

Online Bulletin

The Parish Church of St Luke
Burlington, ON

Week of Sunday June 9th, 2024

✳️ PARISH OFFICE HOURS ✳️

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

OUR WEEKLY GATHERINGS

Bible Study Mondays 1.30 pm sheilaplant134@gmail.com

Knitters and Friends Tuesdays 10-12 (Room 201)

Centering Prayer Wednesdays 2 pm stuartpike1@gmail.com

Prayer Shawl Ministry Thursdays 1:00 pm

Faith & Fellowship Saturdays 9 am stuartpike1@gmail.com

MONTHLY

Outreach Thursdays 10 am rosreycraft@hotmail.com

WORSHIP @ St. LUKE'S

SUNDAY 8.15 am Holy Communion – *Traditional*

SUNDAY 10 am Holy Eucharist – *Contemporary (livestreamed)*

WEDNESDAY 10 am Holy Communion - *Traditional*

Also online:

TUESDAY & THURSDAY 4 pm *Evening Prayer*

SECOND FRIDAY 4 pm A *Taizé* service

Great News! The World-Famous St. Lukes Garage Sale, otherwise known as “Mark’s Garage Sale”, was a HUGE SUCCESS!

Melanie kept calling it “Mark’s Garage Sale”, but she was downplaying her leadership role. Melanie is a driven, highly organized leader, and I was fortunate to have her as my teammate!

Melanie’s synopsis at last Sunday’s service was excellent so included it here:

St Luke’s people are hardworking, generous, warm and kind. That shone through yesterday. You are also flexible. When you work with Mark and I you need that. We had our first and last Garage Sale meeting 15 minutes before doors opened yesterday. We appreciate your ability to go with the flow. That was the fastest teardown on record, and everyone just went with it. We had the pleasure of getting to know individual parishioners better as we worked alongside of you, and it just confirmed why St Luke’s is so special to us.

Mark's Thoughts:

This event was a success because St Lukes parishioners stepped up and contributed however they could. Our members found a bounty of fantastic donations that filled the parish hall. Each table had multiple volunteers who sorted, priced, created pleasing displays and managed sales. We had people that fueled our folks with lunch, goodies and coffee. Teenagers sold coffee, worked at tables and carried purchases out. Those that helped with past events were excellent mentors: sharing lessons learned and making great suggestions along the way. I was truly impressed with everyone's work ethic: wow!

Measuring Success:

Initially I focused on setting and achieving a fundraising target. I was soon reminded of other important outcomes too. Donating to a charitable cause and volunteering provides a sense of purpose. It feels good to do something selfless. On Saturday I witnessed the joy of parishioners investing time with each other and interacting with visitors. I also talked to grateful people from the surrounding community. The affordability of our wares was appreciated by those on tight budgets. Overall, the environment was one of euphoria and joy.

Melanie and I are truly thankful to be part of such a wonderful parish!

We exceeded our fundraising target raising over \$7,000 after expenses but the sense of purpose and good feelings were priceless. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Mark Edwards

The **Ruth and Naomi** group will be holding their yearend **potluck luncheon** on Sunday **June 9** in the Parlour. All widows are welcome.


LEGACY SOCIETY

Legacy Society Wine and Cheese June 9, 3-5 pm Parish Hall

All Society members are welcome to attend and are encouraged to bring a friend!

Don Bettger (donandgini7@gmail.com)

Join the El Hogar Virtual Town Hall Event with Denise Vargas



SIGN UP NOW!
Bit.ly/EHPC
Virtual Town Hall
Tuesday June 11, 7:00 pm

Featuring
Denise Vargas
Executive Director
in Honduras



el hogar
PROJECTS (CANADA)
elhogarcanada.ca

You're invited to this special on-line talk for Canadian Supporters of El Hogar by Denise Vargas, the Executive Director from Honduras. Enter Bit.ly/EHPC in your browser to register and get your ticket with the Zoom link.

Denise is a dynamic personality and compelling speaker. She left a successful career as a senior business executive and part of the Honduras delegation to the United Nations to seek a place where she could help her country and its people prosper. Hear about recent accomplishments at El Hogar under her leadership and what the future holds. Ask a question.

El Hogar is a school and residence for very poor children in Honduras that has had great success helping children and their families lift themselves out of poverty. It is a project of the Anglican Church of Honduras but supported by churches and individuals across North America. St. Luke's has been a strong supporter for many years. A month ago, a team from our church spent a week at the school for the 12th time since 2008. Contact Rick Reycraft for more information.

Sunday, June 16 (Father's Day) – Women's Choir!

Before Covid-tide, we had the tradition of having a "Men only" choir for Mother's Day and a "Women only" choir for Father's Day. We resurrected that tradition once again this past Mother's Day!

Now it is time for the women to serenade their significant others in honour of Father's Day. All are welcome! We will meet in the church basement at 9:30 AM for our practice of hymns and a simple anthem (our regular choristers will have had a preview and will be able to help you!). Please contact the office and leave a message for Jennifer (or email her at jgoodine@stlukesburlington.ca), so that she knows how many to expect. We look forward to singing with you!

Parish Gardens...

The gardens have flourished since a great team worked on them back in April. So, now they need some tending as the shrubs weeds have grown substantially. Can you help this coming week on Thursday or Friday mornings 9:00 to noon, 13 or 14 June? Just in time for Sound of Music, when the Church will be open for visitors and many people will be passing through the church property.

Please let Michael Skafel know of your availability: 905 616 3696 or mgskafel@outlook.com

Sound of Music - St Luke's open for visitors!

Burlington's Sound of Music Festival is coming soon, and we are very happy to be open for that weekend - June 14 - 16. While Burlington's downtown will be buzzing with activity, we find that many pass through our property and love to come through the church when it is open. But we need your help to make this happen.

We are also going to be open during the St Luke's Strawberry Social on Saturday, June 22nd from 2-4 p.m.

We are looking for volunteers to do a three-hour shift during those weekends. It means welcoming people to come through and look at our treasured church and perhaps to answer a few questions for them if they ask! You will be paired with a partner. If you can help, please connect Janice at 905-332-0837 or janice.skafel@outlook.com.

ORGAN RECITAL – JENNIFER GOODINE
SATURDAY, JUNE 22 – 2:45 PM in the Church

Works by Mendelssohn, Byrd, Bridge, and Bach
(approx. 40 mins)

Free admission

(Donations graciously accepted for St. Luke's music programme)

Advocacy Breakfast via Zoom – June 15th
Migrant Farm Workers Project – Diocese of Niagara

Do we really know what life is like for many of the over 4,000 migrant farm workers who come to this part of Canada to carry out the tasks of planting, caring for, and harvesting the many crops which are such an important part of the economic foundation of this region? We are all fortunate to enjoy the fruits of their labours.

Please join us on Saturday, June 15th at 10am via Zoom to hear our interesting & informative speaker, the Rev. (Padre) Antonio Illas, the Diocesan Missioner for the Migrant Workers Project in Niagara, a position he has held since 2019.

The Migrant Farm Workers Project is charged with the objective of providing a variety of programs to support and enhance the quality of life and well-being of these temporary workers, the majority of whom come from Mexico or other Central American nations.

Please join us to learn the difference this amazing project makes to these invaluable workers and how we might be able to help.

Please contact Janice Skafel to register to obtain the Zoom link at janice.skafel@outlook.com.

Friends of St. Luke's Afternoon Hymn Sing and Tea

Each year about this time we begin making plans for Friend's of St. Luke's. This is an afternoon event held once each year, and will be taking place this year on **Wednesday, August 28th, at 2pm**. We host it in recognition of the contributions of time, talent and financial support made over the years by our most elderly parishioners, who are still part of our parish family but may be unable to attend regular services due to advanced age, health and mobility issues.

It consists of a short service and hymn sing in the church, followed by sandwiches, tea and treats for our guests in the parish Hall.

We begin canvassing for volunteers during the month of June, hoping to get a roster of willing volunteers before everyone goes away on holidays. If you feel that you can help once again, or for the first time, please do call one of us at the contact info provided below, according to which area you wish to volunteer in. Martha will be happy to hear from anyone wishing to

help out with set up, in the kitchen and with serving, and I will be canvassing for people who can help transport guests to and from their homes to St. Luke's, Welcomers, Ushers and Curb-side help.

We hope you can join us in helping to make this event enjoyable for all.

Many thanks in advance to all of you who are willing to help.

Lesley Emery

Co-Ordinator - Friends of St. Luke's

Martha Hemphill (905) 632-6516 or arabellagore@gmail.com

Lesley Emery (905) 802—7198 or echidna77@icloud.com

Baseball Tickets

At 3:07 **September 14, 2024**, in Toronto, Jim Glass' beloved St Louis Cardinals will play the Toronto Blue Jays. The family invites anyone who is interested to join them for the ball game (Jim's Wake). To participate in the group baseball tickets @\$75.00 each, parishioners & friends can pay through interac to Office@stlukesburlington.ca with Baseball Tickets and the Buyers Name in the comment box. (Tickets must be purchased by JULY 1 - on that date we will get the best tickets we can as a group)

As the Gardiner Expressway into Toronto will be closed, we expect to leave Burlington on the GO Train at 1:30 PM - so you are invited to come to the funeral dressed informally!

You are welcome to attend Ball Game even if you cannot attend service.

CONTACT FOR TICKET INFORMATION: Joelle Watson joelle.watson@cogeco.ca

OUTREACH would like to invite you...

to take part in the **WALK TO THE LIGHTHOUSE on September 22nd at 1pm**, mark your calendars. The walk supports the mental health programme at Jo. Brant Hospital. Watch this space for more information or get in touch with Jackie Maver 905 681 6097.

The **Summer Newsletter** is now on our website, www.stlukesburlington.ca, under News and Updates, in full colour and is being mailed out to those who want a hard copy. Thanks to everyone who contributed stories and photos of both our recent events and achievements and all the plans for upcoming events.

WANTED – Your Photo for our Parish Directory!!

Our online parish directory is up & running but we need you to check your information & supply us with a photo that you like. Here's how to do it:

On Your Web Browser:

To view the directory online, go to members.InstantChurchDirectory.com to log in.

The first time, click on the "Create a login now" under the Sign In button. Enter your email address and set up a password. You will be sent an email confirmation, which you click on the

link inside that email to confirm your email and log in with the password you just created. When you have set up your “account” you can upload a photo of yourself. If you make any changes and/or upload your photo a confirmation email will be sent to Ros and Wendy for approval.

If your email address isn't listed in the directory let Ros or Wendy know so it can be added. We will verify that you are an actual person that has come to the church and then send you login info.

Once the approval has been accepted you can access the directory at anytime to see other parishioners and upcoming activities.

You can also download an app to have access to the directory on your phone or log in through the website.

Wendy – wmurray4@cogeco.ca & Ros – rosreycraft@hotmail.com

Tru Earth

Exciting Update from Outreach Mishamikoweesh Water Project...St. Luke's Outreach project that benefits PWRDF's Mishamikoweesh Water Partnership in Northern Ontario & Manitoba now has many more eco-friendly products from which to choose. You can now order from Eco-Collective as well as Tru-Earth! St. Luke's earns a 20% commission on each order from either site to support this project. It's easy to order using one of the following links:

tru-earth.sjv.io/StLukesAnglicanChurch

ecoc.sjv.io/StLukesChurch

Be sure to try the Platinum Laundry Strips!

Contact Rosemary Armstrong (rosemarymarmstrong@gmail.com) for more information

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St. Luke's Library - Just a friendly reminder that the library is open during office hours! We hope you will stop in sometime to browse our collection.

OFFERTORY BEARERS

(an important part of St. Luke's worship)

At the beginning of the Offertory hymn the bread and wine (gifts of the people) are brought to the Altar by two members of the congregation and are presented to a server at the altar rail in preparation for consecration before Communion. The bread, wine and the collection presented by the sides people at the end of the hymn represent our lives, our work, our recreation, our families, and our community. In other words, we offer to God all that we have and all that we do. This is called Stewardship. If you are willing to be a member of one of our Offertory teams, please contact Rev. Sheila Plant or Terry Raybould (email pokeyc@icloud.com or phone 905-681-2816)

Parish Email List

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

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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 to the board room in the Parish Hall, or you can attend from home viz 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.

Outreach rosreycraft@hotmail.com

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)

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

Bible Study – Mondays 1:30p.m. Contact 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...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** You can find all our online services at our Youtube channel, www.youtube.com/stlukeburlingtonniagara