

Update from All Saints' **Email to the Parish from The Venerable Christopher Dunn** **19 August 2021**

This will be my final “Thursday—This Week at All Saints’ ” email for a while. I will be on vacation starting on Monday and back at the beginning of October. You will receive emails from Helen in the office, with worship links, and we will be continuing to post videos to the Facebook page though.

In this week's **Summer Sunday School Video**, Julie tells the story of Wangari Maathai who is a Biologist and Nobel Prize winner. The story shares the importance of planting trees: the seeds of hope for the future. You will find the video on our Parish Facebook page using this link: www.facebook.com/allsaintswestboro/videos/4405565059519784

Here is the link to the latest edition of **Bread for the Saints**: <https://www.allsaintswestboro.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Bread-for-the-Saints-August-22-2021-for-website.pdf> (which you can also find on our website. This issue normally has the Thanksgiving Offering Envelope with it when it is mailed out. If you are only receiving it by email you can pick up the special Thanksgiving envelope at the back of the Church at any of the services. This issue has a great deal of information about our plan for the **Village Fair** in a hybrid model—check it out!

If you are going to join us on Sunday morning for **in-person worship**, please register by tomorrow at 12:00 noon using this link: www.allsaintswestboro.com/register-for-sunday-service/

Next week, Julie and Helen will offer the **final two Morning Prayer gatherings** over Zoom. You can join them, and thank them for all their help with this over the past two months, on Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00 am. If you don't have the link and wish to join, please contact Helen at office@allsaintswestboro.com.

We are having a great response to Barbara's project, entitled "**Postcards from Covidland.**" This is a request for photos of what you've been doing during the last year and a half. Pictures are coming in under the following categories: Celebrations; Working from Home; Travel; Restrictions; Achievements; Reflection; Family; Recreation; Other. This is the last call for photos. Send a selection and Barbara will print a few (the bulletin board is filling up!) The plan is to have the display completed by September 2nd. Send your contributions to Barb at: office@allsaintswestboro.com

The **Diocese of Ottawa Collaborative Book Study** will be on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm starting September 22nd. It will run for six weeks and will use Barbara Brown Taylor's, *An Altar in the World*. If you are interested in obtaining a copy of the book, please let Helen know by emailing her at office@allsaintswestboro.com. You will receive the Zoom link in September when it has been sent to us.

A prayer for today:

God of heaven and earth, you reveal your wisdom to the childlike; may we learn from your Son humility of heart, so that we find refreshment and rest even as we shoulder the cross of Christ; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Take care of yourselves,

Chris