ST. OLAVE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

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Announcements for June 23, 2019

TODAY AT ST. OLAVE'S

JUNIOR CHURCH: Certificate day and year-end party.

COFFEE HOUR: Visitors and parishioners, please join us downstairs after the 10:30 a.m. service for fellowship and light refreshments. Thank you to Sunday School Leaders and Parents for hosting this morning's coffee hour.

THIS WEEK AT ST. OLAVE'S

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING: Wednesday June 26 at 7 p.m.

SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday June 25	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

(In the Octave of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist)

Wednesday June 26 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

11:15 a.m. Holy Communion 4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

(In the Octave of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist)

Thursday June 27 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

(In the Octave of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist)

Friday June 28 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

12:00 noon ORA (See announcement below.)

4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

(Irenaeus, Bishop and Doctor; In the Octave of the

Nativity of St. John the Baptist)

Sunday June 30 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion

(In the Octave of St. Peter and St. Paul)

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUNIOR CHURCH UPDATE: We are sad to announce that our Child & Youth Minister, Brittany Hudson, will be finishing her time with us as of today (Sunday June 23). Brittany has been a tremendous asset to our Junior Church and Youth programs these past two years and she will be truly missed! Brittany is starting her Masters degree in Theological Studies in Development (MTSD) at Wycliffe College in the fall and we wish her well in that next chapter of her studies. We will be exploring how best to lead this vital programme over the summer. Please speak to the Rector or Janice Douglas if you have any questions or suggestions in this regard.

A LETTER FROM OUR CHILD AND YOUTH MINISTER:

Dear St Olave's,

Thank you for being my home. Thank you for trusting me with your precious gifts – the soon to be leaders of our world and church. I came here in 2017 with the mission of shaping young minds. I remember my first Sunday, we were in the Parish Hall colouring when one of the children shouted "God's not a boy or a girl!". My eyes almost popped out of my head – what should I say? Before I could comment another child says "Well duh!" And so it began, the children started to shape me. They taught me a few things about God that I never would have learned. God is fun! God loves to laugh! God would rather we colour every Sunday! God loves dramatic bible stories. Oh, and how can I forget, God wants us to sing "Jesus Loves Me" every Sunday – no excuses.

In the Gospel of St. Matthew, the 18th chapter, Jesus says "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven" (NIV) Befriending the children of St Olave's has taught me an important lesson: God is calling me to be like them. Laugh like them, be honest like them and most importantly, trust as they do. I know goodbyes are difficult but I trust that this is not a final goodbye. We will see each other again. While I am stepping away from my role I will still be your sister in Christ which means we will meet again.

May God bless every parishioner who finds refuge within this community.

In Christ, Brittany V. Hudson **ORA: SPEND A QUIET HOUR WITH THE LORD:** Ora means "pray!" Join us Fridays for a new service of quiet prayer and devotion 12-1 pm in the chapel. The service opens and closes with prayer; the time in between is yours to spend with Christ. Come out for the whole hour, or even just for part of it, and take your rest in Him.

THE PSALMS AS SONGS OF JESUS: Of approximately 360 quotations from the Hebrew Scriptures that appear in the New Testament, nearly one third come from the Book of Psalms. Over the Summer, The Rev'd Alexandra Pohlod will lead a bible study on the Psalms as they appear in the New Testament. The study will take place on Wednesdays at 10 am in the Wardens' Vestry, beginning on the 10th of July. A short service of mid-day prayer will follow the study. All are welcome!

BISHOP JENNY ANDISON TO VISIT ST. OLAVE'S: We are delighted that Bishop Jenny, Area Bishop of York Credit-Valley, will be visiting St. Olave's on the Eve of St. Olaf's Day, for a service of Choral Evensong and our annual parish BBQ. The service will be held on **Sunday, July 28, at 4:00 p.m.** Bishop Jenny will officiate and preach. Mark your calendar and plan to participate in this annual St. Olave's tradition!

BOILER REPLACEMENT: As you may recall, at this year's Annual Vestry Meeting we discussed the need to begin saving for the eventual replacement of our 44 year-old boiler. Unfortunately, we have since learned the boiler will not last another season and must be replace this summer. Property Chairperson, Sheila Tait, is currently acquiring three estimates. However, we are anticipating the cost to be approximately \$70,000. This will include removing the old boiler. installing the new one, installing a dual zone system (so that upstairs and downstairs can be set to different temperatures and thereby save money on heating), lining the chimney to bring it up to code, and all the requisite plumbing and electrical work. The funds to cover this expense will be withdrawn from our Capital Fund. However, donations toward the boiler would be gratefully received and will help reduce the amount drawn from our investments. If you would like to contribute, please mark your cheque "Boiler Fund" or donate online at http://www.stolaves.ca/giving. (Click on the vellow "donate" button, then enter the desired dollar amount. You can pay using a credit card or PayPal account. Then click on "Add Special Instructions to St. Olave's" and indicate Boiler Fund before proceeding to payment details.)

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR: Parishioners are encouraged to donate altar flowers **throughout the year**. It can be a meaningful way to remember someone who has died or to give thanks to God for a special anniversary or blessing in your life. A notice will be placed in the bulletin on that day. You may donate funds or purchase flowers yourself. Please contact the office to arrange a date, a minimum of two weeks in advance. Purchased flowers should be dropped off no later than Sunday morning by 9:30 am, or through mutually convenient arrangement.

GREETERS NEEDED: Greeters welcome people when they come to worship at St. Olave's. A friendly face can make a huge impression, especially on a first-time visitor. Besides greeting people when they arrive and handing out bulletins, greeters also take up the collection, assist people down the steps after communion and help the Wardens with the collection count. If you would like to be a greeter please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the clipboard in the Narthex at the Windermere entrance, or contact Janice Douglas at craig.janice@rogers.com for more information.



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