

## **Update and Evening Prayer Service from All Saints' Email to the Parish from The Venerable Christopher Dunn**

**6 April 2020**

While at the Church today I stood outside without a jacket on and just took in the sunshine; it was lovely to be able to do that.

So, the **Westboro Food Bank** was instructed by the Ottawa Food Bank to respond to needs differently starting today. For the next two weeks, we will not be handing out food, other than perishable items that we have on hand, and this will last for two weeks.

The Ottawa Food Bank has decided to provide us with Grocery Store Gift Cards to distribute to those in our area who need help with food security. We will return to distributing some food directly in two weeks time. So, this means that for now we are not looking for further donations of food items. When we are back to normal operations, we will again let you know what our needs are for food items. Thank you to everyone who responded over the past three weeks.

This afternoon Adam, Edith, and Catharine recorded an **Evening Prayer service with Lamentations** for Holy Week. This is in the tradition of Tenebrae though somewhat modified. Click on this link: <https://www.allsaintswestboro.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Tenebrae-type-Evening-Prayer.pdf>) for the service order, so you can follow along.

Click on the following link (even if you do not have a Facebook account) to take in the Evening service this Holy Week: <https://www.facebook.com/allsaintswestboro/videos/549181642687496/>

A prayer for this evening for all care givers and support workers:

*Compassionate God, support and strengthen all those who reach out in love, concern and prayer for the sick and distressed. In their acts of compassion, may they know that they are your instruments. In their concerns and fears, may they know your peace. In their faithful serving, may they know your steadfast love. May they not grow weary or faint-hearted, for your mercy's sake. **Amen***

I trust that you continue to be well,

Chris