

# Trinity Happenings

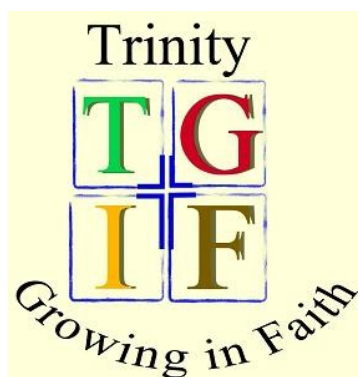
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## **Our Mission**

*We are here to:  
Worship God,  
Walk with Jesus,  
Change lives,  
and Serve the  
community, through the  
power of the Holy Spirit.*



## **HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE**

**-- November 1 - 12th,  
2009.**

Details have finally been set for our Holy Land Pilgrimage this fall. The tour will be led by Canon Brian on November 1 to 12th, 2009. We will include the lost city of Petra in Jordan. Since the original quotes last fall, costs have come down and we feel that this is very good value at about \$2850. We will fly direct from Toronto to TelAviv. Brochures will soon be available. We will have an info evening to review all the details. Speak to Canon Brian if you are interested.

## **“THE FAITH GIVEN ONCE FOR ALL”**

### **Parish Wide Focus for the Spring Season**

### **Home Groups + Sermons + The Book + Daily Bible Readings !**

“The Faith Given Once For All” will be our parish-wide focus through the spring season. What do we believe and why? Can we be confident of the truths of the Christian faith? For those who are new to the faith these will be foundational building blocks. For those who were confirmed years ago this will be a timely refresher. As resources we will be using the Prayer Book (the Creeds and the Catechism) plus a new book called “The Faith” written by Charles Colson. He wrote this book because he discovered that even church people are rather “iffy” on the truth claims of the Christian faith. The recent REVEAL survey showed the same weak results for Trinity members as well. This will be a parish-wide teaching initiative of: Home Groups + Sermons + The Book + Daily Bible Readings ! Please join us.

**1) HOME GROUPS:** Four Home Groups are NOW being formed using this same material as the basis for their discussion. There will be a DVD presentation by Charles Colson followed by discussion. See the schedule of Home Groups on these pages and register for the Home Group which best fits your schedule. Most of the Home Groups begin this week.

**2) THE BOOK:** Using wonderful stories from his travels around the world and his life experience Charles Colson has woven together a great book that outlines the fundamentals of the faith in 15 chapters. We are hoping that everyone will purchase a copy of Colson’s book called “The Faith”. We have copies for sale today for \$15. The book will be an excellent resource for the Sunday sermons and the mid-week Home Groups.

**3) SERMON SERIES:** Our sermon series on this topic will begin the Sunday after Easter and continue through to June.

**4) DAILY BIBLE READINGS:** Building on the momentum established through Lent, Peter Williams will be designing a special series of daily Bible readings as a follow up to each of the Sunday sermons. Daily Bible reading and prayer is the single best personal initiative to facilitate your own spiritual growth. One of our objectives this year is for every member of Trinity to establish a pattern of daily Bible reading and prayer.

### **EASTER DINNER**

On Easter Monday we served about 500 hot dinners to those who find themselves on the street or alone at Easter. This was a wonderful outreach effort in the heart of our city. Our special thanks to all the volunteers who gave of their time!! Rosie arranged all the food. The hams were all donated by Zehrs on Yonge at Big Bay Pt.

### **SHUT - IN COMMUNION AND LUNCHEON**

This past Wednesday we had a special Easter Communion Service & Luncheon for all our seniors and shut-ins. Our special thanks to the drivers and to Marilyn Legatto and her team for the wonderful lunch.

### **FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION**

April 25, May 8 & 21 from 1:00 - 3:30 pm  
Learn about Jesus, his teachings, the Eucharist, the church. Ask questions, bake goodies, do crafts, have a scavenger hunt. Tour the church and learn what things are called and what they are for. If you are the parent of a child who does not receive communion or one who does but you would like to deepen their understanding please speak to Susan Snelling today.

### **YOUTH MINISTRY**

There will be a youth ministry consultation for all youth and their parents on Sunday May 3rd from 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm to determine what will work best for our youth and make plans for next year.

# Daily Bible Readings & Prayer

## “The Faith Given Once For All”

Building on the success of our Lenten schedule of Daily Bible Readings & weekly theme prayer, we will be providing the same through this spring season. As a follow up to the Sunday sermon and in keeping with our spring theme “The Faith Given Once For All” we would encourage you to use the following Bible readings on a daily basis (if you do not already have a practice of daily devotions). This daily habit is the single best thing that you can do to enhance your own spiritual growth. Our thanks to the Very Rev. Peter Williams who has designed this schedule and composed the weekly prayers. If you are traveling and miss Happenings, these readings will be posted on our web site [www.trinitybarrie.ca](http://www.trinitybarrie.ca) May this be a season for you to draw closer to God and sense more deeply his presence!

### Suggested Readings for week of April 20<sup>th</sup>. to 25<sup>th</sup>

The first four readings follow from the theme of the sermon preached at the beginning of the week; the fifth looks ahead thematically to prepare the mind for the sermon ahead. There is also a question for you to ponder based on the thematic scriptures.

### Theme of First Sermon and corresponding Readings: “Introduction & Truth”

Monday: 1 Corinthians 16: 13--18  
 Tuesday: 2 Thessalonians 2: 13—15  
 Wednesday: Hebrews 13: 5 -- 9(a)  
 Thursday: Jude 1 - 10  
 Friday: Hebrews 11: 1—6

To Ponder: In our post-modern world, our detractors assert that all truth claims are relative and/or culturally conditioned. Why then should we believe Jesus when He says: “I am **the** way, and **the** truth, and **the** life, no one comes to the Father except through me.” Isn’t this a very politically incorrect claim, and if so, how do we deal with our critics?

Prayer For the Week: “Lord, in a world that has lost it’s G.P.S. co-ordinates, we look to you our heavenly guide. Direct our uncertain feet onto the paths that lead to life more abundant and free. Then after our earthly adventure with you at our side, turn our steps to the streets of gold in your celestial kingdom. Prevent us O Lord from turning out of the way that leads to life eternal; from following those who have also lost their way.” We ask this in Jesus name. AMEN.

“For a man speaks more or less wisely to the extent that he has become more or less proficient in the Holy Scriptures. I do not speak of the man who has read widely and memorized much, but of the man who has well understood and has diligently sought out the sense of the Scriptures.”

— Augustine, fourth century

## CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

### SUNDAY - April 19<sup>th</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup> of Easter)

8:00 a.m. – Quiet Communion  
 10:00 a.m. – Family Communion  
 Nursery in Undercroft, Sunday School in Aud.,  
 Sr. Teens in Naz. Rm.

### MONDAY

1:30 p.m. – Journey to the Holy Land, Upper Rm.  
 7:00 p.m. – The Faith Study in Aud.  
 7:15 p.m. – Trinity Rocks Practice in Sanctuary  
 7:15 p.m. – “Truth Project” Study in Upper Rm.

### TUESDAY

12:45 p.m. – The Faith, Upper Rm.  
 5:00 p.m. – Busby Board Meeting in Lower Hall  
 7:00 p.m. - Contemporary Worship Team Practice in Sanctuary

### WEDNESDAY

7:30 a.m. – Men’s Breakfast at Simcoe Hotel  
 10:30 a.m. – Holy Communion  
 12:00 p.m. – The Faith, Upper Rm.  
 2:30 p.m. – Acts Study in Fr. Andrew’s Office  
 6:45 p.m. – Beth Moore Study in Upper Rm.  
 7:00 p.m. – Acts Study in Fr. Andrew’s Office  
 7:00 p.m. – Nooma, Nazareth Rm.  
 7:15 p.m. – The Faith, Anne Harrison’s Home

### THURSDAY

6:30 p.m. – Scouts Group Committee, Naz. Rm.  
 6:30 p.m. – Venturers in Aud.

### FRIDAY

9:00 a.m. – St. Joe’s Tour of Busby Ctr.  
 1:30 p.m. “Nooma” Course in Naz. Rm.

### SATURDAY

1:00 p.m. – First Communion Class, Upper Rm.

### SUNDAY - April 26 “3<sup>rd</sup> of Easter”

8:00 a.m. – Quiet Communion  
 10:00 a.m. – Family Communion  
 Nursery in Undercroft, Sunday School in Aud.,  
 Sr. Teens in Naz. Rm.

### BITS AND PIECES

\*Congregation attending Trinity last Week (Easter Sun.) was: 8:00 a.m. = 88, 10:00 a.m. = 232, for a total of 320, including 21 children & teachers.

### FROM THE MAIL

If writing to Trinity, please remember that our address is P.O. Box 641, Barrie, ON, L4M 4V1

# SPRING HOME GROUPS

As we celebrate Easter we are reminded of the great truths of the Christian faith: “Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!” This spring several of our Home Groups will be exploring what we mean by these affirmations. “The Faith Given Once For All” will be the basis for four of the Home Groups (as well as a sermon series beginning after Easter). As we journey forward from Easter we hope that you will journey with us to deepen friendships at Trinity and to grow in the faith. Pick the Home Group that best suits your schedule and your interest. A full schedule is below. Please register through the church office (728-2691) or with the Group leader.

**\*\* THE FAITH GIVEN ONCE FOR ALL:**

While we stand up and recite the creed each Sunday, what do we mean by each of those affirmations? And having recited the creed what is our level of conviction? How equipped do we feel we are to explain the faith to a friend or neighbor? How well are we able to answer the questions of our children & grandchildren (particularly when their faith is being challenged at school?). Join us for an insightful seven week focus on the fundamentals of the Christian faith. Cost \$25 for book and course; assistance with the cost is available.

- Mondays at 7:00 pm led by Gary Lyon & the Alpha Team. Begins April 20th.
- Tuesdays at 12:45 pm led by Gay Welsman. Begins April 14th.
- Wednesdays at 12:00 noon led by Glady Fisher & Peter Williams. Begins April 15th. Bring a bag lunch.
- Wednesday at 7:15 pm at the home of Anne Harrison (737-9064) beginning April 22nd. Call Anne for directions.

**\*\* JOURNEY THROUGH THE HOLY LAND -- Charles Price.**

Journey with gifted Bible teacher Charles Price to six key locations in the Holy Land. You will be on site and hear from him about the significance of each of these locations. Cost is \$20.

- Mondays at 1:30 pm led by Grace Jones and Ray Carder. Begins Apr. 20th.

**\*\* ACTS OF THE APOSTLES -- Bible Focus.**

Continuing to read in the Acts of the Apostles, starting at Chapter 4. Discover together the principles the early church established for successful leadership in the Church. For those at Trinity who lead or who have a calling to lead. Not an introductory level course.

- Wednesdays at 2:30 pm led by Fr. Andrew. Begins April 22nd.
- Wednesdays at 7:00 pm led by Fr. Andrew. Begins April 22nd.

**\*\* NOOMA**

How do we describe NOOMA? As Andrew said to Peter “Come and see”. These are a series of insightful short videos produced by Rob Bell. They introduce key aspects of the faith and prompt the viewer into deeper discussion. You will be intrigued, challenged and enlightened. Go on-line to see a sample.

- Wednesday at 7:00 pm with John Lake. Begins April 15th.
- Fridays at 1:30 pm with John Lake. Begins April 17th.

## “THE FAITH - Given Once For All” Sunday Sermon Series

(chapters indicated are in the book “The Faith” by Charles Colson)

Apr. 19th	<b>Introduction</b> Chapt. 1 & 4 “Everywhere + Truth”	Canon Brian	May 31st	<b>Who Is the Holy Spirit?</b> Pentecost Sunday	Canon Brian
Apr. 26th	<b>Is there a God?</b> Chapt. 2 “God Is”	Canon Brian	June 7th	<b>Who’s the Trinity?</b> Chapt. 7 “God Above, Beside, & Within”	Bp. Johnson
May 3rd	<b>Is the Bible Reliable?</b> Chapt. 3 “God Has Spoken”	Fr. Andrew	June 14th	<b>Can I Really Change?</b> Chapt. 10 & 11 “The Church & Holiness”	Canon Brian
May 10th	<b>What Went Wrong?</b> Chapt. 5 “What went right, What went wrong?”	Fr. Andrew	June 21st	<b>End of the World!</b> Chapt. 13 “Last Things”	Fr. Andrew
May 17th	<b>What Did Jesus Do?</b> Chapt. 6 “The Invasion”	Doug Clark	June 28th	<b>Let’s Tell Everyone!</b> Chapt. 15 “The Great Proposal”	Doug Clark
May 24th	<b>A New Beginning!</b> Chapt. 8 & 9 “Jesus & Salvation”				

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### To Rector and Wardens:

Many, many thanks for the "Thank You" plaque presented to me last Sunday, for my years as a Lay Reader. No thanks are necessary when we do our work for the Lord and for the wonderful people of this Parish. It has been an honour and a privilege, right from the time Canon John Speers asked me to help. Bob McConney

### Kiwanis Festival

Trinity Choir is performing in the Music Festival on Monday, April 27th at 8:45 p.m. at Willow Creek Baptist Church, Midhurst. We will be singing 2 pieces. It would be truly "wonderful" to see many of you there to support us.

Thank You,  
The Choir



### David Busby Street Centre - 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Streetlight Gala

Featuring: Hockey legend Paul Henderson

Friday April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 6:00 pm

Tangle Creek Golf Course

Dinner, Speaker, and Silent Auction

\$75.00 per person

[For tickets call Bethany Obermayer at 722-1735](tel:722-1735)



### St. Paul's Anglican Church

On Saturday, April 18th at 7:30 pm at St. Paul's Anglican Church, 5 Noraline Ave, Midhurst, you are invited to hear about Jim Fitzsimmins' recent visit to Peru.

Followed by a wine and cheese reception. Free will offering is encouraged. more info: church office 721-9722 or Val 721-5141

## VBC – TEAM MEETING – TODAY!

All those involved with, or would like to be involved with VBC (Vacation Bible Camp) this summer, **July 6 to 10**, are invited to come to our first full team meeting this morning after church in the Upper Room. Grab a coffee and join us upstairs. We will look at the curriculum, learn a song or two, figure out who's doing what, and generally get to know one another. See you there!

Judy Thompson/Gay Welsman  
VBC Coordinators

## Nearly New Sale/ Garage Sale - April 30, May 1 and 2

Another reminder about this up-coming SALE. We need all your stuff that you no longer need. There are three tagging guns ready to go. Call Marcia 726-3582. There may be more guns out in the parish – if you have one, please call me immediately. They are handy, but, boy, are they expensive! We just bought three new ones! Take in day April 30, Sale days, May 1, 2. Remember please that everything must be good, clean and/or in working order.

