#### **Advent Conspiracy 2024**

This years focus is the **Fox Lake**, **Alberta Indigenous Community** and especially the students of the elementary school in that community. The area was severely decimated by wildfires and, although families have returned to the village, many continue to live in tent like structures and have little beyond the bare necessities of life.

School children have almost nothing to play with or occupy their time beyond classes at school. We hope to send the local school principal some funds to purchase some recreational equipment like games, sports gear, etc.

### **LOONIE LUNCH**

Wednesday January 1st / 2025 Hosted by Orillia Scouts - 10:30 am

Take out meals will not be available

You are all invited to sing with us !!!!!!!



**ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:** Give thanks for The Analican Church of Tanzania.

**DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:** Give thanks to The Season of Spiritual Renewal

**IN THE HURONIA DEANERY**: Give thanks to Local Hospitals, Care Facilities, Hospices, Chaplains, and Spiritual Directors.

#### What's Happening! (weekly)

**Monday** 10am - Book Discussion

**Tuesday** 9 - 2 pm - Yoga

9:30am - 1 pm - Empower of Simcoe 12 noon -1:30 pm - Centering Prayer

12 -3pm - Pennywise Shop 7:30pm - Advent Renewal

**Wednesday** 10:30 am – 12 noon - Loonie Lunch

10:00 am - Bible Study
11:30 am - Holy Eucharist
12 - 3pm - Pennywise Shop
12 - 1pm - Christmas Concert

**Thursday** 7 pm - Choir Practice

12 - 3pm - Pennywise Shop

**Friday** 11:30 am - Prayer Shawl Group

**Sunday** 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Community Breakfast

8 am - Holy Eucharist-said 10am - Holy Eucharist- choral

#### Sunday, December 15th

8am - Said Eucharist, 10am - Sung Eucharist Sunday

Churchwardens \*Leslie Fortune\* Dean Jobin-Bevans.

Polly Burns, Julia Nicholls.

Altar Guild Anne & Rosemarie

Worship Team Jen Hill, Robert Duck, Rebecca Campbell,

Duncan Campbell, Ron Clarke

Greeters 8am - Marilyn Brooks

10am - Barry Greenwood & Marilyn Maxwell

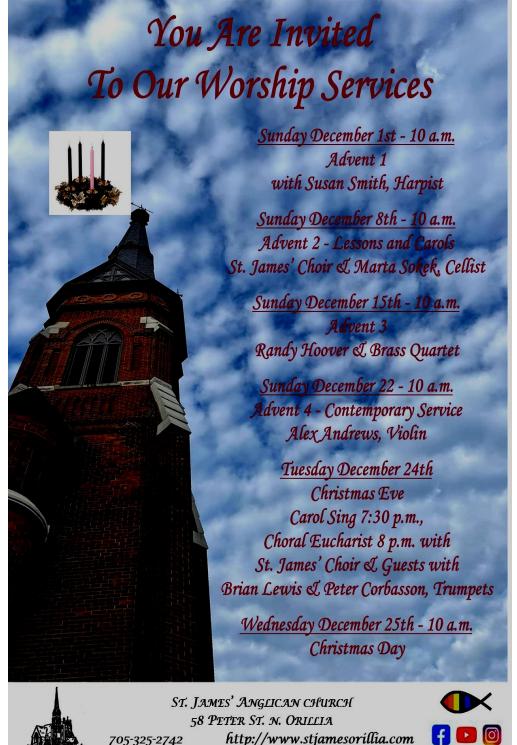
8 am - Marlilyn Kalbfleisch Readers

10 am - Jim Campbell

## **Thank You**

To all our Volunteers: you make a difference to the life and ministry of St. James. On behalf of the Wardens and Archdeacon John we give thans for each and everyone of you.













#### **Upcoming Services**

First Sunday of Christmas - Sunday Dec., 29th Morning Prayer 10:00am (there is no 8:00am service)

#### The Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday January 5th - 8am & 10:00am Rev. Carol, Celebrant

#### **Baptism of the Lord**

Sunday January 12th





#### **Quiet Christmas**

Please join Archdeacon John for the Quiet Christmas service to be held at St. Athanasius Anglican, Orillia at 7:00 pm on Sunday, December 22 (Advent 4). This is a shared service with the Orillia Anglican Churches. The Quiet Christmas service is a meditative service for those that may find Christmas time frenetic and want a break; or for those who may find it a difficult time because of a loss in your life.

#### Family Christmas Service

Please join Archdeacon John for the Family Cristmas service to be held at St. David's Anglican/Lutheran, Orillia at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve Day). This is a shared service with the Orillia Anglican Churches. We are inviting those who wish to observe a traditional Christmas Eve service to come to St. James for our 7:30 pm carol singing and service at 8:00 pm. The Family Christmas service is geared to those with young children!

#### MARK YOUR CALENDERS

#### Office Hours for the Holidays

Monday Dec 23 - Closed

Tuesday Dec 24 - office closes at 3pm

Wednesday Dec 25th - Closed

Thursday Dec 26th - Closed

Friday Dec 27th - office 9am - 11am

Monday Dec 30th - Closed

Tuesday Dec 31st - office closes at 3pm

Wednesday January 1st/2025 - Closed

# Please follow our Instagram Great way to stay in touch with all events and activities in our church community.

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- 3) Create your account and choose your username.
- 4) Set up your profile with a picture, bio and links.
- 5) Choose the more suitable type of Instagram acct.,
- 6) Customize the notifications that you want to receive.

Then in the search tool look for stjamesanglicanorillia and follow us.

#### **GREETING CARDS TO PARISHIONERS**

Part of the work of the Lay-Pastoral Team and ACW has been an important ministry of sending out greeting cards for birthdays, anniversaries, sympathy, or get well cards. If there is a parishioner that you wish for a greeting card to be sent to them, please let us know! Please advise to Christine and Lynda, at the following via email.

Christine Blair, email: <a href="mailto:christineblair821@gmail.com">christineblair821@gmail.com</a>
<a href="mailto:Looking After">Looking After</a> Birthday and Anniversary Cards

Lynda Harris, email: 1942lyn@gmail.com

Looking After Thinking of You, Sympathy, Get Well,

Baby Births, etc.

We look forward to hearing from you!

# Advent Music/ Christmas Music - Wednesday, December 18th,

#### <u>12 noon to 1 pm</u>

Susan Smith, her Celtic harp in hand, and her husband, John, a clarinetist, are bringing their beautiful Christmas music. In addition Mae Cox has a delightful Christmas story to warm your heart. You should be in good voice by now for a beautiful Christmas season. This mid day series will raise your spirits and send you on your way humming music for hours. Hot apple cider will warm your bones!

Hope to see you there. !!!