

# Ascension (Translated) | May 12, 2024



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



## Pedestal Arrangement

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Frances Selina Bowen  
by Margaret Hinds & Family and Claire Bowen



## Today's Readings

Acts 1:1-11 ✦ Ephesians 1:15-23 ✦ Luke 24:44-53

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, May 13, 2024
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Brampton Cubs @ 7:00 pm - Auditorium
- ✘ Tuesday, May 14, 2024
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Brampton Scouts @ 7:00 pm – Auditorium
- ✘ Wednesday, May 15, 2024
  - Worship Collective Rehearsal @ 7:15 pm
- ✘ Thursday, May 16, 2024
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Brampton Beavers @ 5:45 pm - Auditorium
  - Choir Rehearsal @ 7:00 pm
- ✘ Sunday, May 19, 2024
  - Church In-Person @ 10:00 am | Refreshments following
  - Church Online @ 4:00 pm
  - NA Group @ 7:00 pm – Auditorium



## Readings for next Sunday

Acts 2:1-21 ✦ Romans 8:22-27 ✦ John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15



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## Parish Selection Committee (“PSC”) May 5<sup>th</sup> is Survey Sunday!

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As you know, we, Christ Church Brampton (CCB), are in the process of searching for a new Incumbent (Priest) to lead us forward following the retirement of Rev. Dr. Byron Canon Gilmore.

The Parish Selection Committee (PSC) is actively seeking congregational input and the Parish Survey is a part of the process. We launched the Parish Survey on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, and our goal is to have the input complete by Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. The survey should take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

The survey will be available on-line at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/57J6857>, We hope that many of you will complete the survey online as it greatly reduces the workload of data entry.



For those parishioners who wish to fill-out a paper survey, a hard-copy of the Parish Survey will be available on request one from a PSC member or the parish administrator. Completed surveys are to be returned to the church in a sealed envelope with **SURVEY RESPONSE** written on the outside

All members of CCB are welcome to participate, including our online community as well as those who cannot physically come to worship during our services. We need your input. If someone you know has not received the link to the survey or would like a hard copy, please reach out to a PSC member or the parish administrator.

Please take the time to complete the survey to the best of your ability. Please keep in mind that:

1. This survey is anonymous.
2. You can skip any questions that you are not comfortable answering.

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## Parish Selection Committee (Continued)

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3. Please be open, honest and prayerful in your responses. Don't tell us what you think we will want to hear.
4. To prevent multiple surveys from being completed by the same person, the software will only allow on response per device. So, if there is more than one person in your household who would like to fill out the survey, please do so on a different devise (i.e., laptop, cellphone, tablet).

More information and instructions have been sent as part of a parish mailing. We look forward to moving forward to learn more about you and your relationship to Christ Church as we search for our new Incumbent.



**Parish Selection Committee | Mar 19/24**

**Top Row:** John Joukema, Peter Harvey

**Middle Row:** Ken Egbuna, Charlene Bickerstaffe,  
(Bobby Briones, Bill Matthews | Diocesan Volunteer Coaches)

**Bottom Row:** Nancy Kee, Shumaila Desrochers, Stan Szepesi (Chair),  
Liz Charters, Chinweike Chike

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# Interim Priest-in-Charge

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The Rev. Dr. Arthur Boers



On April 21<sup>st</sup>, we welcomed The Rev. Dr. Arthur Boers as our Interim Priest-in-Charge. How wonderful it is to have him among us and that he arrived on Good Shepherd Sunday. Fr. Arthur will be with us on a part-time basis. You will very often be able to catch him in the office on Thursdays or Sundays following worship. That said, he will be available for pastoral emergencies via the main office contacts:

Telephone: 905-451-6649

Email: [christchurchbrampton@bellnet.ca](mailto:christchurchbrampton@bellnet.ca)

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**Fr. Arthur Boers** ([www.arthurboers.com](http://www.arthurboers.com)) has pastored in urban, suburban, rural, and inner city settings in Ontario and the Midwest and has walked the Camino de Santiago in Spain and the Bruce Trail in Ontario. He also taught at several seminaries. A priest in the Anglican Church of Canada, he is a Benedictine oblate. In the last thirty years, he authored or edited a dozen books addressing the intersection of faithfulness and daily life. His award-winning books include *The Way is Made by Walking: A Pilgrimage Along the Camino de Santiago*, *Never Call Them Jerks: Healthy Responses to Difficult Behavior*, and *Living into Focus: Choosing What Matters in an Age of Distractions*. His most recent book is *Shattered: A Son Picks Up the Pieces of his Father's Rage*, a sensitive and penetrating reflection on coming of age in a Dutch immigrant family scarred by violence.

Sourced: St. Paul L'Amoreaux Website  
<https://stpl.ca/2023-parish-mission.html>

# Happy Mother's Day

## Mother's Day

God of celebration, who rejoices with those who rejoice, we pray for those for whom Mother's Day is a time of thanksgiving and joy.

God of compassion, who weeps with those who weep, we pray for those for whom Mother's Day is a time of heartache and pain.

God of community, who calls the children to come to him, we thank you that your love abounds for families of every kind.

God of comfort, who gathers us as a hen gathers its chicks, we thank you that your love surrounds the disappointed and hurt.

God of every circumstance, we bring our thanks and praise that we belong to your family as your beloved children. Amen

(adapted from [www.mothersunion.org](http://www.mothersunion.org))



# The PSC wants to hear from you!



## A note from the office

**Did you receive your Parish Update mailed earlier this week? Included in it is:**

- Pastoral Message from our Interim Priest-in-Charge
- Parish Selection Committee ("PSC") update & survey information
- Kitchen "Facelift" news (also available website)

All are invited | All are welcome | No experience necessary

[www.christchurchbrampton.ca](http://www.christchurchbrampton.ca)



## Parish Survey May 5 - May 19

**In our search for a new incumbent, the PSC is creating a Parish Profile. As an input the profile, we are conducting an anonymous Parish Survey. This online survey take approximately 15 minutes. More detailed information is in the Parish Mailing.**

(also available website)

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## Parish Survey Link May 5 - May 19



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(also available website)

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## A Morning Resolve

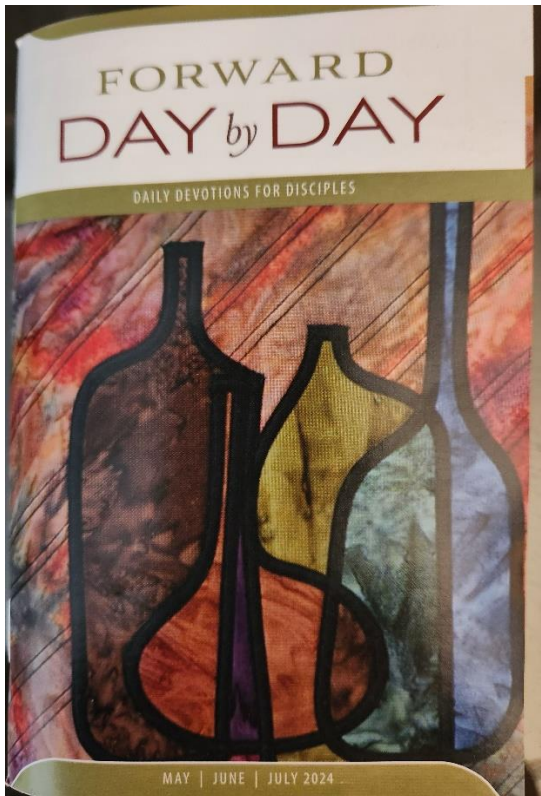
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“I will try this day to live a simple, sincere, and serene life, repelling promptly every thought of discontent, anxiety, discouragement, impurity, and self-seeking; cultivating cheerfulness, magnanimity, charity, and the habit of holy silence; exercising economy in expenditure, diligence in appointed service, fidelity to trust, and a childlike faith in God.

In particular I will try to be faithful in those habits of prayer, work, study, physical exercise, eating, and sleep, which I believe the Holy Spirit has shown me to right.

And as I cannot in my own strength do this, nor even with a hope of success attempt it, I look to thee, O Lord God my Father, in Jesus my Saviour, and ask for the gift of the Holy Spirit.”

(Forward Day by Day)



**Daily devotions for the months of  
May – July 2024 are available in church office**



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# Resource Management

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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](mailto: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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## Don't Miss Out | Follow Us

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- ✝ Parish households – for our Easter mailing. It is also available on our website.
- ✝ Also take a peek at **new photos** of life at Christ Church during **Lent, Holy Week** and **Byron's last Sunday** with us at:

[www.christchurchbrampton.ca/recent-events](http://www.christchurchbrampton.ca/recent-events)

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# Connect With Us

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| Interim Priest-in-Charge    | Arthur Boers (905-451-6649 ext. 22)     |
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| Parish Administrator        | Martha Whittaker (905-451-6649 ext. 23) |
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| Parish Visitors        | Joan Powell         | 905-451-4694 |
| Prayer Ministry        | Jeff Smith          | 905-452-0524 |



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## Parking

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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 1<sup>st</sup> 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:

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| <b>Medical Arts</b><br><b>118 Queen St. W.</b> | • Located on the northeast corner of Queen and Mill Street. |
| <b>Brampton Go</b><br><b>***NEW***</b>         | • Located on the northeast corner of Elizabeth and Nelson   |

**Please do not park at the Sterling Dental lots as they require spots on Sunday for their clients.**