

St. John the Evangelist, Niagara Falls in our 205th year of ministry in this community

E-News for January 12, 2025



8 AM - Eucharist

11 AM - Eucharist



2025 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Our 2025 Church Envelopes arrived, and are now available for pickup at the back of the church.



January 8 (Wednesday) - Evening Liturgy and Program resumes

January 31 - Annual Reports are due

February 2 - our next Interim Priest begins

February ?? - Annual Vestry Meeting after church

March 5 - Ash Wednesday

Apri 13 - Palm Sunday

April 20 - Easter Sunday



I was recently asked by 2 young members after church on Sunday, "How can I donate by Interac E-transfer to St.

John's?" Here is how to do it:

1. Set up St. John's as one of your "contacts or payees", by putting in the Church's name & email address (be sure to get the email exactly right, or your money will end up elsewhere).

stjohn@cogeco.net

- 2. Transfer any amount you wish. In the message portion, you could say it is a donation for something particular (like a Christmas offering), or just put "donation".
- **3.** Be sure that the church office has your proper name and address, so that your donations can be properly credited to you.

This is how I support the church monthly.

Thanks in advance for supporting St. John's!



ANNUAL REPORTS DUE BY JANUARY 31/25

While we don't have a date for our February Annual Meeting set yet, we need to have all reports submitted by month-end (also the same time that we transfer over to a new Interim Priest-In-Charge). Please note that that is just over 2 weeks away!!

Anyone who had a role in the church, or led a church activity, or ran a group meeting in the church, is asked to write a short report for the Annual Booklet that we publish. Please submit your report by email (or a paper version if you don't have a computer). This will be particularly helpful to the next Interim priest, and for our next Priest-In-Charge when it is all settled, and for submitting to the Diocesan Office. Please contact the church office if you have any questions. Thanks in advance.



I was informed by 2 parishioners this past Sunday that **Lloyd Pepperall** died at the beginning of this month. I have located the following obituary for him: https://www.morseandson.com/memorials/lloyd-pepperall/5532780/index.php

Rest eternal grant unto him, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon him.



Did you have any intentions for the New Year? Maybe you thought you'd try to slow your pace, take more time to be mindful, meditate or

pray. Walking the labyrinth is an excellent way to add a new activity to support these intentions.

The next labyrinth walk will be Saturday, January
25, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. (we don't walk for the entire 2 hours) in the gym at St. George's Anglican
Church, 83 Church St., St. Catharines. Please enter at the back door off the parking lot at the rear of the church. Parking can be accessed off
Raymond Street which runs behind the church.

Whether you're an experienced walker, new or just curious you are most welcome. Brief instructions will be provided as needed. Please bring slippers or be prepared to walk in socks. A warm sweater is also a good idea.

For more information contact Stephanie Wilton-Duncan, swiltonduncan@gmail.com or Deb Kostialik, kostialiks@gmail.com.



Just a quick reminder about how you will find out if there if the Church is closed & services canceled when there is bad weather in the forecast or occurring.

We will use 3 methods:

- (1) An email will be sent via this system
 (MailChimp), saying that the Church is closed, AND
 - (2) The Church's voicemail will have a message saying the Church is closed, AND
 - (3) A "Closed" notice will be placed on our Facebook page.

This way we can all stay safe!!

Also, please be aware that with potential storm power outtages, there might be a delay in sending out alerts.

WAYS TO HELP OUR COMMUNITY

Breakfast Club Red Jam: is always needed for St.

Georges/St Catharines. Please drop off red jam jars at the back of the Church.

Grace Pantry: appreciates donations of non-perishable food, and prepaid gift cards to inexpensive food stores.

St. John's - "A Community of friendship, faith, and care for our neighbours and all of creation"

Written by our Parish Administrator, Val C.

The Church phone number is 905-354-1227.

Voice and email messages will be checked during office hours.

The office is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10

AM - 2 PM

Archdeacon Val Kerr can be reached by confidential email: wkerr@cogeco.ca, or by cell: 905-733-8790.