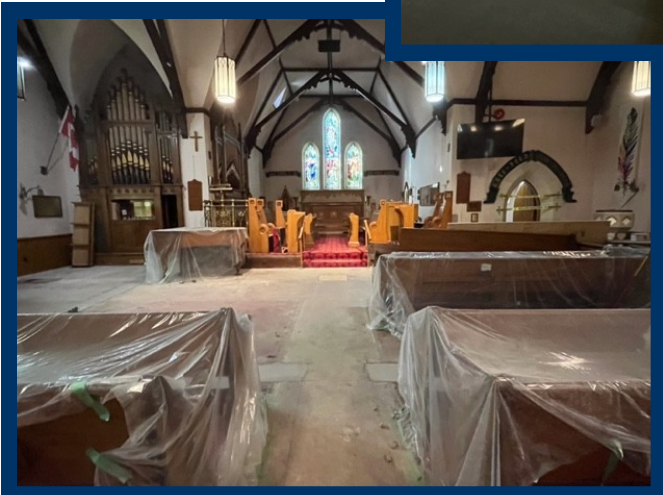


**ALL SAINTS ALIVE
THE NEWSLETTER OF ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH
COLLINGWOOD
APRIL 18, 2024**

Welcome back to our church newsletter. These April showers will result in May flowers so there is always a positive result to this weather!! (but hopefully no more snow until December!!).

The work in the church continues.....heating and communication lines have been installed....and soon the new carpet will be laid.....one more Sunday in the Parish Hall and then our new look church will be re-opened. Thanks to Penny Bourne, here are photos of the work that has been done.



Our Parish Hall is a very special part of our church. Not only does it provide space for a church service when necessary, it is also a wonderful place for outreach programmes, dinners, coffee hour and many other special activities. Our archivist, Mary Lou Dunn, reminds us that the Parish Hall served the community in another way....

History Bites

Did you know that All Saints' Anglican Church parish hall was utilized as a temporary hospital not once; but twice. In 1918, the Spanish flue virus over whelmed the hospital. Nurse Dawson set up a hospital in the parish hall to handle the overflow.

On June 25, 1942 the hospital caught on fire and again, patients were transported to All Saints' parish hall.

The Community Friendship Dinner was held last week. Penny Bourne shares with us her report and reminds us that this week is 'Volunteer Appreciation Week' in Collingwood.

FRIENDSHIP DINNER

Hi Everyone,

Wednesday was a beautiful spring day, and it was a lovely day for a walk to All Saints for dinner! We served more than 100 meals to about 90 guests and some volunteers. Our dinner was ham, roasted potatoes, hot veggies, salads, dinner roll and a variety of desserts. Everyone was very happy and there was enough left for some to take food home for Thursday's dinner. We were delighted to welcome several families with their children as well as many regulars.

As Sunday is the beginning of National Volunteer Week, a HUGE thank you to all our wonderful volunteers. Without you it wouldn't happen. Thank you to the cooks, servers and dishwashers as well as all those who provide food and funds! Thank you also to our musician, Jimmy, and all those who help behind the scenes decorating tables, washing tablecloths and greeting our guests.

Our Friendship Dinner is a vital part of our outreach Food Ministry, even more so now that so many in our community are suffering food insecurity.

If you are bringing in empty food containers for take-out, please run them through the dishwasher and put the lids on each one. This makes it much easier for our servers.

Our next dinner will be on May 8th, so watch for an email!

Many thanks,

Penny

The first Women's Breakfast was held at All Saints recently....thanks to Cheri Kelly and her team for organizing this well attended event...the food and fellowship was wonderful, and journeys of faith were shared.....thanks to Jimmy Kelly for photos....



In your prayers this week, please remember those whose names are found on our Parish Prayer List. We also pray for their caregivers and for all who assist others in need.

“Please pray for these people during the week” - Brenda Teeter, Bob Teeter, Sandra Girdle, Mary Ratensperger, Bev Baxter, Paul Reid, Eric Vignola, Wolf, SSN, Irene McVeigh, Brian, John, Gail, Penny, Dimi Ntantoulis, Sean, Dorothy, Nancy, Jamey Bain, Katy, Terry.

Many of you have a product from the ‘Apple’ corporation, that you rely on for information and communication. I recently received an email from a friend that talked about Apple’s co-founder, Steve Jobs....

Six best doctors in the world.....



Steve Jobs was the co-founder, Chairman and CEO of Apple Corporation and died in 2011, aged 56, after losing his battle with Pancreatic Cancer. At the time his net worth was \$10.2 billion. He posted this very profound observation just prior to his death.

"I reached the pinnacle of success in the business world. In some others' eyes, my life is the epitome of success. However, aside from work, I have little joy. In the end, my wealth is only a fact of life that I am accustomed to. At this moment, lying on my bed and recalling my life, I realize that all the recognition and wealth that I took so

much pride in have paled and become meaningless in the face of my death.

You can employ someone to drive the car for you, make money for you, but you cannot have someone bear your sickness for you. Material things lost can be found or replaced. But there is one thing that can never be found when it's lost - Life. Whichever stage in life you are in right now, with time, you will face the day when the curtain comes down.

Treasure love for your family, love for your spouse, love for your friends. Treat yourself well and cherish others. As we grow older, and hopefully wiser, we realize that a \$300 or a \$30 watch both tell the same time. You will realize that your true inner happiness does not come from the material things of this world. Whether you fly first class or economy, if the plane goes down - you go down with it.

Therefore, I hope you realize, when you have mates, buddies and old friends, brothers and sisters, who you chat with, laugh with, talk with, have sing songs with, talk about heaven and earth, that is true happiness! Don't educate your children to be rich.

Educate them to be happy. So when they grow up they will know the value of things and not the price. Eat your food as your medicine, otherwise you have to eat medicine as your food.

There is a big difference between a human being and being human. Only a few really understand it. You are loved when you are born. You will be loved when you die. In between, you have to manage!

The six best doctors in the world are sunlight, rest, exercise, diet, self-confidence and friends.

Maintain them in all stages and enjoy a healthy life."

A little bit of humour.....

I found \$20 in a parking lot and thought to myself, What Would Jesus Do?
So, I turned it into wine.

My therapist set half a glass of water in front of me. He asked if I was an optimist or a pessimist. So, I drank the water and told him I was a problem solver.
~Unknown

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS RESIDES ON THE TRADITIONAL TERRITORY OF THE ANISHNAABE AND WENDAT PEOPLES. THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT REMINDS US OF OUR RESPONSIBILITIES AND RELATIONSHIPS TO THESE ANCESTRAL LANDS ON WHICH WE LIVE, SHARE, LEARN AND PRAY.

From Reverend Michael Peterson

Due to planned construction work in the church, we are planning to hold worship in the parish hall on Sunday April 7 and April 21. Note that this change will also apply to our Wednesday Eucharists. Morning and Evening Prayer will be conducted in the Library.

Our next Rector's Book Study will continue our focus on C.S. Lewis by looking at his book, *The Screwtape Letters*, A junior devil, who is not very good at his job, receives advice from a senior devil, Screwtape, on how to tempt humans and lead them away from their faith. As he advises his young apprentice, "But do remember, the only thing that matters is the extent to which you separate the man from the Enemy (the devils' name for God). It does not matter how small the sins are provided that their cumulative effect is to edge the man away from the Light and out into the Nothing. Murder is no better than cards if cards can do the trick. Indeed the safest road to Hell is the gradual one—the gentle slope, soft underfoot, without sudden turnings, without milestones, without signposts."

The Screwtape Letters is a modern Christian classic and is full of insights on what genuine and lifegiving faith looks like. You can purchase it from the bookseller of your choice. The Screwtape Letters book starts with a Zoom session on Wednesday, April 24, at 7:30pm (note that the 1:30 session advertised for 24 April is cancelled). Email Fr Michael at madpa-dre@gmail.com for the Zoom Link. There will also be an in-person session on Thursday, May 9, at 1:30pm.

A Spring Thing Church Fundraiser

Yard Sale - Sat May 25th - 8am - Clean your house, garage and gardens; bring all your unbroken clean treasures in boxes to the parish hall from now till Thursday May 23rd

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YARD SALE

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**Saturday May 25th 2024
8am - 2pm**

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