



the **Church**
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St Simon-the-Apostle

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FRIDGE NOTES • ANNOUNCEMENTS
ADVENT 4, CHRISTMAS TO THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
DECEMBER 22ND, 2019 TO JANUARY 5TH, 2020

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE HONOUR AND GLORY OF
ALMIGHTY GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF...**

- ✠ Mother, Shelia Gill *by daughter Betty Scantlebury*
- ✠ Bill & Corinne Partridge and Dick & Connie Scott *by Barbara Scott*
- ✠ Loved Ones *by Joyce Brighty*
- ✠ Mother, Dorothy Maher and Grandmother, Edith Orser *by Nancy Nourse*
- ✠ Their parents, Albert & Angel and Doris & Bill *by Ted & Isabelle Robinson*
- ✠ Nellie Burton *by Deta Raffington*
- ✠ Absent Friends and Loved Ones *by Faulkner Family*
- ✠ Graeme and Steven Ponter *by Jean Ponter*
- ✠ Anthony Sangwine and other loved ones *by Geoffrey, Sheila and family*
- ✠ Diane Birch *by her Church family*
- ✠ Vera Côté *by John A. Pugsley*
- ✠ Christina & Arthur Pugsley *by John A. Pugsley*
- ✠ Loved Ones *by Ena Forde*
- ✠ Paul & Elaine Singh *by Marjorie Philip*
- ✠ Grandmother, Pearl Knowlton & Uncle, Clyde Jones *by Darleen Knowlton*
- ✠ Daphne & Carleon Greaves, Inez & Carlyle *by Norma Spence*
- ✠ *by Asima Emanuel & Derick Emanuel*

WELCOME

We appreciate your givings and remind you that in order to receive a tax receipt your envelope number or name & address should accompany all donations.

Pre-authorized giving (PAG) forms are available at the back of the church and in the pews. We encourage you to support the church through PAG, Thank-you for your support.

Reminder, please do not leave your personal belongings unattended; keep them with you at all times.

Parish Records Please help us to keep our Parish Records up to date by ensuring that the office has your current information (e-mail, address, phone number) on file, Thank-you.

Fridge Notes Please note that when placing an announcement in Fridge Notes, the weekly cut-off time is Wednesday at noon, Thank-you.

Church Office Please note that the church office will be closed from Wednesday, December 25th to Friday, January 3rd and will re-open on Monday, January 6th. For urgent matters, please contact the Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine or The Reverend Michael Perry.

Welcome We are glad you are with us and look forward to meeting you after the liturgy.

Coffee Hour takes place after the 10:30 am service. Please join us, and if you would like more information about our parish life please speak with our priest or one of the greeters.

Pastoral Care is available for the home-bound parishioners, those in hospital and for other spiritual needs. Please contact the office if you or someone you know would like a visit from one of our Lay Pastoral Visitors or one of the Clergy.



Assisted Hearing Devices are available from the sidespersons and stewards



Sunday School during 10:30 am service, children gather at font during opening hymn.



New to SPSS? Please fill out welcome, available in pews & place on the offering plate.



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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are pleased to announce the College of Bishops has given concurrence for the Deacon Michael's ordination to the priesthood. The service will take place here at SPSS on the Feast of the Annunciation, March 25, 2020 at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend the service. Michael will continue to serve as Assistant Curate in the parish under Fr Geoffrey's supervision until the end of his two-year curacy, in April 2021.

Our Annual Vestry Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 23rd, 2020 immediately the 10:30 am service. A light lunch will be provided

We have three church pews for sale; they date from 1952 when the chapel was consecrated as a World War 2 memorial chapel. The pews are solid oak, measuring just over 7 ft. in length (86 inches to be exact). We are asking \$500 for each; delivery isn't available. If you are interested, please contact Darleen in the Church Office at 416-923-8714.

If you wish to dedicate flowers between now and June 2020, please speak with or call Barb Towe at (905) 294-7588. The available dates are: January 12th, 19th & 26th; April 19th; May 17th, 24th & 31st; June 7th, 21st & 28th, Thank-you.

A WORD FROM THE RECTOR

What is it about Christmas that feels so different from any other time of year? I’m sure each of us can think of many things: the lights and decorations, the parties, the special food, the time spent with family and friends, the extra thought we give to each other. The festivities are a welcome relief from the cold and dark days of winter - so too is the message of hope that comes to us, because we believe that God has an answer to human predicament, the answer of the Word-made-flesh at Bethlehem.

Down through the ages people for whom this hope is a reality have been able to rejoice even when they have been in the world’s darkest places. We do well to remember the words of Paul in prison with the worst prospect ahead of him, “Rejoice in the Lord always...in nothing be anxious, the Lord is at hand”. In a very anxious world with many of life’s challenges and pressures facing each of us, we give thanks for the joy of this season, for the hope that comes to us in the child Jesus -- we pray for the grace to be faithful witnesses to his Light.

The clergy, wardens and staff join me in wishing you a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

Sunday, December 29th - First Sunday after Christmas	8:30 am	Holy Eucharist <i>BCP</i>
	10:30 am	Choral Eucharist (Contemporary)
Sunday, January 5th - The Epiphany of the Lord	8:30 am	Holy Eucharist <i>BCP</i>
	10:30 am	Choral Eucharist (Traditional)
Sunday, January 12th - The Baptism of the Lord	8:30 am	Holy Eucharist <i>BCP</i>
	10:30 am	Choral Matins

Sunday, December 29th Readings: *Isaiah 63:7-9; Psalm 148, Hebrews 2:10-18;*
First Sunday after Christmas *Matthew 2:13-23*

Sunday, January 5th Readings: *Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12;*
The Epiphany of the Lord *Matthew 2:1-12*

Sunday, January 12th Readings: *Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43;*
The Baptism of the Lord *Matthew 3:13-17*

In our prayers for the week Sunday, December 22nd, we remember:

Anglican Communion: Sokoto (Nigeria) & El Salvador (Central America).

Diocese: Bishop Andrew Asbil, Area Bishop - Kevin Robertson and Christians in other denominations and the work of the ecumenical movement.

Outreach and Advocacy: the Parish of Bobcaygeon, Dunsford, and Burnt River; the Parish of Campbellford, Hastings, and Roseneath; Christ Church, Bolton.

Our Parish: James Tory & Cynthia Rogers (Sarah, Caroline & Alexander), Lois Totton, Barbara & Duncan Towe.

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Diocese: Bishop Andrew Asbil, Area Bishop - Kevin Robertson and for Gahini (Rwanda) and Gambia (West Africa).

Outreach and Advocacy: Christ Church, Brampton; Christ Church, Deer Park; Christ Church, Holland Landing.

Our Parish: Lila Vamosi, Johan Van't Hof, David Wangalwa & Mary Khanakwa, Amy Warner.

In our prayers for the week Sunday, January 5th, we remember:

Anglican Communion: Sokoto (Nigeria) & El Salvador (Central America).

Diocese: Bishop Andrew Asbil, Area Bishop - Kevin Robertson and for the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

Outreach and Advocacy: Christ Church, Roches Point; Christ Church, Scarborough; Christ Church, Stouffville.

Our Parish: Diane Way, Daphne Webster, Maurice White, Vashti White.

Home-bound: Myron Armstrong/Gail Birnie/Nancy Byers/Cintra Cassidy/Glenna Charles/Ann Duff/Charlotte Graham/Lawrine Griffith/ Helen Inglis/ Marie Lewis/Joseph McNinch/George Petricko/Lissett Powell/Lucy Simons/Lois Totton/Lila Vamosi/Pam Young.

