

THE ST. GEORGE STANDARD

EMBRACING OUR PAST, CELEBRATING OUR PRESENT,
AND BUILDING OUR FUTURE IN CHRIST



Patience

by The Rev. Janet Stephens

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love." Ephesians 4:2

Some people appear to be naturally patient in their approach to everyday life and the challenges that can unexpectedly appear. Is it a gift? Is it a part of their personality? Is it a learned skill? How do some people persistently appear to be cool calm and collected on the outside? Do they have high blood pressure on the inside?!

Others struggle with the ability to remain calm and carry on. Do they feel overwhelmed with the challenges of life? Or are they ill, tired, worried, losing focus and forgetting what is important at a given moment? Do they need validation and encouragement?

Likely we can find ourselves in either camp, from moment to moment as well as from day to day. Or possibly we are not even aware of these changes.

Responding to challenges that require our patience depends on the magnitude of the problem, our sensitivity to the issues, our personal space in terms of priorities or current focus. It depends on the

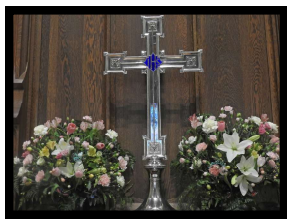
frequency in which we are subject to situations which require our patience. Some days everything seems to test our patience, and other days nothing bothers us, and we calmly ease right through whatever comes along. Self-awareness enables us to reflect on how we can improve basic interpersonal relationships, become more patient with others and even with ourselves.

It's not always easy to be tolerant of others. It should be, but demands and expectations are put upon us, our time and the required response time. Our thoughts and daily goals may be interrupted. As we easily send out text messages and emails, we have no idea what the receiver is dealing with at the time.

"Bearing with one another in love" may be the core of becoming a patient person. It respects the needs of others, puts our own needs in perspective, and enables us to work together with acceptance and understanding.

"TO KNOW YOURSELF, YOU MUST
SACRIFICE THE ILLUSION THAT YOU
ALREADY DO." - VIRONIKA TUGALEVA

To Request Memorial Flowers



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.



Next Week's Readings

Numbers 21:4B-9; Psalm 98-6; 1 Corinthians 1:18-24:
John 3:13-17

Welcome Back BBQ

September 13, 2026
One Service at 10:00 AM



On September 13, 2026, we all worship together for one service at 10:00 and celebrate everyone retuning from summer vacation.

All are welcome to join us after the service for a BBQ.

Don't forget to bring your lawn chair!



The St. George Standard Update

We have been looking at how to streamline announcements and notices to the parish, reduce duplication of work and have consistant deadlines.

Beginning in September, announcmnets will be removed from the weekly bulletin and a new format of the St. George Standard will be issued weekly by email to those on our E-blast list, posted on the web-site and a few printed copies will be located at the back of the church.

Please have all weekly announcements to the church by the end of day on Tuesdays for the following Sunday.

Any questions please do not hesitate to contact the office or speak to one of the wardens.

Refreshments start up again Sunday September 13, 2026 with our Welcome Back BBQ!

Refreshment Teams will continue with coffee, tea, juice and light snacks starting September 20, 2026 after the 10 AM Sunday services.

Our WONDERFUL teams would love to welcome new members!

If you're interested in being on a TEAM and helping with this wonderful ministry, please contact Shelley Kossatz through the church office.

Thanks in advance!



Confirmation Classes

will begin on Saturday,
September 19, 2026 at
10:00 AM in the Gallery.

Please register through the church office or sign up on the sheet at the back of the church.

Heavenly Father, we place our students and teachers into Your hands for a blessed and successful school year. fill our schools with an atmosphere of respect, safety, and encouragement. In Jesus' name, Amen

UPDATE: Parish Improvement Project

Phase II - Elevator (lift) and Upper Hall Renovations



We are slowly moving ahead with Phase II of our Parish Improvement Project.

We have been meeting regularly with the architect and engineers and have most of the drawings and specification documents complete.

Everyone is welcome to view the tender documents and architect drawings - just speak to Barb Wotton if you are interested.

Milestone	Approx. Date
Tender Issued Date - the date when companies wishing to bid on the project can view the tender details, scope of work, and project requirements	September 16, 2026 .
Pre-Bid Meeting - when companies can review timelines, submittal rules, and key project goals. They also do a site walk-through and can ask questions about the project.	September 22, 2026 @ 11 AM
Deadline for Questions - The final date when companies can submit official questions about the project documents. This leaves the buyer enough time to review, answer, and issue an official addendum to all bidders.	September 28, 2026 .
Tender Closing Date -the final fixed date when all bids or proposals must be submitted for a project.	October 7, 2026 .
Construction Start Date - the date when actual construction begins	October 28, 2026 .
Substantial Performance Date - the date when the project is completed and ready for use	End of April 2027
Total Performance Date - when all work under a contract is fully completed.	End of May 2027

This Week at a Glance

Monday, September 7, 2026

Labour Day

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

8:00 AM Morning Prayer; On Zoom

9:00 AM-2:00 PM Office Open

12:00 PM AA Meeting; Upper Hall

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

8:00 AM Morning Prayer; On Zoom

9:00 AM-2:00 PM Office Open

6:30 PM Evening Prayer; Church

9:30 PM Spirit Seekers; On Zoom

Thursday, September 10, 2026

8:00 AM Morning Prayer; On Zoom

9:00 AM-2:00 PM Office Open

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist; Church

10:30 AM Prayer Shawl Group; Gallery

12:00 PM AA Meeting; Upper Hall

5:30 PM -10:00 PM DYQ; Lower Hall & Gallery

7:30 PM Choir Practice; Choir Room

Friday, September 11, 2026

5:30 PM -10:00 PM DYQ; Lower Hall & Gallery

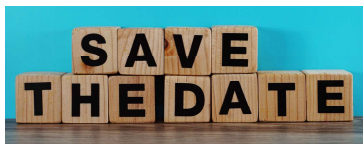
Saturday, September 12, 2026

11:00 AM Prayer Group; Gallery

Sunday September 13, 2026

Back to Church Sunday & BBQ

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist (BAS)



Thursday, September 17, 2026 at

1:30 PM - St. Bede's Group

resumes in the Peasgood Gallery

Saturday, September 19, 2026 at 10 AM - Confirmation Classes begin in the Gallery

Wednesday, September 23, 2026 at 7 PM - Advisory will meet in the Lower Hall

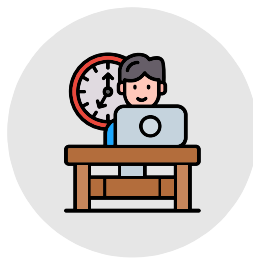
Tuesday, October 6, 2026 at 6 PM - Bible Study resumes in the Peasgood Gallery

Sunday, October 11, 2026 Spirit Seekers will resume meeting at the 10 AM Service. This Group meets 2nd Sunday of the month

Celebration of Life - Joseph "Abb" Gilbert

A Celebration of Life will be held at St. George Memorial Church on Saturday, September 19, 2026 at 11:00 AM followed by a reception.

In lieu of flowers, a donation in Abb's memory to St. George Memorial Church, The Rotary Club of Oshawa or the John Howard Society of Canada is appreciated.



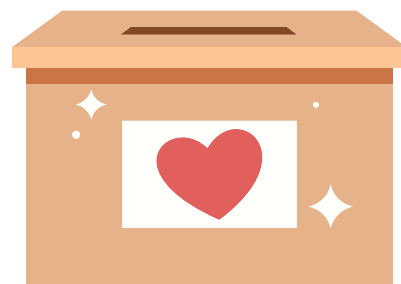
Office Hours

Tuesdays

Wednesdays

Thursdays

9 AM to 2 PM



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