

# AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

## News and Events for August and September

### Music Programme



During the lockdown of the Churches, Wesley Warren our organist and Choir director has been busy organizing the wonderful music for our services. He has coordinated the various cantors and other singers to help lift our spirits with familiar hymns and beautiful organ music. Wesley has worked closely with the Wardens on the plan for the reopening of the Church to ensure that we can safely have limited choral music to enhance the offering of Mass.

Thank you to Wesley and the members of our Choir who have worked to provide us with the music we all have come to expect at St. B's.



### Behind the Camera !

We have been very fortunate to be able to stream the Sunday Ante Communion service and the services of Morning and Evening prayer through the week. This was only made possible by the talents and commitment by Brian Wehrle and Devin Crawley. Devin is seen among the microphones and cameras that are set up in the Nave to stream and record the Sunday service. It is Devin who after the service edits and uploads the service to YouTube for all the world to enjoy. On behalf of the Parish - Thank you Brian and Devin.





### The Feast of the Transfiguration

Thursday August 6th is the feast of the Transfiguration where the Church celebrates the event recorded in sacred scripture in the Gospel of Matthew 17:1-11. In which Jesus shows to the chosen disciples his divine nature with Elijah and Moses appearing beside Him. This powerful event was to encourage and challenge the Apostles in their ministry. Despite the desire of St. Peter to stay on the mountain, Jesus leads them back down into the world. A reminder that no matter how intense our experience might be in prayer or worship we must return to the routine of everyone day transformed by our experience and seek to live out the Gospel in every day life.



### *Morning and Evening Prayer*

Many of you have been able to share in Morning and Evening prayer that is offered online on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays in the Parish. Prayer and the offering of the Daily offices have been a constant in our Parish since it founding over 125 years ago. In the 21st century we continue to make this daily offering of praise and intercession, but in a new way afforded by technology. We are fortunate that a number of parishioners came forward to form a roster of people to share in praying the offices. Brian Wehrle, Diane Roussel, Wendy Warren, Gary Rourke, and Angus Cairnie (pictured) have been the key members of this roster. Bruce Patterson, Fiona Lavery and Joel Reinhardt have also assisted when they were needed. If you would like to be part of this ministry please speak to the Rector.

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**Pray as though everything depended on God. Work as though everything depended on you."**  
**--St. Augustine**

## Reopening of the Church for Mass -what you need to know.

The Diocese has given permission for the Churches to reopen for public worship on September 6th, if the pandemic continues to decline and we do not have a second wave in the community. In preparing for the reopening of our church the following guidelines will be followed.

### Before coming to Mass

#### Do a self evaluation

- do I have a fever or cough
- have I been in contact with someone who has been exposed to Covid 19
- have I been out of the country or been in contact with someone who has been out of the country in the last 14 days.

#### Reserve a spot

The church will only be able to host 30 people in the pews, using every 3rd pew, to allow for social distancing. However if you come as a family - "your bubble" and sit together we can accommodate more. Please email [parishoffice@primus.ca](mailto:parishoffice@primus.ca) or call the Rector 613-668-6992 each week to reserve a seat.

#### In Church

On entering the Church via the James St. door, each person must wear a mask, if you forget or do not have a mask, we have a supply of masks available. Sanitizer is available at the entrance to the Church.

- a collection plate will be at the entrance to the Church, to receive your donation, since there will be no 'passing of the plate' during the service
- you will be given a single use service booklet - please take away with you, there will be no hymn books etc in the pews.
- there will be hymns but you asked to keep you mask on and sing softly or hum the tune.
- we will have limited access to the washrooms, only the washroom in the entrance to the Church and one in the Parish Hall will be open. You will be encouraged to use the sanitizing wipes to wipe down the taps etc.

#### Reception of Communion

- at the direction of the sides people, move into the centre aisle, keeping a 6ft distance, move forward to the Chancel steps where the Priest (wearing a mask

and gloves) will give the Sacred Host into your hand for you to consume and then replacing you mask, return to your pew by the side aisle.

After the Mass you are asked not to linger and to leave the building by the main doors on Kent St..

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Mass Schedule for September

The Sunday Mass schedule will be as follows:

8:30am Low Mass according to the BCP

10:30am Sung Mass with Incense. Due to physical distancing etc. we cannot have a full High Mass at this time. A sung Mass is offered with just a priest and one or two servers.

No coffee time after Mass.

Mid Week Masses

Tuesday 10am and Friday 7:30am.

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OUTREACH NEWS

Empties for Outreach. Warren and Sharon Halligan have for a number of years taken the bottles etc from their Condominium - with permission ! And returned them and the money given to the Outreach ministries of the Parish. The funds have been used to buy meals for people etc.. Thank you to the Halligans for turning empties into help for people coming to the doors of our Parish.

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BAZAAR 2020 ???

People have been asking if we will be able to host our annual Bazaar in November and I am sad to report that in light of the pandemic this will not be possible. However at our August Parish Council we will be looking to establish a small committee to look at options for fundraising to replace the \$8,000 that we would normally expect from the Bazaar. Ideas ? Suggestions ? A virtual Bazaar ? Ordering pickles online ?