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April 26, 2009

3rd Sunday of Easter

Bagel Sunday – 1st Sunday of each month

8:15am Holy Eucharist – Church

10:00am Holy Eucharist – Church

11:00am Coffee and Refreshments – Narthex

10:00am Wednesday Healing Service – Chapel

7:00pm Thursday Healing Service – Chapel

Sun	Alcoholics Anonymous	6:30-9 pm
Mon	Interfaith Counseling	9:00 am
Mon	Maycourt	6:30 pm
Mon	Senior Fitness	10:45 am
Mon	K-W Singers	6:30 pm
Tues	Renaissance Singers	6:30 pm
Tues	Parish Council	7:30 pm
Tues	Sparks	6:00 pm
Wed	Women's Eucharist	6:00 pm
Thurs	Interfaith Counseling	9:00 am
Thurs	Junior Choir	7:00 pm
Thurs	Senior Choir	8:00 pm
Thurs	Milk Bag Mats	7:00 pm
Sat	Hall Rental	12:00 pm
Sun	Hall Rental	1:00 pm

Inspired by Christ, we dedicate ourselves to grow together in faith through active stewardship and ministry to one another and our communities.

All people are welcome here!

Name Tags are a ministry of hospitality and respect.

We invite you to wear yours every Sunday.

Readings for Next Week

Acts 4:5-12 Psalm 23
1John 3:16-24 John 10:11-18

Mother's Day Flowers

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex for donations of flowers for Mothers' Day May 10th.

FIX-UP 2008/09 - FINANCIAL CAMPAIGN

New Carpet Announcement

New carpet for the chancel has been chosen and approved by Parish Council. Installation will be following Easter Sunday.

Total received to April 19 - \$7713.00

For background information on our campaign please refer to the church web-site at: www.stgeorgesofforesthill.com

Confirmation Class

Are you or a family member interested in attending confirmation class this year? We will be setting the date for the classes as soon as we know we have a date that one of the bishop's will be able to attend. The date will be set after the new Suffragan Bishop is elected at the end of March and confirmation will take place after the Suffragan Bishop's consecration on June 6th. Please leave your name and phone number at the office and we will contact you.

Life in the Eucharist

The program will be held after the 10:00 service on April 26 and May 3 and on Saturday May 9. Communion will take place on May 10th at the 10:00 service. For more information or to register, please contact Connie Cameron at 519-880-8590 or Cynthia Filbey at 519-579-7090
53rd Weekend May 29-31/09

This is an inter-generational event that the entire family will enjoy. See the brochure in the Narthex for more information.

SMALL DONATIONS NEEDED

For the month of April, all food donations are going to the

Food Bank If everyone could pick up just one item from the list below when you are shopping, our donation bins would overflow and the Food Bank would be overjoyed with your kindness.

Many Thanks....Outreach Committee

Canned Stews	Canned Pasta
Beans in Sauce	Rice
Dry Pasta	Canned Fruit
Powdered Milk	Dry Beans
Hot Cereal	Cold Cereal

Little Dragon Day Camp

Registration for campers is on the website.

We are looking forward to another great summer at camp.

10th Annual "Spring into Summer" Tea "TALK ABOUT ANGELS"

Thursday, May 7th at 7:00 pm See sign up sheet in the Narthex.

Women's Potluck Supper and Eucharist

Wed April 29 6 pm to 9 pm

All women of the parish, young and old, and their friends, are invited to a special evening of worship and praise just for you. Our guest homilist will be Kathy Shortt, who will share stories of her recent pilgrimage along the Camino de Santiago in northern Spain. "The Camino" or "Way of Saint James" has been an important pilgrimage route since the Middle Ages, and in modern times is for many a spiritual adventure away from the bustle of every day life. Come break bread with us, praise God in song, and hear the story of Kathy's journey. A sign-up sheet for the supper is posted in the Narthex, and for more information, please speak to Laurie Childs or Pauline Stirling.

Spring Market

Thank you to all who supported THE SPRING MARKET yesterday. We have some treasures remaining and invite you to browse downstairs after the services.

Sunday School needs empty rolls

Please bring any paper towel or tin foil rolls you can to church for a Pentecost craft. Give them to any Sunday School teacher or student in the next few weeks! Thanks.

Planned Giving Information Session (May 5th at 7pm)

St. George's must remain a financially strong parish to be able to continue the church's ministry long-term. There are various tax-efficient options to ensure this happens so join us to learn more.

Topics to be reviewed include:

- Tax advantages and Estate benefits.
- Will Bequests.
- Charitable Annuities.
- Donations of Securities.
- Gifts of Life Insurance.
- RRSP/RRIF Beneficiary Designations.

Please RSVP to the church office to confirm your attendance. We hope to see you there.

The Stewardship Committee.

Omas Siskonas of KW (Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign, **Stephen Lewis Foundation**) **spring fundraiser is a preview performance of *The Wedding Singer*** by KW Musical Productions. Please plan to attend on **Wednesday May 13, 2009 @ 8:00 p.m.** at the Theatre of the Arts, University of Waterloo.

All tickets are \$20.00 and may be ordered from: Roberta Finnie 519 742-5093, Fran Rothenberg 519 744-2502, or Margie Warren 519 888-6908.

\$10.00 per ticket will be donated to the Stephen Lewis Foundation.

Tax receipts are available upon request. This musical is

recommended for ages 14 and over.



The Auction Is Coming! The Auction Is Coming!

Our popular and very successful Parish Auction/Pub Night is returning! Please mark the supper hour and the evening of Saturday, May 23, 2009 on your calendars and plan to attend this event! The times are as follows:

- Silent Auction: 5:00 – 7:30 p.m.
- Supper: 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
- Live Auction: 7:30 – 10:00 p.m.

We need your donated items! We will accept auction items at the Church during the two-week timeframe leading up to the event. Traditionally, auction items tend to be material in nature but your creativity is welcomed. Previous items donated for the auction have included such items as homemade pies, pottery, knitted items, pictures/prints/paintings, DVDs, a DVD player, Royal Doulton figurines, an authentic Italian dinner for four at a parishioner's home, a week at a parishioner's cottage, four hours of ballroom dance instruction, tickets to a Kitchener Rangers' game, etc. Indeed, some very interesting auction items have been presented in past auctions to the enjoyment and glee of the crowd attending. Be thinking of suitable items for the auction and save that Saturday for a great opportunity for fellowship and fun! More information, posters, and flyers will follow in this regard as we count down to the Parish Auction! Tickets will go on sale on Sunday, April 26, 2009. Your contacts are Jim Stirling (Chairperson) and Nelson Cuthbert (Vice-Chairperson) – they will be glad to respond to any questions, comments, suggestions and accept any help, donations, etc. See you at the Auction!

St. George's Men's Duffer's Club 2009

For the men who like to get out for a few rounds of golf, The St. George's Men's Duffers Club will continue in 2009 for its 3rd season.

There are only 2 criteria for membership. The most important is having an e-mail address that you monitor regularly as **all communication** is via e-mail. The second requirement is to be a male with a desire to have fun playing golf. (The ladies have enough of their own exclusive activities).

It is time to both invite new players and refresh the contact list. Although the primary affiliation is St. George's, I encourage you to invite your men friends to join the club. Joining couldn't be simpler, just send an e-mail to stgeorgesduffers@hotmail.com and you will become a member; no fees, no cost no obligation. You can't beat that deal. The only thing simpler is losing golf balls.

The club works like this:

1. All members are sent an e-mail approximately one week in advance of the date for the next outing.
2. Those who plan to play respond via e-mail by the requested deadline. The deadline for a response is typically the evening 3 days before the golf day.
3. An email is sent later that evening to all players indicating the "T" off times. You will also be advised of who else is playing.
4. The Tee times are usually listed under "Johnson". The players arrive and pay their green fees.

In 2008 we always played 18 holes in the afternoon typically every other week. The dates were generally split between Sunday, and Friday.

In the past we played at Golfnorth Facilities, typically Foxwood, Brookfield, Conestoga and Dundee. Golfnorth has reasonable green fees and will permit a number of foursomes to be booked a week in advance, and then permit me to cancel what is not needed the day before. That booking/cancelling feature makes the whole thing possible. If anyone knows of other golf courses that will permit multiple tee times to be booked in advance (and cancel the day before), please advise via e-mail and we will golf there as well. I expect the first outing will be sometime in May.

Sunday Tee times were selected to be 2:00 pm or later to allow time to get to the course after church and to take advantage of twilight rates.

If you have questions feel free e-mail or call at 519-884-5262.

Doug Johnson

Youth Discussion

Youth discussion has begun! Please join Kyla Wiesner (our youth minister) in Thompson hall and take part in discussing various topics about faith and life. Youth discussion is for students in grade 7-12, and will take place on the following Sundays during Sunday school: May 3rd, May 24th, June 7th, and June 14th. See you there!

Youth Group Events

May 2nd: Enviro-challenge for youth in Bayfield, Ont. Time: 10am – 3pm. At Huron Church Camp. Cost: 10.00 per youth or adult participant.

May 15th-18th: Pitch and Praise: Into the Wild at Braeside Camp in Paris, ON.

Information on the web at: www.pitchandpraise.com. This event is for those entering grade 9 in the fall of 2009, and older. Register before April 30th: \$94.00 (includes all meals) Register after April 30th: \$106.00 (includes all meals). Funding sponsorship is available.

May 22nd-May 24th: Diocese of Huron Youth Synod in Iona, ON. (near London)

Explore issues that face young people in the Church, meet other youth in the diocese. This event is for ages 14-19. Register by May 4th for \$25.00. Funding sponsorship is available. Cheques can be made out to the 'Diocese of Huron' with the notation 'Youth Synod.'

All registration forms for these events are available on the 'youth board' near the fellowship hall, and from the 'youth binder' in the Church office. **Questions?** Call Kyla Wiesner at 519.743.6475

Calling all Garden Guild Members

and anyone who would enjoy doing a bit of gardening for St George's. We need your help for general clean-up day on Saturday, May 9th for any length of time you can donate. Then we need your help to complete a schedule lasting from June 2 – Sept 15. You can work alone or in couples, bring your own tools or use those at the church and volunteer for as little as one hour of your own choosing. Look for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex at the end of April. A detailed letter will come to all volunteers before June 2
Jan Melega and Jean Horne.

Milk Bag Mat Workshops

Are you interested in learning a new skill or giving a few hours of your time to help make someone else's life a bit more comfortable? We have an opportunity for you! The following opportunities are available: a person or persons interested in learning how to use the milk bag cutter to help speed our work along; people who will collect and cut bags into strips in their home and return them so others can crochet, people to crochet the mats, people to collect bags. Please join us for the following workshops to participate in making milk bag mats for children and adults in South America and Africa.
April 30th 7-9pm in the Hall
May 12 7-9 in the Narthex
May 30th 2-4 in the Hall
For further details, speak to Laura or email her at alightf@uwo.ca

Financial Update

April 2009

As of the end of March, our financial situation is encouraging.

Our regular donations are down about \$5000, or 10%, from last year, but that is before taking into consideration that Easter Sunday givings last year came in March – a month earlier than this year. We should be caught up by the end of this month.

On the plus side, our donations for capital expenditures are up \$1,700, or roughly double those of 2008. As has been indicated in other reports, our **Fix It** campaign continues to receive support – we now have approximately \$7500 for much-needed upgrades to our facility. The new sanctuary carpet is to be installed soon, and we are receiving quotes for the painting of the HVAC tube above the main aisle.

Our miscellaneous revenue (e.g., from room or facility rentals) is also up \$740, or 50%. And our property costs are down just over \$7,000 (a sizable figure), largely because we have had far less snow to remove or displace and fewer repairs than in the 2007-08 winter. Some of our other church expenses are up a bit but are likely to smooth out as the year progresses.

All in all, we have an operating deficit \$11,600, \$680 less than at this point last year. Given the state of the economy, we appear to be holding our own. We appreciate all of the support we are receiving from our parishioners.

St. George's Executive