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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.*

“HEAVEN’S HEARTBEAT” -- Prayer Conference Aligning with the Purposes of God.

Jane Jones will be coming to The Good Shepherd Anglican Church in Stayner for a Prayer Conference on Friday evening June 19th and all day Saturday June 20th. Jane Jacobs is the National prayer co-ordinator for Anglican Renewal Ministries and is also a member of the Canadian Prophetic Council. The Rev. Jim Seagram has arranged for Jane to come to our area and it is a unique opportunity to be further equipped in the ministry of prayer and intercession. Cost is \$40 or \$70 per couple. For more information and to register call Donna Fisher at 705-429-5931 or www.anglicanparishstaynerwasagabeach.ca

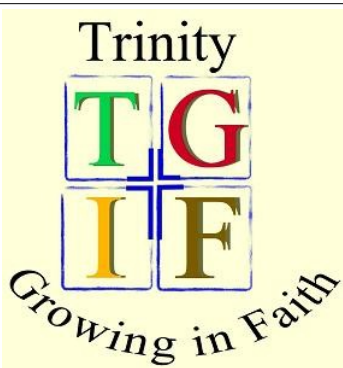
DAILY BIBLE READINGS & PRAYER

It is one of our parish objectives this year to assist every member of Trinity to establish a daily pattern of Bible reading and prayer. 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. Daily Bible reading and prayer is the single best personal initiative to facilitate your own spiritual growth. Our thanks to the Very Rev. Peter Williams who has designed a special schedule for the spring and composed the weekly prayers. If you are traveling and miss Happenings, these readings will be posted on our web site www.trinitybarrie.ca

May this be a season for you to draw closer to God and sense more deeply his presence!

To Ponder: If you were looking for a church home, what signs of spiritual health and vitality would you want to find in the place you chose to attend?

A Prayer: “Most gracious God, we humbly beseech thee for thy holy catholic Church. Fill it with all truth and with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where anything is amiss, reform it; where it is in want, furnish it; where it is divided and rent asunder, make it whole again; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”
(from the Prayer Book)



Theme: “The Church & Called To Be Holy.”
Suggested Readings for June 15 - 19th.

- Hebrews 10: 19-25
- I Corinthians 5
- Acts 5: 32 – 37
- Ephesians 1: 1 – 13
- II Peter 3: 3 – 12

“And we who were filled full of war, and slaughter of one another, and every kind of evil, have from out of the whole earth each changed our weapons of war, our swords into plowshares and our pikes into farming tools, and we farm piety, righteousness, the love of man, faith, and hope which comes from the Father Himself through His who was crucified.”
— Justin Martyr, second century

SERMON NOTES -- The Call to Holy Living

A major task of the church is to make disciples, which means the church guides us in the pursuit of holiness, the central call of every serious Christian. “Be holy as I am holy,” God says in Leviticus 11:45. And further, “Without holiness no one will see the Lord” (Hebrews 12:14).

What is holiness? Most nonbelievers, and many Christians, confuse holiness with following a legalistic list of do’s and don’t’s. The Biblical call to holiness is the natural outgrowth of the exchange at the cross. The exchange of our lives for Christ’s life. Once reconciled to God, we enjoy as Peter said, “a share in the divine nature” (see 2 Peter 1:3-4). Jesus’ relationship to the father is one of perfect obedience in love. As we obey, God’s grace enables us to live like Jesus.

All the traditional disciplines, like setting aside time for prayer and fasting, keeping periods of silence, or denying ourselves certain legitimate creature comforts -- these disciplines all have the same character: they are not ends in themselves, but a means of replacing faulty desires with the desire for God.

Reforming our desires, renewing our minds, and doing intentional actions in obedience to Christ on behalf of the poor result in the formation of new habits. In turn, a new way of living through obedience to God’s will will become second nature. This then is the disciples pathway to growth in holiness.

(-- see Charles Colson “The Faith” pages 159ff.)

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY June 14 "Pentecost 2"

8:00 a.m. - Quiet Communion
 10:00 a.m. - Family Communion
 10:00 a.m. - Communion in Aud. for the Youth
 Nursery in Undercroft, Teens in Naz. Rm.
 5:30 p.m. - Parish Roast Beef Dinner in the Aud.

MONDAY

7:15 p.m. - Trinity Rocks Practice in Sanctuary

TUESDAY

11:30 a.m. - D.Busby Annual General Mtg. in Aud.
 7:00 p.m. - Scouts Meeting in Aud.
 7:00 p.m. - Serendipity Cruise
 7:00 p.m. - Contemporary Worship Team Practice in Sanctuary
 5:00 p.m. - Busby Board Meeting in Basement

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 Naz. Rm.

THURSDAY

6:30 p.m. - Venturers in Auditorium
 7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice in Sanctuary

SUNDAY June 21 "Pentecost 3" (Father's Day)

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

BITS AND PIECES

*Congregation attending Trinity last Week, May 31, was: 8:00 a.m.= 39, 10:00 a.m. = 121, for a total of 160, including 14 children & teachers.

FROM THE MAIL

Dear Trinity Congregation,

On behalf of our Staff and Students, I would like to thank you for opening your doors and your hearts to us.

Our retreats have been life changing for many, an awareness they would not otherwise have received.

Please accept this cheque as a token of our appreciation.

May God Bless you.

Andrea Michael, Chaplain, St. Joseph's High School.

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

Reflections on the Toronto Diocesan 153rd Synod, May 29-30th, 2009

Building Communities of Hope and Compassion through Healthy Vibrant Parish Ministries.

We were pleased to attend and represent Trinity at the residential Synod in Oshawa, the weekend of May 29-30, 2009. It was a good Synod, with opportunity for communion, community, prayer, praise and work! What were some of the high points of this Synod?

The guest speaker was the Rev. Canon Philip Potter, He was fabulous, making the most of two opportunities to speak to us, about Missional Churches. The way they look at it is rather fresh, and not surprisingly they call it "Fresh Expressions". Using the experiences of the churches in Liverpool under his direction, (he is Director of Pioneer Ministries) Canon Philip told us about reaching out from the church in a perhaps new manner. To understand better, go take a look on the web, <http://www.freshexpressions.org.uk/section.asp?id=3319>.

Canon Philip talked about what is changing around us, what is going on within us, what we need to consider (his 5 H's), to be or become a missional church. Afterwards we had the opportunity to discuss this in a method used in the last Lambeth conference. Actually no we didn't go to England, but we talked about it in a better manner than we had at other Synods. The method is actually an African one, called indaba (Zulu taken from other tribes, sorry I don't have the name) meaning a "gathering for purposeful discussion". The point is well made that in a group of 800+ participants, it is difficult to be heard, difficult to get your point across, and most certainly difficult to even get up to speak in front of such a large crowd! So this discussion of "a middle-sized group (20 odd groups of 40 or so people each, made up of both clergy and lay people) for the discussion of larger issues" was used quite effectively. Each was supposed to have a fair say (time and opportunity to share

thoughts and ideas on the discussion points) without reproach or rebuttal. Mostly this worked, although there were a couple of times in most groups, and perhaps more in a few, where rebuttals on more emotional issues happened.

There were three indaba sessions, two on missional churches (following the guest speaker's talks) and one on, yes you guessed it, a "Pastoral Strategy on the Blessing of Same-sex Relationships." During the two indaba sessions on missional churches we were able to talk about what this term meant to us, what we found most exciting about it, what was perhaps most challenging, and what we might do about it.

The indaba session on the Pastoral Strategy etc., we found most difficult, as it was at the end of the day (after supper Friday), when bodies and minds were tired, and the facilitators (called animateurs) were stretched. It occurred to some of us that the decision on this strategy was perhaps predetermined. Although there appeared to be a fair number of people who spoke to the conservative side of the issue (not blessing same-gender relationships), and that there were several discussion points that should lead to further review, the Bishop stated that in his opinion there was enough support to proceed towards a "pastoral response". This response would at this stage be in a handful of parishes whose lay and clergy agree on this issue, and have requests for same-gender (new term) blessing. So the issue appears to proceed.

We ended the Synod with a service, and prayers after a light lunch, departing for home mid afternoon Saturday.

Yours in Christ.

Lay Delegates to Synod:

Terry Arnold, Earl Paquette, Mike Tweedle,

Clergy:

The Rev. Canon Brian McVitty, Fr. Andrew Sandilands

Parish Info and Updates

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT -- August 6th and 7th.

Deadline to Register -- This week.

The Leadership Summit will be held on August 6th and 7th in Richmond Hill. Each year we have been taking a team of about 20 people from Trinity. The presentations apply to leadership in business, in the community, in the church and with application to our families. It is a wonderful inspiring event. Even if you do not consider yourself to be a leader it will give you a better sense of your giftings and your place in God's plan. Application forms are available through our church office. Please speak to Mary Caldwell or Canon Brian if you are interested. The retail cost is about \$200. Through our group discount and some bursary assistance we are able to bring this cost down to \$125 per person or \$200 per married couple. The deadline to register is NEXT Sunday June 20th. Compared to any other equipping event this is great value.

** It has just been announced that former Prime Minister Tony Blair will be one of the presenters this year. Jessica Jackley who is the founder of KIVA and a graduate of the Sandford Business School will also be speaking.

SUMMER HOME GROUP – “The Truth Project”

Running through the summer this year we will be offering the TRUTH PROJECT on Monday evenings at 7:15 pm in the upper room beginning July 6th. This will be an excellent follow up to our spring theme on “The Faith”. The Truth Project will take some of the same themes and explore them in greater depth. If you are interested please register with the church office at 728-2691 or speak to Deb Marshall. The cost is \$20. This will be the third time that we have offered the Truth Project and the comments from the previous groups has been very positive.

TRINITY SUNDAY CELEBRATION

Our thanks to all those who assisted last Sunday with our Trinity Sunday celebrations. It was a delight to have Bishop Colin Johnson with us. Nine of our children made their First Communion. Our thanks to Susan Snelling for her work with the youngsters to prepare them. Our thanks to Deb Marshall, Vi Walkington and their helpers for the wonderful parish lunch.

BUSBY CENTRE -- Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Busby Centre will be held on Tuesday June 16th at 11:00 a.m. in the church auditorium. All members of Trinity are invited to hear more about the work of Busby and some of the testimonies of the clients.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE -- Nov. 1 - 12th, 2009.

Including the lost city of Petra, Jordan.

Have you ever dreamed of walking in the steps of Jesus? What would it be like to stand on the shores of the Sea of Galilee or walk through the narrow streets of Jerusalem? Join us this fall for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land on November 1 - 12th. We will also include the lost city of Petra in Jordan. Travel costs have come down this winter and we are pleased to offer this full package for \$2850 which includes flight, accommodation, most meals and the tour. We will fly direct from Toronto to Tel-Aviv. Brochures are now available in the tower walk. This pilgrimage is being led by the Rev. Canon Brian McVitty To reserve your place on the tour please complete the registration form and include a deposit cheque of \$300. The deadline to register in the end of July. Speak to Canon Brian at 705-728-2691 if you are interested, or email <churchoffice@rogers.com>

WATERFRONT MUSIC MINISTRY

The music team from the last Alpha, A Life Worth Living and The Faith courses are now taking their music ministry to the Barrie public. On Saturday June 20th at 1:00pm Marnie Smith and Stacy Marshall will be at Centennial Park performing their favourite Christian music, no stage, no mics, no amps. All are welcome to come and listen and join in. Bring your family and friends, your support will be greatly appreciated as well as your voices and even your instruments. It is sure to be a fun filled afternoon of praising God and spreading the message.

*ATTENTION MEN - The FLAME

(Fellowship and Learning for Anglican Men's Enrichment) Conference is quickly approaching. Come for a weekend of fellowship, learning and worship. The Rt. Rev. Eddie Marsh will be our conference leader. The date is October 30th to November 1st. **The special rate for "first time" attendees is \$125.00.** For others who have attended a FLAME weekend in the past, the cost is \$185.00 if paid before June 30th, \$215.00 if paid by September 15th and \$235.00 for registration after September 16th. All these costs are for double occupancy. If you would like single occupancy, the cost is \$295.00. Please register early to save money. The conference will be held at Jackson's Point Salvation Army Conference Centre located on the shores of Lake Simcoe. This three day event will uplift you in your faith and leave you with a wealth of new memories and new friends. For more information, please see the FLAME website at www.flameconference.ca.

SUNDAY SERMON SERIES

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

June 14th	Can I Really Change? Chapt. 10 & 11 “The Church & Holiness”	Rev. Canon Brian
June 21st	End of the World! Chapt. 13 “Last Things”	Fr. Andrew
June 28th	Let's Tell Everyone! Chapt. 15 “The Great Proposal”	Doug Clark

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COME SAIL WITH US!

Trinity's Annual Evening Cruise **Tuesday, June 16 at 7:00 P.M.**

This two and a half hour cruise around Kempenfeldt Bay is an evening of great FUN, FELLOWSHIP, and FOOD!



Bring your favourite dessert to share. Beverages (non-alcoholic) will be supplied.

Adults \$18

Tickets on sale after church.

Students (5-14) \$10.

Students bring a friend and get two for one!

This evening is not to be missed!

VBC – JULY 6 to 10 8:45 a.m. 'til noon

THEME: DISCOVERY CANYON:

Explore the Wonders of the Word!

Psalm 9:1 – "I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart and tell about the wonders you have worked."

Registration forms are available in the Tower Walk, from the office, or visit Trinity's website www.trinitybarrie.ca and download a copy! We have a wonderful and enthusiastic team which is busily preparing the crafts, games, songs, skits, Bible stories, science experiments, and snacks for all the campers. Please tell your friends, neighbours, and family members and invite them to join us for a fun-filled week. Registration forms are due in the office by **JUNE 26.**

The VBC Team

*** Hello all! Does anyone have some Styrofoam egg cartons? (only Styrofoam type) We need 6 dozen for the Shadow Science centre at the Vacation Bible Camp. Just bring them to the Tower Walk.**

Thanks, Barb W. 728-2691

DISCOVERY CANYON

"SPRING INTO SUMMER" - ROAST BEEF DINNER.

Don't forget - **ROAST BEEF DINNER** - is **TONIGHT** at 5:30 p.m. in the Church Auditorium. Your Social Events Committee and their great helpers will serve up this favourite dinner with all the trimmings: mashed potatoes, gravy, baked onions, carrots, peas, garden salad and **STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE** for dessert !! All this for just \$15.00 per person, \$5.00 for age 12 and under - Free for 3 and under.

Tickets are still available **TODAY** after Church.

NOTE: City of Barrie has assured us that Collier Street will be re-opened at 3 p.m. today - just in time for you to attend our Roast Beef Dinner.



David Busby Street Centre

16th Annual General Meeting

Date: Tuesday June 16th, 2009

Time: 11:30am- 1:30pm

Location: Trinity Anglican Church - 24 Collier Street, Barrie, ON

We are pleased to showcase the creative talents of several of our participants.

Light refreshments will be provided

PLEASE R.S.V.P BY JUNE 12TH, 2009

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MEETING PACKAGES ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP AT THE CENTRE.