



The Wardens' Wire

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APRIL 25-MAY 16TH

SUN. Apr 26th

8.30 am St Mary the Virgin Ind Anglican service
10.30 am MORNING PRAYER – St George's
2.00 pm Hoi Thanh Tin Lanh service
5-7 pm English Conversation Café

Mon. Apr 27th

12.30-2.30PM Friendship Circle
7.30 pm Hamilton Schola Cantorum practice

Tues Apr 28TH

6.30-8.30 Alpha studies at Tom's home and on line

Wed Apr 29th

1-3 pm Bible Study – Genesis – in church hall

Thurs. Apr 30th

7-9 pm Bible Study – John - at Tom's house and on line

Fr. May 1st

6 pm Park AA Group

Saturday May 2nd

2-4 pm Afghanistan Fundraiser/Book Launch
all welcome – see notice further on

Sun May 3rd

8.30 am St Mary the Virgin Ind Anglican service
10.30 am HOLY COMMUNION – St George's
2.00 pm Hoi Thanh Tin Lanh service
5-7 pm English Conversation Café

Mon. May 4th

12.30-2.30PM Friendship Circle
7.30 pm Hamilton Schola Cantorum practice

Tues. May 5th

6.30-8.30 Alpha studies at Tom's home and on line

Wed May 6th

1-3 pm Bible Study – Genesis – at church hall

Thurs. May 7th

7-9 pm Bible Study – Book of John at Tom's house and on line

Fr. May 8th

6 pm Park AA Group

Sat. May 9th

9-12 noon **SPRING CLEAN UP -**
ALL WELCOME WILL BE FOLLOWED BY BBQ
SEE NOTICE FURTHER ON

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SUN. MAY 10TH

Mother's Day

8.30 am St Mary the Virgin Ind Anglican service
10.30 am MORNING PRAYER – St George's
2.00 pm Hoi Thanh Tin Lanh service
5-7pm English Conversation Café

Mon. May 11th

12.30-2.30PM Friendship Circle
7.30 pm Hamilton Schola Cantorum practice

Tues May 12th

6.30-8.30 Alpha studies at Tom's home and on line

Wed May 13th

1-3 pm Bible Study – Genesis – at church in parish hall

7-9 pm The Spirituality of The Book of Kells - on line course with Tom Power - See information on next page

Thurs. May 14th

10.30 am **ASCENSION DAY**
St Mary's Service
Mass for the Feast of the Ascension

2-4 pm Vestry Meeting

7-9 pm Bible Study – John - at Tom's house and on line

Fri May 15th

6 pm Park AA Group

Sat. May 16th

2-4 pm **MOVIE --- Vertigo**

all welcome see information next page



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UPCOMING EVENTS;

AFGHANISTAN FUNDRAISER SATURDAY, MAY 2ND 2 - 4 PM.

The Parish Hall will host a joyful event in the shape of a Book Launch and a fundraiser for the Krucker Foundation. It is our intent to replace some of the largesse that the Krucker Foundation has so generously given us towards our project in Afghanistan. You will hear more about that at the event.

The fundraising idea comes about from a small book of essays that I have put together. I will have seventy books available. Lisa Richmond has kindly donated ten copies of her own book. Both books deal with "light", a timely topic in today's world and no coincidence. The books will be available on a "pay what you like" basis with all monies from both books going towards our wonderful project. It is exciting that a small church can keep so deeply involved in God's huge world!

We will need some kitchen help for the sweet treats and the tea, coffee and fruit that we plan. If you would like to help with the set up and clearing please speak to Pam.

We will need some child care of two people. If that is something you would like to do please speak to me. I'd suggest a quiet activity (story telling, drawing, etc.). The "upstairs toys" with the small parts will be removed so that none of our guests slip on them.

It has been suggested that someone make small signs to indicate which of the two restrooms downstairs are for women and which for gents. Let me know if you'd do that please.

Please pray for this to be a warming, successful afternoon where the funds raised will go towards bringing joy and God's Blessing to the lovely young Afghan women whom we have not met in person but love anyway.

Thank you friends.- Judy

SPRING CLEAN UP

Saturday May 9th from 9 till noon is spring tidy up date for Saint George's Church. You are all invited to come out if you can, to help us tidy up, cleanup and fix up the church and garden. There will be a barbeque afterwards. Michael Wood has offered to make hamburgers for everyone.

Come out and make some new friends at our fix, mix and licks event.

Rain or shine, Saturday May 9th from 9 till noon. Thank you -- Alan P

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MOVIE SATURDAY MAY 16, 2-4 PM

Join us for friendship, movie and treats, bring a friend along for this free afternoon

.....*VERTIGO*.....

Hold on to your chairsthis is psychological thriller by Alfred Hitchcock !!

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The Spirituality of the Book of Kells

The world-famous Book of Kells is an illustrated copy of the four gospels in Latin. It dates to c.800 AD. The original is in Trinity College Dublin. Join Tom Power for four classes (online) to explore the spiritual riches of this jewel of Western Art.

Wednesday 13 May, 7-8 pm: The Book of Kells in its Context: Celtic Monasticism

Wednesday 20 May, 7-8 pm: Book of Kells: Background and General Features

Wednesday 27 May, 7-8 pm: Book of Kells: Portraits and Full-Page Illustrations

Wednesday 3 June, 7-8 pm: Book of Kells: Eucharistic and Christological Symbolism

Class outing to Toronto to view an exquisite copy of the Book of Kells. Date to be confirmed.

Email Tom Power for the zoom link and the resource pack: thomppower@gmail.com



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WE HAVE HAD TWO WONDERFULLY SUCCESSFUL MEETINGS IN THE LAST WEEK ..

BIBLIOMPOWER

On Tuesday afternoon Allan Powell led the book club discussion regarding Rachel Preston's Fishers of Paradise, a fictionalized account of historical truths involving Cootes Paradise and the community of boat houses that once was there. We had a good discussion and learned a lot about the early days, and some of the wicked ways, of that community at the time.

If you would like to try the book club maybe now is the time. You might want to work it into your regular routine come September.

On May 19 we will discuss the small essays by young Afghan women written about the shoes they wore when they left their homes and loved ones in Afghanistan and arrived in Canada, their new land. The small booklet is titled Waterlilies. The copies were kindly mailed to us gratis by Canadian writer Catherine Govier who was the impetus behind The Shoe Project. There are enough books that we can swap around. If you'd like to read it let me know at 905-527-9431 or at judyPollardsmith@gmail.com.

The June book club on Tuesday, June 16th will begin a half hour earlier than usual (at 1:00 pm) for a few light potluck snacks. It will be followed by a discussion of The Prodigal God by Tim Keller and presented by Tom Power. We will break for the summer JUDY

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There were thirteen of us at Monday's Friendship Circle including our new friend Yvonne who comes to us all the way from South Africa and seems happy to have found us, as we are happy to have found her. We read in turns from John Chapter 21 and Jesus' command to us to "Feed my sheep." Thank you to Sonya for selecting these succinct Bible passages every week to open our minds to the Grace that surrounds us. We had some discussion about things that have influenced our lives, the last question being "What makes you happy?" It's always important to discuss the positives.

Linda played beautiful music for us and we sang Thy Word, O Zion Haste, It Is Well With My Soul, In The Garden, Go Now In Peace and a few others.

Thank you Linda. Thank you Sandra for setting up the tea and biscuits.

Judy

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USED CLOTHING FOR BANGLADESH

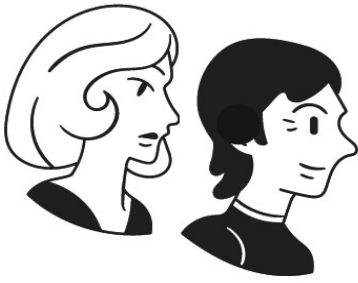
Do you have any gently used clothing items you could donate to a worthy cause? During April and May we are collecting as much as we can for folks in Bangladesh.

Here is the background. Aladin of Gino's Pizza provides our Sunday afternoon English Conversation Club with pizza. In conversation, he told me that twice a year in May and December he brings back used clothing to distribute in his home country of Bangladesh. Why would he do that you may ask. He tells me that many folks in Bangladesh work in the large clothing factories operated there by companies like H&M, Zara, Gap, Walmart, Tommy Hilfiger, Calvin Klein, and Levi. The working conditions in these factories are deplorable. What's worse the workers in them can't afford to buy the clothes they work to make. That is why our friend, Aladin, brings back used clothing twice yearly. As a neighbourly gesture, I think it would be a good thing for St. George's to help Aladin out as he is a good friend to our Conversation Club.

Here is a list of what he requires:

- Adults: shirts, pants, shoes, sweat shirts, jackets. No Canadian winter wear.
- Children: long-sleeved shirts, sandals, trousers, tee-shirts, slippers. No Canadian winter wear.
- Also needed: soap, toothpaste.

A large tree will be available in the parish hall to receive your donations until May 10th. Tom



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If you have been in church over the last few Sundays you may have noticed your pew is a little more crowded. We are seeing new faces, we are so happy to welcome anyone who wants to venture into our beautiful space. It is noticeable how welcoming everyone is, there is always someone close to direct our newcomers to the correct book and page, thank you for this. Some of course are already familiar with the Book of Common Prayer, but to some it takes a while to figure out – remind them of the rubrics which if you have a few seconds to read you will find places where only one of the selection will be read By the time you 've caught up a page has been skipped ! Luckily our Minister usually saysthe service continues on page ... !

Thanks to those who are always ready to make our Sunday mornings enjoyable for all – those who provide food regularly, those who set up for lunch, and those who clean up afterwards... there is much to do.... But I can think of ways that everyone could lend a hand. This goes along with our new initiative from the Mission Action Plan.

Perhaps you could you sign up for just one task a month?

- Greet at the door on Sunday morning from 10.10 to 10.29 am to welcome everyone, visitors should directed them up the stairs. If there is no one at the top of the stairs, hand them a bulletin and invite them to sit anywhere. If they need the elevator find one of those handy people who know how to operate it – the Luth boys, James G, Michael W *Just one Sunday a month?* ...
- Bring an item for the lunch table – *just one Sunday a month* would be appreciated by those who regularly provide food. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board – cheese/crackers, veggies, fruit ...anything- just one Sunday a month would be so helpful.

- Volunteer to clean up after lunch, about 12.45 clear tables, or help with the dishes – *just one Sunday a month* . You will be so appreciated.
- Tidy up the children's toys if no one else has - *just one Sunday a month* – an easy task but very important.
- Do you like gardening ? perhaps you can talk to the gardeners in our church and arrange to be on the front lawn to lend a hand *one day a month?*

Thank you for considering

Alison

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To ponder ...

- .. When you've seen one shopping center you've seen a mall.
- .. Police were summoned to a daycare center where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.
- .. Did you hear about the fellow whose entire left side was cut off? He's all right now.
- .. When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.

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Thank you to the wonderful staff at Extendicare who presented St George's Church with a VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION CERTIFICATE during Volunteer Week. Those of us who attended the event were also treated to a lovely refreshment table with the best squares – I suspect there were 200 there ! (squares that is, not people!!) So good !! Thank you for treating us.

Alison

HONING IN ON HYMNS



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Philip P Bliss 1838-1876

HALLELUJAH, WHAT A SAVIOUR ! 1875

Man of sorrows, what a name
For the son of God who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim
Hallelujah what a saviour

Bearing shame and scoffing rude
In my place condemned He stood
Sealed my pardon with His blood
Hallelujah what a saviour

Guilty, vile and helpless we,
Spotless Lamb of God was He
Fill atonement, Can it be
Hallelujah what a saviour

Lifted up was He to die
It is finished was his cry
Now in heaven exalted high
Hallelujah what a saviour

When He comes our glorious King
All His ransomed home to bring
Then anew this song will sing
Hallelujah what a saviour.

What a beautiful Eastertide we have had at St George's.
Thank you to all who participated, the Second Sunday of
Easter was especially glorious with hymns and lessons
pertaining to the Easter season .. Thank you to all who
provided the music, and those who read the lessons

Alison

Philip Bliss and Lucy Young were married on June 1, 1859.
Philip was 20 years old and had a remarkable talent for music.
The young couple was devoted to Christ and thrilled church
members with their beautiful duets.

Lucy believed God had given her husband his special talent
and found ways to afford him musical training. With her
encouragement he travelled by horse from town to town
carrying a melodeon and holding singing schools. Lucy's
grandmother gave them \$30 so that he could attend a six
week course at the Normal Academy of Music in New York,
after which he became a full time music teacher. They
moved to Chicago so he could pursue ministry of music. With
Lucy's encouragement he joined other evangelical musicians,
and wrote some popular hymns, including the music to 'It is
Well with my Soul'. By 1876 Philip was known as one of the
great hymnists of his generation and credited with over 240
hymns. . One of his last hymns written was Hallelujah, What
a Saviour. He sang it before inmates at the Michigan State
Prison, who were overwhelmed by the message. No one
dreamed that the young songwriter and his wife had but a
month remaining in their young lives.

Philip and Lucy died in a train wreck in Ohio on December 29,
1876 while travelling to a revival meeting. It is written that
Philip survived the crash but died trying to save his wife.
They left two young sons, aged 4 and 2 who had stayed with
family when they departed.

After the disaster, the remains of many victims including
Philip and his wife, were buried in a common grave at
Chestnut Grove Cemetery. A cenotaph was later erected in
his member at a cemetery in Rome, PA, where they had lived.
The cenotaph serves as memorial to honor his contributions
to gospel music and his legacy as a hymn write. In addition to
the cenotaph in Rome, a memorial site exists in Ashtabula
Ohio marking the location of the tragedy and
commemorating those who lost their lives in the disaster.

From Then Sings My Soul, 2 RJ Morgan

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