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Week of February 7, 2010

The Flowers in the Sanctuary today are to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of:

Mary and Joseph Weber, parents of Sue Duffy & Lyn Henwood and grandparents of Mary Ellen David Firth, lovingly remembered by his parents Mike & Miriam and sister Ann

Our **Vestry Meeting** will be held today following the 10am service. Please join us for a light lunch followed by the vestry meeting. All parishioners 16 years and older; who have for at least six months been involved with this parish through worship, fellowship and financial support; and have not voted as a member of any other vestry within the past six months, are eligible to vote.

Donations to Haiti Relief

The Anglican Church of Canada, through PWRDF and ACT (Action of Churches Together, an ecumenical rapid disaster response team) is participating in Haiti's relief efforts. If you wish to make a contribution, cheques should be made payable to St. Christopher's Church, designated to PWRDF/Haiti Relief. **Please note** that tax receipts will be issued by the Primate's Fund (in order for funds to be matched by the Canadian Government).



Pancake Supper

Tuesday, February 16th 5:00 - 7:00pm

Join us for a great meal! Tickets are on sale in the Narthex and will also be available at the door. Adults \$5.00, Children \$2.00, Families \$12.00. Help is needed in the kitchen – both men and women are welcome! Contact Doug Froom at 905.634.7668 if you can help.

Magazines

Mike needs some magazines with photos for the Ash Wednesday program. Please ensure that the content is 'family friendly' and drop them off outside Room 1! Thank you!

Bake Sale

On Sunday, February 14th our youth groups present a Valentines Day bake sale following the services to raise money for DARFUR! Clearly labelled donations of baked goods welcome. Please come ready to buy and enjoy!



250 ml. Preserving Jars are needed for Tom Bibby. Please leave in the kitchen marked for Tom.

Omega Group

We will meet at 6:30pm tomorrow, February 8th at Sotiris Restaurant for dinner. Please join us for an evening of good food and fellowship.

Friendly Visiting meeting on February 18th at 7:30pm in the Family Room – for all who visit others as part of Pastoral Care.

Christmas Market – As you are cleaning out your cupboards, please think of us regarding items (new/excellent condition) that we could use in the gift baskets (which are also needed). Please – no food products. Please leave in the office for the month of February only. For further information, contact Judy Jank at 905.639.1257.

Ian Dingwall Memorial Book

We are putting together a Book of Remembrance for Dorothy and family. If you have a anecdote/story to share, please do so in the Narthex today or forward it to the office. You may also e-mail to: srudge@stchristophersburlington.com.

Ginger Group Luncheon

Eric Vanderwaal, the new CEO at JoBrant Hospital is on tap to speak to the Ginger Group on February 22nd. As usual, a nutritious lunch will be served. All retired gentlemen of the parish are invited. Please mark your calendars, or, activate blackberries, IPODS, IPHONES. Contact Winston Campbell (905.336.1397) or, Wayne Barnes (905.639.8036), if additional information is required.

Please remember these people in your prayers:

- David Bell
- Tony Burns
- John Totten
- David Robinson
- Shawn Watters
- David Baldwin
- Alex Olaveson
- Bridgman family
- Gladys Hudspeth
- Brian Hamilton
- June Bland
- Betty Nancekivell
- Ernie McLean
- Mel Peace
- Rick Marshall
- John Aleksa
- Don Hicks
- Patricia
- Cathy Morgan
- Mavis Lehman
- Jack Walton
- Stephen Edmiston
- Jean Kennedy
- Nancy Killoran
- Jackson Swire
- Marco Wilson

Conversations with God
An Exploration of Prayer
Wednesday evenings 7:15 - 9:00pm
February 24th to March 24th

Lenten Educational Series
 Come explore how a discipline of prayer can draw us closer to God. We will be looking at prayer in a church setting, in a group, individually and more!

A Professional Development Day for Children's Leaders:

If you lead G.I.F.T. now, have in the past or are interested in doing so in the future, we are holding a training event on Sunday, March 7th starting with lunch at 12noon and concluding at 4.30pm. We will cover all sorts of topics to do with preparing and leading, child protection and safety, creative planning and ethos creating. Please speak to Mike Deed or Mary or Bob Loree for more information. Please let us know if you are planning to attend by signing the list on the wall outside Room 1 (Mike's Office).

Food For Funds

Pies... Pies... PIES

Thanks to your great support and encouragement, our talented chefs, under the direction of Anne Hay, have volunteered their cooking skills to make a repeat batch of chicken pies. More details next week but the plan is to have the first sell date of Sunday, Feb 28th. We'll go with the first come/first served system as this seemed to work well before.

So mark your calendars now to bring your shopping bags. Any questions? Please contact Anne Hay or Barry Ribbons.



Young Adult Network

We will be meeting this Wednesday, February 10th at the Burlington Encore movie theatre (\$5.00 admission to all movies) at 460 Brant (Upper Canada Place Mall) 1 block North of City Hall. (Wheelchair accessible from the Locust street door closest to Caroline). Meet at the box office at 6:30pm. After the movie, we will be going to JoeDogs, 531 Brant street, 1 block north of the movie theatre. Please let Mike Deed or Rodney Lott know if you will be attending. Check out our facebook group for updates on forthcoming events!

Lucky Draw – Last Call for winners!

Prizes still unclaimed are numbers 105784 105605 and five jars of chutney. If your tickets are at home today, check them out and call Barry Ribbons at 905.333.1044 if you are holding a winner and we can arrange delivery.

Mending the Spirit

When life throws us a curve, it is helpful if we can talk about it, even when we think no one will want to listen, or when we aren't sure we want to bare our souls in a small group.

You are invited to attend *Mending the Spirit* on Thursday evenings, February 25 - March 25, from 7.30-9.00pm. Qualified facilitators will assist the group.

To register call, email or speak to Sue Nicolls at 905-634-1809, snicolls@stchristophersburlington.com

Birthdays/Anniversaries This Week:

Birthdays

<i>Lois MacRae</i>	<i>Emma Moore</i>
<i>Maryann Lennox</i>	<i>David Johnson</i>
<i>Debra Denike</i>	<i>Derek LaHay</i>
<i>Christopher Turney</i>	<i>Jean Glass</i>
<i>Kim Galante</i>	<i>Blair Chesterton</i>
<i>Diane Roberts</i>	<i>Alondra McCormack</i>
<i>Harry Webb</i>	<i>Don Taylor</i>
<i>Rosemary Ryan</i>	<i>Lana Wilk</i>
<i>Darryl DeSouza</i>	<i>Bill Matthews</i>

Anniversaries

Ian & Nicole Youseman (17th)

Fresh Food Box

February packing and availability day is Tuesday, February 16th. Orders will be taken today in the Narthex following the services.



Services This Week

Tuesday	7:00pm	Holy Eucharist
Thursday	9:30am	Holy Eucharist

Services Next Sunday, February 14th

8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
11:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

Child Care provided at the 9:30 & 11:15 Services

Next Week's Readings:

Ist Reading: Psalm 146 Gospel: Luke 9: 28-36

Meetings & Activities This Week:

Sunday	5:00pm	Middle School Youth Group
	7:00pm	High School Youth Group
Monday	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
	6:30pm	Omega Group to Sotiris
	7:30pm	Band Practice
Tuesday	9:00am	Men's Kitchen #1
	2:00pm	Seniors' Social
	4:00pm	Open Doors
	4:00pm	Kids' Club/Tween Club
	6:00pm	Community Supper
Wednesday	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
	10:00am	Parent Connection
	7:30pm	<i>Dare to Journey With Me</i>
Thursday	10:30am	Bible Study
	4:00pm	SHINE
	6:30pm	Guitar Group
	7:30pm	Senior Choir Practice
	7:30pm	Stepping Stones
Friday	9:30am	Fitness Class & Coffee Break
Saturday	10:00am	Open Doors

Youth Group

Please note that the High School Youth group are invited to arrive early tonight so that Middle School and High School can work on their outreach project together. High School Youth group will finish at the earlier time of **9pm!**

Confirmation is a time for teens, young adults and adults to make a personal decision about their faith and to make that daring and public commitment for themselves! Confirmation is a ceremony conducted by the Bishop and candidates go through a time of preparation; learning about the Christian faith, developing their spiritual life and getting ready to declare their faith. Are you in Grade 9+? Are you interested in CONFIRMATION this year? Confirmation preparation will be held on Wednesday's from 4pm-6pm starting on Feb 24th. Please speak to Mike Deed if you are interested in being confirmed.

Ash Wednesday Holy Day Program

February 17th 8.45am – 3.30pm

"Turning the World Upside Down" – Children who are worshipping Christians are permitted to be absent from school on Ash Wednesday to take part in religious education. Our Ash Wednesday program will be both an educational and fun-packed day where we learn stories from the Bible and think about our role as world-changers. Registration forms are available on the Welcome Table. The day is free. Snacks are provided, children need to bring their own lunch. Please speak to Mike Deed for more information! Can you volunteer on the day to help prepare and serve snack in the kitchen? Please speak to Mike Deed.



The Dingwall family wishes to thank the people of St. Christopher's for their prayers, kind deeds and cards throughout Ian's illness and at the time of his death. Also, the support of our pastors Steve and Sue can't be overstated and will always be remembered.

Dorothy Dingwall and Family

Six Weeks to Ease Hunger

St. Christopher's Youth Group and Outreach committee invite you to participate in the Lenten food drive. Each Sunday from Feb. 21 to March 28, please include the following food items in your weekly grocery shopping:



- Feb. 21 canned juice and baby formula
- Feb. 28 cereal, peanut butter and jams
- March 7 pasta and sauce
- March 14 side dishes and Hamburger Helper
- March 21 soup and crackers
- March 28 tinned items (fruit, tuna, etc.)

The collection will be delivered to Partnership West. Thank you for your support!

Compline

We are going to offer the service of Compline at St. Christophers, once a month, through June. If you are interested in singing in the Compline Choir, you should contact Gary Fisher at 905-632-2085 or fisher63@interlog.com. The choir will sing unaccompanied chant, Tudor polyphony, antiphons, psalm settings and hymns and will meet from seven to eight-thirty prior to the service to learn the music. The service runs from eight-thirty to nine on February 21st, March 21st, April 18th, May 16th and June 27th. If you enjoy unaccompanied early music presented with modern language, wrapped in an ancient liturgy, then Compline is a meaningful way to make a spiritual connection.

Therapeutic Touch is offered between the services every Sunday morning in the Quiet Room. The members of the Therapeutic Touch Group would be pleased to speak with you about Therapeutic Touch, explain what it is and give you a short treatment so you can experience it for yourself. A Level 1 beginner course is being offered on March 6th in Hamilton. For more information, contact Jane Stephen 905.681.2804 or Pat Lythgoe 905.637.8182.

