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& ST JOHN**
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THE GRAPEVINE

Sunday, June 3, 2018

Prayer Cycles

Please pray with us today and throughout this week for:

Anglican: The Anglican Church of Melanesia; The Most Rev George Takeli, Archbishop of the Anglican Church of Melanesia and Bishop of Central Melanesia

Diocese: Theological Colleges of the Anglican Church of Canada

Deanery: The Rev. Marvin McDermott and the Rev. Ron Meacock

Social Justice and Advocacy: St. George-on-the-Hill and the Etobicoke Learning Cooperative; St. George-on-Yonge and the distribution of gift cards and TTC tokens; and St. George the Martyr, Parkdale and the farmers' market.

Parish Groups: Property Committee

Parish Family: Joan Caswell, Madeleine Cave, Martin Chapman (4); Paula and Shirley Clarke; Bob and Kathy Clysdale (5); Jamie, Karen, Katie, Thomas and Miriam Clysdale; Jean Cole (6); Ernie Collett and Linda Le Vasseur; Ralph and Mathilde Colley (7); Dennis Condon; Greg Conway; Steve Coombes, Alyson Lockwood, Emily, Jacob and Kayleigh (8)

Readings for Sunday, June 10

Isaiah 42:5-12; Acts 11:19-20, 13:1-3; Matthew 10:5b-16

THIS WEEK

Monday, June 4

- 7:15 pm Al-Anon

Wednesday, June 6

- 10:00 am mid-week service

Sunday, June 10

- Parish Celebration at 10:00 am in the Church

LOOKING AHEAD

St Barnabas' Day Parish Celebration: Sunday, June 10th. There will be one combined celebration at 10 a.m. in the church (no 8:15 or Open Circle). We will have a parish consultation that day on what our name should be. Following worship will be a BBQ in the garden and outdoor activities. Please bring a salad or dessert (enough for 8-10 people and a serving utensil), a feast basket with dishes and cutlery and a chair. (Food can be dropped off in the Guild Hall 9-10 a.m. on June 10th.)

There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex asking you to sign up and to indicate: how many hotdogs, hamburgers, or veggie burgers you will eat; if you plan to bring a salad or a dessert. Thanks for helping us to plan the event!

Summer Worship Schedule: There will be no 8:15 service from July 1st to September 2nd; it will resume on September 9th. The choir will be on summer hiatus for the same time.

FOR YOUR INTEREST

Library: We're all familiar with stories of animals in the Bible but they can also be part of our spiritual life today. This bond with animals is the main focus in the library this month. We invite you to drop in and enjoy a variety of titles both fiction and nonfiction such as *The Book of Church Cats*, *At Home in Mitford*, *In Search of Noah's Ark* and *The Cat in the Cathedral*.

SMILE Dresses: Is looking for children's t-shirts that are new or just very gently used, preferably without large advertising logos. Drop off through the office.

Prison Ministry: Thank you from Donna Marshall, Volunteer Coordinator of Central East Correctional Centre for donations collected and packaged for the backpack program for clients facing homelessness after release. Backpacks include a note wishing them well from all the volunteers who support the program and the gratitude that recipients display is heartwarming. Thank you to all who continue to donate. (We have a good supply of toothbrushes and face cloths which will be packed when we receive shampoo, soap, toothpaste and combs to go with them.)

Grapevine: If you wish to receive the weekly "Online Grapevine", please email Carolyn office@stjohnspeterborough.ca to get on the list. It's sent out every Friday morning with info from the print version as well as ministry rosters and other information of interest.

Ministry Opportunities: Envelopes for the Warming Room shelter and One Roof Community Centre (both ministries of the parish) are on the welcome table. Both programs rely on donations in addition to other funding. One Roof Community Centre invites additional support by the donation of goods and supplies: a list is posted on the bulletin board in the washroom hallway.

PARISH FAMILY

June Birthdays: Marilyn Nornabell (3), Grace Bolton, Murray Leadbeater (5), Katie Clysdale, Angelica LeVasseur (6), Ruth Spencley, Bev Powles (8), Felix Donoghue, June Hendren, Bob Stairs (10), Lois Rutter, Sharon Schriver, Joan Wilkins (12), Helen McIntyre, Morgan Tamplin (18), Don Watkins (19), Anne Graham, Rebecca Hubble (22), Juliet Franczyk (23), Rylan Craig, Stan Warmington (26), Steve Smith (27), Shirley Brown, Bruce Pond (28), Steve Coombes, Lucinda Hage (30)

June Anniversaries: John and Ellen Seddon, Bob and Kathy Clysdale, Ray and Barbara Kelbrick (5), Art White and Bev Thompson (11), Perce and Bev Powles (17)

If your birthdate or anniversary is not listed and you would like it to be please contact Carolyn in the office with the details.

The Provincial Election Is Thursday, June 7th.

As Anglicans, we understand that in building up our society we are also helping to prepare the way of God's kingdom. Our prophetic command has always been to seek the welfare of the communities where God has placed us (Jeremiah 29:7), and in baptism, we promise to “seek and serve Christ in all persons”, and to “respect the dignity of every human being.”

In recent years, Anglicans across Ontario have been living out this covenant through advocacy on issues of poverty and housing. The provincial election campaign provides us with another opportunity to raise public awareness of the needs and burdens endured by so many in this province—hunger, inadequate housing, and poverty—and to help move policy decisions toward sharing abundant life which is God's desire for all of us.

“It is important that our elected representatives hear from us. We all have a role to play in building a society in which all live with dignity. This is part of our baptismal vows and a response to the Gospel.”

- The Most Rev. Colin Johnson, Archbishop of Toronto and Metropolitan of Ontario

Pray for candidates, and for voters, that we may all be guided, not by self-interest, but by a genuine care for God's people, and concern for the needs of our neighbours. We invite your prayerful consideration of these issues and the ways in which the platforms of the various parties address them. Please also keep the leaders and candidates seeking office, along with all citizens, in your prayers during the election campaign.

A Prayer for an Election (BAS p. 678)

Lord, keep this nation and province under your care. Bless the leaders of our land, that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth. Help us to elect trustworthy leaders, contribute to wise decisions for the general welfare, and thus serve you faithfully in our generation to the honour of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.