

Update from All Saints'

Email to the Parish from The Venerable Christopher Dunn

13 December 2020

It was great to see so many at Church this morning; despite the weather forecast and all those dire warnings, it was just a gray day. So, the service from this morning is up on the Parish Facebook page. Join in the **Worship for the Third Sunday of Advent** at this link: www.facebook.com/allsaintswestboro/videos/145889043655305

A reminder that we continue to hold our **mid-week Eucharists on Wednesday** mornings at 10:30 am, in the main Church; please do not come any earlier than 10:20 am, through the Richmond Road doors. There is no need to register in advance for these mid-week Eucharists, but we observe all the other COVID-related practices, as we do on Sunday mornings.

You can sign up to attend next Sunday's service in-person for the **Fourth Sunday of Advent** starting tomorrow morning on the Parish website: www.allsaintswestboro.com Registration for Sunday mornings goes from Monday morning at 9:00 am to Friday at 12:00 noon.

Next week, we will also hold the annual **Blue Christmas Service** on Sunday, December 20th, at 4:30 pm. We will not require prior registration for this service, so you may choose to join us at the Church at 4:30 (wearing a mask and practising all our normal protocols); we will of course be limited to the first 50 people, but we are not expecting that to be a problem.

If you wish to attend on Zoom rather than in person, then this will be the link to the service: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83774563807?pwd=S2VQNFJwbHA2cks3ZXIxbEVZSjYrdz09>
(Meeting ID: 837 7456 3807 & Passcode: 267279)

If you would like to attend one of the **Christmas Eve or Christmas Day services**, registration for these will begin on Wednesday morning, December 16th. As I mentioned at Church this morning, I hope that people will choose one service in order to allow others the opportunity to attend.

We are still limited to 50 people in Church, but we will be sending the Zoom link out for the services in advance. There will be very limited space on Christmas Eve at 4:00 pm, because of the need to get our helpers on the list, so I am hoping that we do not disappoint too many people. Again, in-person registration is required and begins on Wednesday through the Parish website: www.allsaintswestboro.com

A reminder that tomorrow (Monday, December 14th) Bishop Shane Parker will ordain, God willing, **the Reverend Adam Brown** as a priest at 7:00 pm in Church of the Ascension, Ottawa. Amber protocols will be strictly observed, and attendance is by invitation only.

The service will be livestreamed via www.ottawa.anglican.ca. Please continue to keep Adam in prayer as he prepares for this important time in his journey.

Today's Prayer:

God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son: give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

So be careful out there in the next day or so drive carefully, walk carefully, play carefully, and pray constantly.

Chris