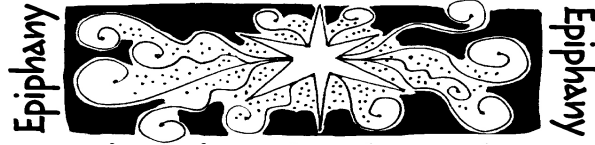


St. George Standard

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel. Mark 1.15

January 24, 2021
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The Third
Sunday after
Epiphany

January 21, 2021

Dear Friends of St. George's,

While the church building is closed, our Church community is still active.

- 1 The next Advisory Board meeting will be held on Wednesday January 27 at 7 p.m. on Zoom. Our primary item will be to preview and vet the draft budget before it is presented at the Annual Vestry Meeting.
- 2 Our Annual Vestry Meeting will take place on Sunday February 28 at 11 a.m. on Zoom. At this meeting, we will elect new officers, pass our annual budget and receive reports on what we accomplished in 2020. Reports are due at the parish office by February 3rd.
- 3 We have another new, and hopefully final, postal code. Please adjust your co-ordinates. As of now, our postal code is **L1H 3Z9**.
- 4 In December I reported that severance of the Cowan House property had been approved, unless there were objections from neighbours. This week we received a report that no objections were raised.
- 5 This week I was saddened to learn that Betty Naden, a long time parishioner, died this week while in hospital in Whitby. Rest eternal grant unto her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her. May her soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. No funeral is planned.
- 6 Plans are in the works for the parish to purchase a Zoom membership which will allow us to have a Lenten book study and virtual coffee hour to keep in touch.
- 7 We remain in the church's RED stage. The parish office is closed although we will be picking up mail and paying the bills. Online worship will continue. If you are in a position to continue to financially support St. George's, please do, and thank you VERY much. Income tax receipts for 2020 have been mailed out. With your help we made it through last year in good financial shape and are looking forward to engaging in ever more ministry and mission as the pandemic fades into the background as 2021 progresses.

While the office is closed, I am as close as your telephone. Please feel free to give me a call. My cell is 289 251 4251. I can pray, listen and chat with you. God's love and comfort remains wide open and available.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judy Herron-Graham".

The Rev'd Canon J. Herron-Graham



Please check our website www.stgeorgesoshawa.org for the link to online worship services with Pastor Judy.

Thank you to all who continue to send in their offerings. You can place an envelope in the secure mail box or by post to: 51 Centre Street South Oshawa ON **L1H 3Z9** or by e-transfer to: church@stgeorgesoshawa.org

This Week at St. George's

January 23, 2021

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Sunday, January 23, 2021

World

Pray for The Church of Bangladesh

Diocese

The Canadian Council of Churches

Oshawa Deanery

The clergy and people of
Christ Memorial, Oshawa

St. George's Families

Shumovich - Tippen

As of today, January 23 - please note that Canada Post has again corrected our POSTAL CODE

Mailing Address

Canada Post is working to update its database to reflect our mailing address. Additionally, we have now been informed of ANOTHER correction to our **postal code**. Our correct mailing address is:

**51 Centre Street South
Oshawa ON L1H 3Z9**

We apologize for the ongoing inconvenience caused by this error. We have been assured that this is the final correction.

Readings for

January 24, 2021

Jonah 3.1-5, 10
Psalm 62.6-14
Mark 1.14-20

January 31, 2021

Deuteronomy 18.15-20
Psalm 111
Mark 1.21-28

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Can you spare an hour of your time every 5-6 weeks to deliver a meal that is in a separate bag for every client. There is no interaction with the senior you are delivering to, just ring the bell and leave the meal on the door knob.

THE MINISTERS OF ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH

The Rt Rev'd Andrew Asbil
Bishop of Toronto

The Rt Rev'd Riscylla Walsh Shaw
Area Bishop in Trent-Durham

The Rev'd Canon Judy Herron-Graham
Incumbent ext 101

The Rev'd Vinaya Dumpala
Community Minister

Mr Don Anderson - *Rector's Warden*
Mr. Peter Lohmann - *Peoples' Warden*
Mr Terry Dragomatz - *Deputy Warden*
Mr Bill Reitsma - *Deputy Warden*

Mr Carmine Lappano - *Organist & Choir Director*
Ms. Wendy Bott - *Treasurer*
Ms Barb Callery - *Envelope Secretary*
Mr William Erwin - *Sexton*
Ms Cathy Reynolds - *Chief Office Administrator*

Annual Vestry Meeting

Our annual meeting of Vestry is planned for Sunday, 28th February, 2021.

All parish committees and groups should submit a report to vestry, to be included in the Circular.

Reports must be received in the church office by February 3rd, 2021, by email to: church@stgeorgesoshawa.org

Paradox

The paradox of God's simultaneous beyondness and nearness takes concrete flesh for us in the person of Jesus. God is not only enthroned above the flood, but a fellow passenger in the boat.

-Br. Keith Nelson
SSJE

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You can call Hermine Zubkavich 905-576-8215 or Marilyn Glover 905-723-2533 with any questions you may have. Thank you .

Dear Friends in Christ,

It has been a busy week trying to have a virtual interview with our Mayor, Dan Carter. As you know, he, along with many other Mayors, was tied up with the COVID lockdown process. However, the good news is that I have been in touch with His Executive Assistant, Leah George, every day.

Mayor Dan was kind enough, allowing me to followup with Leah. A team coordinates our request for a safe space for dispensing pre-packed meals and other winter items. Leah will be able to update during the first week of January after the holidays. The following list was sent to our Mayor's office for an urgent response.

1. Safe space for dispensing pre-packed hot meals (50 meals as a starter) in Downtown Oshawa. Awaiting your approval for space and funding. The cost per month for providing fifty meals will be CAD 1,350 X 6 months = CAD 8,100.
2. Blankets, Tents, Sleeping bags, and Thermals (Unisex) - 50 units each (Funding or in-kind is much appreciated.) Some donations are expected from the Mayor's office.

Status of Shelter Stations? (A new report is expected soon)

In addition to the above-mentioned needs of our community, I would like to seek donations from St. George's parishioners as well.

SLEEPING BAGS, THERMALS (UNISEX), BLANKETS, AND TOILETRIES. (we can dispense these items at the safe space!)

Meanwhile, I wish you all a Blessed Christmas and a Joyful New Year.

"Among the sheep (I like a sheep have strayed)/ I watch the manger where my Lord is laid; On that my baaing nature would win thence/ Some woolly innocence!" — C.S. Lewis "The Nativity."

Rev. Vinaya Dumpala

Priest in Charge - St. Peter's, South Oshawa.

Community Minister, St. George's Memorial, Downtown Oshawa.

Cell 647-992-1165

Please note that St. George's church office remains closed due to COVID. Please contact Fr. Vinay at 647-992-1165 to arrange drop off of donated items.