

Update from All Saints' Email to the Parish 26 August 2021

Hi Everyone,

It's Helen, writing on Chris's behalf. We wanted to make sure that you are kept up-to-date even as Chris and Blanche take a long-awaited and well-earned vacation.

In this week's **Summer Sunday School Video**, Steve Sibbald joins Julie to tell the wonderful story, Grandad's Prayers of the Earth; Seeing God in all the things around us. You will find the video on our Parish Facebook page using this link: <https://www.facebook.com/allsaintswestboro/videos/370443984785387/>

There is still plenty of space available for our service on Sunday (August 29th)—Bishop John Chapman will be leading the services in Chris's absence. 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/

Julie and I led our last Morning Prayer this morning, and we would like to thank everyone who joined us over the past few months and added so much joy and enthusiasm to these sessions.

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 me know. You can email me at office@allsaintswestboro.com. I will be placing the order on **September 10th**, which should give us all time to start reading. You will receive the Zoom link in September when it has been sent to us.

Tomorrow, we will remember Monnica, a woman of fourth-century North Africa and the mother of Augustine of Hippo.

So, in honour of Monnica, a prayer for today:

O God, who heard the prayers and gathered up the loving tears of Monnica for the conversion of her child Augustine, deepen our devotion, we pray, and help us to work in accordance with your will, that we may bring others, even our own kindred, to the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Stay safe, stay well, and stay cool!

Helen