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Week of May 31, 2026

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

- **Cyril & Elsie Parker**, parents of Les Parker.
- **Bruce Maddox**, lovingly remembered by his wife Gloria, his children, and his grandchildren.
- **Barry Ribbons**, held in loving memory by his daughters Allison & Carolyn, and granddaughters Stephanie & Jennifer.
- **Valerion Danio**, in blessed memory of my beautiful son. Your imprint on my heart remains forever.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Birthdays this week

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| Mary Bishop | Finn Brodie Rickert |
| Bert Bonnar | Lindsay Peters |
| Brendan Potts | Victoria Faubert |
| Simon Elmhirst | Luis Diaz Yana |
| Brenda Moriarty | Emily Sims |
| Brian Gallagher | Betty Anne Millar |
| Judy Keast | Chris Stewart |
| Debra Quarrington | |

Anniversaries this week

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| John & Jane Stephen | 52 |
| Suzanne Anthony-laFrance & Wayne laFrance | 19 |
| Jim & Allison Wright | 42 |
| John & Pam Calvert | 54 |
| Gerry & Dot Anthony | 60 |
| Jeanne & Trevor Seaton | 55 |
| Trudy & Jim Johnson | 45 |

Thursday Mornings

Study 10.30am | Service 11.30am | Lunch 12 pm

Doing the Bible Proud

For Pride month, Penny invites you to spend a bit of time reading the Bible through a queer lens. This study is for everyone! We'll talk about things like, what do all the 2S&LGBTQIA+ initials mean; how modern people can interact with ancient views of sexuality; gender expansiveness in the Bible; how to be allies; and what it means to be an inclusive church.

Wed. - June 3, 10, 17, 24 on Zoom at 7pm (register stcb.ca)

Thurs - June 4, 11, 18, 25) in person at 10.30am

Children & Youth

Sundays at 9.30am - GIFT children's program

The theme for this next term is "Faith from the Inside Out", with a nod to the popular "Inside Out" movie.

Sunday, May 31 at 6.30pm

Youth Group

Sunday, June 7 at 6.30pm

Pizza in the Park (for All)

Dear Friends,

I am saddened to tell you that Pam Terence died last Sunday. Pam arrived at St. Christopher's at a difficult time in her life, and quickly became a friend and a support to many here. In the early months of my time at St. Christopher's, when we were gathering exclusively on Zoom, I remember Pam as an every-Sunday attender. She will be missed. The service for Pam will take place this Saturday, May 30, at 2pm at the Bayview Cemetery Scattering Garden (740 Spring Gardens Road). A reception will follow at Smith's on Brant Street. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

This email travels with the June Messenger. I trust you will flip through the June edition for all the news and information you expect to find in a Messenger. But I'd like to urge you to read my column with some care. There, I outline plans for my upcoming sabbatical leave. The short story is that I have been working with parish and diocesan leaders to plan an extended time away this summer. My column explains all the details around who will be doing what while I'm away in July, August and September. I'll be hosting an information Q&A on Sunday June 7th at 10:30am where you can ask me all your questions about our plans for St. Christopher's to be there for you in all the ways you expect while I head out for a much needed rest.

Also on Sunday June 7 at 4pm, please consider attending, or tuning in on the diocesan YouTube channel: this year's Pride Mass takes place at Christ's Church Cathedral in Hamilton. This celebration is close to my heart - maybe I'll see you there!

Fiercely Loved: This Is My Body

A worship experience celebrating Pride in the 2SLGBTQIA+ Community. All are welcome.

Sunday, June 7 at 4.00pm

Christ's Church Cathedral
252 James St. N., Hamilton

Join us afterward for refreshments and conversation.

Save the Date

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| Pride in the Park, Milton | Sunday, July 19 |
| Fun in the Sun Camp | July 20-24 |
| Open Doors Gala | Late August |
| Golf Tournament | Friday, Oct. 2 |

**For confidentiality reasons
the prayer list does not
appear online.**

What's on this week ...

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| May 31 | Worship | 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.30am |
| | Youth Group | 6.30pm |
| June 1 | Fit for Service | 9.30am |
| | Fit for Service luncheon..... | 12.00pm |
| | Mental Health Care Givers' Support Group | 7.00pm |
| June 2 | Seniors Social | 2.00pm |
| | Open Doors Programming..... | 3.00pm |
| June 3 | Fit for Service | 9.30am |
| | Watercolour Wednesday..... | 12.00pm |
| | Doing the Bible Proud Study (Zoom)..... | 7.00pm |
| June 4 | Doing the Bible Proud Study (in person)..... | 10.30am |
| | Morning Eucharist | 11.30am |
| | Seniors' Lunch..... | 12.00pm |
| June 5 | Fit for Service | 9.30am |

Jazz Vespers

Don't miss the next event on **Sunday, June 21 at 4pm**. If you missed the May event you may still see it on our YouTube channel. Light refreshments follow the event. This is the perfect chance to invite friends, family and neighbours!

Watercolour Wednesdays

Join acclaimed artist Cheryl Goldring on Wednesday, **June 3** at noon for an afternoon of watercolour painting. If you have never painted before, you will be genuinely surprised at what you can accomplish among friends! Cost is \$40 and all materials will be provided. **Please register** at staff@stcb.ca.

Mental Health Care Partners' Support Group

Our next meeting is Monday, **June 1** at 7pm on Zoom or in-person. Please contact staff@stcb.ca or call 905.634.1809 for link connections.

Repair Café

Bring It or Fix It - for Free!
 Volunteers help you fix broken household items
 Saturday, **June 27** from 10am - 2pm

Donation Opportunities

If you would like to donate to St. Christopher's, there are several options:

- 1 Mail us a cheque. *Please never mail cash.*
- 2 Go to www.stcb.ca and choose "Donate" (top right). Options include:
 - a Regular offerings by pre-authorized payment from your bank account or by Visa.
 - b Special gifts, such as memorials or gifts to be directed to a particular ministry, by Visa or Mastercard. Be sure to *specify where your gift should be directed/credited.*
- 3 E-transfer from your bank account to this email address: acctg@stcb.ca (no password required).
- 4 Also, there is now a tap machine on a stand in the Atrium. You can tap with your credit card or using your mobile phone or watch. Please use your mobile device to scan the QR code if you wish to receive a tax receipt.

Bridge Group

Our group will meet next in the Preschool Room for a game of bridge on **June 8 and 22**.

Men's Cooking

The new combined Men's Cooking Group will meet on Monday, **June 8** at 9.30am in the kitchen.

Burlington Mindfulness Group

The next meeting is June 10 at 7pm. Contacts are Sandy Amodio and Carole Caron at staff@stcb.ca. Everyone welcome.

Ginger Group

This group will be paused for the summer months. The next gathering is on **Monday, September 21** beginning at 11.30am, with a beverage and good conversation. Lunch will be served at 12noon. Cost is \$15. Future Topics include: Service Dogs and the Canadian Space Agency.

Seniors' Social

This warm and wonderful group of seniors, meet every Tuesday afternoon at 2pm in the Family Room. Enjoy a time of refreshment, games and conversation. Please contact staff@stcb.ca for details..

Garden Group

Sandi Smith and her team meets in the front garden on Friday mornings at 9am (weather permitting). If you are able to spend some time weeding and trimming, your efforts would be so appreciated. This is the time of year when "many hands make light the work"! Conversation and laughter always abound.

Community Golf Tournament & Dining Experience

Save the Date: Friday, October 2 at the Tyandaga Golf Course
 Register your team now or sign on as an individual golfer.
 Dinner only opportunities. Sponsor a hole! Visit the golf table in the Atrium on Sunday mornings.

Church Office

In the event of a pastoral emergency, our clergy may be reached at 289.427.0623. For information about St. Christopher's or Open Doors, please call 905.634.1809.



Open Door Programming

Clothing Store

Our clothing store needs clean, gently-used spring items:

- Men - shorts, golf shirts, t-shirts
- Youth (ages 5-16) - shorts, t-shirts

Community Market Donations Needed

- canned vegetables, toilet papers, paper towels, canned fruit, canned meat

Volunteers Needed (volunteer@stcb.ca)

• Community Market - Tuesday & Thursday
Save the Date: Burlington Volunteer Fair on Aug. 22 10am-1pm hosted by Community Development Halton at St. Christopher's