

St. George's Standard

November 23, 2025

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Greetings everyone!

We are so excited to let you know what we have coming up.

1. Are you wondering what to do as a church for Advent this year?

It was wonderful last year that so many of us from across the diocese gathered weekly during Advent to hear from our bishops. This year they will once again be offering an online series. This Advent's sessions will be shaped as a series of mini retreats: a short teaching and a time of reflection, followed by the service of Compline.

We will be doubly blessed as Bishop Mauricio Andrade, from the Diocese of Brasilia, will be leading one of these sessions.

This is your invitation for you and your congregation to join [The Bishops' Advent Retreat Evenings](#), either as a watch party or as individuals. You will need to [register](#) for these.

Plan to join us on **Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30 pm, November 25th and December 2nd, 9th, and 16th.**

(2) Be sure to stop by the **Season of Spiritual Renewal table at synod** next week. Here are some of the free resources you can examine or pick up for use in your church:

- New pocket-size copies of the **Prayers Through the Ages** compilation
- 20 Sample/Examine copies of the **Christian Foundations** workbooks, for leaders planning on using this small-group study resource in their churches
- Sample **Tip Sheets** resulting from various workshops that have been offered during the past 18 months. These tip sheets will be freely available for download on the diocesan website.
- Several excellent **resources developed by parishes** in such areas as developing missional small groups, growing in the discipline of daily prayer, and praying the Anglican rosary.
- Those adorable little **fish pins**!

See you there!

Judy Paulsen

Coordinator

Season of Spiritual Renewal



Important Info!

Weekly Worship Services

Sundays: 8.15 am Holy Eucharist BCP
10.00 am Choral Eucharist
Tuesdays: 6:00 pm Bible study
Wednesdays: 6.30 pm Evening Prayer
Thursdays: 10.00 am Holy Eucharist

Memorial Flowers Placed on Altar

'Order Forms' are located at the back of the church or at the church office if you wish to place flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one. Requests and funds must be received **at least 2 weeks prior to placement**. Forms must be returned to the church office or placed on the offertory plate. Thanks so much!

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

NOV 23

World: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

Diocese: St. Stephen, Chandos

Oshawa Deanery: St. John Port Whitby - The Rev. Diane Lee

NOV 30

World: The Anglican Church of Australia

Diocese: The Chapel of Christ Church, Lakefield

Oshawa Deanery: St. Paul on the Hill Pickering
The Rev. Canon Stephanie Douglas - Bowman

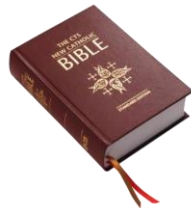
Church Leadership

Bishop of Toronto—The Rt Rev. Andrew Asbil
Suffragan Bishop—The Rt Rev. Riscylla Shaw
Suffragan Bishop—The Rt Rev. Kevin Robertson
Incumbent-- The Rev. Dr. Alvarado Adderley
Curate: Rev. Rajini Lyman
Honourary Assistant - Rev. Janet Stephens
Rector's Warden—Barb Wotton
People's Warden—Shelley Kossatz
Deputy Rector's Warden—Kevin Liyanage
Deputy People's Warden - Betty Hogeterp
Director of Music - Carmine Lappano
Parish Admin. - Amanesi (Ama) Maleghemi
Bookkeeper—Zsafia Halmay
Envelope Secretary—Barb Callery
Sexton—William Erwin

READINGS

NOV 23

Jer 23:1-6
C 19 (Luke 1:68-79)
Col 1:11-20
Lk 23:33-43



NOV 30

Isaiah 2:1-5
Psalm 122
Romans 13:11-14
Matthew 24:36-44

Givings through E-TRANSFER

PLEASE USE THE EMAIL ADDRESS
'TREASURER@STGEORGESOSHAWA.ORG'
SECURITY QUESTION—CHURCH
SECURITY ANSWER—GIVINGS

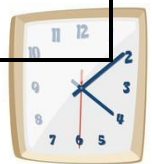
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Church Wifi

The GUEST network is **Church Hall** and the **password** is **9057237875**.

Office Hours

MONDAY-THURSDAY 10AM-3PM
FRIDAY 10AM-2PM

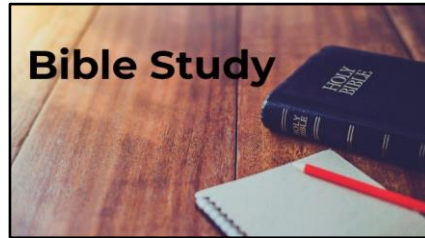


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What's Happening!

Weekly Bible Study

Bible Study holds at 6 p.m. every Tuesday in the Peasgood Gallery. All are encouraged to come as we use this as an opportunity to learn from one another.



Bible Study



Prayer of the week

Loving God - I turn to You, and ask for strength. Be my rock whenever the day shakes me. Guide me through the day as I navigate choppy waters that might come my way. Empower me to speak up when I need to, even if my voice shakes. Help me to feel tall in situations that make me small. Be the light that empowers me in darkness. Most of all, help me feel Your loving embrace this day and all days. Amen

• Bible Study • Evening Prayer	• A Week in Prayer	• Prayer Labyrinth (Fall 2025)
• Weekly Spiritual Renewal Quotes in the bulletin	• Laying on of Hands and Anointing (1st Sunday of every month)	• Healing Service (Fall 2025) • Prayer Breakfast



What's Happening!

St. Bede's Group - Christmas Baskets

The St. Bede's ladies have put together three baskets to be drawn on Sunday, December 14. Tickets will be available starting **November 30** after both services. The cost of tickets is \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.



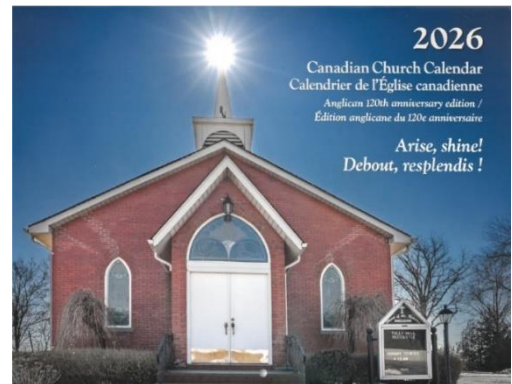
Hand Sanitizer for Church

Moving forward hand sanitizer will continue to be available for use at the back of the church and at the front pew area. Please use at your discretion.



Anglican Church Calendars Now Available!

Calendars are available for \$6 at the back of the church or from the church office.



'Coffee Hour' Refreshment Teams!

Our teams are growing! THANK YOU to those who have stepped up to join the dedicated group of people providing coffee, tea, cold drinks and snacks after the 10am service! If this ministry calls to you, **please contact Shelley Kossatz at 905-404-3089 or smkossatz@gmail.com or contact the church office!**

This ministry is SUCH an integral part of our Christian fellowship!

What's Happening!

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Fr. Alvarado will bless prayer shawls and blankets on **Sunday, November 30 at the 10 a.m. service.** Please contact me if you have any items to contribute. Following the service, some shawls and blankets will be available for parishioners to share with persons who would appreciate comfort and hope. Many of the crafted items will be donated to Lakeridge Oshawa cancer unit and St. Michael's Hospital Anglican Chaplaincy for their patients.

Note that our members also donated many hand-made items for the crafts table at our recent Bright and Merry Market.



Lay Delegate to Synod

I am honoured to represent St. George's as your lay delegate to diocesan synod. We met on November 7 and 8 in Richmond Hill. A highlight was an inspirational address given by our new primate, The Very Rev. Shane Parker. Complete details of the two days' proceedings can be found at toronto.anglican.ca under the heading "News". I will be happy to answer any questions from parishioners.

Deborah Zimmerman.



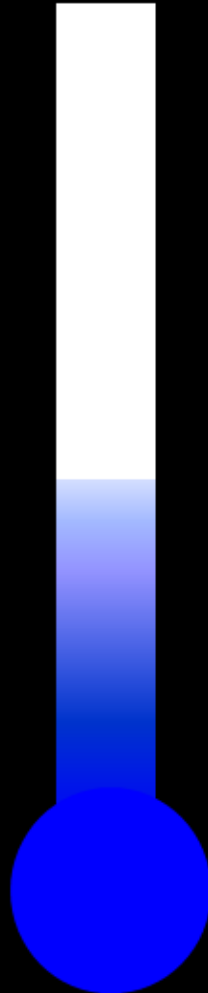
Save the Dates

- Spirit Seekers Jesus & Jeopardy Event November 23 – 11:30am
- Healing Service and Labyrinth - Saturday November 29 – 10am
- Prayer Shawl Blessing - Sunday November 30 – 10am service
- Advent Lessons and Carols - Sunday November 30 – 4pm
- Christmas Lessons and Carols - Sunday December 21 – 4pm
- Christmas Eve Services - Wednesday December 24 - 3pm, 7pm, 10pm



Budget

\$400,000
\$350,000
\$300,000
\$250,000
\$200,000
\$150,000
\$100,000
\$50,000
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Are we on Budget?
Annual Budget approx.
\$400,000
As of Sept 30: we
need \$130,000 to
make budget

Budget



Did You Know.....

The following are our **monthly** costs for ONLY these 3 things:

- Insurance: \$2,918.05
- Hydro: summertime average: \$300, wintertime average \$600
- Heating: average \$2,000

Cost of sustaining JUST the basics have gone up drastically!
Please prayerfully consider your givings.



Events

Brought to you by the youth group of St. George's, Oshawa

SNACKS

COFFEE

(friendly)

COMPETITION

JESUS & JEOPARDY!

Join the Spirit Seekers for an evening of
laughter and trivia!

Feeling nervous? Don't worry — you might just
get the priest on your team if you're lucky!

Questions spanning the Bible to beloved figures in our
church and community!

No ticket needed! All are welcome! But, any proceeds will go to
fund the youth group and help the homeless community.

23 NOV, 11:30AM

(coffee hour after the 10AM service)

LOWER PARISH HALL

Events



Events

*Come into the season of Advent
with this seasonal favourite
service of readings and music!*

Advent Lessons and Carols

Sunday November 30, 4:00pm

*Bring your family and friends to
share in the beauty and warmth of
the Christmas season. Let's create
wonderful memories together!*

Christmas Lessons and Carols

Sunday December 21, 4:00pm

Christmas Eve

Wednesday December 24, 2024

3:00pm – Sung Eucharist

7:00pm – Sung Eucharist

10:00pm – Choral Eucharist

Christmas Day

Thursday December 25, 2024

10:00am – said Eucharist



ST. MARTIN'S PRESENTS

A Special Christmas Presentation
for the Entire Family

Brother Heinrich's Christmas

and other sacred & secular favourites

Performed by St. Martin's Choir & Friends

Led by Musical Director Dr. Alexandra Weiss



Saturday, November 29th

1203 St. Martin's Drive, Pickering

7:00 pm – Reception with Cash Bar

7:30 pm – Performance

For tickets or more information
contact the Church Office

Tel: 905-839-4257

Reserved Seating:

Adults \$25

Children (16 & under) \$10

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