



**Easter 2022**

**Assist us mercifully with your help,  
Lord God of our salvation,  
that we may enter with joy  
into the celebration of those mighty acts  
whereby you give us life and immortality;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Collect for the Liturgy of the Palms, BAS pg. 297*

Dear Christ Church Family,

**Can you believe it? Easter is just around the corner.**

I'm so looking forward to our Holy Week services. We have worked very hard to prepare for you, your family and friends a great celebration of all that Jesus has done for each and every one of us. Our worship will be available in-person (NO pre-registration required) and virtually (via YouTube - easily accessible through our web site).

Here are four specific things that you can do to celebrate Holy Week:

**1. Invite your friends and bring your family!**

We all know friends that are LOOKING for a church to attend on Easter, even though we may feel nervous about inviting them. But, when one invites a friend or family member to join them for church, they often do come, and even if they can't, they appreciate being asked. An easy invitation could be to the Good Friday Family Prayer Walk ~ after all we are all part of God's beloved family.

**2. Attend as many Holy Week services as you can.**

Please come, not only for (Palm) Sunday of the Passion and Easter Sunday, but also on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and to The Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. By this you will get a full picture of the Way of the Cross and the amazing story of our redemption.

**3. Help out in any way that you can.**

If you see ANYTHING that needs to be done - a piece of paper that needs to be picked up, a person who needs a question answered, a pew that needs to be left for visitors, or a parking spot close to the church that needs to be left free for someone else - I encourage you to "just do it." One of the great things about Christ Church is the way we all pull together to do whatever is needed to welcome our Lord's guests.

**4. Personally celebrate the Good News of Easter, starting today!**

Just think of it: because of Easter our past is forgiven, our life is worth living and we have the gift of eternal life! Romans 3:22 says, "We are made right in God's sight when we trust in Jesus Christ to take away our sins. And we all can be saved in this same way, no matter who we are or what we have done." (NLT).

I'm so looking forward to seeing you. Please join us at Christ Church this Holy Week and Easter season.

*Byron+*

## Holy Week 2022

During Holy Week, we journey from the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday through the drama of Holy Week to the glory of Easter. Whether you are joining us in-person or online, we hope that you will journey with us. With two notable exceptions all our services are available both in-person and online:

- ✚ **New** Good Friday Family Prayer Walk at 11:30 am is in-person only. We start and finish at Christ Church to walk 4km of easy paved pathways in downtown Brampton and along the Etobicoke Creek. Lasting approximately 1 hour, we will stop at various points along the way for prayer and reflection. *Please note that there is a stairway to gain access to the Etobicoke Creek Trail.*
- ✚ **Also New** Good Friday Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm is on Zoom. While this service is not new to us, this year it will be available on Zoom. Much like Evening Prayer, the Zoom link will be readily accessible on our website and you will be placed in the "waiting room" until we begin.



All on-line | All are welcome | All are invited  
No Experience Required



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**Palm Sunday - April 10**  
In-Person & Online @ 10:00 am

**Wednesday in Holy Week - April 13**  
Evening Prayer on Zoom @ 7:00 pm

**Maundy Thursday - April 14**  
In-Person & Online @ 7:00 pm

**Good Friday - April 15**  
Commemoration of Our Lord's Passion In-Person & Online @ 10:00 am  
Family Prayer Walk @ 11:30 am  
Stations of the Cross on Zoom @ 7:00 pm

**Holy Saturday - April 16**  
The Great Vigil of Easter In-Person & Online @ 7:00 pm

**Easter Sunday - April 17**  
In-Person & Online @ 10:00 am

Online services are accessible through our website at: [www.christchurchbrampton.ca](http://www.christchurchbrampton.ca). Once they are "premiered" you can watch at any time. Also on the website, you will find the weekly announcements and service bulletins to download.

In-person capacity limits and pre-registration requirements were lifted in mid-March, however masks are still mandatory. We have made accommodations to provide seating for those who are comfortable with a bit more personal space. At all times, it is advisable to refer to the website for the most current public health guidelines that are in place for in-person services. You can use the QR code to the right to take you directly to our website.



## Recent News

It has been an exhilarating couple of months at Christ Church and we just want to highlight a few things. The risk of doing this is omitting some other wonderful things that happened. As always, we encourage you to follow us on Facebook or Instagram and to keep an eye on our website for photos of life at Christ Church.

## Outreach



The Christ Church Coldest Night of the Year Team raised \$14,270 in support of local ministry partner **Regeneration Community Outreach**.



## Doing What Love Requires

**PWRDF supports Ukrainians forced to flee**

Our March 27/22 Special Offering for PWRDF totalled over \$8,600!



## OUTREACH

In March, we quickly responded to an appeal by the **Primate World Relief and Development Fund** with a Special Offering to aid refugees displaced by the invasion in Ukraine.

In early March, members of Christ Church attended the annual fundraising dinner of ministry-partner **International Christian Voice**. It is remarkable in October - December 2021, International Christian Voice (ICV), with financial support of co-sponsors, welcomed 6 families to Canada totaling 29 people. Another 8 people are expected to arrive early this year.



## Food Drive

Palm Sunday - Easter Sunday

April 10 - April 17

Drop Off at Christ Church

**Cereal | Dry Soup  
Crackers and Cookies**

Throughout Holy Week (April 10 - April 17) we will be collecting at Christ Church **requested** non-perishable items for the **Knights Table** ~ a local food bank.





## Alpha Online



How to you capture 47 people in a photo while online? We think it is next to impossible but the story is worth telling. Over 11 weeks and 15 sessions, this wonderful group came together for Alpha Online. We shared, we learned, we questioned, we deepened our faith, we prayed and we became friends. Thank you to our small group leaders and to all who joined to make this such an enriching experience. God is good, all the time!

## Sunday School Returns to In-Person on Sunday, May 29

After more than 2 years online, Sunday School returns to in-person at 10:00 am on Sunday mornings and we can hardly wait!

Ideal for children aged 4-12 years of age, we are going to become *Knights of the North Castle* ~ it is rumoured that some have already picked their fictional name. Based on Ephesians 6:10, children will become knights and discover how to serve God and God's mission for their lives.

Tina is deep into the planning. We are also hearing rumours of shields and horses but aren't quite sure how the dragon fits in. As a reminder, Sunday School starts following the Children's Focus and children return to their parents/guardians in time for Communion.

For more information, Tina can be reached at:  
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## How to Give

Our parish ministries count on the generosity of our parish family ~ it is as simple as that. It is through your generosity that we are able to "be the Church" whether we are inside or outside of the building. We are so very thankful for the generosity of many. As we look to the future and imagine our possibilities, we offer a reminder on ways to give:

1. You may make an **e-Transfers** via the Interac system.
  - a. Simply set-up Christ Church Brampton as a payee on your internet banking account.
  - b. Email address required: [christchurchbrampton@bellnet.ca](mailto:christchurchbrampton@bellnet.ca)
  - c. No password is required
  - d. Upon making an offering you will receive an email notification as will Christ Church.
  - e. Your offering will be included in your annual tax receipt.
  - f. If you believe that we do not have a correct/current mailing address, please include your address in the notes so that we can provide a tax receipt.
2. You can donate electronically via **CanadaHelps** using your credit card through the Christ Church Brampton website. At the top of the homepage - click "Online Giving via Canada Helps". It takes you to the following link. In this case, CanadaHelps provides you with a tax receipt.  
<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/christ-church-brampton/#donate-now-pane>
3. You can **drop off** your church envelope in the mail slot at the church. Look for the vertical mail slot just below the buzzer on the right hand side of the office doors.
4. You can arrange for a **pick-up** by call Martha at the **Office: 905-451-6649** or **Phone/Text: 416-420-3765**

## Moving to Green Stage

On March 23, 2022, the Diocese of Toronto released an announcement about churches within the Diocese removing Covid-19 restrictions. It read in part:

"With faith and trust, and in deep thanksgiving, we announce today that **the Diocese of Toronto will move to Green Stage - the removal of all COVID-19 restrictions, except the vaccine policy for staff and volunteers - as of April 27.** On that date, across the Diocese, the wearing of masks becomes optional, all parishes may resume the informal sharing of food and drinks (e.g., coffee hours) and may once again offer the Common Cup in the Eucharist. **Those parishes that are not ready to move to Green Stage by May 1 should speak to their bishop.**"

<https://www.toronto.anglican.ca/from-our-bishops/diocese-moves-to-green-stage-on-april-27/>

We have learned in the past two years that the Covid-19 virus is not as predictable as we would like and things can change rapidly. While anticipate the above, it is always prudent to check our website at: [www.christchurchbrampton.ca](http://www.christchurchbrampton.ca) for any current news.



And Because We Don't Want to Waste Paper...here are some more photos. Happy Easter! Alleluia!



Virtual Pancake Supper



Ash Wednesday



Ron and Sally at  
Sunday In-Person Worship

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Tina filming a  
Children's Focus



Sunday In-Person



Martha & Sean  
practicing "selfies"