

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Readings For Next Sunday:

- * First Reading, Isaiah 55:10-13 * Psalm 65:1-13
- * Second Reading, Romans 8:1-11 * Gospel, Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 *



"Thank You" from Father Shawn

Dear parishioners of St John's, North Vancouver.

By the time you read this, I will (God-Willing) have been Ordained to the Sacred Order of Priests in the Holy Church of God. I have been preparing for this, in many ways, for quite some time and I wish to formally acknowledge the role that all of you, the members of this parish, have played in my formation and development. I appreciate the opportunity to get to learn a bit about the ministries of this parish, and about each of you.

As I transition from being "Deacon Shawn" to "Father Shawn," I want to thank all of you for your support over the last few months. I name in particular the Church Wardens, Alison and Kathryn, the members of Parish Council, Donna our Parish Admin, Galina, Christie, and the Music Ministry Team, Hazel and Jill, the Altar Guild, and all of you who contribute in so many ways--space prevents me from just listing the parish roll! A special thanks to the Reverend Georgina Harris, for our close working relationship and for embodying the best of what team-based ministry can be, and to the Venerable Kevin Hunt, for his mentorship and guidance toward the priesthood. Finally, I thank my parents, family, et mon épouse--avec qui tout est possible.

Peace and all good,
Father Shawn

Clergy Update

We would like to update you on our clergy at St. John's. As you are aware Reverend Patrick continues to hold the position of Rector in our parish and this is not changing. As he remains on long-term disability leave, Archbishop John has appointed the Reverend Dr. Shawn Bullock to stay at St. John's following his ordination. Shawn moved from Deacon-in-charge and Curate to full-time Priest-in-charge and Curate effective July 1, 2026. This appointment provides the parish with continuity and stability during Patrick's long-term leave.

Alison & Kathryn
Church Wardens

Summer Programs Schedule - Many of our programs take breaks over the summer, while others continue on. Here is a summary:

* **Coffee Hour Service** - Sundays
Continues through the summer
Volunteers needed - bakers, servers, cleaners

* **Chair Yoga with Andrea** - Fridays 10am
Continues through the summer
Drop-in, by donation, all levels welcome

Prayer Shawl Ministry -2nd & 4th Tuesday
On hiatus through July and August

Soup & Buns & Conversation- 1st Wednesday
On hiatus June through September

Choir Practice - Thursdays
On hiatus through July and August

Greeters & Welcome Table - Sundays
On hiatus through July and August

In Memorium - Chris Gilbert - It is with great sadness we announce the death of our dear sister in Christ, Rosina "Chris" Gilbert, just six months short of her 100th birthday. Chris was a long time member of St. John's and a dear friend to everyone in the community. Chris died peacefully in her sleep on Friday June 26, 2026.

Information on a memorial service has not been released.

May Chris rest in peace and rise in glory.

Jean's Box Outreach - Jean's Box collects items all year long for **North Shore Crisis Services** and the **Lookout Shelter**. Needs include seasonal clothing, toiletries, treats and more. Leave your donation in Jean's Box, at the back of the church near the main doors.

Hospitality & Fellowship Donations -

The H&F team raises money throughout the year to support St. John's Church and our outreach programs. At the June 20th H&F Meeting, it was decided to donate \$500.00 to each of the following worthy, local charities:

- ❖ **PADS - Pacific Assistance Dogs**
- ❖ **Alongside Hope** (formerly PWRDF)
- ❖ **The Mission to Seafarers Vancouver**
- ❖ **North Shore Stroke Recovery**

If you have any questions about these groups, feel free to reach out to Donna in the office, or any member of the Hospitality and Fellowship Team.

Office Closure Alert - Please note Donna will be taking a few vacation days in July, and the church office will be closed Thursday July 23 through Saturday July 25. Thank you for your patience.

Quote of the Week

Here is this week's quote that provides food for thought or inspiration, or, better yet, both.

"I am Canadian, a free Canadian, free to speak without fear, free to worship God in my own way, free to stand for what I think right, free to oppose what I believe wrong, free to choose those who govern my country. This heritage of freedom I pledge to uphold for myself and all (humankind)."

*—The Right Honourable John Diefenbaker
13th Prime Minister of Canada (1957-63)*

This week we celebrate Canada, a cultural mosaic of Indigenous and Immigrants and their descendents. What do these words say to your soul?

Help Needed - Coffee Hour Volunteers!

The summer is here and many of our regular coffee hour volunteers are vacationing. Can you help? We need folks (any gender will do!) to set up, make coffee, bring treats, serve, and clean up. No one does it alone, and many hands make light work. Talk to Alison if you have any questions.

The Coming Week At St. John's

Sunday, July 5 * *Coffee, Tea and Fellowship - Today (Lounge) After the service*

Monday, July 6 * *Church Office is Open 9am-12pm*

Tuesday, July 7 * *Church Office is Open 9am-12pm * Alanon Meeting (Lounge) 7pm - 9pm **

Wednesday, July 8 * *Church Office is Open 9am-12pm * Never Alone Meeting (Lounge) 6:30 - 8pm **

Thursday, July 9 * *Church Office is Open 12pm-3pm * AA Meeting (Lounge) 7pm- 9pm **

Friday, July 10 * *Church Office is Closed * Chair Yoga with Andrea (Lounge) 10am **

Saturday, July 11 * *Church Office is Open 9am-12pm **



On June 24, powerful back-to-back earthquakes shook Venezuela, with magnitudes beyond what has been seen in more than a century. The devastation has been extensive, with at least 589 people killed and nearly 3,000 injured, according to Al Jazeera. More than 50,000 people are missing, with many trapped under heavy concrete and collapsed buildings.

Alongside Hope is joining the Humanitarian Coalition (HC) appeal, running until July 13, 2026. The HC comprises 12 leading Canadian aid agencies including the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, of which Alongside Hope is a member.

The Foodgrains Bank response will focus on providing food relief. Venezuela was already facing economic hardship and struggling with the rising price of food. Nearly 8 million people were in need of humanitarian support. With this tragedy, millions more will be at greater risk of hunger. Alongside Hope is also looking at responses with other partners.





Support the Humanitarian Coalition Venezuela Earthquake Response by scanning the QR code above, or go to alongsidehope.org/give-today. You can also donate by calling at 1-866-308-7973 or mail a cheque to Alongside Hope, 80 Hayden Street, 3rd Floor, Toronto, ON, Canada, M4Y 3G2. Please indicate "Venezuela" in the memo field.




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