TRINITY TODAY

A newsletter of Holy Trinity Church, Thornhill

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VESTRY

February 25 2024

Following the 10 am service

Come and help make the decisions that determine HTC's course in 2024!

Note: Deadline for Vestry reports is **Friday, February 2.**





It's cold out there. And on February 24, we're doing something about it. Together with thousands of Canadians across the country, we're walking and fundraising to support and serve people and families experiencing hurt, hunger, and homelessness in our community.

HTC has been a strong supporter of this event. Last year, we had two teams and raised over \$10,635. This year, our goal is \$9000. Our team is beginning to take shape and welcomes new participants. If you're a high-school student, you can earn volunteer hours by joining our walking team or helping out on the day of the event. (Please contact me for details).

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Coldest Night ... continued

Once again, we are teaming up with Glynnwood retirement residence They have formed a team and will have an event at Glynnwood for residents, with staff and residents participating at the main event. Glynnwood's fundraising goal is \$2000.

There are several ways to participate. You can join the walkers or make a donation to support individual walkers or the whole team, through the team page: http://walk.w-ith.us/
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You can also donate through the church; please indicate you are donating to Coldest Night of the Year and whether it is an individual or the team you are supporting. Thank you!

Miriam Irving



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

We will be having a special Fellowship Hour on Sunday, February 4, to say farewell to Rev'd Ginnie. Plan to be there!

COMING SOON!



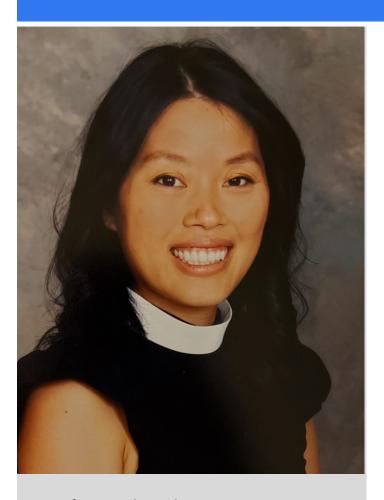
Saturday April 13 2024

Planners and organizers needed!

Please contact Leanda Kirwan or any member of the Advisory Board to volunteer.



Diocesan News



From the Interim Priest

Wow, I can't believe my two months at Holy Trinity is almost at its end. The month of December was a time for me to get to the know the church and its wonderful community. Thank you for making my family and me feel so welcome.

I have enjoyed our time together learning about the various ministries that take place at Holy Trinity, including the Out of the Cold shelter, Bible study, quilting club, and ACW. Spending the seasons of Advent and Christmas with you all was a gift. I enjoyed learning and meditating on what it means that "God is with us." He is with us in the good times, the valleys, and in the ordinary times. He is with us in who we are and who we will become. He is with us because of his great, loyal love.

Rev'd Ginnie

Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.



— Psalm 30.5b

The Psalmist sings, Joy is better than happiness, deeper than gladness. Joy peppers the soul that grieves or is lost with hope and presence. Joy embodies trust in life, in neighbour, in creation, in God. It is tempting to settle for happiness, which feels fleeting or temporary. How much better it is to pursue joy that touches permanence and eternity. In this season of Epiphany, we are called to bring the joy of our faith in Jesus Christ, who broke open the tears of Friday into the surprise and wonder of Sunday morning. We are called to embody the love, curiosity and delight of God's love. So dawdle, spend time with your neighbours, bring comfort to the afflicted. And dance a little.

— The Rt. Rev. Andrew Asbil, Bishop of Toronto See the whole letter here.

FILM SCREENING

St. John the Baptist, Norway and the Diocese are presenting a screening of *The Philadelphia Eleven*, a documentary about the group of women and their supporters who organized their ordination to become Episcopal priests in 1974. The film will be followed by a Q&A session with Primate Linda Nicholls. The event will take place on Feb. 3 at 3 p.m. at the St. James Cathedral Centre, 65 Church St., Toronto. Doors open at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are free and available on Eventbrite.

THANK YOU to all who contributed to the Thornhill Christmas Assistance program. Your support brought a happy Christmas to many families in our community. — Linda Gould

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- The Office

Food Bank News

There were **38 deliveries** of food and personal use items during 2023. In addition, some parishioners have provided financial assistance for the purchase of most-needed items. This year, between January 2 and January 16, there have been three deliveries.

THANK YOU for your contributions and support. MUCH APPRECIATED! If you would like more information, speak to me or call the office.

Peter Paterson

SAVE THOSE STAMPS We continue to collect cancelled postage stamps for Christian Salvage Mission. A large number of stamps from Canada, the USA and UK, and other parts of the world were sent in last fall. CSM is always thankful for our continued support to their worthy cause. — Angella Smith

Worship with us



Sunday 9 am <u>at 140</u> Brooke St, Thornhill

Sunday 9 am Virtual Chapel

On Zoom, live on your device or phone — go to www.holytrinity-thornhill.ca for details

Watch anytime on YouTube
Live Sundays at 9 am or whenever you like

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Rachel Yoon, Director of Music

Laura Peetoom, Office Administrator (x21)

Hours: TWF 9:30-4; Th 1:30-5:30 Jesús Cruz Arángo, Custodian (x24)

Hours: M-F 10–4:00 Robin Parravano &

Nancy Cutler, Churchwardens



Something good is happening here!

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