



Saints Alive

July/August 2026



The Church of All Saints Mission has a vision of being a vital, joyful source of the grace of God where individuals are respected, feel safe to worship, and are spiritually energized to live out God's purpose for their lives.

We gratefully acknowledge that we live, learn, work, play and worship on the shared ancestral, traditional and unceded territory of the Sq'ewlets, Leq'a:mel, Semàth, Mathquí, Katzie, and Qwó:ltlél people.

We continue to hold Rev'd Paul and Juliette in our prayers, asking God's healing grace for Paul's complete recovery and His strength, comfort, and peace for Juliette.

Rev'd Paul is currently on medical leave and, God willing, hopes to return to ministry on August 15.

In the meantime, we are grateful to Rev'd David Price and Rev'd Art Turnbull, who will be leading and officiating at our services during this period. And thank you to Polly, our Lay Worship Leader for Morning Prayer.

"He shall have dominion from sea to sea...." Psalm 72:8



We pray for the movement of your Holy Spirit across this nation and for the work of your church in every city and village.

O Lord, make us mindful of your generosity,
and glad to do your will.

Bless our land with honest industry, truthful education,
and an honourable way of life.

Save us from violence, discord, and confusion;
from pride, arrogance, and from every evil course of action.

Make us, who come from many different backgrounds and countries, a united people – one in purpose and vision.

Give our government a spirit of wisdom and compassion that there may justice and peace in our land.

When times are prosperous, lead us to thanksgiving, and when times are troubled, lead us to a deepening trust in you.

All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.~ adapted from a prayer on the website of **Trinity Anglican Church** in Barrie, Ontario. <http://www.trinitybarrie.ca/>



Regular Services

*** (Note changes to July & August Schedule)

Sunday: 9:30am – Family Service BAS with Music

July Services:

- **No Thursday Morning Eucharist**

July 5, Pentecost 6 - The Rev. Art Turnbull

July 12, Pentecost 7 - The Rev. David Price

July 19, Pentecost 8 - Morning Prayer - Polly

July 26, Pentecost 9 - The Rev. Art Turnbull

August 2, Pentecost 10 - Morning Prayer - Polly

August 9, Pentecost 11 - The Rev. Art Turnbull

Healing Prayer offered during Communion or after the Worship Service in the Chapel.

Editor of Saints Alive

Last month, my husband died. I also know of others who recently lost a spouse or are caring for an ill spouse.

Since then, I have been learning that prayer is not always what I thought it was. There are days when I cannot find the right words. There are days when I feel sad, tired, or lost. On those days, prayer may be nothing more than sitting quietly and knowing that God is with me.

The Psalms remind us that God hears every cry and every sigh. We do not have to come to Him with perfect words. We can come just as we are.

As summer begins, many people look forward to sunshine, gardens, holidays, and time with family. For those who are grieving, the season can feel different. The world carries on, while our hearts are still adjusting to a great loss.

Yet summer also reminds us of God's faithfulness. Flowers bloom, birds sing, and each new day arrives as a gift. In these small things, God gently reminds us that He is present.

I am finding comfort in simple prayers:

"Lord, stay with me today."

"Thank you for this day."

"Give me strength for what is ahead."



Sometimes that is enough.

We often think of prayer as something we do for God. But perhaps prayer is also God's way of caring for us. In prayer, we place ourselves in His loving hands and trust that He will carry us when we cannot carry ourselves.

May we all find moments of peace this summer, and may we know that God's love remains with us in every season of life.

Blessings,
Donna Kennedy

Let Me Live Grace-fully: A poem by Ted Loder

Thank you, Lord,
for this season
 of sun and slow motion,
 of games and porch sitting,
 of picnics and light green fireflies
 on heavy purple evenings;
and praise for slight breezes.
It's good, God,
as the first long days of your creation.

Let this season be for me
 a time of gathering together the pieces
 into which my busyness has broken me.
O God, enable me now
 to grow wise through reflection,
 peaceful through the song of the cricket,
 recreated through the laughter of play.

Most of all, Lord,
let me live easily and grace-fully for a spell,
 so that I may see other souls deeply,
 share in a silence unhurried,
 listen to the sound of sunlight and shadows,
 explore barefoot the land of forgotten dreams and shy hopes,
 and find the right words to tell another who I am.



Archbishop John Stephens visit - May 10th

We welcomed Archbishop John on May 10 (Mother's Day). He officiated the service as Rev'd Paul was recuperating from his fall. We shared a cake during coffee hour. During the reception, we also shared highlights of our outreach in the community and reflect on how vital his church is to the life and mission in our community.



Judy, Archbishop John & Polly



ODNW, Mimi, Wim, Judy, MaryLou, Barbara, Polly and Gilli With Archbishop John.

Submissions for the September/October Newsletter are due by August 25th. Thank you so much for your contributions!

Submissions for the Newsletter



For our September edition, we would love to hear from you!

All submissions are telling us who we are as a parish.

Did you travel, volunteer, spend time with family, learn something new, enjoy God's creation, or experience a special moment of faith? Please consider sharing a short article and, if you wish, a photo for our September newsletter. Your stories help us celebrate the many ways God is at work in the lives of our parish family.

Happy Birthday Marie!!!



On Thursdays after morning Eucharist a group of us gather at A&W. On Thursday, June 11, we wished Marie a very Happy Birthday. Bakery treats were shared and we had a lot to celebrate.



ACW Annual Luncheon

At our annual ACW June lunch on the 16th all were welcome and we were pleased with the Mission Station Grill and enjoyed each others company. Polly began with a prayer.





National Aboriginal Sunday

Today we acknowledge our kinship with our First Nations, Metis and Inuit brothers and sisters. Our Gospel and Lord's Prayer for today's service was selected and compiled by the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples.

Smudging was offered in the Chapel at 9am, an Indigenous cleansing ritual. Our speaker was Jojhnn Williams Jr. He is from Sq'ewlets First Nation and has been a cultural worker at Mission School District for over 20 years.

The Service included special music, drumming and prayers of the People by our Elder Sam Green and Witness by Molly Hawkins.

During the service we joined hands in a circle singing "Draw the Circle Wide".

We give thanks to our Truth and Reconciliation Committee for all their efforts in making this a memorable celebration.



Johnny Williams Jr. with his son Jack. Elder Sam Green and Jan O. looking on



Drummers



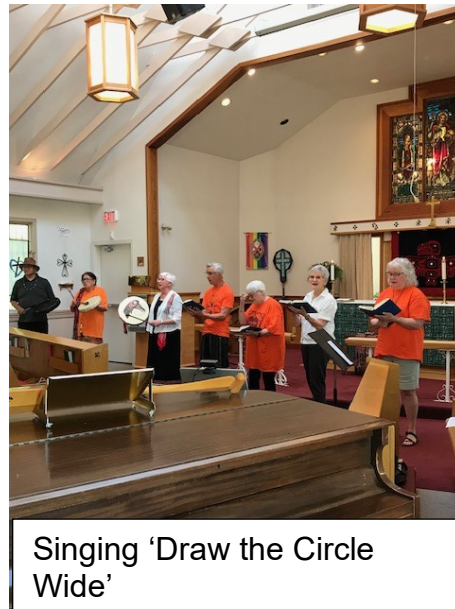
Johnny and son Jack



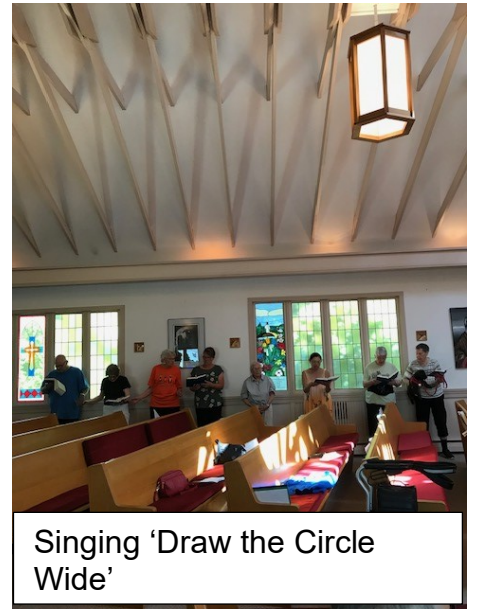
Molly giving testimony



Elder Sam presenting Johnny with gift



Singing 'Draw the Circle Wide'



Singing 'Draw the Circle Wide'



A variety of Bannock with Jam. Which will Margaret choose?





Truth & Reconciliation Graduates

Congratulations to all Saints Anglican Church Truth and Reconciliation 2026 Scholarship Winners.

On Wednesday, June 3 at Mission School District's Siwal Si'wes Indigenous Graduation Ceremonies, All Saints award the following \$1,000 scholarships to:

- Angelina Pollock who will study to be a child and youth care worker
- Damon Sampare-Hames working towards his Red Seal chef designation
- Haylie Chisholm studying adventure tourism management

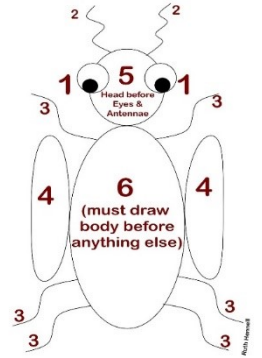


2026 Changes to Truth and Reconciliation Donations

All Saints Parish has been giving scholarships to Indigenous students for over 10 years. In that time, some winners have not picked up their funds. (This is evidently not uncommon for scholarship awards). As a result, we have enough money in our account at Mission Secondary School for 2027's three scholarships. Rather than use this year's donations for scholarships, the T&R Committee would like to expand our T & R outreach to support Indigenous students already in post-secondary education. To that end, our giving this year will be to the University of the Fraser Valley's Indigenous Emergency Fund. This fund provide food, books and rent money to Aboriginal students in need so that they can stay in school. We think this is very important, especially give the costs of food and shelter or students. Donation envelopes will be available in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please as Molly Hawkin, Jan Openshaw or Elder Sam Green.

Potluck and Games Night - Beetle

There were about 25 people who attended the Potluck and games Night. Beetle, a fast paced and exciting Game. There was food a-plenty. We began with the potluck and after a quick tidy up we sat 4 people to a table to begin the game. The children, (Ed and Polly's grandkids) were awesome and won some prizes. Gloria was the adult winner. Ask Joy how she fared? It was so much fun and we hope to gather again at the end of August for a repeat of the game.



Bedding Plant Sale

For over 20 years Ed has gathered your Orders as well as driving around town asking friends if they would like to order.

Then he has tallied up all of the orders, by plant, colour, and full flat. When the plants are delivered, he spends at last a full day dividing all of the flats into people's partial orders and assembles the Orders for their pick-up.

This year Windsor Greenhouse reduced the number and variety of annuals they offered.

Ed has decided to retire from doing the Annual Bedding Plant Sale. If anyone is interested in carrying on, speak to Ed.

Many thanks to Ed and Polly for all their work.



photo of Ed sorting an order.

Submission from Chris King

Bought from All Saints Bedding Sale. Thanks Ed and Polly great display this year



All Saints Craft Fair:

If you would like a table please contact Polly or Leanne.

Saturday, NOVEMBER 21, 2026 Mark your calendars in advance. More info to come.

Donate your reusable Christmas decorations or gifts over the summer and into the fall. These items will be sold on All Saints Craft table.

ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH ANNUAL

WALK-RUN-BIKE-ATHON

Join us once again for a wonderful, fun day

Sunday, September 13, 2026

*Place: Heritage Park Place Clubhouse
33751 - Seventh Avenue*

*Time: 10:00 a.m. - Church Service
11:00 a.m. - Walk-Run-Bike-athon
12:30 p.m. - Picnic Lunch*



This is our 13th Annual event and continues to be a great fundraiser as well as a fun day for all of us. Once again, we will use the clubhouse at Heritage Park Place just above Heritage Park off 7th Avenue. The morning starts with a church service in the clubhouse at 10 a.m., followed by the Walk-Run-Bike-athon through the park (**maps available with clubhouse highlighted**), and then return to the clubhouse for a BBQ. All the food will be provided and paid for by the organizer. No costs for the event will be deducted from your pledge. Our chefs will be manning the barbecue to cook the Hamburgers and Hot Dogs plus Jim's Chili.

Pledge sheets will be available by the first Sunday in July if you would like one. Please fill in all the information of your donors for the Envelope Secretary or if you do not wish to have a pledge sheet but would like to just make a donation, please put the money in an envelope marked **Walkathon** with your name, address, and Envelope number on it. **All monies (and pledge sheets) are to be handed in to Judy Beale either before or at the event.** If you are unsure where the clubhouse is please speak to Judy.

Unfortunately, there will be no Zoom service that Sunday



Thank you for your support
of our May/June Outreach
Giving Basket: Food Centre

Sunday Giving Basket
July/August

We will be collecting School
Supplies for École Mission
Central Elementary School



Bottles for Children



We have an ongoing Outreach where all the money from recycled bottles is sent to a registered Charity that helps children.

Our Outreach continues. Bring your bottles to the lower lobby under the 2nd Ave. stairs for Ed to take to a recycling depot. If you cannot get to the church Ed will pick it up if it is a big bag-full. Please phone Ed at 604-826-8277

Basic Human Needs (BHN)

Help support our mission in relieving poverty and advancing education in Varanasi, India, by developing and supporting initiatives and activities that provide free food, clothing, shelter, education, and health care for children and families living in poverty.



If you are travelling this summer, enjoy yourself, relax and take care.

God preserve those who travel;
surround them with your loving care;
protect them from every danger;
and bring them in safety to their journey's end;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Church Humour

God: you're a cow.

Cow: ok.

God: you're baby is a calf.

Cow: ask me why I'm tired after giving birth.

God: w-what?

Cow: ask me why I'm tired after giving birth.

God: why are you tired after giving birth?

Cow: i'm decalfeinated :)

God:

Cow: someone's laughtose intolerant

God's Email for retirees.

One day God was looking down at earth and saw all of the rascally retirees' behavior that was going on...

So He called His angels and sent one to earth for a time.

When the angel returned, he told God, 'Yes, it is bad on earth; 95% of retirees are misbehaving and only 5% are not.

God thought for a moment and said, 'Maybe I had better send down a second angel to get another opinion.' So God called another angel and sent her to earth for a time.

When the angel returned, she went to God and said, 'Yes, it's true. The earth is in decline; 95% of retirees are misbehaving, but 5% are being good...'

God was not pleased....! So He decided to e-mail the 5% who were good, because he wanted

to encourage them, and give them a little something to help them keep going.

Do you know what the e-mail said?

Okay, I was just wondering, because I didn't get one either.

An older gentleman was on the operating table awaiting surgery and he insisted that his son, a renowned surgeon, perform the operation. As he was about to get the anesthesia, he asked to speak to his son. "Yes, Dad, what is it?" "Don't be nervous, son; do your best, and just remember if it doesn't go well, if something happens to me, your mother is going to come and live with you and your wife...."



People try to turn back their "odometers." Not me. I want people to know 'why' I look this way. I've traveled a long way and a lot of the roads were not paved.