

City of God: St. Augustine's - Parkland

NEWSLETTER

April 18, 2021

2 Corinthians 5:17 says "Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come." New things have definitely come around here and it's beautiful!



Just a quick note to thank those who have put forth their names to assist with our Sunday services, your efforts are truly appreciated! Yesterday we had Bev and Jim Orioux, Winnie Kennair and Bob Coates helping with the service. We also enjoyed the musical team of Ian Bowden and Bill Curtis! Bob also installed the plaque below our beautiful Memorial Tree!



Important Information from Rev. Billy:

Grace and Peace to you in our Lord Jesus Christ,

While navigating the pandemic and restrictions, we were allotted extra time-until the end of June-in order to prepare for our Annual Meeting of Parishioners. As Vestry pondered how we could execute this meeting safely, we decided that the best way to hold this meeting is in a simplified format.

We're doing mail out packages or they can be picked at the church starting in May. There are going to be our reports, and two motions: first, is to approve the budget; and, second, another to approve our accounts examiner (auditor of our finances). Additionally, there will be the two ballots, whereby you will vote to either approve the motion or not (we will not count spoiled ballots). Also in your package will be a declaration form you must sign that states that you are a baptized member in good standing within our parish and that you have not voted in another parish. You will have the month of May to pose questions to Greg which will be done through Michelle. Before or on June 1 will be the last day to drop off your ballots and signed declaration. Thus, there will not be an in person meeting. Vestry feels that this is the best way to include everyone in our church as we move forward, especially those who do not use computers.

Therefore, NOTICE is hereby given that our Annual Meeting of Parishioners will be a package pick up or mail out package with ballots and the declaration to be mailed in or dropped off at the church before or on June 1, 2021. This is for all baptized persons regularly attending services of worship in this parish or otherwise regularly receiving the administrations of the clergy of this parish are entitled to receive a package and vote on the presented motions.

DATED this 19th day of April, A.D. 2021

In our truly Risen Lord,

The Rev. Billy Isenor, OSF

Please note:

Michelle is in the office weekly Monday - Wednesday mornings and will be at the May 8th and May 22nd ACW plant sales for package pick ups. If these times do not work, alternate arrangements can be made. If you cannot pick up a package, please contact her to have one mailed out to you.

I wanna Hippopotamus for Blessings!

Calling all parish hippopotami! You are being officially called back! Adoptive hippo families are asked to bring in their hippo friends prior to June 6th (as always, it is appreciated if you can count the change and submit it either in cash or cheque form). We would also like an updated photo of the hippo family, unfortunately at this time we can only take a group picture of the hippos - not their adoptive families. The picture below was taken in 2014 one year into the adoption. Originally there were 21 hippos adopted by parish members and families, believe it or not there are still 3 remaining that are available for adoption! If you'd like to adopt a hippo to help you mindfully count your blessings simply contact Michelle in the office and let her know your preferred hippo colors!



ACW Spring Plant Sale


FLOWERS A MOTHER WILL LOVE
Saturday, May 8, 2021
10am - 1pm

St. Augustine's Parkland Anglican Church
131 Church Road, Spruce Grove 

Hanging Baskets. A variety of planters.
Individual geraniums, dahlias, and begonias.

Please wear a mask and practice safe distancing.
Acceptable methods of payment:
Cash, e-Transfer or Cheque



Tabernacle Candle:

The Tabernacle Candle is lit this week by Deb Curtis, Amanda Knack & Brady Knack in memory of Deb's mother, Shirley Warren's birthday. "Always in our hearts"



If you would like to sponsor the candle for \$10 in memory of a loved one (perhaps on a birthday, anniversary or other important date), please do let us know! We are not limited to one sponsor per week - if 47 families want to remember their mothers on May 9th, we'll simply list 47 mothers' names that week!

Upcoming dates:

April 25th	·Winnie Kennair in memory of her husband Ted's birthday ·Bonnie Kovlaske in memory of her husband Leonard's birthday
May 2nd	·open
May 9th	·Bill & Judy Kesanko to recognize grandson Cameron's 6th birthday ·Marion Coates for all Mothers
May 16th	·open
May 23rd	·Marion Coates in memory of her mother and father
May 30th	·open

Interim Minister Update:

We have received official word that effective June 20, 2021 thru June 1, 2022 the Very Rev. Neil Gordon has been appointed as our interim minister while we search for our new church leader. He will bring a long history of experience having been ordained in 1986 and retiring as Dean of Edmonton and Rector of All Saints Cathedral in April of 2019. We look forward to welcoming him!

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, April 20th - Bible Study will be a self-lead study. Anyone wishing to receive the material for it is asked to contact Michelle in the office at 780-962-5131 or staugustinesparkland@gmail.com

Sunday, April 25th - 9am L'il Disciples video

Sunday, April 25th - 10am Sunday service in person and via Youtube at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UckkzBUIHoFQyrqCg1GmTukw>

Another little giggle.....

