

# Online Bulletin

The Parish Church of St Luke  
Burlington, ON

**Week of Sunday November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

## ✳️ PARISH OFFICE HOURS ✳️

**Monday** 9 am – noon, **Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:** 9 am to 3:30 pm, **Friday:** Closed

## Worship Services

We are open for in-person worship.

We no longer need to pre-register for services so simply come and you will be welcomed!

Sundays 8.15 & 10am – Holy Communion

WEDNESDAYS 10AM – HOLY COMMUNION

A quiet mid-week, low-key liturgy of Holy Communion.

Share this info with anyone whom you think may be interested.

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**Sunday Coffee Hour** On Zoom! At 11:30a.m. At this address:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85696727081?pwd=YTVPVFN4RWkrWnhjbVo0bEcvM21CZz09>

## RUTH AND NAOMI

Pot luck lunch Sunday November 19<sup>th</sup> 11:30 in the parlour.

## CHRISTMAS FAMILIES

Please help families this Christmas who otherwise would not have food and gifts.

St. Luke's parishioners will be sponsoring 4 families and teenagers. The names will be given to us by St. Matthew's House.

You can sign up to donate gifts on November 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. All gifts must be unwrapped & brought in by December 10<sup>th</sup>.

We also will need lots of gift cards this year.

Many thanks, Verónica Richards-Miller 905 637 6341, richmill@cogeco.ca

## Fundraising to Support the Children of El Hogar

The St. Luke's team is busy again making gingerbread kits and chocolate bark.

Gingerbread kits for churches or houses are \$35 each or 2 for \$60. 100 grams of bark is \$10 a packet or 4 for \$35; 540ml tins of Quebec maple syrup are \$15 each or 2 for \$25 and lastly, El Hogar Honduran coffee is available either in ground or bean form. The cost is to be confirmed.

For more details, please contact Ros & Rick Reycraft at [rosreycraft@hotmail.com](mailto:rosreycraft@hotmail.com) or 905 635-3976 or check the online bulletin.

The deadline to order is November 22nd. We had very little left after the Christmas Market last year so please get your order in early. !Gracias!

Also, if you've thought about going to El Hogar, the trip will take place April 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024. We still have space.

### **Calling All Families! Sunday School Begins Again!**

Sunday School is resuming – starting Sunday, 19 November. This will be a once-per-month Sunday School, happening on the third Sunday of each month at the 10 am service. All kids (and their parents) are very welcome. You're welcome any Sunday, of course, but please try to plan especially to attend the 3rd Sunday of each month. We'll start in the Church at 10 am with a children's focus right after the opening hymn and then the kids will be escorted over to the Parish Hall for the Sunday School which will consist of a short video, arts and crafts and games. Mark these dates on your calendars:

<b>19 November</b>	<b>17 December</b>
<b>21 January</b>	<b>18 February</b>
<b>17 March</b>	<b>21 April</b>
<b>19 May</b>	<b>16 June</b>

This is intended to be a Co-op Sunday School so we're hoping parents will take a turn leading one of the Sundays. November and December are covered. All the resources including a video, craft ideas, colouring pages and games are available for free through our Diocese and the link for those resources will be provided to the parents leading the school.

Please contact Mahira at [warden@stlukesburlington.ca](mailto:warden@stlukesburlington.ca) to volunteer or if you have any questions or ideas about our Sunday School.

### **Community Lunch**

**November and December Dates: Wednesdays: November 29, December 6, 20 (in the church hall)**

Lunch is free and open to anyone. Conversation: 11:00-12:00. Lunch: 12:00-1:30. No registration is needed **except for Dec. 20.**

**The Christmas Community Lunch will be on December 20. Registration is open now. Please contact Heather White at 905-632-1025 or [dheatherwhite@gmail.com](mailto:dheatherwhite@gmail.com).**

This lunch will feature the Brassworks group who will present a program of Christmas music. The menu will be extra delicious! Some of our local politicians will be serving.

## Support St. Luke's Mo Bros



Stephen Pike



Stuart Pike



Robert Laurie



Michael Skafel

The Mo Bro Team is currently Rob Laurie, Michael Skafel and the Pike bros, though more men are welcome to join us. We're also welcoming Mo Sista's (women who support the cause! - but you don't have to grow a Mo!)

All money raised goes to support men's health and all donations are tax deductible.

You can support us by pointing your phone camera to the QR Code or by going to this link: <https://movember.com/t/st-luke-s-mos?mc=1>



## SAVE THE DATE!

### Advent Quiet Day for Women

There will be a Quiet Day for Women on Sat. Dec. 9 from 10am until 2:30. This is an opportunity to take some time to centre yourself and to take some time for you as you prepare for the Christmas Season.

It is an informal program. Please contact Sheila for more information.

[sheilaplant134@gmail.com](mailto:sheilaplant134@gmail.com)

### 2024 - St. Luke's Celebration of our 190<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Next Year will be our **190<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**. It will also be Burlington's 50<sup>th</sup> as a city and Halton's 50<sup>th</sup> as a Region so there will be lots of celebrating that we can be part of. It is a great opportunity to have some fun plus show St. Luke's as a vibrant part of the community. We are forming a small committee to coordinate our celebration and the integration with these other anniversaries. If you are interested in being part of this fun group, contact Helen Bittner through [warden@stlukesburlington.ca](mailto:warden@stlukesburlington.ca).

If you are interested in taking part in either of these important lay ministries, please contact Terry Raybould, Chair of Worship either by email at [pokeyc@icloud.com](mailto:pokeyc@icloud.com) or by phone at 905-681-2816.

## CHURCH CALENDARS

The suppliers of the 2024 Anglican Church Calendars are having production issues. If anyone would like to pre-order a calendar, please email me at [elizabethcrouch@cogeco.ca](mailto:elizabethcrouch@cogeco.ca) and I will put your name on a list and reserve one or more calendars for you when they arrive. I would then have them available at coffee hour. Elizabeth Crouch

### Outreach Climate Justice Project – TruEarth Holiday Sale!

The Outreach committee has an on-going project to help reduce waste & pollution. TruEarth is a Canadian eco-friendly company which manufactures small packets of laundry strips to replace large jugs of liquid detergent. One strip will wash a load of laundry. Plus, they make other eco-friendly products.

You can check out TruEarth through the St. Luke's account at:  
[St. Luke's TruEarth Link 2023](#)

From November 1<sup>st</sup> to December 10<sup>th</sup> there is a sale on plus they are offering a special deal of **Buy One, Get One, Give One - When you buy one item, you get the second item for Free that you can either use yourself or give to someone you know. And they will donate a third item to charity!**



St. Luke's will receive 20% of the amount paid which will go PWRDF's Mishamikoweesh Water Partnership in Northern Ontario & Manitoba.

Thank you so much for helping with Climate Justice! For more information, please contact Rosemary Armstrong at [rosemarymarmstrong@gmail.com](mailto:rosemarymarmstrong@gmail.com).

## PWRDF

The Niagara Diocese issued their newsletter on Wednesday. There is an article about the Anglican-run Hospital in Gaza being attacked. Earlier in October PWRDF responded to the conflict & need to additional staff with a grant of \$30,000 to the hospital & issued an appeal for donations. You can support the al-Ahli Arab Hospital during this time of crisis by donating online to PWRDF's International Emergency Response Fund & indicate Gaza Hospital in the comments. You can also donate by cheque payable to St Lukes and on the memo line put Gaza Hospital.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent need, Jackie Maver 905 681 6097

Check out the website: [PWRDF.org](http://PWRDF.org) Christmas cards can now be ordered online.

## Coffee Hour Volunteers Needed

Many of us have enjoyed the return of Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall after the 10 am Sunday Service.

We rely on volunteers to help with this weekly get together.

We need volunteers who can come about 40 minutes before this service to set up, serve the coffee and tea after service as well as assist with cleanup. (Please note that 'set up' no longer includes setting up tables). Please contact Nan Bruce at [nabruce@bell.net](mailto:nabruce@bell.net) or 905-632-6528.

**Note that there will be no coffee hour today after church. We apologize for the inconvenience, but we are setting up for the Christmas Market**

## St. Luke's Library

This is a reminder that our library is open during office hours to borrow or return books! Hope you will look at the many fiction and non-fiction books we have to offer! Thanks, Melissa

## Parish Email List

Are you receiving the Rector's weekly email? If not, please contact the office at [office@stlukesburlington.ca](mailto:office@stlukesburlington.ca) so we can add you to our list.

Our diocese is conducting a **feasibility study** to gauge support for a possible \$20 million parish-focused capital campaign.

Four town hall meetings will offer an opportunity to learn about the campaign, ask questions, and complete a survey. Bishop Susan Bell will speak about her vision and how the study will help advance God's mission in our diocese. Below are the dates and locations for the town hall meetings:

- **Wednesday, November 15**, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.  
St. Michael's, 1188 Fennell Avenue East, Hamilton
  - **Tuesday, November 21**, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.  
Church of the Incarnation, 1240 Old Abbey Lane, Oakville
  - **Wednesday, November 22**, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.  
St. George's, 99 Woolwich Street, Guelph
- An online survey, along with a fact sheet detailing the potential campaign priorities, will be available soon at [niagaraanglican.ca/survey](http://niagaraanglican.ca/survey)

## St. Luke's Legacy Society

Over the years we have had over 18 parishioners leaving legacy gifts to St. Luke's. Currently we have an additional 43 commitments. All those who make commitments automatically become

members of St. Luke's Legacy Society and receive their pin. Please consider a legacy gift to St. Luke's. Please speak to or [email Don Bettger](mailto:Don.Bettger@stluke.org) for more information

## OUR WEEKLY GATHERINGS

*Bible Study* Mondays 1.30 pm [sheilaplant134@gmail.com](mailto:sheilaplant134@gmail.com)

*Knitters and Friends* Tuesdays 10-12 (Room 201)

*Centering Prayer* Wednesdays 2 pm [stuartpike1@gmail.com](mailto:stuartpike1@gmail.com)

*Outreach* Thursdays 10 am [rosreycraft@hotmail.com](mailto:rosreycraft@hotmail.com)

*Prayer Shawl Ministry* Thursdays 1:30 pm

*Faith & Fellowship* Saturdays 9 am [stuartpike1@gmail.com](mailto:stuartpike1@gmail.com)

## Men's Faith and Fellowship

We meet every Saturday morning from 9 am to 10:30 pm, now using hybrid model: You can come in-person at the library in the Parish Hall, or you can attend from home via Zoom. We look at the readings for the week, or sometimes we watch a short video and discuss a book of the Bible. All men are welcome.

**KNITTERS & FRIENDS**...continues to meet in person in Room 201 of the Parish hall, 10 am – noon, Tuesdays. **Anyone interested in joining is welcome to drop in. Come for the crafting, stay for the company! All skill levels and hand crafts are welcome.**

## Online weekly gatherings (Zoom)

Outreach –Thursdays 10a.m. Contact [rosreycraft@hotmail.com](mailto:rosreycraft@hotmail.com)

Men's Faith and Fellowship Saturdays 9a.m. Contact [stuartpike1@gmail.com](mailto:stuartpike1@gmail.com)

Bible Study – Mondays 1:30p.m. Contact [sheilaplant134@gmail.com](mailto:sheilaplant134@gmail.com)

## Calling on Your Clergy

If you, or someone you know, could benefit from a phone call, a visit or any other form of support from your parish clergy, please do not hesitate to make it known to any of them or to the parish office.

## Worship Services Online

At our parish blog [www.stlukesburlington.blogspot.com](http://www.stlukesburlington.blogspot.com)...Tuesday & Thursday Evening Prayer after 4:00p.m., Sunday Holy Communion 10:00a.m. **We live stream our 10 am Sunday service on this link:** [www.youtube.com/channel/UC03TRMBsM7-AH8-XU\\_ZBXAg/live](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC03TRMBsM7-AH8-XU_ZBXAg/live) **You can find all our online services at our Youtube channel,** [www.youtube.com/stlukeburlingtonniagara](https://www.youtube.com/stlukeburlingtonniagara)