

Online Bulletin
The Parish Church of St Luke
Burlington, ON

Worship Services Online

SUNDAY HOLY COMMUNION

9am Holy Communion Service ([Youtube.com/stlukeburlingtonniagara](https://www.youtube.com/stlukeburlingtonniagara))

Please join us for 11am Coffee Hour (Online, Zoom)
If you are interested please contact stuartpike1@gmail.com

DAILY EVENING PRAYER ([Youtube.com/stlukeburlingtonniagara](https://www.youtube.com/stlukeburlingtonniagara))

7 pm

Why not subscribe to our youtube channel so you can always easily find our services?

Online weekly gatherings (Zoom)

Contemplative Prayer –Wednesdays 2pm. Contact stuartpike1@gmail.com

Outreach –Thursdays 10am. Contact rosreycraft@hotmail.com

Men's Faith and Fellowship Saturdays 9am. Contact stuartpike1@gmail.com

Stitching Circle –Tuesdays 10am. Contact marytaslimi@cogeco.ca

Bible Study – Mondays 1:30pm. Contact sheilaplant134@gmail.com

Announcements

Week of Sunday May 02, 2021

SPRING NEWSLETTER

The Spring 2021 Church Newsletter is now available in colour on-line at <https://stlukesburlington.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/News-and-Views-Spring-2021-final-std.pdf> or on the church website www.stlukesburlington.ca under News and Updates

Compline Service

We invite you to join us Friday, April 30th, in the evening for a prayer service of Compline. This is a very short and quiet service to help us settle our souls and offer prayers to God in the evening.

[\(Youtube.com/stlukeburlingtonniagara\)](https://www.youtube.com/stlukeburlingtonniagara)

Advocacy Breakfast: Saturday, May 1st, at 10:00a.m.

Please join our next Advocacy (virtual Breakfast on Saturday, May 1st, where we will have as our speaker, Reverend Scott McLeod, Priest Associate at the Parish of St. George's in St. Catharines, and Coordinator of the Refugee Sponsorship Initiative of our Niagara Diocese. Rev. Scott has much experience in Refugee Sponsorship and is invaluable to our Refugee Sponsorship Committee at St. Luke's. He has guided numerous churches through the whole process which is long and complicated and has been a lifeline to many churches and many refugees over the years. Please join us to hear about his experiences, his stories and his work through the Diocese connecting us to IRCC (Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada) in order to help us bring the Al Alem family to Canada. At this point, we are still uncertain of their arrival.

If you are interested in attending to hear our speaker, please call Janice Skafel at 905-332-0837 or at Janice.skafel@outlook.com and you will receive a link to our "breakfast" a few days before the event.

**ASSIST THE MIGRANT FARM WORKERS PROJECT
IN NIAGARA REGION**



Many parishioners will recall that in October of 2020 the Advocacy Group arranged a virtual “breakfast” presentation by Reverend Antonio Illas, the Migrant Farm Worker Missioner in the Anglican Diocese of Niagara, about the Migrant Farm Workers Project which operates out of St. Alban's Church in Beamsville.

Many of these essential workers have already returned to Southern Ontario and in the months ahead will be planting, caring for, and harvesting a wide variety of crops which are so vital to our food supply and the viability of our agricultural enterprises.

Padre Antonio works with farmers, community partners, and migrant workers to ensure that these workers have access to necessary health care and other needed services. To assist with his important work, he has suggested a number of ways in which St. Luke's could provide support for the Project. These include:

- Praying for the success of the Project and the welfare of all the migrant farm workers**
- Volunteering our time, skills, and talents with the Project's activities, in accordance with all public health regulations and guidelines**
- Donating either new or gently used bicycles, as well as making financial contributions**

With respect to donations of bicycles, members of the Advocacy Group can arrange to pick up bicycles from your home or, alternatively, the bicycles may be brought to Janice and Michael Skafel's home at a mutually convenient time. We will arrange for delivery to St. Alban's Church in Beamsville.

If you have a bicycle to donate, please contact Janice Skafel at (905) 332-0837 or by email at janice.skafel@outlook.com. A quick clean-up of the bicycle and checking the brakes and steering would be appreciated. Donations also needed are helmets, bike locks, bike lights and reflective vests.

If you wish to volunteer to assist with the work of the project from time to time, you may contact Padre Antonio by e-mail at migrantfarmworkers@niagaraanglican.ca.

If you wish to make a financial contribution to the Project, you may send a cheque made payable to the St. Luke's Church, with a notation on the cheque that the funds are to be directed to "Migrant Farmworkers Project". E-transfers can also be made to St Luke's indicating that it is for the "Migrant Farmworkers Project".

For additional information contact Dave Beck at (905) 632-0489.

The Advocacy Group thanks you for your consideration of these requests and for your willingness to assist the work of this meaningful endeavour in any way that you are able to.

MARY SHERWOOD and THE MADAGASCAR MISSIONS

By now most of you are probably aware that Mary Sherwood, the missionary to Madagascar whom we support, suffered a stroke last summer and is in a care facility in Lindsay ON. As Mary, now in her 80s, will no longer be able to carry on this work, The Anglican Mission Services committee is actively searching for a replacement. St. Luke's has been a long-time supporter of Mary and these missions and it is vital that we continue our support, with your help.

When Mary's children were grown she joined Anglican Mission Services and was sent to serve in the Solomon Islands in 1987 before moving on to Madagascar in 1993. There she helped to establish the 2 missions that we support.

At the orphanage, Akany Famonjena, meaning 'a nest for wholeness and salvation', 50-60 children can call it home at any one time. They become part of the large, loving Christian family there, attend the local school and help with chores around the home. At age 18 they go off to work or university.

Akany Tafita, is an outreach centre for children and young adults, in Antananarivo, the Malagasy capital, Over thirty children attend each day. They are fed a healthy meal and receive a basic education. Medical care is available. Young women are taught skills to help them become self sufficient.

Please keep Mary and all the children and staff in your prayers.

Please prayerfully consider if you are able to help us to continue our support of these important missions. Donations are welcome at any time. Please make cheques payable to St. Luke's Church and mark 'Madagascar Missions' on your cheque. Thank you for your support.

May is “Mary Sherwood”

Bakeless Bake Sale” Month!



St. Luke’s has supported Akany Famonjena Orphanage and Akany Tafita Outreach Centre in Madagascar for many years. During Covid times our bake sale will be a little different.

**Many is the time I heard you say
I would rather give a “Dollar” than bake today.
And so, we are asking you to help more or less
To make our Bakeless Bake Sale a big success.**

You are invited to NOT bake a cake, pie, cookies, or brownies. You do NOT have to find the recipe. You do NOT have to shop for the ingredients. You do NOT have to mix. You do NOT have to cook.



You do NOT have to cut. You do NOT have to wrap. You do NOT have to wash dishes. You do NOT have to clean up your kitchen. You do NOT have to deliver the baked product. You do NOT have to stand in the church hall to buy or sell the baked goods.

You can simply write a cheque for your donation to “*St. Luke’s – Madagascar Missions*” and stay home and enjoy doing something yourself or with your family!

Or send an e-transfer to St. Luke’s and write your name and “*Madagascar Missions*” in the notes.

The Outreach Fund will match donations up to \$500.

Bible Study

Monday Afternoon Bible Study will be resuming their journey through the Bible via Zoom.

We will begin at 1:30 p.m. each Monday afternoon. If you are interested in joining us, please let Sheila Plant know and she will include you in our email list so that you receive the link. We would love to have you join us.

Lockdown

Commencing midnight April 8th, our province has been put into a “lockdown”. Please call the office before you make your way to the Parish Hall. Unfortunately our doors remain locked until further notice from our Bishop.

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