

Trinity Happenings

Our Mission

*We are here to:
Worship God,
Walk with Jesus,
Change lives,
and Serve the
community, through the
power of the Holy Spirit.*



Welcome to Trinity

We welcome all visitors and new comers who have come to join us as we pray and give thanks, praise and worship, and learn about the word of God here at Trinity.

Feel free to meet us downstairs in the auditorium after the service for coffee.



DAVID BUSBY STREET GALA NEWS

"The David Busby Street Light Gala" was held last Saturday evening, May 28th at the newest reception hall called "Liberty North" on Caplan Ave. in south Barrie. A good attendance, delicious buffet dinner, presentations of "The Visibly Unseen" and also from the singing group "Bravado". Trinity members who received awards were Earl Paquette (David Busby Memorial Award) and Mary and Keith Caldwell (Founder's Award). We'd like to thank the many Trinity folk who donated towards, supported in other ways, and those who attended this event, including the Wardens and Priests. and also Bishop George Elliott, our Area Bishop. Early reports suggested that \$20,000 might have been raised!"

Founder's Award – Keith and Mary



PARISH SELECTION COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Parish Selection Committee met with the new facilitator, Charles Parker on Tuesday May 31st. The committee worked on the framework for the parish profile, which has two functions; to provide a statistical snap shot of our church and to serve as a "sales document" for our parish. This document will be ready for review in approximately 6-8 weeks (taking into account the summer schedules of the committee). Stay tuned as we will be asking for parishioner feedback once this stage of the process is complete. The committee appreciates continued prayers for the process and the work being done. Questions regarding the parish profile, the process, and/or any concerns or comments can be made to psc.trinity@gmail.com

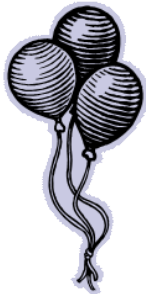
THOUGHTS FROM MY LAPTOP

Last Thursday was Ascension Day, so called because it recalls the last appearance of Jesus to his disciples following his resurrection on that first Easter. The name Ascension comes from Mark's Gospel and Luke's Gospel which tell of Jesus being taken up into Heaven – he ascended.



Jesus told his disciples that he would always be with them and promised them the gift of the Holy Spirit (at Pentecost). On Ascension Day we celebrate the Kingship of Jesus as he ascends to the throne of Heaven. You may recall Thomas Kelly's wonderful hymn, "the Head that once was crowned with thorns, is crowned with glory now."

Ascension Day is the 40th day after Easter and always falls on a Thursday, hence its other name, which is Holy Thursday. We celebrate this event on the Sunday following because of the importance of the event in the life of Jesus.



There are several customs associated with Ascension Sunday. One you may remember here at Trinity, was the releasing of balloons on the hill outside the Church. How the children would thrill to see "their" balloon rise up over the treetops and disappear from sight! Whether they really caught the significance or not, remains to be seen, but certainly many of us who were adults did, and quietly enjoyed the symbolism. This custom was not continued however, because it was recognized as being environmentally unfriendly.

There is a lesser-known custom sometimes associated with this time of year, and that is the "Beating of the Bounds". This ceremony has existed in Britain for well over 2000 years and involves residents of a community gathering to walk around the boundaries of their farm, estate, or church and pausing to pray as they pass certain trees, walls or fences that mark the extent of their property. As they pray, they also ritually beat these landmarks with willow sticks, hence the name, "beating the bounds". This practice was originally observed on one of the three Rogation Days prior to Ascension Day. However, in some areas of Britain, the practice was later transferred to Ascension Sunday.

I first became aware of this custom during my curacy at All Saints Church in Collingwood in 1990. The rector at that time was Canon Barry Ralph, and in order to introduce me to some new learning experiences, he had me plan this ritual of the Beating of the Bounds for Ascension Sunday that year. The congregation loved it. On Sunday morning at the 10:30 service, we gathered in the Church and then formally processed out into the churchyard and around the church boundaries. At each corner of the yard we stopped and said a few words followed by a prayer of thanksgiving and a prayer of petition for future blessing. We "beat" the ground with cedar branches, and then moved on to the next corner. It was very moving, especially to see the children rise to the occasion with a due sense of purpose, and a clear understanding of what was being done. Marking the boundaries of our place of worship! Giving thanks for the blessing of time and space. What a wonderful way to celebrate this very special day in our Church year.

Today we give thanks for Trinity Church, and although we are not engaging in this ritual of "beating the bounds", may we all become more mindful of the way in which God has blessed us with this beautiful Place of Worship, welcome and community gathering. May we also ask God for future Blessing.

Rev. Elizabeth

THOUGHTS FROM MY CHAIR

from Canon Frances



Ascension Day was celebrated last Thursday and we now come to the final promise Jesus made to his disciples before he was taken from them. *“Lo I am with you always, even on to the end of the world”* (Matt. 28: 20). *“And you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you”* (Acts 1:8) Jesus is promising them and us that he will not send anyone out in to the world without his constant presence and support. He is always with us. That support is not a vague presence but a real power, the power of the Holy Spirit. We will not be people who are just informed but people who are transformed. Heaven is not a vague place, high in the sky, it is a reality here on earth which we can all experience. We need to wait prayerfully for that to happen each day in our lives.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

CELEBRATION OF WOMEN DINNER - Monday June 6 at 6:00 p.m. - Trinity Parish Hall



All women are invited to join us. Ladies with surnames from A – L, please bring a dessert. Ladies with surnames from M-Z, please bring a salad. Your contribution of \$2.00 (a toonie) would be appreciated. Donations of toiletries for the Elizabeth Fry Society will be collected.

This year's theme is the Royal Wedding – so dress appropriately (wedding hats, gloves, gowns etc).

TRINITY WOMEN: - Friday, June 10th, 10:30 a.m. - Trinity Women will have Holy Communion in the Sanctuary followed by a pot-luck lunch in the Upper Room. Rev. Elizabeth Morley will Celebrate Communion. All women of the parish are invited to come, bring your favourite dish, also your own plate, mug, and cutlery. For information, please call Sandra at 705-726-1726.

SPREAD THE NEWS! ‘SonSurf Beach Bash’ is coming! YES! Vacation Bible Camp (VBC) is happening again this year as we join together with St. Thomas, Shanty Bay to have fun in the sun with Jesus!

When: August 22-26 from 10:00-3:00 every day!

Where: The Village Green in Shanty Bay (drives can be arranged) Cost: \$40. per child.



Since summer is fast approaching, we need to get an idea of how many children and helpers are interested in coming to join in this fun, so please contact Rev. Janet to get children's' names on the list or to find out for more details! Then watch Happenings for further details.

PARISH HALL MEETINGS

Archbishop Colin Johnson plans to hold four parish hall meetings this spring to “hear the mind of the diocese” prior to synod, which takes place Nov. 25-26 in Toronto. The meetings will be informal and will not have an agenda. Our local meeting will be held at St. George's, Allandale, **June 26, 2-4 p.m.** All are welcome to attend.

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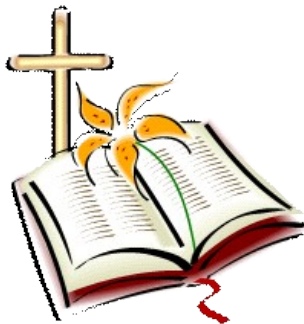
Reverend Elizabeth Morley

Part-Time Associate

Reverend Janet Mitchell



READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK



1st Reading – Acts 2: 1-21
Psalm – 104: 25-35, 37
2nd Reading – Corinthians 12
 3B-13
Gospel - John 20: 19-23

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY – June 5 (Ascension Day)

8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist
 10:00 a.m. – Family Eucharist
 Nursery in Undercroft (ages 0 – 4 yr.)
 Sunday School in Auditorium (4-11 yr.)
 7:00 p.m. - Scouts Jamboree Mtg. in Auditorium

MONDAY

6:00 p.m. – Women’s Dinner – all Church Women in Barrie invited.
 Theme: “The Royal Wedding”
 7:00 p.m. Band Practice in Sanctuary

TUESDAY

7:15 p.m. – Trinity Management Board Mtg. in Upper Rm.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 a.m. - Men’s Breakfast at Andy’s
 10:30 a.m. – Quiet Eucharist
 9:00 a.m. – David Busby Symposium in Aud.

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice in Sanctuary

FRIDAY

Note: Worsley Street Closed June 10th at 12:00 p.m. until June 12th at 5:00 p.m. for a Hockey Tournament.

10:30 a.m. – Trinity Women’s Eucharist in Sanctuary, followed by Pot-Luck Lunch in Upper Rm.

SATURDAY

(Worsley St. Closed)

SUNDAY – June 12 (The Day of Pentecost)

(Worsley St. Closed)
 8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist
 10:00 a.m. – Family Choral Eucharist & Holy Baptism
 Nursery in Undercroft (ages 0 – 4 yr.)
 Sunday School in Auditorium (4-11 yr.)
 7:00 p.m. – Scouts

BITS AND PIECES

Congregation attending Trinity last Week, May 29th, was: 8:00 a.m.= 31; 10:00 a.m.= 91; for a total of 122 including 9 children & teachers; also Wednesday 10:30 a.m. = 6

ROAD CLOSURE – NEXT WEEKEND

Due to a street hockey festival, Worsley Street from Clapperton to Owen will be closed from 12:00 p.m. June 10th until 5:00 p.m. June 12th and Owen Street will be closed from Worsley Street to McDonald Street from 12:00 p.m. June 10th until 10:00 p.m. On June 12.

Access to the church from the rear may be difficult during this time.