

MESSAGE FROM ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Announcements for September/ October 2024



Programs resuming:

Wednesday Eucharist and Bible Study will resume on September 4th at 10 a.m. With the bible study to follow.

Thursday Prayer Group will resume on Thursday September 5th. Contact the office for the link.

Zoom Tuesday Night Bible Study will resume on September 10th at 7:00 p.m. Contact the office for the link.

Church Office

The office will be closed for the Labour Day holiday on Monday, September 2nd. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, September 3rd.

The office will be closed for Thanksgiving Day on Monday, October 14th. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, October 15th.

Layette Program

The church is collecting donations for the Layette Program for delivery to Trillium Health Partners at the end of October. We have handouts available on the table outside the office listing needed items. We are also accepting cash donations through e-transfers. If you give cash directly to Ethel Reid, it **will not** be considered in your tax receipt at the end of the year. If you would like to have it included, please put it into a separate envelope and mark the envelope "Layettes". This will be passed directly onto the Layettes program and included in your donation tax receipt. We are also encouraging anyone interested in taking on this ministry to speak with Ethel or Fr. Daniel. Perhaps you would like to shadow Ethel through this program to see what is involved.

Choir

The choir will be resuming on Sunday September 15th. Our Choir Leads Tony, Laurel, Marianne and Derrell will be joining us again for another year. We look forward to more beautiful music in our worship services.

Sunday School

Kate Bastarache will be back in Sunday school on September 8th. The church would like to thank all those who helped out in the care of the children over the summer: Carol and Susan Finlay, Eleanor Ty and Jeremy Hunter, Gillian Ferguson, Temi Oguonu, Melanie Powell and Juliet Nanzala. Your time and efforts were very much appreciated by all.

Meeting of the Sunday School

A meeting will be held after the 10 a.m. church service on Sunday, September 8th at 11:30am. Parents, caregivers and those interested in assisting with the Sunday School program are encouraged to attend. Please grab your coffee and join the group in the church for this important information session.

Messy Church

Messy church will be held on the following dates at 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. with specific themes involved. A lunch will be provided for those in the program.

October 27 – All Saints

December 1 – Advent

March 2 – Lent

April 6 – Holy Week

Livestreaming

The church has entered into an agreement to have a new sound system installed by the company Networx. The work should begin by mid – September once all the ordered components have arrived. There will be no interruption to our livestreaming. The Church has requested a Diocesan grant to assist us with the expense. The cemetery has agreed to assist us financially as well. An updated quality sound system is crucial to our online ministry. If you are able to donate to help with this project, it would be deeply appreciated. You may make donations through envelopes or e-transfers, or (if outside Canada) through Canada Helps. Please indicate on envelopes or in transfer / Canada Help messages that the money is designated for “AUDIO”.

Email transfers can be sent to church@stjohnsdixie.com

(No password is needed. It is a direct deposit)

Link to Canada Helps:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/st-john-the-baptist-anglican-church/>

Chancel Guild Meeting

There will be a meeting of all chancel Guild members on Sunday, September 22 at 11:30 a.m. in the church. This will be an opportunity to have everyone on the same pages of expectations for the upcoming year. Please ensure your attendance if you are a member of the chancel guild.

Open Door

Each month, we are collecting for either the Open Door or the Food Bank Mississauga. Each month we alternate between them. **September is Open Door.**

Open Door is looking for clothing for children, men, and women for the Fall/ Winter. The Open Door doesn't have storage room so any clothing suitable for summer should be donated elsewhere. The Open Door also distributes products clients such as toilet paper, paper towels and cleaning supplies. They also take hygiene products as well. Please bring any donations to the church and deposit it on the table in the narthex marked “Open Door”.

St. Michael's and All Angels All Ages

This service on Sunday September 29th at 10:00 a.m. will be an All-Ages service celebrating the feast of the Angels. You are encouraged to invite family members and friends to this service. This will be followed by a Potluck luncheon. (see below)

Potluck Luncheon

A Potluck luncheon is scheduled for Sunday September 29th in the Parish Hall after the 10 a.m. service. Sign up sheets are available on the table outside the office and in the Parish Hall on the bulletin board under Upcoming events. Please feel free to bring a favourite dish. If possible, could you please make enough to serve 10 people and please mark whether a dish contains nuts or dairy. Please plan on joining us for this delicious time of fellowship.

Mississauga Food Bank

Beginning the last week of September, we will be collecting food for the annual Thanksgiving food drive. Non-perishable items as well as fruits and vegetables will be displayed in the church on Thanksgiving Sunday (Oct 13). The food will then be donated to the **Mississauga Food Bank**.

We request that you **check the expire date** on items to ensure that the items are good for the next month. The Food Bank can not accept expired items.

Mississauga Services to Seniors

This organization meets in the Parish Hall twice a week and are now offering a "Meals on Wheels" program to seniors. If you are interested in this program there are forms on the table outside the office or if you are unable to get to the church, please email the office at **church@stjohnsdixie.com** and a form will be emailed back to you to fill out and submit to the organization.

Mississauga Seniors are also looking for volunteers to help with driving, logistics coordination, cooks/food planners, servers, office volunteers and bike deliveries.

Calendar Sales

A sign-up sheet will be put on the table later this month for those wishing to purchase a Church Calendar. We only order enough calendars for those who request one. The order will be placed in mid October and the calendars delivered by December for distribution to everyone on the list.

Pet Blessing

We will be blessing our furry friends on Sunday, October 6th at 2:00 p.m. Please join us with your pets in the Parish Hall to share in a time of worship for all living creatures. Ask your friends and family to join us as well.

Website Calendar

The website at www.stjohnsdixie.org has a calendar page that lists all events for the upcoming month. It is updated on regular basis, so if you are unsure of a date or time for an event you can always check the calendar of events for information. We are also adding a feature of a separate page for the Sunday Funday Club news. Just click on calendar and a drop-down bar will appear with children's ministry on it you will find all the events for just the Sunday School.

LINKS TO PROGRAMING ABOVE:

St. Johns Church website

www.stjohnsdixie.org

YouTube Sunday School link:

<https://bit.ly/3ah5XpW>

Online Coffee Hour Zoom Link: Zoom Meeting at 11:30 a.m.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83962667012?pwd=UGljbnZ2WUIMaVlzNlRtU0Q5SmxxZz09>

Meeting ID: 839 6266 7012

Passcode: 112233

Online Bible Study Zoom Link: (Zoom Meeting only Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82570649568>

Online Prayer Group – Thursday at 10 a.m.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86710167010>



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