



All are invited
All are welcome
No experience required



Today's Readings

Deuteronomy 34:1-12 ♦ Psalm 90:1-9, 13-17 ♦ 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 ♦
Matthew 22:34-46

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This morning, Trivia & Treats Children's Party following Children's Focus

Please feel free to use the Bibles located in the pews, your own Bible and/or your personal device to follow along with the scripture readings

Upcoming at Christ Church

- ✘ Monday, October 26, 2026
 - Morning Prayer @ 7:15 am on Zoom (*see notice*)
 - 2nd Brampton Scouting @ 7:00 – 8:30 pm Parish Hall
- ✘ Tuesday, October 27, 2026
 - Morning Prayer @ 7:15 am on Zoom (*see notice*)
 - Advisory Board @ 7:30 pm
- ✘ Wednesday, October 28, 2026
 - Morning Prayer @ 7:15 am on Zoom (*see notice*)
 - Worship Collective Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm
- ✘ Thursday, October 29, 2026
 - Morning Prayer @ 7:15 am on Zoom (*see notice*)
 - Bible Study @ 7:30 pm on Zoom (*see notice*)
 - Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30 pm
- ✘ Friday, October 30, 2026
 - Morning Prayer @ 7:15 am on Zoom (*see notice*)
- ✘ Sunday, November 1, 2026 | All Saints
 - In-Person @ 10:00 am with Coffee Hour following
 - Online @ 4:00 pm
 - Evening Prayer @ 6:00 pm on Zoom
 - NA Group @ 7:00 pm - Auditorium

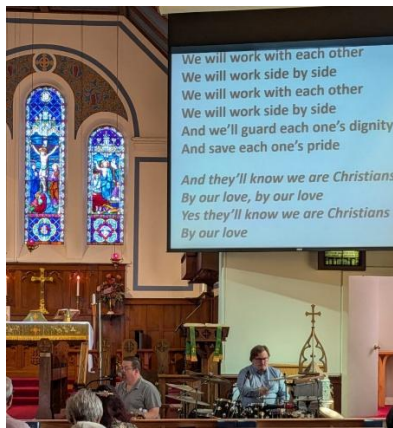
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Readings for Next Sunday

Revelation 7:9-17 ♦ Psalm 34:1-10, 22 ♦ 1 John 3:1-3 ♦ Matthew 5:1-12

This is Us

Weekly we start with Gathering Music provided by our Worship Collective. Starting at 9:50 am, it is a time to help prepare our hearts and minds for worship that begins at 10:00 am. Monthly, our Youth Group meets to hear faith stories from some of our parishioners. The vulnerability and generosity has been a meaningful way to create connections across the generations.



October 18, 2026

Brother, Give Us a Word | Hope

We are called to be fundamentally a hopeful people. To be bearers of hope for those who sit unseen and unheard outside our gates by using our power to throw open those gates. We are to live out our own hope in the conviction of God's redemptive purpose for the whole world.

Br. Lain Wilson, SSJE (Oct 19/26)

Liturgy & Worship

Welcome to Christ Church. We are delighted that you are worshipping with us this morning. Our service projected on the screen. In most cases, the clergy/leaders' portions are in green text, and the congregation is encouraged to join in on the black text portions.

At Christ Church, we offer on a regular basis:

† A Word about Intercessions | Weekly

The term intercession is used for a selection of prayers which remember the needs of and intercede for others. Often these prayers are for people who are ill, grieving or for people who have died. Intercessions can also include thanksgiving for prayers answered such as recovered health, restoration of relationships or the birth of a new child.

Before entering the church (in the Narthex), you will see a binder, where you can add names that will be used in the weekly intercessions. You can ask for prayers for thanksgiving, for those who are sick and for those that have died. Please use first names only.

† Communion | Weekly

All baptized people are welcome to receive Holy Communion. The sacrament of Christ's body and blood is offered in both bread and wine. You are welcome to receive both or either. Please, however, do not intinct (dip) the host (bread). Gluten-free bread is available; simply indicate your desire to the priest.

Those not receiving communion may wish to receive a blessing. Please cross your hands over your chest to indicate this to the priest.

Our greeters will be on hand to guide you forward to the bottom of the steps for either communion or a blessing.

† A Word about Anointing with Oil

1st Sunday of the Month

The gospels reveal to us that Jesus' ministry was a ministry of healing. Nearly 1/5 of the gospels are devoted to acts of healing, with more than 40 recorded instances of physical and mental healing. Christian ministry, by its nature, involves ministries of healing that strive for the well-being of the mind, body and spirit. Anointing with oil is a healing ministry intended to happen within the life and worship of a parish or faith community. It's not a private or individual ministry, but a ministry of the whole Church.

During the communion, anointing will be provided in the side chapel.

Prayer on Zoom

Evening Prayer

(Sunday)

† Sunday Evenings
† 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm
† Zoom link is on our homepage
Phone Number: 1 647-558-0588
Meeting ID: 827 5605 4958
Passcode: 010017

Morning Prayer

(Monday – Friday)



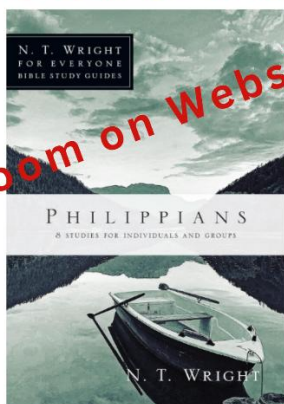
† Monday to Friday
† 7:15 am to 7:45 am
† Zoom link is on our homepage
Phone Number: 1 647-374-4685
Meeting ID: 875 3545 1504
Passcode: 745054
Georgie-boy waits patiently for his morning walk while "his human" takes in Morning Prayer.

Discipleship | Evening Bible Study Thursdays @ 7:30 pm on Zoom

Christ Church
B-R-A-M-P-T-O-N

Thursday Night Bible Study

On Zoom @ 7:30 pm



Led by The Ven. Theodore Hunt

Thurs Sep 10 - Thurs Nov 5

All are invited | All are welcome | No experience required

Start Date: Sep. 10 – Nov. 5

Time: 7:30 to 8:30 pm

Where: Zoom link is posted on our website

Duration: Weekly for 9 sessions, finishing in early November.

What to expect:

- ✓ A highly readable book that will guide us **Philippians** by N.T. Wright.
- ✓ Over 9 weeks, **starting September 10**, we will learn from Paul the art of seeing God's purposes.

Materials: Books are available at the office for \$20 or you can purchase a Kindle version.

Celebrating our 175th Anniversary



Visioning Workshop: With our 175th Anniversary year drawing to an end, together we now look to how we want to shape the future of Christ Church and what a privilege that it. On Harvest Sunday it was announced that a Visioning Steering Team has been formed. They will work with Diocesan Consultants to lead us through a process help set the stage for the next 3 – 5 years by way of gathering input, setting priorities and creating plans. It is anticipated that this work will conclude in the spring of 2027.

A vital component of any successful plan is to hear from as many people as possible ~ we know that we cannot do everything but by **gathering** ideas, dreams, obstacles and visions for Christ Church, it will help the team set priorities and develop manageable plans. The primary **gathering** will be at a parish-wide Discovery Day.

What	Discovery Day, led by the Diocesan Consultants, allow us to share thoughts and ideas for Christ Church by looking at where we are today and what the future might hold
When	Saturday, November 14 from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm
Where	Christ Church Parish Hall
Who	All members of Christ Church, Brampton

Please plan to be a part of the Discovery Day and look for more information in the weeks to come. Please keep the Steering Team in your prayers as they embark on this important task.

The Ven. Theodore Hunt	Clinton Baretto	Julie Shaughnessy
The Rev. Michael Brain	Peter Harvey	Natacha Pennycooke
	Phyllis Moffatt	



Rededication Sunday: We will conclude our formal celebrations with a Rededication of Christ Church on Sunday, November 22, The Reign of Christ with **The Rt. Rev. Andrew Asbil, Bishop of Toronto, presiding**. Worship will be followed by a Parish Luncheon.

2027 Confirmation Preparation Starts Sunday, December 6

We are pleased to be offering confirmation preparation starting Sunday, December 6th. Several of our young people indicated interest and with a couple of "field trips" in the works, we couldn't be more excited! While the full schedule will be available in the weeks to come, please note that most classes will be Sunday mornings following the 10:00 service from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm. Confirmation will take place at Christ Church on Pentecost (Sunday, May 16) at Christ Church with Bishop Peter Fenty (ret.) presiding. This program is ideally suited for young persons who are in Grade 7+ and is also open to those who wish to reaffirm their faith.

Confirmant families are invited to prayerfully consider making an offering of \$100 towards the Confirmation Program. To register or for more information, candidates and/or their parents/guardians should contact Shumaila Desrochers at:

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Prepping for Advent



Advent Children's Choir

Rehearsals Sunday Mornings
11:45 am to 12:15 pm

Rehearsals start Sun. Nov. 1

In preparation for Lessons & Carols
December 20, 2026
&
Christmas Eve

Contact: Ron Greidanus, Organist & Choir Director
905-873-9909/ronaldgreidanus@hotmail.com

A Children's Choir forming for Advent. In preparation for Lessons & Carols on Sunday, December 20 @ 10:00 am and Christmas Eve. **Rehearsals will be on Sunday mornings from 11:45 am – 12:15 pm starting November 1st.** Parents can enjoy Coffee Hour while kids rehearse!

If you know a child that might be interested or want to know a little bit more about it, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Ron Greidanus

Choir Director

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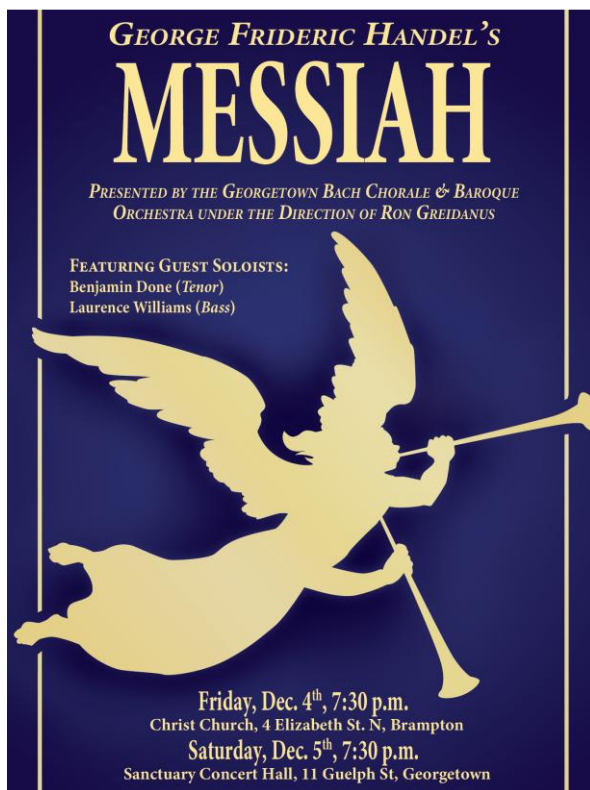
Lesson & Carols 2025

Prepping for Advent (continued)

Georgetown Bach Chorale
at Christ Church, Brampton

Handel's "Messiah"

Friday, December 4 @ 7:30 pm



Christmas isn't Christmas until one feels, hears and experiences the timeless music of George Friderick Handel's masterpiece "Messiah". The GBC, known for its crystal-clear sound, vocal agility and sublime perfection will be joined by a vibrant and historically informed Baroque Orchestra. This work will be conducted from the harpsichord under the leadership of Ron Greidanus. **You won't want to miss this!**

Tickets: Adults \$50 | Students \$15

Available Sunday mornings, from Ron Greidanus at 905-843-9909 or online at the Georgetown Bach Chorale at: georgetownbachchorale.com/



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Financial Giving

Because the life and vitality of our Church is important to us, we are each called to make a financial commitment to ensure that the ministry of our church continues to flourish now and for the years to come. We are so grateful for the intentional, purposeful, and sacrificial gifts that enable us to invite, welcome and connect all of us together with Him who abides with us in all times and circumstances. We have several ways to give:

1. **Envelope Sets** are available by contacting the parish office.
2. **Pre-Authorized Remittance ("PAR")** is a monthly amount withdrawn from your bank account.
3. **E-Transfers** via the Interac system. Email address is: christchurchbrampton@bellnet.ca *If you are new to us please include your name and address in the notes section for receipting purposes.*
4. You can donate electronically via **CanadaHelps** using your credit card through the Christ Church Brampton website or here: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/christ-church-brampton/>
5. **More information** is available at: <https://www.christchurchbrampton.ca/how-to-give>

Should have any questions or need some guidance about any of our ways to give, please do not hesitate to contact our Envelope Secretary, Ruth Wiggins at 416-706-8471.



Love is the Measure **Reflecting on Matthew 22:34-46**

Asked to name the greatest commandment, Jesus refuses to give just one. Love God with everything you have, he says—and love your neighbor as yourself. Everything else hangs on these.

As we conclude our 1st quarter of the fiscal year, we are reminded that budgets and pledges matter. Buildings, programs, and ministries matter. But they are never the final measure of Christian generosity. Love is. We give because we love God. We sustain ministry because we love our neighbours. We care for the world because love does not treat God's gifts as disposable. Generosity is love taking material form.

Adapted from TENS October 2026 Newsletter

Bishop of Toronto's Weekly Letter

Tomorrow is Election Day

Dear Friends,

Voting has been all over the news lately, with the referendum held in Alberta last Monday and the US midterm elections coming up in 10 days. The democratic process is active at this time of year! And here in Ontario, we will have the opportunity to cast our own ballots this Monday when we go to the polls for municipal elections.

Historically, we know that municipal elections typically have very low voter turnout. But I believe that responsibly participating in the electoral process can be a tangible expression of living into our baptismal covenant. When we help to elect the government, we're making decisions that directly affect people's lives. Municipalities play a crucial role in delivering programs that benefit children, seniors and people living on low incomes; creating housing and responding to homelessness; making decisions about land use that impact local ecosystems, farmland and economic development; managing waste; and building and maintaining the infrastructure to handle an increasingly unpredictable climate. School trustees make decisions that affect the education and shaping of our young people.

It might be tempting to think that your single vote doesn't count, that your ballot won't make a difference. But whole elections have been known to turn on just a few votes, and not bothering to vote simply hands the outcome to others. Take the time to find out who your local candidates are and where they stand on the issues that affect our neighbours. Some of you may have had the opportunity to meet with candidates personally, perhaps on your doorstep or at a public meeting, and to question them.

I want to tell you about a particular all-candidates gathering I was privileged to attend. On the evening of Sept. 8, I was the invited guest of Adath Israel Congregation in North York for its Toronto mayoral candidates' debate. The attendees that night were almost exclusively Jewish, prompting some to ask me, with polite curiosity, "Why are you here?" I explained my strong belief that municipal government can and does make a difference, and that it was my great pleasure to be present to hear the concerns of the Jewish community, particularly considering the grievous rise in

antisemitism right across Canada. (The obvious police presence in the room that evening underscored the danger that they experience every time they gather.)

I am committed to addressing the scourge of antisemitism in Canadian society and to offering the support of our Church and this Diocese to our Jewish siblings in faith. The College of Bishops is looking forward to meeting with a delegation of four distinguished rabbis this coming Wednesday so that we may listen to their concerns and offer our support. Please pray for us in that meeting, that the God we all worship will bless our conversation as we commit to walking and working together.

Casting a ballot on Monday is a small but important individual act where we can apply our Christian principles and values to society and make a small but important effort to help usher in God’s reign for our world. I encourage you to pray, and to vote.

Yours in Christ



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Bishop of Toronto

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