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LENTEN JOURNEY CONTINUES

We are just past the mid point of Lent. We hope that members are making use of the time to engage the Scriptures, particularly as we read Matthew's account of the Passion. Continue to put aside a "loonie or toonie" each day (40 days) to support the ministry of St. Luke's Hospital in Nablus, Palestine.

After Easter please **convert** your coins to a cheque or "bills" and send them in Lent Envelope (available at the church entrances) You may use any blank envelope as long as you mark them "LENT Offering" and include your name so that a tax receipt can be issued. The readings for the rest of Lent are as follows:

| Day | Date | Reading | Day | Date | Reading |
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| 24 | Apr. 01 | 25:24-30 | 33 | Apr. 11 | 26:57-68 |
| 25 | Apr. 02 | 25:31-40 | 34 | Apr. 12 | 26:69-75 |
| 26 | Apr. 03 | 25:41-46 | 35 | Apr. 14 | 27:1-10 |
| 27 | Apr. 04 | 26:1-13 | 36 | Apr. 15 | 27:11-23 |
| 28 | Apr. 05 | 26:14-25 | 37 | Apr. 16 | 27:24-31 |
| 29 | Apr. 07 | 26:26-30 | 38 | Apr. 17 | 27:32-44 |
| 30 | Apr. 08 | 26:31-35 | 39 | Apr. 18 | 27:45-56 |
| 31 | Apr. 09 | 26:36-46 | 40 | Apr. 19 | 27:57-66 |
| 32 | Apr. 10 | 26:47-56 | | | |

LENTEN PROGRAMS **April 6**

The **Ministerial Lenten Series** ends at St. Luke's Roman Catholic Church at 4:00 pm. The Ministerial's combined choir will lead the worship.

We conclude our Study of Bishop Bill Hockin's book **'Searching for a Deeper Well'** on Wednesday, April 9.

SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER

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| April 13 Palm Sunday | 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. |
| April 17 Maundy Thursday | 7:30 p.m. |
| April 18 Good Friday | 12 :00 noon |
| April 20 Easter | 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. |
| April 27 Easter 1 | 8:00 said Eucharist |
| Easter CANTATA | 10:00 a.m. |

MID WEEK SERVICE

Every Wednesday (except July and August) at **10:00 am** we meet in the chapel for a celebration of the Holy Eucharist. A wonderful moment comes when we engage each other in a conversation around the content of one of the readings. It's

amazing how members make connections with their daily lives. Come, join us!

THE VICAR OF DIBLEY

April 3, 4, 5

Eleven brave clergy (Anglican & United) including **Bishop Linda Nicholls** (former HTC Incumbent) join forces with Theatre Columbus to raise money for the arts. **8:00 pm at St. Andrew's United Church, 117 Bloor St. East.** Thursday (Pay-What-You-Can), Friday & Saturday \$25. Order tickets at (416) 504 0019 or info@theatrecolumbus.ca. Details on posters around the church.



WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday April 5

Come join us (**8:30 - 10:00 am**) to feel good about ourselves and to fundraise to assist and empower women/children in Cambodia. Bring friends, family and wear comfortable apparel as we will be GROOVING into Spring lead by trained Groove facilitator Alex Parravano. Contact Robin Parravano for questions or more info.

HEALTHY LIVING PROGRAM

April 8 - May 13

This program runs on **Tuesdays at 9:30 - 12:00** in our Reception Room. The presenters will cover exercise, nutrition, and working with our conditions to maximize our health. Even if you might miss a session, there is a book you will be given and you can read what you miss and ask questions at the next session. This is a wonderful opportunity to have this program here instead of in Newmarket or Toronto. Free of charge, but please register with Susan Rodgers ext. 29.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

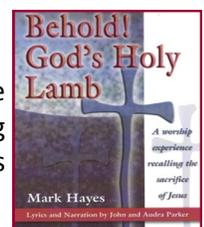
Saturday April 12

All men are welcome to join breakfast at **8:15 am**. This will be followed **at 8:30 a.m.** With guest speaker David Tigchelaar, Youth Ministry Coordinator. **Please sign-up** on the sheets outside the auditorium to ensure adequate logistics. Thank you.

EASTER CANTATA

10:00 am April 27

Our Choir has been rehearsing for the Cantata. Judy Bradshaw has been practicing as accompanist as soon as Christmas was over. Don't miss this special presentation.



SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

April 26

Please bring gently used items Tuesday - Friday, April 22-25. We need your help on Thursday & Friday for set-up & pricing (9:30 - 3:00) and during the sale Saturday (9:00 - 12:00). Here are the list of items:

We accept

- Clothing, linens, shoes, accessories, jewelries
- Books, CD's, toys
- Household & kitchen items
- small appliances in working order (less than 10-year old)

We cannot sell

- Baby car seat/crib/playpen/walker
- Magazine/encyclopedia
- Sport equipment & large furniture
- Computer & related accessories

SENIORS' EASTER LUNCHEON

April 30



We invite mature adults to join the **Eucharist at 11:00 am** followed by luncheon/fellowship in the auditorium. Please contact Jean Challoner and let her know if you are coming to ensure adequate kitchen staff. Thank you.

PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY

The **Physical Activity Challenge** has concluded. Winners will soon be announced. The aim was to encourage everyone, of all age groups to be active over the winter. This has been a particularly hard winter, so we can't simply rely on walking outside. A number of people do exercise regularly, but many are way under the amount recommended for good health. Children need 1-hour/day and adults at least ½ hour of various types of exercise, aerobic, stretching and strengthening. As the weather improves let's all try to increase the amount we do even by 10-15 minutes a day or two/week so we can reap the benefits and prevent disease in the future.

OUTREACH

As of March 28, there have been eight deliveries of canned/packaged food and personal use items to the Richmond Hill Food Bank, All Saints Community Kitchen and Eva's Place. There also have been two deliveries of adult apparel to the All Saints 'Clothing Closet'. Thank you for your continued interest and support, including financial contributions to purchase for Richmond Hill & All Saints. Much appreciated!

BISHOP'S VISIT

May 11

Our Area Bishop, The Right Rev. Peter Fenty will make his first Episcopal visit to our parish on **Sunday, May 11**. On that occasion he will administer the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation to Chase Driberg.

30TH ANNUAL ART SHOW & SALE

Friday - Sunday

Studio Artists of Thornhill are holding their 30th year of showcasing their year long passion of artworks.



May 2 4:00 - 9:00 pm

May 3 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

May 4 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sunday Coffee Hour will be hosted by the artists, some of them are parishioners of Holy Trinity.

If you like painting please consider joining the group, contact Gail Thompson for details.

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

As we prepare for Spring and the return of our students from College, please consider how you can help out with welcoming them home.

We are planning to send out another care package to each of them to coincide with their exam period, and we're also exploring the idea of holding a "welcome home" banquet. If you are at all interested in helping out with either of these projects, please contact David Tigchelaar at ext. 25.

PRISON MINISTRY SUNDAY

May 4

Sunday, May 4, 2014 is 'Prison Ministry Sunday' in our Parish. The service on this Sunday will be on the ministry to prisoners, chaplains, staff, and all who are engaged in this work. Last year, Mr. Gary Glowaki of The Bridge Prison Ministry, a **FaithWorks** partner, was our guest speaker. This year he will be accompanied by some participants in The Bridge.

LUNCH AND LEARN

Wednesday May 14

We all have heard about victims of fraud. A police constable Robyn Kassam will give us presentation on how to protect us from/to avoid "FRAUD". The Presentation begins at 11:00 am with lunch to follow, sponsored by Jerret Chapel Funeral Home. Mark the date on your calendar. There will be a sign-up sheet in late April.

THORNHILL PRAYS

We're gathering together to bless & intercede for the community of Thornhill, to declare that in Jesus there is a future and a hope!

We're fostering a place where we can pray confidentially and compassionately, accepting the diversities of our Christian denominations.

We're praying in unity with the Spirit of Jesus, as He did—for His Father's Kingdom to come to Thornhill, as it is in Heaven.

Just come! No notice needed. **1st Thursday/month: April 3, May 1, June 5, July 3 at 7:00—8:00 pm**. Hosted by Hills Church, 162 Holm Crescent (Green Lane & Willowbrook), (905) 709 3076