



SAINTS CONNECTION

SUNDAY, JULY 25TH, 2021

Next Sunday Readings

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a; Psalm 51:1-13; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35



**Brian Banfield, Barb Hodgins, Gina Schafrick, Frederick Horton, Arden Rothwell,
Stephanie Wilton-Duncan, Margaret Caven, Denise Chuchman, Cathy Clark,
Douglas Kramer, Caleb Moffett**

PRAYERS

We pray for our Primate, Archbishop Linda, our Metropolitan, Archbishop Anne, and our Bishop of Niagara, Susan.

Let us pray for the peace of the Scottish Episcopal Church.

In the Diocese of Cuba we pray for Bishop Griselda. Please pray for Santiago Apostol in Baragua; the Ven. Yohanes Cobiellas Sesin, Minister-in-charge and the people of that parish.

In the Niagara Diocese we pray for St. Aidan, Oakville, The Reverend Fran Wallace, Priest-in-Charge, the Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell, Honorary Assistant and the people of that parish.



A Prayer in time of Pandemic

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy.
Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who
care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can
separate us from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Reconciliation

Anglican Healing Fund prayer

Merciful God,
you call us to loving relationship with one another.
Be with us now as we seek to heal old wounds
and find joy again in this relationship.
Replace our hearts of stone with hearts of flesh.
Give us the gifts of honesty and openness,
and fill us with your healing power and grace.
We ask this in Jesus's name.
Amen.

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE TEAM



JOIN US FOR CONTEMPLATIVE HOUR
AS WE PONDER

Name of God

Thursdays mornings
on Youtube@ 11 am
Zoom group at 11:30
Begins July 15th for 8 weeks

**Phone Anita @289-228-7761 or email
@anita.l.djurkovic@gmail.com to register**

DRIVE THROUGH PASTORAL CARE



Since Covid-19 started, we have experienced a variety of challenges. In September we started to worship together again, and the parish has also continued various programs, such as Revive, and Advent Café. All of this has occurred with various adaptations to protect each other's health. It feels like we've had to re-learn how to do all these aspects of ministry. Now that we are coming out of another lock down, we would like to add another aspect to our pastoral care program. After conversations with Rev. Martha and Rev. Scott, we would like to take another look at the idea of offering Drive through Pastoral Care.

Prior to Covid-19 you could come and talk to the clergy in their office, or they could come and talk to you. Now we are not a fast-food joint but I would like to propose doing a drive through. I'm offering to hold outdoor office hours on **Tuesdays** in the parking lot, you can drive up in your car, open your window, and we can have a pastoral check in and prayer.

If this is a service that you would like to take advantage of please send me an email so we can set up a time to talk. You can contact me through my parish e-mail at mgillard@stgeorgesanglican.ca. or Phone or Text me at 289-969-6420.



JOYFUL GIVING MOMENT

The Church is NOT Closed: St. George's continues to serve our community 365 days a year!

Even though we have not been able to attend "in-person worship services" on Sundays, the good works of St. George's has continued to help address the increased needs in our community through our takeout Breakfast Program, our STEP Youth Resource Centre, the weekly "Grab and Go dinners" and the monthly "Community Dinners", and our Worship Livestream Services which reach people far and wide. The "Time and Talent" for all of these offerings has been faithfully provided throughout the pandemic by our wonderful volunteers and our staff team. During the pandemic, costs have increased dramatically. The Security costs are over \$1500.00 monthly. Take-out food containers are approximately \$1,800.00 not to mention the cost of food, milk etc. Because all of our programs have continued to operate, the upkeep of the building, caretaking, staff salaries, utilities and maintenance all continue in order to provide sacred space, meals and care for the most vulnerable, 365 days of the year.

Your generosity through Joyful Giving is most appreciated .

Respectfully submitted,
Penny Steinman, Stewardship Committee



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

THIS WEEK AT ST. GEORGE'S

Today— Zoom Coffee Hour 11:15am

Wednesday, July 28th - Noon Hour Eucharist Livestream

Wednesday July 28th— 5:30pm Community Dinner Grab'n & Go Dinner
Hot Meal Take Out

July 28th— 7pm Summer Advent Café with Infinitely More

Thursday July 29th — 11am on You Tube, Contemplative Hour 1130 am Zoom

Friday, July 30th — Scott's day off.

Reverend Martha Vacation

Reverend Martha will be on vacation from July 9th to 30th.

During this time, she will be "off grid" as much as possible.

Please save emails and other messages for when she is back in August,
or be in touch with Reverend Scott, with any of our pastoral team,
or with our Office Manager, Linda Telega,
if you need help with anything while she is gone.

Thank you for this time away for refreshment and relaxation!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

August 8th, 22nd—11:15 Zoom Coffee Hour

August 8th, 22nd—Zoom Youth Group 4pm

August 9th—6pm Pimatiziwin Nipi (Living Waters Group) Meeting, Zoom

August 25th - 7pm Summer Advent Cafe

September 26th—Ordination of Matt Gillard

October 17th— Confirmation—More information coming soon.

PARISH REOPENING - SEPTEMBER 5TH

Bishop Susan has written a pastoral letter to the Diocese and released updated [ministry guidelines](#) “and” updated [Amber stage parish reopening guide](#) which coincides with the STAGE 3 reopening of the province. You can read Bishop Susan's Pastoral Letter to the Diocese by downloading the pdf file from the Diocesan Website.

<https://niagaraanglican.ca/news/covid-19-resource-hub>

We received these directions and guidelines from Bishop Susan this past Thursday, and will be continuing to work on our plan for reopening.

We are being very cautious, with people's health and safety in mind every step of the way. After consultation with the Rector, the wardens and the Return to in-person worship committee, we will be aiming for a September 05th, return to in-person worship at St. George's.

We are going to need your help with this. We need volunteers who will help with the cleaning between the 8am service and the 10am service.

Some of you will ask why we are waiting so long, and some may feel it is even too soon. If you have any questions, please feel free to get in touch with me, and I would be happy to speak with you.

Stay tuned, and keep praying for everyone's health, well-being and safety as we move ever closer to coming out of the Pandemic.

Thank you. - Scott



GRATITUDE

Over the past few months, we have been so touched by all the support, love and kindness from the St. George's Church Family. Whether it has been a kind note, delicious meal, gift card, and/or friendly word, each act of support has helped to fuel the strength of our family as Mark battles cancer. The support of the Meal Train has provided more than our family can express in words. We appreciate the thoughtfulness that each of you have put into the meals that have been made for us, and it also helps to relieve the stress for our family as we travel back and forth for Mark's treatment in Toronto. A special thank you to Tanya for coordinating this for us. We are so thankful for you! As we continue on this journey, we have the ease of knowing that we have our church community behind us. Thank you for keeping us in your prayers and for all you are doing for us during this time.

We couldn't do this without you! ~ Jane, Mark, Gavin & Marin McLaughlin

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS



This Wednesday, the 28th will be our fourth Community Dinner for the year. We prepare meals for 75 people and like to include fresh fruit or individually wrapped treats. Oranges and clementines are the most popular fruit. Your generous donations these past months has meant that all guests receive at least one fruit with their bagged dinner. If you are able to donate, please drop off Wednesday. There will be someone in the kitchen anytime after 2:30.

Thank you all for your continued support. **Ann Koppel**



From July 14th to 17th the The Indigenous Anglican Sacred Circle met on the Six Nations near Brantford, ON. The Indigenous Anglican Sacred Circle is the national gathering and decision-making body for Indigenous Anglicans in Canada. Please take some time to look through the information on the National Church website and learn about the Sacred

Circle event. Val Kerr was there and a part of it, and we hope to be able to have Val speak to us about the Sacred Circle gathering at some point. As we continue our walk of learning and reconciliation and healing, it would be very good for us to pay attention to the work of the Sacred Circle, and the Indigenous Ministries and their work.

FRAUD ALERT!

It has come to our attention that someone has been sending emails, impersonating the rector, Martha, and asking for the recipients to buy gift cards for people in hospital or similar scenarios. The emails appear to be coming from Martha, because they have her name with them - but if you look at the email address, it is NOT Martha's email.

1. Martha will never contact you via email and ask you to buy a gift card for someone in hospital, and drop it off or send it for her because she is too busy or at a meeting.

2. Martha has two email addresses **mtatarnic@stgeorgesanglican.ca** and **marthatatarnic@hotmail.com** - that is it. IF you get a message claiming to be from Martha and it is from a different email address than the two above, then it is not Martha. Please report these messages to the office, so that we can take action.

If you ever have any questions about donations, and about gift cards or about anything at all, please contact the office so that we can help.

GOLF FORE ST. GEORGE'S

Registration for the Golf Fore St. Georges Golf Event and Raffle closed on July 16th. A total of 47 "golfers" registered for the event and many purchased raffle tickets as well. Thanks to all who participated. Almost \$1,800 was raised for the church and its programs through the event. There were three lucky draw prizes of gift cards. Anyone who registered to participate were eligible.

The three winners **were George Hostick, Chuck Burke, and Maureen Hempel.**

For the raffle, there were 12 prizes in the draw. The raffle winners were:

Martha Tatarnic, John Bullivant, Vic Cicci, Sheldon Pettit, Eric Crawford, Linda Telega, Ann Koppel, Doug Gallaway, Tom Owens, Janet Veale, Brier Colburn, and Paul Chapman.

Thank you to the following people for donating prizes for the draw and the raffle:

John and Kelly Belford, Paul and Sue Chapman, Pat and Vic Cicci, John and Lee DeLisio, TD Wealth, Valley Restaurant, and Rob Welch of Lancaster, Brooks and Welch.

Please mark **June 6th, 2022**, on your calendar as this is the tentative date for our golf day next at Beechwood Social and Golf. Hopefully, we will be able to return to our normal format and share a day of golf, a meal and fellowship. We encourage participants to send in photos of their golfing adventure to ensure we have a record of the different forms of golf that were played and also to provide a record of special attire. Thanks to all who participated.

Submitted by Vic Cicci and Paul Chapman, Co-Organizers St. Georges Golf Day

REMINDERS

Bi-weekly Zoom Coffee Hour will be on July 25th, August 8th and 22nd after the 10am service, beginning about 11:15am. This is a chance to connect with friends, make new friends, chat with the clergy and other staff members, and just generally get back into the fellowship of the church we are all missing so much



How to Participate: Email or Call Tanya Schleich, tanyaschleich@live.ca or 905-646-2140 to register and Tanya will give you the Zoom coordinates.

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Forward Day By Day

Forward Day by Day is a daily prayer resource that we provide for parishioners at the Church. During COVID, we have continued to get these publications, but without in-person worship, they have been going to waste. If you would like to have a copy of Forward Day by Day, just contact the office to come by and pick up a copy. They are free, and they are a help in supporting our patterns of daily prayer.

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Vacation Bible School Boxes

VBS boxes will be available July 1st please contact Tanya Schleich at 905 685-2287 or tanyaschleich@live.ca to make arrangements for delivery. Boxes can be completed throughout the summer months. Happy Holidays and enjoy your summer. God Bless!
Tanya Schleich

Why are the Altar Hangings White?

For those with a keen eye and a head for details of our Anglican worship tradition, you may be wondering why the altar hangings have been changed to white? (They are normally green at this time of year). It's because we have baptisms booked throughout the summer! We have had to get special permission for the time being to be able to hold these limited-attendance services of baptism. We are so glad and grateful to be able to continue to welcome new members into the Body of Christ, even though we have to change up the way we do it in order to adjust to Covid regulations. Please keep our newly baptized in your prayers throughout the summer, that they may grow in the fullness of God's love all their lives.



Revive 2021-2022

Revive is a spiritual leadership program offered for a cohort of up to 12 people at a time. We explore prayer, Scripture, and how we grow in our relationship with God and serve God in our lives. Those who have participated in it have found it to be extremely meaningful in their spiritual lives, as well as in the relationships that they develop with others in the group. It runs from October 2021 to the spring of 2022: 3 modules of 6 weeks each. If you are interested in being part of our next cohort, or if you would like more information, please be in touch with Martha.



Memorial and Thanksgiving Livestream

Pre-Covid, flowers were regularly prepared for our Sunday services in memory of loved ones we have lost, or in thanksgiving for special events.

This memorial/thank you offering was a gift that blessed our entire community in our prayer and praise and gathering. We look forward to when this can happen again.

The technology that makes our Sunday livestreams possible is another significant gift that blesses our church and connects our church with faithful people far and wide. Please consider offering a Memorial or Thanksgiving gift on a Sunday that is meaningful to you and which also makes our livestream technology possible for that special day. As it was in the past, Memorials and Thanksgivings will be noted in the Saints' Connection and in our Prayers for that Sunday. We believe this is a meaningful and impactful way of offering special Remembrance/Thanksgiving, while also making possible a faith lifeline to hundreds of people.



The cost to run our livestream on a Sunday is **\$200.00**.
Which brings online worship to our homes! ***Thank you.***

Rector: The Reverend Canon Martha Tatarnic
Associate Priest: The Reverend Scott McLeod
Lay Pastoral Associate : Matthew Gillard
Deacon of the Parish: The Reverend Lorenzo Cromwell
Sub-Deacons: Anita Djurkovic and Mary Jo Schmidt
Bishop in Residence: The Right Reverend Walter Asbil
Honorary Assistant: The Venerable Marion Vincett
Honorary Assistant: The Venerable Val Kerr
Ecumenical Honorary Assistant: The Reverend Dr. Doreen McFarlane

Office Manager: Linda Telega
Treasurer: Jim Jenter
Director of Music: Brad Barnham
Children's Ministry: Tanya Schleich
Youth Ministry: Tanya Schleich
Nursery Care Provider: Chandra Langley-Smith
Caretaker: Johan Braun
Rector's Warden: Rob Welch
People's Warden: David Bingham
Deputy Rector's Warden: Liz Cunningham
Deputy People's Warden: Lori Martin
Interim STEP Counselor: Carrie Vanderform



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