

# The Vine June 2021 St. Helen's Anglican Church 1234 Prestone Drive, Orleans, Ontario K1E 3X6 st.helen@on.aibn.com sthelens.ca Office: 613-824-2010

Parish Clergy: The Rev. Canon Peter Lackey & The Ven. Susan Churchill-Lackey

Photo: Showy Lady Slipper Orchids, Purdon Conservation Area Lanark Highlands (Mississippi Valley Conservation) Peak bloom period:mid June-mid July Enjoy a stroll along the boardwalk of a rare fen wetland and see Canada's largest colony of Showy Lady's Slipper orchids.

Worship Online: sthelens.ca until further notice

Sunday, June 6 Second Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, June 13 Third Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, June 20 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, marking the National Indigenous Day of Prayer and Father's Day Sunday, June 27 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost with Prayers for Canada

**Thank You** Thanks to all of our Readers for their participation in worship. A summer schedule for Readers will be available later this month. Our appreciation is extended to Derek and *Emmaus* and Emily and the choir for their music ministry and to Derek for his production of our services. Thanks also to lan for managing our website and YouTube platforms.

Chair of Worship: The Venerable Susan Churchill-Lackey

## Discipleship

**Youth Ministry** On-line and socially distanced activities. Congratulations to the young adults who are graduating from High School. God bless you in the new adventures ahead!

A new Quiet Garden Devotional for Summer coming soon.

Bible Study Links to virtual study groups in the Deanery of Ottawa East available from Peter+

Chair of Discipleship: Jeff McRae

## Stewardship

**Finances** Thank you to those who have continued to give to the church financially. If you have not done so since Covid 19 began, we encourage you to respond, so that the church will be there for us all when this is 'over'! To pick up your 2021 church envelopes please call the church office (613-824-2010) or send an e-mail to st.helen@on.aibn.com and we will make arrangements for you to collect them.

Please consider PAR(Pre-Authorized Remittance) as a tool to support your church financially. Call the church office (613-824-2010) or send an e-mail to st.helen@on.aibn.com

Other Options: Use the Canada Helps button on our website.

**Legacy Giving** Setting up your Will or making changes to it? Read the Legacy Giving section of Stewardship on our website.

**Lawn and Property Care** Thank you to those hard at work cutting grass and in the Quiet Garden.

Chair of Stewardship: Colin Taylor

#### Outreach

Today for Tomorrow Please see the announcement at the end of this edition of The Vine

**Outreach Collection:** Personal care items for Community Ministries: We have a collection box at the servery door at the **back** of the church to receive these items. Thank you to Lorna and Sharon for making muffins at the church for The Well's breakfast programme. (Please note we are not yet accepting muffins made at home.) and to Arch for the delivery of the Outreach collection and muffins.

Chairs of Outreach: Carol Danson & Sharon Tremaine

# Community

Shape of Parish Ministry consultation (SPMC) A Diocesan-wide consultation in 3 stages (April 2021-October 2022) exploring the shape of parish ministry now and in the future. Check the Diocesan website at ottawa.anglican.ca. St. Helen's 'team' includes the clergy, Jeff McRae, Peter Humphries, Felicia Kwamena and Kathy Pearce. An opportunity to participate is extended to all parishioners. Please find more information on our website.

#### St. Helen's Virtual Fine Art Fair

**St. Helen's Virtual Art Fair** closed on May 24 and by all accounts was a success! Eighteen artists submitted 137 works of art, of which 23 were sold, earning \$1,481 in entry fees and sales for St. Helen's and contributing \$2,615 to the local artistic community.

A number of artists were very supportive of St. Helen's by reducing their normal gallery prices or increasing the commission on their sales. One artist even offered to continue selling any of her art that was not sold on the Art Fair website and donate the commission amount to the church.

The names and contact information of the artists will remain on the website so if you were interested in continuing support for the local artistic community, they would welcome your visit.

In addition to the link on the St. Helen's website and a few advertisements in the February Crosstalk, a small ad in the print and digital versions of the Ottawa Citizen in early May, a lot of the traffic to the Art Fair was driven by our Facebook posts. From the beginning of January, there were 54 posts promoting the Art Fair that garnered over 7,000 Facebook "reaches" and over 900 "engagements" with 56% of the activity occurring before noon.

The Art Fair could not have happened without a number of volunteers: Jill McKinlay for improving a lot of the messaging text, and the crew who managed the art delivery and pickup on May 28 & 29:

The two biggest thank-yous, however, go to Karma Creative Solutions who donated the web space for the virtual fair and especially to Brianna Glenn who volunteered her time from Karma Creative Solutions to create and maintain the art fair website.

Brian Glenn Art Fair Committee <a href="mailto:sthelensartfair@gmail.com">sthelensartfair@gmail.com</a> www.sthelensartfair.ca www.facebook.com/sthelensartfair

**Quiet Garden Memorial Stones** The latest order for Memorial stones has been placed. The blessing of new stones in the Quiet Garden will take place when Covid restrictions allow.

### **Pastoral Care Ministries**

**Visits** If you would like a virtual visit simply e-mail the church to request one and we will spend time 'together apart'!

**Pastoral Care Team** The work of the Team continues, primarily through telephone calls. Thanks to John Leech for hosting our monthly zoom meetings.

The **Prayer Chain** is prepared to offer intercessions on behalf of others for God's blessing upon any number of concerns, needs or issues. Please e-mail the church office at <a href="mailto:st.helen@on.aibn.com">st.helen@on.aibn.com</a> or Maggie Lorimer, for pastoral care or prayer support, <a href="mailto:mlorimer@rogers.com">mlorimer@rogers.com</a>

**Covid 19 Update:** Please continue to follow all public health guidelines. If you are eligible to receive a vaccination please endeavour to get an appointment.

**Safe Church: Screening in Faith** We are updating our files concerning Police checks for volunteers and staff working with the vulnerable sector. Please respond to our request to you to update your report promptly.

Chair of Community: Lorna Ponting



## @ Delivering Hope In Our Communities

**TODAY 4 TOMORROW (T4T)** raises funds to help the community ministries serve vulnerable people. An increasing number don't have access to the basic things all of us deserve for human dignity.

The most at-risk people in our communities, such as those struggling with poverty, first peoples, young people and refugees. are facing challenges compounded by COVID-19, and their lives have become even more precarious.

To learn more about Today 4 Tomorrow and the ministries it supports, and to make a donation online, please visit www.today4tomorrow.ca

Cheques are payable to Today 4 Tomorrow and sent to Today 4 Tomorrow,
71 Bronson Ave., Ottawa, Ontario K1R 6G6.

Thank you!