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May 3, 2009

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Bagel Sunday – 1<sup>st</sup> 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	Prayer Chain	7:00 pm
Mon	K-W Singers	6:30 pm
Tues	Renaissance Singers	6:30 pm
Tues	Stewardship	7:00 pm
Tues	Sparks Leader Mtg	6:00 pm
Thurs	Interfaith Counseling	9:00 am
Thurs	Junior Choir	7:00 pm
Thurs	Senior Choir	8:00 pm
Thurs	Spring into Summer Tea	7:00 pm
Sat	Spring Clean Up	9:00 am
Sat	Life in the Eucharist Dinner	4:00 pm
Sat	Renaissance Singers Concert	8:00 pm
Sun	1 <sup>st</sup> communion	10:00 am

*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 8:26-40

Ps 22:24-30

1John 4:7-21

John 15:1-8

### Mother's Day Flowers

Today is the last day to sign-up on the bulletin board in the Narthex for donations of flowers for Mothers' Day May 10<sup>th</sup>.

### 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 26 - \$7718.00

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

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 10<sup>th</sup> 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

### 53<sup>rd</sup> 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.

### Prayer Chain

The Prayer Chain meeting on Monday May 4, will meet in the Fireside Room at 7:00 pm.

### 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 when you are shopping, our donation bins would overflow and the Food Bank would be overjoyed with your kindness.

Many Thanks....Outreach Committee

### Women's Eucharist, Wednesday 29th April.

Many thanks to everyone who helped to set up and clean up for dinner. Special thanks to all who were involved in making this uplifting service happen, in particular to Laurie Childs, the driving force behind this wonderful annual event.

### 10<sup>th</sup> Annual "Spring into Summer" Tea

"TALK ABOUT ANGELS"

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

### 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.

**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.**

### Under the Stairs Clean Up

Christmas Trees have been removed from the cupboard and put in the Hall. Please check if you have a use for one. We can't store them all.

## **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.

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](mailto:alightf@uwo.ca)

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## **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 9<sup>th</sup> 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.

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## **A Specific Ministry for Young People**

### **on Sundays when St. George's does not hold Sunday School**

There are 5-6 Sundays throughout the September to June timeframe during the year in which no Sunday School occurs to give a much-needed break to the Sunday School Staff. A parishioner has graciously come forward to organize some activities for children who attend our church on those Sundays. We have one such Sunday before the end of June – **Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**. Since we have not offered this program before, we do not know how many parents will bring their children to our 10 a.m. service on this particular long weekend. This means we're not sure if we need more than one adult to facilitate the program. If you think you could help out on May 17<sup>th</sup>, please contact Father Don or one of the Wardens, who will put you in touch with the program leader.

## **Youth Group Events**

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

Information on the web at: [www.pitchandpraise.com](http://www.pitchandpraise.com). This event is for those entering grade 9 in the fall of 2009, and older. Register before April 30<sup>th</sup>: \$94.00 (includes all meals)

Register after April 30<sup>th</sup>: \$106.00 (includes all meals). Funding sponsorship is available.

**May 22<sup>nd</sup>-May 24<sup>th</sup>:** 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 4<sup>th</sup> for \$25.00. Funding sponsorship is available. Cheques can be made out to the 'Diocese of Huron' with the notation 'Youth Synod.'

**May 29<sup>th</sup> - May 31<sup>st</sup>: 53<sup>rd</sup> Weekend**

**“We are one communion with creation”**

This all ages event takes place at Huron University College in London, ON. Youth will stay the weekend there and enjoy great music and excellent workshops that suit every interest!

Cost is \$100.00, bursary sponsorship is available. Electives to choose from can be found at:

<http://www.53rd.diohuron.org/2009/2009electives.htm>

**June 27<sup>th</sup>: ‘Wonder Jam’ at Canada’s Wonderland**

Do you love roller-coasters, music, and a great time? Then you should come to this year-end event for St. George's youth before we break for the summer! We will depart from the Church at 8:45AM sharp! Register by May 24<sup>th</sup> for \$39.99 which gives you access to all concerts, the water park and all roller-coasters. SIGN UP on the 'youth board.' Funding sponsorship is available.

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

April 2009



## 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!

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### 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 3<sup>rd</sup>, May 24<sup>th</sup>, June 7<sup>th</sup>, and June 14<sup>th</sup>. See you there!

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

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### **Renaissance Singers Concert**

You are invited to attend the last concert of the Renaissance Singers at St George's. Your bulletin will act as your ticket to get in free. The Concert is May 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm.

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### **Planned Giving Information Session \*\*\*Postponed\*\*\***

The information session scheduled for May 5th has been postponed until the fall.

In the meantime, if you would like more information about planned giving at St. George's, please contact the church office.

The Stewardship Committee