

Online Bulletin

The Parish Church of St Luke
Burlington, ON

Week of April 13th, 2025

✳ PARISH OFFICE HOURS ✳

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

OUR WEEKLY GATHERINGS

Bible Study Mondays 1pm 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

Choir Rehearsal Thursdays 7 – 8:30 pm jgoodine@stlukesburlington.ca

Faith & Fellowship Saturdays 9 am stuartpike1@gmail.com

MONTHLY

Outreach Thursdays 10 am rosreycraft@hotmail.com

Ruth & Naomi 2nd Sunday of the month 11:30 sheilaplant134@gmail.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 4 pm *Evening Prayer*

SECOND FRIDAY 4 pm A *Taizé* service

APRIL SERVICES

April 13	8:15 and 10:00 am	Palm/Passion (Eucharist with Palms)
April 14	10:00 am	Holy Monday Eucharist
April 15	7:00 pm	Holy Tuesday Tenebrae
April 16	10:00 am	Holy Wednesday Communion
April 17	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Eucharist with washing of hands
April 18	10:00 am	Good Friday Symbols Service
April 19	7:00 pm	Easter Vigil & Baptism
April 20	8:15 and 10:00 am	Easter Day Holy Eucharist
April 27	8:15 and 10:00 am	Celtic Eucharist with Baptism

Kids Korner

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." 🌿

Today, we are eagerly looking forward to joining you in Church once again, with our palms in hand. Our Lenten journey is nearly complete, and as we gather for worship today, let us reflect on the challenges of walking in faith. May our voices rise in hosannas, even as we prepare for the solemn path that Jesus will take next week.

The children will join us in the hall for the parade to the church, stay at the front for 'Children's Chat' then go to Sunday School.

Many Blessings as we continue to walk with the Lord.

Jackie and St Luke's Kids 🙏✝️🙏

Please Note there will be **no Coffee Time** for these dates:

April 13: Group Photo after 10am Service

April 20: Easter Sunday

Easter Giving

At St. Luke's, gifts of treasure are leveraged by over 20,000 volunteer hours of time and talent. This combination ensures all our Ministries continue to grow, prosper and contribute to the well-being of parishioners and the broader community. Please consider making an Easter gift of your treasure by using the special envelopes in the pews or making an e-transfer to office@stlukesburlington.ca.

PAROCHIAL COMMITTEE UPDATE

Mark your calendars for May 10, 2025. This will be the Farewell/Retirement reception for Stuart. It will be an Open House event from 2-4 pm. More details to follow.

El Hogar Easter Eggs & Honduran Coffee

Yes, our delicious chocolate covered fondant Easter eggs are available again. The cost this year is **\$8 per egg or 5 for \$35**. We will also be selling Honduran coffee at \$20 per 1 pound bag both beans & ground.

We will be selling at coffee hour Sunday April 13th
Thanks so much for your support! It is very much appreciated!

Gardens at St Luke's

It is almost SPRING! The gardens need cleaning up and the weather is finally warming up. If you would like to help, please come on Monday and/or Tuesday mornings, 14 and 15 April, 9:00 to noon. Please confirm with Michael Skafel, 905 617 3696 or mgskafel@outlook.com.

DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY LUNCH

The next Community Lunch will be on April 16th. Doors open at 11:00 for a social time and lunch is served at noon. The lunch is open to all and is free. No reservation is needed. **The Spring Celebration will be on April 30, with a special menu and entertainment by the Buskers. April marks the 11th anniversary of the Community Lunch.**

Parking for Good Friday Services

Please be aware there will be a road race on Friday April 18th, 2025, from 8:30 am – 6:00 pm. The event will be at Spencer Smith park and may affect parking in the lot across from the church on Elgin. Hopefully this doesn't affect anyone from attending.

Music at St. Luke's is delighted to welcome back our perennial favourites, **THE 12/4 SWING ORCHESTRA!**

Led by Jim Heaslip and featuring Tony Sciarra, this rocking jazz band presents the golden era of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Perry Como and Bobby Darin, on Saturday, April 26th! Doors are open at 6PM. Tickets are \$50 and include entrance and dinner, catered by Millcroft Catering.

Tickets are available from the church office (905) 634-1826 office@stlukesburlington.ca and through Eventbrite: twelve-fourswingatstlukes2025.eventbrite.ca.

Steve Pike will also be selling tickets at coffee hour following Sunday Services.

Advocacy Presentation–Virtually Saturday, April 26 at 10 am.

We would like to invite you to our next virtual Advocacy presentation on Saturday, April 26 at 10 a.m. for a very interesting presentation from Rane Lee, who is an Associate Professor in the Industrial Design program at Ontario College of Art & Design University, Since 2015, she has integrated design for social change by engaging with a group of immigrant women who sew for income generation in Regent Park, a former social housing neighbourhood in Toronto, as part of the city's poverty reduction strategy. The women from Regent Park produce products from recycled and waste materials for an alternative livelihood and sustainability.

Ranee, also partnered with Yonge Street Mission to bring women sewers and Industrial Design students together to produce products as part of a Livelihood Program. Join us to listen to how this creative woman has been able to bring purpose and livelihood to an immigrant community.

Please let Janice know if you wish to virtually join us on April 26. Call 905-617-1941 or at janice.skafel@outlook.com and you will be sent a Zoom link.

Newsletter Submission Deadline April 26th for the June, July, August Letter

Please submit articles pictures and plans for the Summer period by April 26th to newsletter@stlukesburlington.ca

DO YOU HAVE A VEHICLE EQUIPPED WITH A BICYCLE CARRIER ?

The Ministry of Outreach is seeking donations of used bicycles again this year for the Migrant Farmworkers Project based at St. Alban's Anglican Church in Beamsville.

The bicycles are of great assistance to the thousands of migrant workers in Niagara Region for travelling from the farms and vineyards where they are employed to local stores for shopping during their free time or for visiting fellow workers at their places of employment.

At the moment, none of the Outreach team members has a vehicle equipped with a bicycle carrier capable of transporting three or four bicycles to St. Alban's. We anticipate that three or four trips to St. Alban's will be required during April, May, and June, depending on the number of bicycles which are received. Reimbursement for gas expenses can be provided.

If you have a vehicle equipped with a bicycle carrier and can assist with this request, please contact Dave Beck at (905) 632-0489.

St. Luke's Speaker's Lunch – May 8th

In this month's presentation, Sandra Nolan Boshell and Melanie McGregor will talk to us about; What is mental health?, How does it affect us . . . and why is it talking about it so important???

They will lead us through some mindfulness practices to have in our toolboxes, to help us slow down, cope with worry, manage stressful moments, and be compassionate with ourselves.

And more . . .

Everyone Welcome!

Doors open at 11:30am, with the presentation commencing about 12:20pm

Bring your own lunch and we will provide the refreshments.

A free-will donation of \$5 is appreciated.

"Aging Well Clinic" at St Luke's

This clinic takes place every second Thursday afternoons at St Luke's. You can make a screening appointment for a healthcare professional from The Burlington Family Health Team's Aging Well Clinic to perform screening to identify risk factors associated with aging and well-being among older adults. Funding is provided by the Ontario Government and so cost is free to you. the clinic is focused on prevention and self-management of health conditions to support older adults to age well in the community.

To make an appointment for a half hour appointment call (289) 861-5611. Any questions? Call Janice at 905-617-1941 or Heather at 905-467-2922

ST. LUKE'S GARAGE SALE

Once again, Melanie Walker announced that "Mark's Second Annual Garage Sale" will be held on Saturday, May 31, 2025. The event name is really called the St. Lukes World Famous Huge Community Garage Sale, but I get it, Melanie wanted to invoke my Celebrity Verger persona! Watch for me on the talk-show circuit closer to the event. If last year's success is any indication, we're going to hit it out of the park this year! Of course, volunteers are key so if you're willing, or like me, your partner "voluntells" you, just send me a note to stlukesgaragesale@gmail.com. Just a hint: I respond faster to text so you can also message at 416-230-1786.

You're invited to start putting your donation aside. Please note we do not have any storage space at the church or hall.

Here are some treasure hunting suggestions:

Electronics: Record Players, Radios, Speakers, Amplifiers, Music Equipment, Flat Screen TVs & Monitors, Cameras, Portable, Printers, Laptops, Video Games & Consoles, Accessories.

Small Appliances: Kitchen Gadgets, Toasters, Coffee Makers, Crock Pots, Sandwich Makers, Mixers.

Sporting Goods: Exercise & Sports Equipment, Adult & Children's Bicycles, Children's play equipment.

Adult & Children's Clothing: Skirts, Sweaters, Dresses, Blouses, Pants, Handbags, Jackets, Blazers, Suits, Shoes, Hats, Sportswear, Scarves, Shorts, Golf Shirts.

Furniture & Home Décor: Indoor & Outdoor Tables & Chairs, Lamps, Dressers, Knick Knacks, Baskets, Wreaths, Artwork, Rugs.

Toys: Building Blocks, Board Games, Puzzles, Laundered Stuffedies, Dolls, Action Figures, Balls, Children's Sports Equipment.

Linens: Drapery, Blankets, Sheets, Towels, Bathroom/Kitchen Rugs, Throw Pillows, Duvets.

Kitchenware: Pots, Pans, Dishes, Cups/Mugs, Glassware, Tea Pots/Sets, Cutlery, Mixing Bowls, Carafes, Bakeware, Roasting Pans, Children's Kitchenware too!

Luggage: Roller Boards, Carry-ons, Backpacks, Duffle Bags, Toiletry Bags, Travel Size Toiletry Containers.

Books, Music & Collectables: Fiction, Non-Fiction, Business, Travel, Art, Christmas, Children's, Baseball & Hockey Cards, Stamps, Coins, Vinyl Records

Jewellery: Handmade, Unique, Modern, and Vintage Jewellery.

Hardware: Hand Tools, Lawn & Garden, Drills, Saws, Nail Guns, & Compressors.



Happy Treasure Hunting!

Mark Edwards – Celebrity Verger & Garage Sale Head Honcho *Pictured here with his Public Relations Team (Jacob and Thomas).*

A Unique Opportunity!!!



We have opportunity to help St. Luke's **and** the children of El Hogar, a great charity providing education and hope for the future to disadvantaged children in Honduras, plus get some valuable benefits ourselves. See [www. elhogarcanada.ca](http://www.elhogarcanada.ca) for more on this worthy cause.

Do you have jewelry or other valuable items that may be damaged or no longer wanted? Perhaps a ring missing its stone, a broken necklace, sterling silver cutlery or coins? With the price of gold and silver these days, donating these items can result in a substantial gift to El Hogar and the church, plus a valuable tax receipt to you. We have a volunteer who can get top dollar for these items. A recent participant will be getting a tax receipt for \$690 for donating a few unwanted items! You can even get items appraised before deciding to donate. The default is a 50/50 split of donations between St. Luke's and El Hogar but you can choose. You can also choose to donate a portion of the value and keep the balance.

For more information contact Rick Reycraft at rick.reycraft@elhogarcanada.ca or 905 635



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2026 Calendar!

Yes, we are doing another calendar for next year and we need your help. We'd love your picture submissions of St. Luke's: people, places and things. We need a variety of photos from across the year and, like we did with the 2025 calendar, we'll be doing a centerfold grouping of special events.

Please email your photos to hbittner@cogeco.ca. Or contact Helen Bittner (905)980-1248 to make arrangements.

ALSO!!! If you didn't get a copy of the 2025 calendar we still have a few to spare. They are available in the church office for \$10.

The Calendar Committee: Sheila, Mahira, Stuart and Helen

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)

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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 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
