

# Trinity Happenings

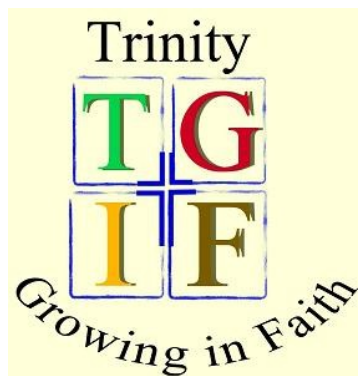
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## Our Mission

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



## “The Day Before Jesus Died”

Lent 2009 -- Sunday morning Sermons.

The day before Jesus died (which we call Maundy Thursday) was a day rich in meaning for Jesus. He celebrated the Passover with his closest followers, he washed their feet and he gave them a new commandment. Following dinner he goes to the garden of Gethsemane for prayer after which he is betrayed by Judas and arrested by soldiers.

This year we are going to take the whole of Lent to explore these final events on the day before Jesus died. Join us for this series on Sunday mornings in Lent.

March 8th                      Lent 2                      Fr. Andrew

**PASSOVER (Part #1):** What happened on the first Passover?

March 15th                      Lent 3                      Canon Brian

**PASSOVER (Part #2):** How is the Passover celebrated?

March 22nd                      Lent 4                      Fr. Andrew

**TRUE DISCIPLESHIP:** Jesus washed his disciples feet, gave them a new commandment and taught them about fruitfulness.

March 29th                      Lent 5                      Canon Brian

**A NEW COVENANT & HOLY COMMUNION:** The Jewish Passover meal becomes for us Holy Communion.

April 5th                      Palm Sunday                      Fr. Andrew

**GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE AND BETRAYAL:** Jesus sweats blood as he prays in the garden of Gethsemane after which he is betrayed and arrested.

## 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.

## “THE DAY BEFORE JESUS DIED” – DAILY DEVOTIONS THROUGH LENT

If it is not yet your habit to take time for daily prayer and Bible reading we would encourage you to add this to your schedule through Lent. Each week in “Happenings” we will list five readings for the coming week plus a theme prayer for the week. The five Bible readings have been chosen as a follow up to the Sunday sermon you have just heard. In case you are traveling and miss getting “Happenings”, we will post the readings and the theme prayer on our web site [www.trinitybarrie.ca](http://www.trinitybarrie.ca). The “Reveal” survey indicated that only 22% of us have a daily pattern of Bible reading and prayer. It is one of our objectives this year to encourage all of our members to build this into their lives. Daily Bible reading and prayer is the single best personal action to facilitate your spiritual growth. (Our special thanks to the Very Rev. Peter Williams who has designed this sequence of readings for Lent and composed

the weekly theme prayer).

Recalling Sunday’s sermon and looking forward to the next Lord’s Day.

**\*\* For the Week March 16th to 20th:**

**Theme: Passover Part II**

**(1) John 13: 1 – 17**

**(2) John 15: 12 – 17**

**(3) John 15: 1 – 11**

**(4) Luke 17: 20 – 37**

**(5) Mark 14: 12 – 15**

Weekly Prayer: “Lord Jesus, the values of our culture are so often at odds with those of your Kingdom! Our world worships assertiveness, beauty, success, money and talent. Your Kingdom values turn ours on their head and at first sight appear impractical, untimely, other-worldly and ineffective. In a world that esteems upward mobility you call us to downward mobility: to washing each other’s feet; to loving the unlovely. Convince us of the fact that your Holy Spirit can and will empower us to demonstrate in our lives your Kingdom values. We ask all this in the Name of the one who was the Servant of All, Jesus Christ our Saviour. AMEN.

# CALENDAR EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

## SUNDAY March 22<sup>nd</sup> "Lent 4 - Mothering Sunday"

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.

11:45 a.m. - Home Group Leaders' meeting in Upper Room

6:30 p.m. - Youth Sports Night in Aud.

## MONDAY

6:30 p.m. Dinner & "Life Worth Living" in Aud.

7:15 p.m. - "Truth Project" Study in Upper Rm.

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

## TUESDAY

12:45 p.m. - Beth Moore Course in Upper Rm.

7:00 p.m. - " " " "

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

1:00 p.m. - "Life in the Spirit" Study in Upper Rm.

6:45 p.m. - Beth Moore Study in Upper Rm.

7:15 p.m. - Vision Committee in Nazareth 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

## FRIDAY

12:00 p.m. - Lenten Service in Sanctuary

12:30 p.m. - Lenten Luncheon in Aud.

1:15 p.m. - "Nooma" Study in Naz. Rm.

## SATURDAY

7:45 a.m. - Trinity Men's Breakfast in Aud.

9:30 a.m. - Hour of Prayer in Upper Rm.

## SUNDAY March 29<sup>th</sup> "Lent 5"

8:00 a.m. - Quiet Communion

10:00 a.m. - Family Service

Nursery in Undercroft, Older children in Church,

Sr. Teens in Naz. Rm.

6:30 p.m. - Youth Sports Night in Aud.

## BITS AND PIECES

\*Congregation attending Trinity last Week (Mar. 15) was:

8:00 a.m. = 36, 10:00 a.m. = 145, 4:00 p.m. = 67, for a

total of 248, including 15 children & teachers.

## FROM THE MAIL

\*Youth Haven is a temporary facility for teen-aged youth who are without a home.

They are in great need of some food donations, pre-made dinners or personal hygiene products. If you are able to help them out, please take donations to their current house at 144 Toronto St. in Barrie. Donations would be greatly appreciated! For further information, please contact:

[sarah.l@youthhavenbarrie.com](mailto:sarah.l@youthhavenbarrie.com)

## To Our Trinity Family,

I want to thank everyone for the many cards, phone calls and messages of encouragement for Fred and I, while I was having surgery.

Thanks to Canon Brian for the Hospital visit and the Home Visits for Communion and Healing Prayers.

The daffodils from the altar were bright and cheerful.

I send a special thank you to the members of Trinity Women who took on my usual tasks for meetings. I look forward to being back to my usual activities soon.

With kindest regards,

Mary Latornell

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

## SUMMER CAMPS

Summer Camp can be a wonderful experience in the life of a youngster. For some youngsters it helps shape their character, opens doors for their future, and establishes friendships that will last the rest of their lives. In the tower walk their are brochures for three summer camps we would recommend: Koinonia, Pioneer Camp and Camp Min-yo-wee.

## SPRING HOME GROUPS

To plan our Home Groups for the spring there will be a meeting TODAY Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11:45 in the upper room. Please bring a sandwich with you.

## EVENSONG AND HAM DINNER

Spring was in the air and the afternoon sun shone through the stained glass windows for a beautiful service of Evensong last Sunday. Our special thanks to the Choir for the wonderful music and to all those who served an amazing Ham Dinner. It was a spiritual feast and an edible feast.

## THE ANGLICAN PLANET

We would commend to you the latest edition of the Anglican Planet newspaper available in the tower walk. Debate continues in the Communion and there are some good articles in the Anglican Planet to keep you informed. Of particular note is the Bishop's proposal for the Diocese of Toronto which will be discussed at the upcoming Synod in May.

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



## Thank You

Thank you to all our Trinity family who came to our special Evensong and Ham Dinner on Sunday. The salads and desserts you brought were delicious as usual. It was a wonderful evening of prayer, music, food and friendship.

We especially want to thank all those who donated to the Choir, but were unable to attend. A special appreciation goes to Mary and Marina for the beautiful music, to Terry Arnold for his excellent narration and to Jane Lewis for her generosity in donating the 4 beautiful raffle items.

We are happy to report a profit of \$832.00

Thank you again,  
The Choir

## Mothering Sunday -- Simnel Cake

Today is the fourth Sunday in Lent and in the British church it is called "Mothering Sunday". This is the original Mothers Day. It acquired this designation from the appointed epistle for the day which was Galatians 4:26, which reads, "Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all".

\*\* Another British custom is the baking of Simnel Cakes on the fourth Sunday of Lent. When a strict Lenten fast was observed this would be slight respite from a long season of self-denial. It takes as its inspiration the appointed gospel reading of the day from John 6 when Jesus multiplies the five loaves and two small fishes and feeds more than five thousand people. Later in that same chapter Jesus declares, "I am the bread of life, he who comes to me shall not hunger and whoever believes in me shall never thirst". (John 6:35) Our special thanks to all those who have baked the Simnel Cakes for us today. Please join us for coffee after the service and enjoy a taste of Simnel cake.

**BLESSING OF THE CAKES:** O Lord God Almighty, we pray that as we continue through this Lenten season with prayer and fasting we may hunger more and more for the true bread which comes down from heaven, even Jesus Christ our Lord. We thank you for the daily bread you give to us to strengthen our bodies, and we pray that these simnel cakes may be a reminder of your goodness and all the rich blessings you pour into our lives. We ask all this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*We thank all the Bakers of Simnel Cakes for us today including: Naomi Braun, Monica Cox, Lena-Marie Haw, Mary Henderson, Jennica Hwang, Judith Johnson, Jennifer Miller, and others who have laboured in the kitchen for us to enjoy these delicious cakes.*

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## FINANCIAL UPDATE: CAUSE FOR CONCERN

As some of you struggle with finances at home, your church is struggling to balance its budget. Our offerings are about \$7,000 behind budget while our total expenses are slightly below budget through February. We had planned a deficit of about \$8,100 at this point but it has ballooned to just over \$13,000. If you can help us close this gap before it widens, your support would be appreciated!

Year to-date:

Total Offerings + other income: \$58,679 -9% vs. Budget, +4% vs. 2008

Total Expenses: \$71,693, -2% vs. Budget, +3% vs. 2008

Deficit: \$13,014 +60% vs. Budget, approx. equal to this point last year

*"You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God".  
2 Corinthians 9:11 NIV*

## Men's Breakfast

**Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup> at 8 A.M.**

**Speaker: Jamie Parker**

**Topic: Pre-planning your Funeral.**

**There will be a full breakfast and a free will offering.**

**Bring your family, friends, or neighbors.**

**All men are welcome.**

**Blessings Earl & Mark**



## VBC IS COMING!

### "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."*

This is an invitation to our Trinity congregation to partner with the VBC (Vacation Bible Camp) team for this summer's Camp **July 6 to 10**. There are so many ways that people of our congregation can assist with this outreach program.

**Firstly**, you can pray regularly for the organizers, leaders, and the children who will come to the Camp.

**Secondly**, you could become part of the team. Many of you have already been approached about helping with the Camp. Thank you to those who are able to help. It takes a "church" to raise up a VBC and we need your time and talents. Our first full team planning meeting is set for Sunday, April 19 after church at 11:45. You are invited to come to see if there is any aspect of the process of putting the Camp together you feel you could help with.

**Thirdly**, you could contribute financially to the program. There are many materials needed to put together an attractive and engaging program for our children, grandchildren, and neighbours. If you should choose to help in this way, please just make your cheque out to 'Trinity Anglican Church, Barrie' with a note to indicate that the donation is for the VBC program.

**Fourthly**, spread the news that we are having VBC at Trinity and welcome children from our congregation and beyond. This is an opportunity to have children hear the Word of God in a fun and interactive way using music, crafts, drama, and science experiments.

Thank you in advance for your help with this important ministry.

Judy Thompson 737-1905

Gay Welsman 728-6132

## Fantastic Family Fun Night

**Games! Challenges! Trivia!**

**All ages welcome! Bring a Friend!**

**Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009**

**Time: 6 pm to 9 pm**

**Spaghetti Dinner (free will offering)**

**To register call the church 728-2691 or email**

[churchoffice@rogers.com](mailto:churchoffice@rogers.com)

## Discipleship Travel Center

Today we are learning about crucifixion and resurrection. What do those words mean and what action and feeling words are associated with them. Then we will be making collages to express these ideas. Questions to consider are: What can we do to create more resurrection type experiences for ourselves and others? How is Jesus alive today?