

Update from All Saints' **Email to the Parish from The Venerable Christopher Dunn** **7 August 2021**

Well, the Olympics are about to come to a close. I am not sure whether you have been following the action, but there have been some very interesting moments for Canadians.

In this week's **Summer Sunday School Video** segment, Julie and Ayla share the Australian Aboriginal Story entitled, "How the World Was Lit Up By a Bonfire"—an explanation of how the sun came to be in the sky. You will find the video on our Parish Facebook page at this link: www.facebook.com/allsaintswestboro/videos/362401228598206

Tomorrow (August 8th), we gather to celebrate the **Eucharist on the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**. Patricia Bays will be preaching tomorrow; and if you are not joining us for in-person worship at 9:30 am, we invite you to join us over Zoom. I have created one Sunday morning Zoom link for tomorrow and the future Sunday services for this year so you can mark this in your electronic calendars if you like. The Zoom link for Sunday Worship, at 9:30 am, is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83689498396> (Meeting ID: 836 8949 8396)

We are looking for a **volunteer who is interested in assisting Mark** with the Zoom Worship services on Sunday mornings and learning about the technological side of our production. Please let me know by email if this is something that you can help out with.

We will provide **Drive-by Communion** tomorrow (August 8th), at 10:50 am, at the Madison avenue parking lot door.

Finally, as we begin to plan for a full return to parish community activities, Barbara Robertson, our Hospitality Coordinator, would like to update the large bulletin board in the upper hall. Her idea is to design a display which would give a Welcome Back message to everyone when we assemble for coffee hour up in Steacy Hall sometime in the near future.

Titled ***Postcards From Covidland***, this board will be a place to celebrate the many ingenious and life-giving activities you have engaged in during the time of isolation. We invite you to send in photos of you and your hobbies, your family observing restricted gatherings, worship experiences et cetera. From recent months, send photos which will show the gradual return to normal activities to office@allsaintswestboro.com.

A prayer for today:

God of the nations, all are invited to your table, for in your family no one is a stranger. Satisfy our hunger and mercifully extend to all people the joy of salvation and faith. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

Hope you are getting some quality time off.

Take Care

Chris