

Announcements

November 30—December 1—7 2025

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As you prepare for worship... Advent 1A

Note: Advent prepares us for the return of the Lord in Glory to complete the plan of salvation...

Isaiah 2:1-5: Spirits were low for the people of God. The Assyrian army was threatening and many doubted that God would be able to save them. The prophet told of a time when God would dwell on earth and all people would come, not to fight war, but to learn of God's ways of peace. God would settle disputes in this future age of peace and prosperity.

Romans 13:11-14: Paul wrote to the Church in Rome about the fact we live in an "in between" time, after the appearing of the Messiah but before the Kingdom comes in its fullness on the earth. So we are to live anticipating the Kingdom – laying aside the "works of darkness" and "putting on" the Lord Jesus Christ – by remembering we live in Christ and to act accordingly.

Matthew 24:36-44: Jesus has foretold the destruction of the Temple and other signs of the end times. However, none of us (not even Jesus) knows when this will take place. Rather than being preoccupied with earthly things (like those caught unaware at the time of Noah), we are to "keep awake" (pay attention) to the will of God: be ready for Christ's return!

Next weeks readings: Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12



2026 Church Calendars (\$8.00) - are available and can be purchased in the office Monday to Friday 9 am—1pm or on Sunday in Sarnia after the service, see Leigh

Activities this Week

- Dec 1 Monday**
7:00 pm—Group Meeting, Basement
- Dec 2 Tuesday**
7:00 pm—Bluewater Chordsmen, Parish Hall
- Dec 3 Wednesday**
10:00 am & 7:00 pm—Bible Study, Rectory
- Dec 4 Thursday**
3:00 pm—Choir practice
5:00 pm—Martial Arts, Parish Hall
- Dec 5 Friday**
8:00 pm—Group meeting Parish Hall
- Dec 7 Sunday**
8:00 am—Holy Eucharist BCP
10:30 am—Holy Eucharist BAS

If you are a new member of the congregation please contact the office (519-344-5167) or one of the wardens with your contact information. Email, mailing address and phone number. Thank you and Welcome.

Readers and Greeters

We are always looking for more people to take part in reading the Readings, Prayers of the People and Greeters. If you are interested please contact the office (519-344-5167) or one of our Wardens.

2025 PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Warden: Heather Norwood
Gord Loeven

Deputy Warden: Carole James-Airey
Kathy Hungerford

Treasurer: Natalie Beer

Lay Delegates to Synod: Susan Memedovich
Maurice Carson

Alternate Lay Delegates: Jim Hodgins
Barb Pajuk

Members at Large: Leigh Carson
Beverly Woods
Kory Memedovich
Glen Crawford
Don Hunter

Clergy: Rev'd Karen Nelles, Priest-in-Charge

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday - Friday: 9am-1pm.

In consideration for persons with reactions to perfumes, you are requested to come to church 'au natural'.

We as a church community have taken on the opportunity to feed a full Christmas dinner to 8 deserving families from London Road Public School. This hamper program has been organized by our Outreach and Mission Committee. To fill these hampers, we are asking for your help. Please take one of the marked envelopes from the sides-people and put your donation inside and ensure your full name is on the outside of the envelope. Your donation will be given a a tax receipt at the end of the year with your regular giving. Thank you for your support!
Please see Susan Memedovich if you have questions.

London Road School Christmas Dinner

Anyone wishing to help in the kitchen on December 17th and the morning of 18th in preparing the Christmas dinner for London Road School will greatly be appreciated. Please contact Carol Spence 519-3123-5371 or crspence@cogeco.ca

The St Bart's Knitting & Cochet Group meet at St Paul's @ 10:30 Nov 27th & Dec 11. Anyone interested please come for coffee & conversation. Knitting too!

St Paul's (Point Edward) has **Christmas in the Village** on Sat. Dec 6/ 11 to 3 pm. Also Starting Thursday 23rd at 2"30 they will be showing Classic Christmas movies for the Advent season.

Our ACW (here at our parish) has decided to help collect **Men's items for Christmas**. Both St Paul's and the ladies from St Bart's have done this for several years. And it was suggested that we could fill the Christmas tree with items for the less fortunate and add to their donation. Of course, women's products can also be donated. Below are some of the items needed.

Socks. Toothpaste, Toothbrushes with Caps (if possible), Soap (ivory or Irish spring) Men's boxers xl, Wet wipes, Combs or brushes, Shampoo, Insect repellent, Rain ponchos, Hats, caps, Granola Bars (individually wrapped foods) Hot pads for hands & feet, Face cloths, Sunscreen, Deodorant

It is suggested that most items be in a zip lock bag. This will helps us with distribution and also the recipient of the donation. We will have a tree up by November 28th. These items will be collected the week before Christmas and donated to the Men's mission.

A reminder—That anyone may request that flowers be put on the altar on any Sunday in memory of loved ones or in honour of a special event etc. If you wish to do so, please contact Valerie in the business office (344-5167) to make arrangements. A donation to help offset the flower costs. for that Sunday will be gratefully received.

Serving Schedule:

PA Monitor: Andi Beer

Greeters: Angela Palumbo & Wendy Murphy

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

PLEASE NOTE **

(Every Tuesday, 11 am Walking Group meeting at the Animal Farm parking lot with a 12:15 pm Lunch. This week is TBA.

(Every Wednesday, 10 am & 7 pm - Bible Study at the Rectory.

Dec 2	7 pm—Deconsecration Service, Canon Davis Memorial
Dec 8	1:30—Bible Crossword, Rectory
Dec 12	7 pm—Creative Word, TBA
Dec 13	6 pm—Christmas Feast, Parish Hall
Dec 21	10:30 am—Nine Lessons & Carols Svc
Dec 24	7 pm - Christmas Eve Service
Dec 25	10:30 am—Christmas Day Service
Jan 10	7 pm—Creative Word, TBA

Christmas Feast

December 13, 2025, 6 pm

The **Christmas Feast** will be Saturday Dec 13th, 6 PM in the Parish Hall. Doors will open at 5:30. Cost is \$25 person. Tickets can be purchased through Heather Norwood (519-658-7245), Sandy Nyp or in the office.



Food Bank Sunday



The first Sunday of each month will be food bank Sunday. All items collected will be donated to the St Andrew's Food Bank in Corunna.

Much needed item are canned fruit, snack crackers, cookies, manwich/stew, instant coffee/regular tea, 1 liter juice boxes, toilet paper, fruit / pudding cups, canned meats, deodorant, shampoo & conditioner. They do not take clothing or empty containers.



The next Creative Word will be **December 12th, 7 pm** at the Rectory.

Bible Crossword events will be held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 1:30-ish, at the rectory. Next month will be on **December 8th**.

