

Christ Church Anglican Meaford Eblast for April 7, 2021



Second Sunday of Easter, April 11, 2021 10:30am, Online & Videotaped Service of the Word

Please note the Huron Diocese has instructed all parishes that **in-church services are not permitted** during the current Ontario shutdown. To see an extract of a letter from Bishop Todd, please scroll down.

See previously videotaped Easter and other Christ Church services here.

From the Huron Diocese....as per letter to parishes of April 1, 2021



Dear friends.

The provincial government has announced that the entire province will enter into a province-wide shutdown (White Zone) effective at 12:01am on Saturday, April 3rd in order to curtail the rapid rise in COVID-19 cases in our province. For our diocese, this means that at 12:01am on Saturday, we return to the guidelines found in the RED Stage Loving our Neighbours document which may be found here. In this stage, no in-person worship is permitted.

......The past year has been a difficult one and this feels like one more blow. Yet, as we enter tomorrow into the darkness of Good Friday, we do so knowing the end of the story. Despite all the powers of evil that were raged against him, Christ was victorious. Death and darkness did not have the final word. Our celebrations this year will again be different than we might have hoped for, but the hope we proclaim has not changed. Christ is risen!

May the hope, peace and joy of Christ be yours." +Todd Townshend Bishop of Huron

Financial Update to the end of March

I would like to thank the parishioners who were able to get their envelope givings in. While we had services in church, that was easier to do, but we are now "shut down" again until May. There is a box at the front door of the church into which you can drop envelopes, etc.

At this point, we have an \$11,357.75 shortfall.

If you are willing and able to sign up for PAP, I encourage you to do so. It is easy, allows you to contribute either through your chequing account or your credit card for any amount you wish, and you can change it at any time. Please contact me, if you are interested, at 519-379-5998 or frichardson@outlook.com



Christ Church Outreach

The next Community Dinner will be prepared at and delivered from *Chez Gilles'* on **Tuesday, April 27th.** To have a meal delivered to your home, please call 519-538-1330 or email office@christchurchanglican.ca.

Please give your name, address with postal code and # dinners you would like. If you are already a recipient, no contact is necessary. Meals are free--donations are always welcome. ALL INQUIRIES OR MEAL ORDERS MUST BE DONE BY MONDAY NOON FOR TUESDAY DELIVERIES.





We are missing our connections? If you would like a call to your home, or would like us to reach out to someone who is in need of prayer and/or conversation, especially in these times of isolation, please call us at the church 519-538-1330. We are only a phone call away!

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"Rest in Peace" Win Shaw

It is with a sad heart that I have to let you know that Win Shaw passed away on Good Friday afternoon. She was an incredibly faithful member of our parish for so many years. I spoke with her last Thursday as I delivered the bulletin for the Easter Sunday service. As frustrated as she was about missing church, she was her usual cheerful self. What a blessing that she did not have to suffer long. How appropriate it is that it occurred on Easter Weekend. May we all learn from her Christian example. — Francis R. A link to her obituary is here. There is also a tribute on our facebook page here.

A MESSAGE FROM THE MEAFORD CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR:

I am excited to announce that we will offer a new session of Meaford Children's Choir on Tuesdays from 4:55 pm - 5:30 pm via Zoom, beginning March 23rd and running until the end of June 2021. Please feel free to invite friends! We are extending the invitation for new choir members to join, including those from outside of the Meaford area. There is no need to commit to the whole session or start on March 23rd, and there continues to be no cost to participate. We will continue to use the same Zoom link.



(If interested, or if you know of someone whose child may be interested, email Lauren at meafordchildrenschoir@gmail.com or leave a message at the church office, 519-538-1330.)

FROM OUR COMMUNITY

BIG BROTHERS, BIG SISTERS OF GREY-BRUCE - Bowl for Kids Sake. April 10-25 virtual; April 22-25 In person. To register or for more info, click here and also see the poster below.

Chronic Disease, Chronic Pain and Powerful Tools for Caregivers workshops! Participants can use any device they use to access the internet, computer, tablet or smart phone. The workshops are <u>FREE</u>, but participants must register. Register at: https://swselfmanagement.ca/ConsumerWorkshops/upcomingWorkshops.aspx

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The church and office is NOW CLOSED TEMPORARILY DURING THE ONTARIO SHUTDOWN. While office staff work from home temporarily, Mondays to Thursdays, we continue to monitor the telephone and email daily. Mail is also picked up regularly. We love to hear from you!

You may also watch us here



Today's Chuckle......

Jesus' Dad's Name

A Sunday school teacher asked her class, "What was Jesus' mother's name?" One child answered, "Mary."

The teacher then asked, "Who knows what Jesus' father's name was?" A little kid said, "Verge."

Confused, the teacher asked, "Where did you get that?"



The kid said, "Well, you know, they are always talking about Verge n' Mary."
A little boy was overheard praying: "Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am."
After the christening of his baby brother in church, Jason sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car. His father asked him three times what was wrong. Finally, the boy replied, "That preacher said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home, and I wanted to stay with you."
I had been teaching my three-year old daughter, Caitlin, the Lord's Prayer for several evenings at bedtime. She would repeat after me the lines from the prayer. Finally, she decided to go solo. I listened with pride as she carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer: "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us from E-mail.
One particular four-year-old prayed, "And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets."
A Sunday school teacher asked her children as they were on the way to church service, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."
Six-year-old Angie and her four-year-old brother, Joel, were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang, and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church." "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked. Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're bushers."



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