

# Trinity Happenings

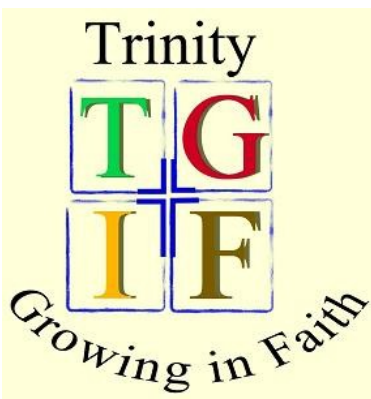
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## **Our Mission**

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



## **New Beginnings – Part 2**

Last week we considered the new beginnings of Christmas, New Year, Epiphany, and the Baptism of Jesus -- all of which remind us of our new beginnings in Christ, forgiveness of sin, healing of memories, deliverance from disease or oppression, and new hope.

Today we consider the new beginnings for our children. Just what type of beginning do we want them to have?

Consider the first things we teach our children – love, respect, honesty, kindness, and rules to live by. In all of these teaching we take our responsibilities as parents very seriously – and we impart our values to our children.

As they mature and enter school, they are exposed to a whole other set of values – in the schoolyard (friendships and bullying) and in the classroom (secular humanism). The time has long since gone when the schools included the Christian faith as part of their value system.

It is left to parents, together with the Church, to instruct the children first in the facts of the faith – the Biblical Text, the Lord's Prayer, Creed, Catechism, etc. We then endeavour to make that faith real – by introducing them to Jesus in prayer at home – modeled by the parents themselves.

Many parents today are of the attitude – "well, I want the child to choose for himself what to believe". Many parents are reluctant to imprint their Christian faith in the same fashion that they imprint other values and behaviours – why is that? May I suggest two reasons:

First - Because some parents are honestly wrestling with their faith.

Second - Because we live in Canada – where strict adherence to anything historic (like the Christian faith) is looked at askance – especially when matters of contemporary morals and ethics conflict with Biblical teaching. Canadians like to be liked and seen as inoffensive.

The Biblical injunction about teaching our children is clear – we have that responsibility given by God to us as parents. How we as individuals and Church members choose to exercise that responsibility is an ongoing discussion. The Vision Committee is committed to facilitating parents in this regard – and today is reaching out to you for your input on the best way to accomplish this task – the task of New Beginnings.

# CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

## SUNDAY – Jan. 18th “Epiphany 2”

8:00 a.m. - Quiet Communion  
 10:00 a.m. - Family Service & Holy Communion  
 Nursery in Undercroft, Older children remain in Church.  
 12:00 p.m. - Parents meeting & lunch in Aud.

## TUESDAY

12:45 p.m. - Beth Moore Course in Upper Rm.  
 5:00 p.m. - Busby Board Meeting in Lower Hall  
 7:00 p.m. - Beth Moore Course in Upper Rm.  
 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  
 6:45 p.m. - Beth Moore Study in Upper Rm.  
 7:15 p.m. - “Truth Project” Study in Naz. Rm.

## THURSDAY

6:30 p.m. - Scouts Group Committee in Naz. Rm.  
 6:30 p.m. - Venturers in Aud.  
 7:00 p.m. - Sr. Choir Practice in Sanctuary

## SATURDAY

9:00 a.m. - 4 p.m. – Leadership Development

## NEXT SUNDAY - Jan. 25th “Epiphany 3”

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.

## BITS AND PIECES

\*Congregation attending Trinity last Week (Jan.11) was: 8:00 a.m.= 47, 10:00 a.m. = 128, for a total of 175.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to Ron Bassett, 90th on Jan.19<sup>th</sup>

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Cheryl and Chris Santos on the birth of their 3rd child "Kayla Joan" born December 25th at RVH, Barrie. Grandmother, Brenda Santos reports she weighted 10 lb. 4 oz. and was the first baby born at RVH on Christmas Day, 2008.

### ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING:

Sun.,Feb. 1st, Anyone who has been a member of the Anglican Church and of Trinity for at least 3 months, and has attended services of worship regularly, and is of the full age of 16 years is eligible to vote.

### ANNUAL REPORTS:

Past Due. Reports may be sent as an attachment to e-mail: [churchoffice@rogers.com](mailto:churchoffice@rogers.com)  
 Those groups who handle money within their activities are requested to submit financial information for their group.

### HOSPITALIZED:

Please notify the Clergy or Mary Caldwell if you know of anyone who is in Hospital. We are not able to see lists of patients anymore and so do not know who has been admitted. This would help us greatly with visitation.

### PRAYER LIST :

Please keep Mary Caldwell or Clergy updated about the progress of your loved ones, 728-2691. We update the list every 2 weeks and need to be notified if continued prayers are necessary.

## FROM THE MAIL

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

**SHUT-INS:** If you, or someone you know, needs a ride to Church, please leave a message in the Office. We will endeavour to find transportation for you. Also if you're able to drive people, please call the Office at 728-2691.

**Flu Season:** Hand sanitizer will be available at the High Altar and the Lady Altar for those who would like to clean their hands before receiving Communion.

**Altar Flowers:** If you would like to put flowers on the Altars or Lectern for a special occasion or memorial, please contact Judy Craig at 737-2669 or the Church Office at 728-2691.

## YOUTH SPORTS NIGHT RESTART!

Feb 1st will be the first youth sports night of the New Year. This is a time for youth to have fun, and socialize as Christians. All are welcome, so please tell friends and family. Anyone looking for information, or is interesting in helping please speak to Chris Garret (252-0908) or Drew Cox (722-3990).



# HOME GROUP OFFERINGS AT TRINITY

## - WINTER 2009

Shake off the winter blahs and get engaged with your fellow parishioners as they continue to grow and learn together. Our Vision #5 states: "Our dream is that Trinity is known as a centre for spiritual growth, built on ALPHA and discipleship training, and that every member is in a Home Group where they are engaged in prayer and Bible study."



As an encouragement to you, please consider one of the following offerings for this winter. Most courses start the week of January 25, and are available mornings, afternoons and evenings. If you have interest in any of these materials, contact the leaders directly, or leave your name with Mary Caldwell at 728-2691

1. **Life Worth Living** (9 weeks) Gary & Sue with Norm Marrow and some ALPHA people. This Video series, taught by Nicky Gumbal, focuses on the Letter to the Philippians, challenging Christians to lead a life in conformity with Scripture. Together we will discover how the Spirit can transform lives and enrich our own understanding of God's purpose, so we can indeed, live lives worth living!

2. Beth Moore – Beloved Disciple – Book of John – Video and discussion (**Starts THIS Tuesday Jan 20**)

Section A Tuesday Evening -- Pauline Miller at Trinity

Section B Tuesday Afternoon – Led by Gay Welsman

**Beloved Disciple: The Life and Ministry of John** by **Beth Moore**, explores the life of the apostle John. Beth conveys that John had the God-given gift of seeing a larger picture and that his love relationship with Christ profoundly influenced everything he did and wrote.

As the other disciples were martyred one by one, John remained to write his sublime Gospel proclaiming Jesus' identity as the eternal Word of God. In his three letters John left a legacy of divine love to ignite the passion of future believers. And while exiled on Patmos, John recorded His risen Lord's glorious revelation of victory and hope. John referred to himself as "the disciple whom Jesus loved." Just as Christ took John on a lifelong journey into the depths of His love, He will do the same for you. The Bridegroom's love is unmatched and inexhaustible, and He is waiting to lavish it on you, His beloved.

3. Daniel – Friday Mornings – Ron Bassett –

**Beth Moore's study, Daniel: Lives of Integrity, Words of Prophecy** shows how individuals can live with integrity in today's self-absorbed society. Join Beth in a faith-building study of prophecy and learn how to shine for Christ in our modern culture. Just as the prophet Daniel faced unbelievable pressures—to compromise his faith, to live in a hostile culture, and to confront temptations and threats—today's believers face many of the same trials.

This 12-session study falls in two parts and can be used as one or two separate studies. The first portion, from Daniel chapters 1-6, deals with Daniel's life as he faced the kind of pressures and temptations Christians encounter today. Daniel models how to develop enduring integrity in an enticing world. The second portion, chapters 7-12, explores thrilling prophecies from the time of Daniel through the second coming of Christ.

4. Afternoon **Life in the Spirit** - Wednesday afternoon – Father Andrew - A logical follow-up to ALPHA. Looks at how a Christian can grow and mature in his/her relationship with Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit. Includes daily reading and weekly live teaching. Non-video presentation.

5. **"If you Want to Walk on Water, You Have to Get Out of the Boat"** – catchy title, isn't it? John Ortberg reflects on Peter's experience of living out our faith with amusing stories and challenging questions. Video series animated by Grace Jones and Ray Carder, Monday afternoons at 1:30 - 6 weeks at Trinity Church

Your pick - Optional Courses: We have a variety of Beth Moore / Charles Price (and other) materials. Get a group of six people together – we will find a facilitator to work with you.

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## Men's January Breakfast

**Saturday Jan 31<sup>st</sup> at 8 A.M.**

**Speaker: Rev. Rick Horst**

**Topic: Shifting paradigm.**

**There will be a full breakfast.**

**All men are welcome. There will be a free will offering.**



**Bring your dad, brother, son, neighbor or the man that sits across the aisle from you at Church, who at this time us not been part of our Great Breakfast Group**

**Blessings Earl & Mark**

### **An Invitation to the Clergy and People of the Diocese of Toronto**

The Black Anglicans Coordinating Committee invites you to the **14th Annual** celebration of The Black Heritage of Our Church which will be held at **St. Paul's Anglican Church, 227 Bloor St (at Jarvis) on Sunday February 22, 2009 commencing at 4:30 p.m.**

This year's theme is **Beneath the Banner of God's Love**. We encourage you to attend and look forward to seeing you at the service.

**The Right Reverend George Elliott will be our Chief Celebrant, and the preacher will be The Rev'd Dr. Kortright Davis, Professor of Theology, Howard University School of Divinity. The Reverend Dr. Davis brings to the pulpit a varied amount of experience and was the first preacher at our first Celebration. Along with our own choir and the Choirs of York University and TC3, we are looking forward to a service full of celebration and praise.**

You are invited "to vest" and take your place in the procession. If you intend to do so, please let us know **on or before February 14**, so that adequate seating can be provided. **Your stole may be WHITE OR GOLD, Afrocentric or colours which celebrate joy in your particular tradition culture.**

Please extend this invitation to the members of your parish through your announcements and by posting on your notice boards.

To confirm your attendance please call **Reverend Derek Stapleton or Ianthe Alleyne at (416 ) 638-0622 or (905) 764-9991** respectively.

In Christian love,

Basil Liburd and Ianthe Alleyne  
Co-chairs of the Planning Committee