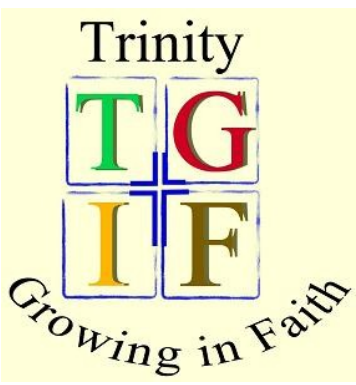


# Trinity Happenings

## Our Mission

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



## Summary Schedule for Ash Wednesday

- \*\* "Men In Focus" in the Nazareth Room at 7:30 a.m.
- \*\* Children's Program at St. George's Allendale from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.
- \*\* 10:30 am Communion Service at Trinity.
- \*\* 7:00 pm Communion Service at Trinity with the Choir.

## SCOUT PARADE

This morning we are pleased to welcome the Scouts and Guides and their families for our annual Scout Parade. Our youth band TRY have prepared some special songs with the Sunday School. Following the Children's Focus by Fr. Andrew all of the youngsters are invited to the Sunday School where Jessica Hill will explain what it means to her to be a scout.



## ASH WEDNESDAY - Children's Program -- This Wednesday Feb. 25th

The Anglican Churches of Barrie are combining forces to offer a children's program of music, crafts, teaching, etc on the morning of Wed. Feb. 25th from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon at St. George's Allendale. There is a nominal cost of \$2 per child and the program ends with a light lunch.

Ash Wednesday is one of the days in the Province when children can miss school for religious instruction. The children will be given a note to take back to school after lunch. Please register your children by calling our church office 728-2691. Additional volunteers to help with the program would be appreciated.

## ASH WEDNESDAY - This week on February 25th

A Day To Fast: once again this year we are asking the whole congregation to join in FASTING AND PRAYER this Wednesday. This doesn't mean that you need to take the day off work; but in the midst of your regular routine plan to skip one or more meals that day, and allow some extra time (perhaps during these meal times) for prayer. We remember Jesus' fast for 40 days in the wilderness and how at the end of this time, while he was weakened in body, he was strong in spirit and able to resist the temptations of the devil and gain victory in his spiritual life. As we join with Jesus in fasting this day we too are looking for spiritual breakthroughs in our personal lives and as a congregation.

We fast from food, or other requirements of the body, so that we can learn to feast on the presence of God more fully. Fasting with prayer is one of the ways that we can go deeper in our spiritual lives. Our spiritual senses are heightened and we become more aware of God's presence and less dependent on other appetites. Plan to fast that day in a way that is appropriate to your health and the advise of your doctor. If you do fast from food it is important to continue to drink plenty of fluids. Doing this together makes for a powerful day as we fast during the day and came together for worship in the evening.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. This is a season designated by the church to prepare ourselves for the celebration of Jesus' resurrection. It is a time to go deeper in our spiritual lives by self examination and repentance, by prayer, fasting, and self denial, and by reading and meditating upon God's holy Word. So that we can experience more of the Lord in our lives we invite the Holy Spirit to search our hearts and cleanse us of anything that is displeasing to Him.

Ashes are used to begin the season of Lent. While Jesus cautions against an outward display of piety, the ashes indicate a humble heart before God as we die to ourselves and our own pride. The ashes are made by burning the palms from last year. The Palm Sunday crowd who hailed Jesus as king, soon betrayed him and on Good Friday called for his execution. The palms and ashes represent the weakness and fickleness of human nature, and speak to us of the times we have denied Christ or turned our backs on him.

# CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

## SUNDAY Feb. 22<sup>th</sup> "Last Sun. after Epiphany" (Scouts/Guides World Thinking Day)

8:00 a.m. - Quiet Communion  
 10:00 a.m. - Scout/Guide Parade  
 Nursery in Undercroft, Sunday School in Aud., Jr. Teens in Upper Rm., Sr. Teens in Naz. Rm.  
 11:45 a.m. - Photo Dir. Pictures in Aud.  
 6:30 p.m. - Youth Sports Night in Aud.

## MONDAY

1:30 p.m. - "Walk on Water" Study in Upper Rm.  
 6:30 p.m. - Dinner & "Life Worth Living" in Aud.  
 7:15 p.m. - "Truth Project" Study in Naz. Rm.  
 7:15 p.m. - Trinity Rocks Practice in Sanctuary

## TUESDAY (Shrove Tuesday)

12:45 p.m. - Beth Moore Course in Upper Rm.  
 7:00 p.m. - " " " "  
 5:30 - 7 p.m. - Scouts' Pancake Supper in Aud.  
 7:00 p.m. - Contemporary Worship Team Practice in Sanctuary

## WEDNESDAY (ASH Wednesday)

7:30 a.m. - Men's Breakfast in Nazareth Rm  
 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. - Children's Ash Wednesday Programme at St. George's, Allandale  
 10:30 a.m. - Holy Communion  
 1:00 p.m. - "Life in the Spirit" Study in Upper Rm.  
 6:45 p.m. - Beth Moore Study in Upper Rm.  
 7:00 p.m. - Ash Wednesday Service with Choir

## THURSDAY

1:00 p.m. - Meeting in Sanctuary regarding World Day of Prayer  
 6:30 p.m. - Scouts in Aud.  
 7:00 p.m. - Sr. Choir Practice in Sanctuary

## NEXT SUNDAY March 1<sup>st</sup> "Lent 1"

8:00 a.m. - Quiet Communion  
 10:00 a.m. - Family Communion  
 Nursery in Undercroft, Sunday School in Aud., Jr. Teens in Upper Rm., Sr. Teens in Naz. Rm.  
 6:30 p.m. - Youth Sports Night in Aud.

## BITS AND PIECES

\*Congregation attending Trinity last Week (Feb. 15) was: 8:00 a.m. = 35, 10:00 a.m. = 122, for a total of 157, including 18 children & teachers.

## FROM THE MAIL

\* THANK YOU to all my Trinity friends who were so mindful of me during the Christmas Season.  
 Regards, Edith Ritch.

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

## Little Red Stockings -- Where, oh, where are You???

Please be on the lookout for Little Red Stockings. Only one-half of them have returned and we are wondering if they got lost in the Christmas Rush. That would be a shame, as we want to use them again to raise more money for the Women's Fellowship to use in its good works. Please look everywhere for Little Red Stockings, so that, like little lost lambs they can return to us soon.

## KITCHEN AND GARDEN

Following the vestry meeting it was decided to try and increase our volunteer helpers for the kitchen duties. Also to start a garden club of enthusiastic people who would be willing to help beautify Frances's central garden in the summer and the borders around the parking space.

Hopefully we will get enough hands so that it would only be an occasional weed and water once it is tidied up and replanted. There are 2 sign up sheets hanging in the tower walk.

For any questions please ask Susan Reichenbacher. Thank you in advance!!

**\*PANCAKE SUPPER:** This Tuesday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> "Shrove Tuesday". Our Scouting Group will be serving pancakes in the Auditorium from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., for a "good will" offering. Proceeds to the Scouting Organization.

## Mark Your Calendars!

Even though the snow is still with us, plans for our summer VBC (Vacation Bible Camp) are already being made. Mark your calendars for the week of **July 6 to 10** and don't forget to tell your friends and neighbors!

We are looking for people who are willing to help with the VBC. Do you enjoy crafts? Making snacks for hungry children? Telling Bible stories? Playing games? Let either Judy (737-1905) or Gay (728-6132) know if you are available to help. It'll be a great week and a wonderful ministry!

Keep watching *Happenings* for updates as plans unfold!

Judy Thompson

Gay Welsman

## Discipleship Travel Centre

Today we are celebrating Thinking Day with the scouts and guides. The children will be up in church for the scout parade and then we will be downstairs for an interview with Jessica Hill about what scouting means to her. The mottos in the scouting and guiding movement focus on service and being ready to help others. Jesus called us to reach out to those in need and to serve one another as he did when he washed his disciples feet.



# Women of the Bible

Fridays in Lent at 12:00 noon  
(Worship & Address at 12:00 noon. Lunch at 12:30 pm)

Women of the Bible come from all walks of life. They are warriors, judges, prophets, Queens, mothers and sisters. They are models of faith for us in our day. They show sacrifice, courage, patience, and forbearance. We will be inspired by their prayers, their songs, their prophecies and their lives.

Join us this year on Fridays in Lent at noon as we celebrate WOMEN OF THE BIBLE.



February 27th	<b>ESTHER</b>	March 20th	<b>RUTH</b>
Canon Brian McVitty	Trinity Church, Barrie.	Rev. Joanne Bennett	St. Paul's Church, Innisfil
March 6th	<b>ANNA</b>	March 27th	<b>MARY MAGDALENE</b>
Rev. Marilyn Gratz	Inniswood Baptist Church.	Rev. Kathleen Greidanus	Parish of Ivy & Utopia Essa Twsp
March 13th	<b>MIRIAM</b>	April 3rd	<b>THE WOMAN OF REV. 12:1-6</b>
Rev. Elizabeth Morley	St. Margaret's Church.	Rev. Andrew Sandilands	Trinity Church, Barrie

## HOME GROUPS AND COURSES

Most of our Home Groups and Courses are now underway for the winter season. Lots of good friendships were made on the Alpha course this fall and most of the Alpha graduates have returned on Monday nights for "A Life Worth Living" by Nicky Gumble. Another attraction to Monday evenings are the home cooked meals by Mae and Lena-Marie! Two Home Groups are just beginning and would welcome participants:

\*\* THE TRUTH PROJECT: has just begun on Monday evenings led by Kim Beaney and Gladys Fisher. Kim and Gladys were part of the pilot offering of "The Truth Project" in the fall. It had such an impact they want to offer it to others this winter. It is a wonderful tour which looks at various aspects of life through the lens of scripture. This is insightful and needful teaching especially if you have children or grandchildren in the school system. Join us Monday evenings at the church at 6:30 pm for dinner (\$9 donation) or at 7:15 pm for the study. Cost for this course is \$20.

\*\* NOOMA VIDEOS: Rob Bell is a gifted communicator who has created a series of short videos designed to initiate discussion of various aspects of the faith. Each video is about 12 minutes in length. John Lake will be leading this group on Fridays at 1:15 pm. The group began this past Friday but more participants are welcome. Please speak to John Lake 733-2211 [jl-lake@bellnet.ca](mailto:jl-lake@bellnet.ca)

## FAMILY MINISTRIES INITIATIVE

As a result of the ongoing Vision Consultations we now have a very creative "Family Ministries Team" under the leadership of Earl Paquette, Joan Hill and Andrew Haughton. They want to see our work with families and children strengthened. Our objective is to be more effective in passing on the faith from one generation to the next. There will be three initiatives this spring:

\*\* FAMILY NIGHT AT TRINITY: On Friday April 3rd at 6:30 pm we will have our first "Family Night" for parents and children at Trinity in the auditorium. Mark this date on your calendar. More details will be forthcoming in the next month. It will be an intergenerational evening of fun, food, and teaching.

\*\* FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES: for all youngsters between the ages of 6 and 10 years we will have instruction regarding the Communion service. Some youngsters are already receiving Communion but have not received any instruction. Other youngsters will use this as preparation for their First Communion. It is our intention to present all the youngsters who complete the classes to the Bishop on Trinity Sunday (June 7th). The classes will be on three Saturdays (April 25th, May 9th, May 23rd) from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Speak to Susan Snelling for more information. Watch Happenings for registration info or call the church office.

\*\* NURSERY INSTRUCTION: There are now a number of toddlers in the Nursery on Sunday mornings. Under the leadership of Stacey Marshall we will begin offering more instruction to the toddlers rather than waiting until they are old enough to join the Sunday School. We are in the midst looking at ways to re-design the Nursery space and find appropriate curriculum resources. Those who could assist with instruction are asked to speak to Stacey or one of the clergy.

## MARRIAGE SEMINAR -- This Sat. Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>

### "Seeing Your Marriage Thru the Eyes of God"

Join Canon Brian & Diane for a one day "Focus on the Family" marriage seminar this Sat. Feb. 28th. It will be a live satellite broadcast across North America featuring: BETH MOORE, DEL TACKET, DR. GARY SMALLEY and others. This is a unique opportunity to invest in the most important relationship in your life! Emmanuel Church on Essa Road south will be the host site in Barrie. Cost is \$69 per couple. Single registration is available. Register on line at [www.focusonmarriage.com](http://www.focusonmarriage.com) Video previews are also available at the same web site. This will be a wonderful and inspiring day.

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## Church Directory

As you probably know by now, we are in the midst of preparing our 2009 Trinity Church Directory. Tom has been busy taking family portraits and some have either brought in, or e-mailed in a recent portrait that they already have.

There are still some members who have not yet taken or submitted a portrait and we sincerely hope to include you in this directory. This is one last appeal to you. Please help us to make this directory as complete as possible. Remember, it's not complete without YOU.

You can do 1 of 3 things –

- 1) come down to the hall immediately after the 10:00 service this Sunday (Feb. 22 is the last opportunity) and have your photo taken,
- 2) bring in a recent family photo over the next couple weeks,
- or 3) e-mail a photo to [betterchoices@acn.net](mailto:betterchoices@acn.net).

Along with the photo we need to confirm the correct spelling of each member's name and their recent address and phone number.

Thank you to all who are supporting us in this endeavour.

To help defray costs:

- 1) Copies of pictures that Tom takes of you can be made available to you in hard copy or sent by e-mail at a minimal cost of \$5.
- 2) We will also include a few pages of advertising in the directory. **Any ad. placed in here will be good for, not just 1 week as in a newspaper, but for the next 4 years!! Good value for your money.** Anyone in our church family who wishes to place an ad., please see Anne Harrison and submit your card or ad. to her and help us in this venture.

\$50 Business card size

\$100 Quarter page

\$200 Half a page

\$75 Business card size, in colour

\$150 Quarter page, in colour

\$300 Half a page, in colour

We look forward to seeing everyone in our church family directory. Please direct inquiries to Anne at 737-9064. Thank you.

### **MEN IN FOCUS -- This Wednesday 7:30 a.m.**

The Wednesday morning breakfast group which usually meets at the Simcoe Hotel at 7:30 a.m. will meet this Wednesday at the church in the Nazareth room. This change will be for one week only as we mark Ash Wednesday. All men are welcome.

### **THE REV. PETER BLUNDELL**

Next Sunday, as we begin the season of Lent, our guest preacher will be Peter Blundell from St. John's Oak Ridges. Peter has served in parishes in London England and in Zimbabwe. We was also the ALPHA advisor for southern Africa. As we begin Lent he will be preaching on "Confession & Repentance".

### **LOUISE MARTIN -- Next Sunday**

Next Sunday March 1st. we will welcome Louise Martin to play with Marina before the service and then accompany the choir anthems. We look forward to a wonderful addition to our music. The choir.

### **PRAISE & HEALING PRAYER -- Sat. March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm**

We will be hosting a "Renewal Service" for the Diocese on Saturday March 7th at 7:00 pm. This will be an evening of praise music and healing prayer. Our CWT Band will be leading the music. Our guest preacher will be Pastor Zak Gariba. Zak is known to many of us through his work at the Healing Rooms on Dunlop Street in Barrie. More recently Zak and his wife Karen-Marie have planted a new church in Orillia called Jubilee Christian Fellowship. Zak was born in Nigeria and came to faith as a young man. He has gifts in prophecy and healing prayer.

### **BUSBY CENTRE -- New Director**

Louise Stinson will be leaving the Busby Street Centre for a new position in Bolton. We appreciate all that Louise has done and a search is underway for a new Executive Director. Your prayers are appreciated as the Centre looks for the right person. In other news, we are pleased to announce that Lori Bedford is the new Chairperson of the Busby Board.

### **"MID WINTER MAGIC"**

To be presented on Sat. March 7th @7.30 p.m. At Collier St. United Church.

Music will include Nimrod by Elgar Os Justi, by Bruckner, Mozart's Ave Verum, Lacrymosa and Sanctus from the requiem & Jim Leonard's own Ave Verum

Tickets \$20 available from Susan

Reichenbacher or any K.E.C. member.

Thankyou

### **EVENSONG AND HAM DINNER**

Yes we are repeating our annual treat for all on Sunday March 15th.

Full choral evensong with special music at 4p.m followed by our famous ham dinner special. No tip no tax!!

We ask that you bring either dessert or salad in order to keep costs down.

Prices the same as last year Adult \$10 Students \$5 and the whole family for \$25. A great bargain. We hope to see you there and thank you for your continued support of our choir.

