# **Holy Trinity Church, Thornhill**

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# Trinity Monthly

**FEBRUARY 2021** 

"Something good is happening here!!"

# **2021 WEEKLY ENVELOPE GIVINGS**

Please do not use envelopes with 2020 date (or previous years). Your weekly envelopes can be collected from the table at the south parking lot entrance. Please call/arrange with Swan in the office to ensure building access. Thank you.

## **LENT 2021**

As we journey towards Easter, we will do so in five ways.

- 1) **Pre-Lenten ZoomRetreat:** We will begin our Lenten journey with a **ZoomRetreat** on **Saturday, February 13**. The retreat leader is Bro. Reginald Crenshaw, Lay Pastor. The theme is **"Food for the Journey".** More details will be made available in the coming weeks.
- 2) Readings in Lent. As we have been doing for several years, we are invited to read the assigned readings for the day and put aside a "loonie or toonie" each day (40 days) to support our outreach work. Our offerings will be designated for our Outreach Budget. The readings are from the Second Letter to the Corinthians.

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Day	Date	Reading	Day Date Reading	
1. F	eb. 17	1:1-7	21. Mar. 12 8:1-7	
2. F	eb. 18	1:8-11	22. Mar. 13 8:8-15	
3. F	eb. 19	1:12-16	23. Mar. 15 8:16-24	
4. F	eb. 20	1:17-24	24. Mar. 16 9:1-5	
5. F	eb. 22	2:1-11	25. Mar. 17 9:6-15	
6. F	eb. 23	2:12-17	26. Mar. 18 10:1-11	
7. F	eb. 24	3:1-11	27. Mar. 19 10:12-18	
8. F	eb. 25	3:12-18	28. Mar. 20 11:1-6	
9. F	eb. 26	4:1-6	29. Mar. 22 11:7-11	
10. F	eb. 27	4:7-12	30. Mar. 23 11:12-15	
11. N	1ar. 01	4:13-18	31. Mar. 24 11:16-21a	
12. N	1ar. 02	5:1-5	32. Mar. 25 11:21b-29	
13. N	1ar. 03	5:6-10	33. Mar. 26 11:30-33	
14. N	1ar. 04	5:11-15	34. Mar. 27 12:1-10	
15. N	1ar. 05	5:16-21	35. Mar. 29 12:11-14	
16. N	1ar. 06	6:1-13	36. Mar. 30 12:14-18	
17. N	1ar. 07	6:14-18	37. Mar. 31 12:19-21	
18. N	1ar. 09	7:1-8	38. Apr. 01 13:1-4	
19. N	1ar. 10	7:9-13a	39. Apr. 02 13:5-10	
20. N	1ar. 11	7:13b-16	40. Apr. 03 13:11-13	

 Sermon Series: Keeping our focus on the readings above, the sermons for the six Sundays in Lent will address the following topics

**Feb 21 - Ministers of the New Covenant** (3:1-8; 10:1-17)

Feb 28 - Treasure in Clay Jars/Living by Faith (4:1-5:10; 6:14-

Mar 7 - Forgiveness/Ministry Of Reconciliation (2:5-17; 5:11-6:11)

**Mar 14 - Call to Repentance** (7:2-16)

**Mar 21** - *Generous Hearts* – (8-9)

Mar 28 - Our Ministry (10-11)

- 4) *Tuesday Bible Study:* The Tuesday Bible Study Group, led by John Carrington, will continue the conversation when they meet.
- 5) Ministerial Lenten Series

The 2021 Ecumenical Lenten Series sponsored by Thornhill Ministerial will be a ZoomExperience for three Sundays in Lent, begin on Sunday, February 21. This year's theme is "The Gospel in a Time of Pandemic".

**Feb 21**: The Rev. Paul Gibbon (Baptist) - Finding Faith in a Time of Pandemic (Holy Trinity Anglican Church, host) **Mar 7**: The Rev. Peter Lisinski (Lutheran) - Finding Peace in a Time of Pandemic (Thornhill Baptist Church, host)

Mar 21: The Rev. Leigh Olson (United) - Finding Community in a Time of Pandemic (Thornhill Lutheran Church, host)

#### **WEEKDAY DEVOTIONS**

- 1. viDEoVOTIONS: Mondays to Thursdays at 8:00 am
- 2. **MIDDAYMOMENTS**: Mondays to Thursdays at 12 noon https://zoom.us/j/7643626913 and join us.

#### **PRAYING THE HEADLINES**

"Praying the Headlines" is a way to share feelings about the negative headlines (and about the good news) and to pray for the state of the world. Please keep these dates in your calendar: **February 14 and March 21** 

### **VESTRY MEETING 2021**

Our Annual Vestry Meeting is February. 28 at 10:30 am. We will be electing and appointing an alternate member for Synod, 1 Deputy Warden and at least 2 members for the Advisory Board to replace those who are retiring. Here are summaries of the roles of Churchwardens, Members of the Advisory Board and Synod.

**THE CHURCHWARDENS** are a corporation with perpetual succession and represent the interests of the church and of its members. They

- Manage and administer the temporal affairs of the church and ensure that all valid orders and legitimate directions of the Synod and of the parish vestry are carried executed.
- With the Incumbent and Churchwardens are responsible

for appointments, and overseeing the disbursement of all monies of the vestry and the care of the land and buildings, furnishings and effects belonging to the church.

#### THE ADVISORY BOARD

 Performs such duties as may be delegated to it by the vestry, the Incumbent or the Churchwardens and acts in an advisory capacity to the Incumbent and Churchwardens and makes recommendations on any matters affecting the parochial and extra-parochial responsibilities of the parish.

#### MEMBERS OF SYNOD

- Determine, at a high level, the priorities for Diocesan Council and its Boards and Committees, and refocus the mission of the Church throughout the Diocese.
- Attend the Sessions of the Synod
- Serve on committees to which they may be elected or to which they have accepted appointment.
- Communicate the decisions of Synod as may be requested by the Incumbent.
- Assist, when requested by the Incumbent, in the discharge of the duties of the Incumbent as they relate to the work of synod.

#### PARISH FRIENDS PRAYER CYCLE

Every Sunday we pray for several "parish friends", whose names are submitted by members. In an effort to keep the list updated and refreshed, we will keep the list for 4 weeks. Once the name has been removed and you would like the a name added, please contact the office.

#### **COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR**

CNOY is a national event on Feb. 20 that raises money for the hungry, homeless and hurting. Homelessness in our communities is not always visible, but sadly, it does exist. In York Region, about 1,500 children, youth, and adults experience homelessness each day! Homelessness is a complex issue and can affect anyone regardless of age, ethnicity, and social status. But for most, the first step to improving their lives is a warm bed and a hot meal. It is difficult to move beyond if these basics have not been met.

Once again Holy Trinity Church has formed a team to support this event. We have participated for the last two years. Last year our team raised \$5,895. Given the need is larger this year it would be great to match if not beat this level.

You can help by either joining our team and walk or support the team or specific walker. If you are High School student or know of one looking for volunteer hours, this event does provide the opportunity to earn hours. Below are the links for joining or supporting the team. Information on volunteer hours will follow.

https://secure.e2rm.com/registrant/

TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=932234&langPref=en-CA

#### **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

During lockdown times it sure is nice to focus on happiness, joy and GOOD news... which brings me to Arnold... born in

1911, he's the oldest Canadian-born gentleman alive.

On January 30<sup>th,</sup> he'll celebrate his first COVID birthday, turning the ripe old age of 110, having survived not one but *two* pandemics. Due to public health restrictions and Arnold's age, he won't be able to celebrate as he normally does this year, inviting family, neighbours and friends to his home in Beaver Harbour, New Brunswick.



Jan. 2020

ARNOLD HAWKINS ...
he's "kind of a big deal"

To mark this momentous occasion,

on behalf of the people of Holy Trinity, I'll be sending a nice warm prayer shawl to this dear, sweet man.

Thanks be to God for his life. Cathy\* -

\*the COVID knit wit

PS. Even after the fact, you can send birthday greetings and his family promises to read each and every card to him. Address c/o is granddaughter Cheryl McKinley, 858 Rte 770, Bonny River, NB, E5C1C4

Some shawls have been handed in recently without HTC Prayer Shawl labels attached. Please, when picking up wool, see that I've included a label, and if not, pls take one from the plastic bin on top of the coffee table in the Vestry.

MADELEINE DALY, born January 20, 1921, celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday at Glynnwood/Revera. Husband Donald, 98.5 years old and children Maureen & Eric led the celebrations, watched on ZOOM from all over Canada, especially Western Canada, from whence both Madeleine and Don originated.

An excellent slide presentation assembled by the Prairie faithful showed images of family roots and farms where horses pulled the machinery in the 1920's and 30's.

Many congratulatory notes were received, including the Queen's and many honourable politicians.

Madeleine, Don and family Eric, Catharine, Heather, Colleen and Sheelagh were steady attendees of Holy Trinity for many years.

Maureen was married at HTC to Colin Edwards and their children, Jonathan & Jacqueline were baptized at HTC.

Madeleine still has her lovely sense of humour and when Eric calls in to check on them, she often answers the phone with, "Please hang on. I'll get your dad. Keep in mind we don't move around as fast as we used to."

Madeleine had fallen and broken a hip and received a hip replacement. Against all predictions she was back home in 12 days and walking around on both legs. She wishes Holy Trinity all the best.