

Update from All Saints'
Email to the Parish from The Venerable Christopher Dunn
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I'm back! After a great time driving around England (1,600 miles worth of driving) and lots of photographs, I have returned to try and get some rest.

Today, we welcomed **the Reverend Chung Yan Lam** as the new Associate Incumbent of the Parish. She has been moving things into her office today and holding some planning meetings with me and with others. She will, of course, be looking forward to meeting each of you over the weekend or in the near future. Please, pull out your old name tags and help her to learn names as we go along.

On Saturday, we will hold the **Spring Fair and Gran Aid Plant Sale** in the Courtyard of the Church. It looks like the lovely (but somewhat warm) weather is going to continue into the weekend. The event takes place from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Come along and help out or shop for Plants in support of Gran Aid, for Children's Toys and for Books in support of relief efforts in Ukraine, and for other items like crafts, preserves, and baking that will be available. It should be a fun day; so please join us.

On Sunday we will celebrate the **Fifth Sunday of Easter** with our services at 8:00 and 9:30 am. I will be preaching this week and Chung Yan will be the Celebrant at both services. The **training of our new Servers** will continue this Sunday in the Chapel during the 9:30 service. You will then have an opportunity to meet Chung Yan at the Coffee Hour following the service in Steacy Hall.

I am now changing back to a once a week email pattern. You will find Sunday Bulletin at: <https://www.allsaintswestboro.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/15-May-2022-Easter-5.pdf>, and, as always, the Zoom link 9:30 service is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83689498396>

I will of course post a **video of Sunday's service** on our Parish Facebook page on Sunday afternoon, but I do not plan to send out an email about that. So, just "Like" our Facebook page, or check our Parish website (<https://www.allsaintswestboro.com/socialconnections-during-covid>) and you will find the video.

On Wednesday, we have our **mid-week Eucharist** in the Church at 10:30 am.

On Thursday, Linda Privitera is leading the series **Reflections on Resurrection in Scripture, Poetry and Art** at 7:00 pm. You can join in the program on Zoom using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89081353119>.

Finally, starting this Sunday and continuing until Sunday, June 5th, we are participating in the Anglican Day Programs **Spring Toiletries Drive**. They are in need of personal care items like socks, underwear, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors, and toilet paper. All of this supports the men and women of the Well, St. Luke's Table, and Centre 454. The basket will be at the back of the Church for these donations.

So, a prayer for this week as the Church celebrates the life and ministry of **Florence Nightingale**, whose grave I found in St. Paul's Cathedral in London last Saturday:

Life-giving God, you alone have power over life and death, over health and sickness. Give power, wisdom, and gentleness to those who follow the lead of Florence Nightingale, that they, bearing with them your presence, may not only heal but bless, and shine as lanterns of hope in the darkest hours of pain and fear. Amen

I am certainly hoping to see you on the weekend.

Take care and be well,

Chris