

Church of the Ascension

Sudbury Ontario

News and Announcements

November 22, 2015

Coming Up In the Parish

Have you bought your tickets for the Snowflake Tea yet? This is a great evening of fun and fellowship and we hope you'll come out for it on Thursday 26th November at 6:30pm. There will be a craft table, a bake table, and a Silent Auction. All proceeds go to the ACW's Outreach ministries. Your baking and crafts are all welcome. Thank you for supporting our women's group.

Tonight at 8pm - Evening prayer led by Brent Leigh

Tuesday 24th November: 10am Parish Life Meeting

Wednesday 25th November: 9:30am Holy Eucharist and Bible Study.

On Wednesday evening the women will be setting up and preparing for the Tea.

Thursday 26th November: Snowflake Tea at 6:30pm

Friday 27th November : 9am Morning Prayer followed by a Layreaders meeting.



Revised Sunday School Pageant Rehearsal Times

Saturday, November 21 – 2:30 PM: Practice at Epiphany; Spaghetti Supper; Santa Claus Parade

Saturday, November 28 – 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM: Practice at Ascension; Lunch to follow

Saturday, December 5 – 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM: Dress Rehearsal at Epiphany

Sunday, December 6 – 9:30 AM: Morning Pageant at Epiphany, luncheon and special guest to follow

Saturday, December 12 – 2:30 to 4:30 PM Dress Rehearsal at Ascension

Sunday, December 13 – 4:00 PM: Potluck followed by 6:00 PM Pageant at Ascension

Christmas Outreach at the Ascension

Our hearts and minds will soon be set towards Christmas and the season of giving. Every year the Ascension supports several worthwhile causes and we invite you to participate in one or all of them.

1. Barrydowne College Christmas Stock-

ings - This is the third year we will be making Christmas stockings for the students at Barrydowne College. We are joined in this by St. Stephen's on the Hill United Church and St. John's Catholic Church in Garson. Each church will provide 25 stockings for the students. If you would like to contribute something

for the stockings you will find gift tags hanging on the Christmas tree. Please return your gift and tag to the Ascension by the last Sunday in November. A group of women will be gathering to make Christmas cloth 'bags' which can be used as shoe bags after Christmas.

2. For over thirty years we have been providing Christmas hampers for families in need at Christmas. These are

The Ascension is striving to be a nut free and scent free parish, due to the many nut and scent allergies.

families within our congregation, or people who contact the church at Christmas time. We provide a full Christmas dinner for these families as well as sufficient food for two weeks after Christmas. You can help in many ways here - by bringing non perishable food items, grocery store gift cards, or money for the turkeys and fixings. Please speak to Anne Trimmer to let her know where you can assist. We hope you will bring these items on the last week of November and the first two weeks of December so that we can prepare the hampers for the week of December 18th. If you know of a family who might need a Christmas hamper, please speak to Rev. Anne. This is all held in the strictest of confidence.

3. Seniors Cookie drop - Every Sunday we pray for those who are unable to join us for worship. Many of our seniors and shut ins no longer bake for themselves. Every year we provide a basket of homemade baking and sweet treats to our seniors - in years past we have packaged up 25 -30 baskets. As you are preparing your Christmas baking, please remember our seniors. Don't forget that

Thought for the Week

"It is a fundamental principle in the life and walk of faith that we must always be prepared for the unexpected when we are dealing with God." - D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones

we are trying to be a nut free church so refrain from baking with nuts.

Response to the Syrian Refugee Crisis

Over the last several weeks a group of parishioners at the Ascension have been attending meetings in Sudbury to learn as much as possible about sponsoring refugees from overseas. This included a downtown meeting at City Hall as well as a joint meeting with the downtown churches who already have a family in mind and are organizing accommodation and other aspects of the family's needs when they arrive in Sudbury. The group of parishioners at the Ascension would like to hear from anyone in the congregation who is willing to be part of a New Sudbury community resettlement effort. Please speak to Gwen Bonas if you are interested in helping. There is a list in the entrance to the church for you to sign. Needs include accommodation, furniture, transportation, language assistance, and helping our new neighbours feel at home. We learned this week that the Anglican churches on Manitoulin Island are part of the effort over there and have plans to bring five families to Manitoulin.

Volunteers Needed to Help Stuff Christmas Letters

Because of the wonders of the internet, which enables our parishioners to access the News and Announcements on a weekly basis, the Ascension only has one

mailout a year. This is the Christmas letter. Rev. Anne is looking for a group of five - 6 people to help stuff envelopes on Friday 27th November at 1:30pm. This should only take an hour. Please speak to Rev. Anne if you can help.

Thank you!

The Haslam family would like to thank everyone for the expressions of care and support following Aileen's death, and for the beautiful lunch the ACW provided after the funeral on Wednesday. They would

also like to thank those who called Aileen, dropped by for visits during her lengthy illness, and for the many prayers which were offered.

Messy Church

The December Messy Church "Advent" takes place on Wednesday December 2nd at 4:30pm. If you've never attended Messy Church you will find a warm welcome, fellowship, worship and prayer, and a community of faith gathered together in a relaxed setting.



Services of Worship at the Ascension

Sunday morning: Holy Eucharist at 9am and 11am. Sunday school takes place at the 11am service and there is also a nursery for babies and toddlers.

Wednesday morning: Holy Eucharist at 9:30am followed by Bible Study. All welcome!

We have a team of parishioners who are licensed by the Bishop to bring the Reserved Sacrament to individuals or couples who are unable to make it to church on Sunday mornings.

Please call the church office at 705-566-2790 and we will be happy to make arrangements..

Membership at the Ascension

We love it when people say that they are a member of our church, and we want to keep track of our parishioners so that we can send you mailouts, newsletters, and keep you posted on parish events. If you are a new member and wish to be on our parish list, please fill out the form at the bottom of this newsletter and return it to the office, or put it in the offering plate today. If your address, phone number or email address has changed, please fill out the form. Your email address is also important as we have an enews group. We do not give out parishioner's emails to any other group.

Agnus Day



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Your privacy

Every week the church bulletin and news and announcements is posted on the Church of the Ascension's website. Sometimes these items include names of individuals within the parish. If you prefer not to have your name on the website, or photos of yourself posted, please let Rev. Anne know so that she ensures your privacy.

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