E-transfer, Snail Mail, Canada Helps on our website). You can also continue to set aside your offerings in order to give to St. George's when we can get the envelopes to you. Thank you for your understanding, patience and ongoing generosity.

REMINDERS

Vestry Meeting February 7th on Zoom

Our Annual Vestry Meeting (Annual General Meeting) is scheduled for February 7th, beginning at 11:45am. We can't have our usual Soup Sunday, and we can't meet in person. But whether you make a pot of soup at home for the occasion or not, we hope that you will join us online or by phone on February 7th as we make important decisions about the life and ministry of St. George's going forward. Anyone is welcome to attend the meeting. Voting members are those who have participated in the worship, fellowship, service and financial offering of St. George's for at least six months and who have not voted in any other church vestry meeting this calendar year. If you have questions about how to access this technology to participate in the meeting, please get in touch with our office and we can help you.

Online Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86521040745?pwd=dnQ5dDZxcGd1bVBpaUdRZk85M2ZLdz09>

Meeting ID: 865 2104 0745

Passcode: 165022

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kemkpoWwLW>

The Dwelling of the Light Book Study

Starting on **Tuesday January 12th, 2021**, our Lay Pastoral Assistant, Matt Gillard will be offering a book study on The Dwelling of the Light – Praying with Icons of Christ. The discussions will take place on Tuesday Evenings at the same time as the Revive program at 6:45pm on ZOOM. Art is something that has been a major part of my life, it remains very important to me and it is something that I would like to share with my church community.

For those who are interested in this book study **please contact:**

Matt Gillard to register at mgillard@stgeorgesanglican.ca.

Photocopies of the Book are now available at the church office please call the office to pick up your copy Friday January 8th from 9-11am or Monday January 11th from 9am to noon.

We are asking for a \$10.00 donation for the colour copy to help with the cost of printing.

Rector: The Reverend Canon Martha Tatarnic
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