

16th Sunday after Pentecost September 17, 2023



Join Us for Worship Sundays
In-Person @ 10:00 am | Online @ 4:00 pm



All are invited
All are welcome
No experience required



A caring Christian community celebrating God, proclaiming Christ, and serving others in the power of the Holy Spirit.



Today's Readings

Exodus 14:19-31 ✦ Romans 14:1-12 ✦ Matthew 18:21-35



Upcoming at Christ Church

- ✦ Wednesday, September 20
 - Worship Collective Rehearsal @ 7:15 pm
- ✦ Sunday, September 24 – 17th Sunday after Pentecost
 - Church In-Person @ 10:00 am | Refreshments following
 - Church Online @ 4:00 pm
 - NA Group @ 7:00 pm – Auditorium



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Sunday School

Our 2023 Bible Challenge for Sunday School is in full swing....***it's not too late to join the fun!*** It is themed around "light" ~ to be both the light of Christ and to shine it outwardly towards others. It runs until Reign of Christ (Nov 26). To play:

- ✔ you need to be aged 12 or under
- ✔ each week a new scripture is provided (in print format only)
- ✔ you need to tell us where in the Bible you can find it
- ✔ the winner is the person with the most correct answers *
- ✔ check out the family-friendly prize in the office

* *answers are collected on a weekly basis (there are 14 opportunities) so no ballot stuffing & there are a few other rules too!*



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be the
LIGHT

2023 Sunday School Challenge



Are you up to the challenge?

Outreach & Advocacy



You may recall the dreadful news earlier in August when eight churches were set ablaze in Pakistan's Punjab province after accusations of blasphemy. You can read about it here:

<https://www.cnn.com/2023/08/16/asia/pakistan-punjab-churches-vandalized-blasphemy-intl/index.html>

Our local ministry partner, International Christian Voice, continues to advocate on behalf persecuted Christians and recently met with the Consul General at the Consulate General of Pakistan in Toronto. A petition was handed for the Prime Minister of Pakistan to express the community outrage at the attacks on Christian homes and churches in Jaranwala. At the meeting, aside from the horror of the Jaranwala incident itself, many pertinent issues on the aftereffects of the incident were raised. The Consul General was made aware of the community's sensitivity to Jaranwala and expectation of concrete actions from the State. The meeting lasted well over an hour and the Consul General promised to communicate the petition to the PM office and would get back to the community with a response.

Christ Church keeps ICV in its prayers and will be following this story closely.



Parishioner Javid (Jim) Bakhsh, 4th from left with Peter Bhatti, Executive Director of ICV, on his right with Consul General in the middle.

Outreach


Over the winter & spring some of our parishioners and friends have been meeting to make lap quilts for various healthcare & social agencies sites in Brampton. In late August, our Deacon, Luigi Battista, accompanied a few them (including our young people who were learning to quilt) to Brampton Civic Hospital to bless them for use in the oncology ward.



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Bring Your Own
Sewing Machine

Quilt Making
for local healthcare



Saturday, September 23
@ Christ Church

9:30am - 2:00 pm

Bring a sandwich | Refreshments will be provided

All are invited | All are welcome | No experience required

Other Bits & Pieces | Name Tags

God knows who you are but do we? Need a name tag

We like to call each other by name at Christ Church ~ this is true for clergy, staff and parishioners. It is also true for those who have been here for decades and those who have recently joined the parish.

Typically twice a year we order name tags for new members or to replace those name tags that have disappeared. As a result of the pandemic, we haven't placed an order since late 2019. Name tags are free, however should you wish help offset the costs (\$10 each), you can simply place your donation on the offering plate in an envelope marked **Name Tags** and it will be included on your annual tax receipt.

If you have recently joined the parish or need a replacement, please sign up for a name tag in the Parish Office. For those that placed their name previously on the list, please ensure that we have the correct spelling. We kindly ask that new members complete the "New Member Form".

**An order will be placed at the end of October
so there is lots of time for you to sign-up!**

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak with our Parish Administrator Martha for assistance. She is often here on Sundays or you can be reached at:

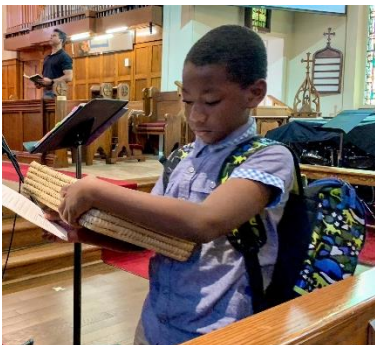
Phone: 905-451-6649 ext. 23

Email: christchurchbrampton@bellnet.ca



Looking for something to give you a smile, check out photos of the Blessing of the Backpacks...it really was Holy Chaos at:

<https://www.christchurchbrampton.ca/recent-events>



Resource Management

Annual Meeting of Vestry: Sunday, October 15 at 11:30 following 10:00 am service

The Annual Meeting of Vestry is “church-speak” for our Annual General Meeting ~ essentially the business of the parish. At Christ Church, our fiscal/business year runs from July 1 to June 30. It is at this meeting where we approve the Annual Vestry Report telling the story of the previous year, F2023 Financial Statements and F2024 Budget. We also elect and/or appoint our Wardens and Advisory Board among other business-related items. The meeting is approximately 60 – 90 minutes in length. Parishioners are encouraged to attend.

In draft, our Vestry Report, Financial Statements and the proposed Budget will be released Sunday, October 8. Limited paper copies will be available at the church; however they will be posted at: <https://www.christchurchbrampton.ca/annual-vestry-report>. We expressly want to thank Peter Volkes and Kathy Newbert for their guidance and assistance in preparing the Financial Statements.

Earlier this past week, ministry leads were reminded by email to have their reports to Martha by Sunday, October 1 for inclusion in the Annual Report. Please do look for the email and should you have any questions and/or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact her.



Blessing of the Pets
Sunday, October 1
@ 10:00 am

Our annual Blessing of the Pets will take place during our in-person 10:00 am service.

BLESSING OF THE PETS



Pet owners are kindly asked to ensure their pets are “ready” for an indoor service and are well-socialized with other animals (and humans too!)

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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 a number of 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 or have moved please include your name and address in the notes section of the transfer for receipting purposes.

4. You can donate electronically via **CanadaHelps** using your credit card through the Christ Church Brampton website.
5. You can **drop off** your church envelope in the mail slot at the church.
6. You arrange for a **pick-up** by calling Martha at: Office: (905) 451-6649 / Phone or Text: 416-420-3765
7. **More information** is available at:
<https://www.christchurchbrampton.ca/how-to-give>



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PARKING

As a courtesy to newcomers, the disabled and those with young families, we kindly ask you that you leave the parking in front of the church and those spots along the north wall of the church for those who are less able bodied. **Additionally, the 1st two spots along the north wall are for those with a handicap permit or another equally valid reason.**

In addition to ample street parking, Sunday morning parking is available at the following locations:

Medical Arts 118 Queen St. W.	• Located on the northeast corner of Queen and Mill Street.
Brampton Go ***NEW***	• Located on the northeast corner of Elizabeth and Nelson

We are thankful to our kind neighbours at Sterling Dental who have allowed to park in their lots, however please kindly refrain from parking at the Sterling Dental lots as they require spots on Sunday for their clients.