



# The Good Newsletter

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The Parishes of Kemptville, Merrickville and Oxford

**Easter 2018**

*Christ Church, Burritt's Rapids; St. Andrew's, Garretton; St. James, Kemptville,  
Holy Trinity, Merrickville; St. Peter's, North Augusta; St. Anne's, Oxford Station.*

## **Alleluia! Christ is risen. The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

"Risen." Being raised to new life. It is perhaps how we feel as we move out of winter into spring. The sun is higher in the sky, bringing warmth and light. The dead time is over, as flowers rise from the earth. We look forward with hope to the liveliness of the summer months.

Holy Week, culminating in Easter, is a celebration of being raised up. The scriptures offer us the wonderful image of Jesus being raised – he does not do it on his own. *"He is not here; for he has been raised...go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead'",* the angel tells the women at the tomb (*Matthew 28:6,7*). Jesus is raised by his Father from death to new life, an act of a loving parent and creator. And this being raised to new life is offered to us. The risen life is not something we accomplish – it is a gift from our Creator.

It is also a gift that we are called to offer to those around us. As the Church – the Body of Christ – we can raise people up, breathing life into our world, just as the Spirit of God breathed life into Creation. I am thankful for the life that we bring to our members, and to our communities – in the sacrament of holy communion, as we study in small groups, visit the sick and lonely, feeding many at our community meals, and as we send financial support to PWRDF. Ours is an Easter community – all our churches together.

I thank you too – for your continued support and participation in Jesus' ministry. Ministry is always a 'team' effort. Christ could not do it alone, neither can we. Thank you for sharing your life with us.

As we begin Holy Week on Palm Sunday, March 25, re-enacting Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, I hope that you will join us. Join us as we celebrate God's great gift to you. Come share with us the risen life in Jesus Christ.

I particularly encourage you to join us on Easter Sunday as we gather as one Region, one church, to welcome Archbishop Fred Hiltz, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada and our own bishop, Michael Oulton.

I look forward to seeing you.

May our Lord bless you, and those whom you love, with the new life in Christ,

In His Love,

Andrew<sup>+</sup>



Archbishop Fred Hiltz  
Primate of the Anglican Church of  
Canada

### Can we trust the interpretation of the New Testament?

Recently I was challenged to look into a variation in the interpretation of *“But this kind does not come out except by prayer and fasting”* Matthew 17:21. Some translations do not have the word “fasting” included in their interpretation. The ancient manuscripts (5000 +), of which the oldest are written within decades of Jesus’ resurrection by eye witnesses, have some minor variances. When a textual variant arises, interpreters look at these 5000+ manuscripts with different lenses, discerning which manuscripts to take as authoritative. These variants however, are estimated to make up less than 1% of all of the New Testament.

What is so beautiful in the midst of this scientific, linguistic, and interpretive work is that we see one consistent message shining through. Jesus Christ died on the cross to pay for our sins and rose to glory! Over and over and over we see the consistent message “He is Risen!” As Thomas Arnold, former chair of Modern History at Oxford University famously said: *“I know of no one fact in the history of mankind which is proved by better and fuller evidence of every sort, to the understanding of a fair inquirer, than the great sign which God [has] given us that Christ died and rose again from the dead.”*

Yes, we can trust the interpretation of the New Testament and more importantly we can trust that Jesus died on the cross taking all of our sin upon himself to set us free from punishment. We can trust the Father’s love for us (John 3:16) HE IS RISEN!

May God bless us as we hear the sacred words of scripture this Holy Week in preparation for the great celebration of Jesus’ Victory.

Robert †



FOR  
**God** so loved THE  
 world that He Gave  
 HIS one & ONLY Son,  
 THAT whoever believes in HIM  
 shall NOT perish but have  
 ETERNAL life.  
 John 3:16

## Holy Week and Easter Services



*Come Worship With Us!*

### March 25 Palm Sunday

### Tuesday March 27

Clergy Day - St. George's Cathedral

### Wednesday March 28

10:00 am Eucharist, St. James

### Thursday March 29 Maundy Thursday

7:00pm – St. James - Washing of feet  
7:30pm – Holy Trinity - Washing of Hands  
Silent Prayer Vigil, 8:30pm to Midnight

### Friday March 30 Good Friday

8:00am – Merrickville - *Walk of the Cross*  
St. Ann's Catholic Church  
10:00am – *Walk of the Cross*, starting at the  
Christian Reformed Church  
10:30am – North Augusta - *Walk of the Cross* –  
at St. Theresa's Catholic Church  
11:00am – Holy Trinity  
*Celebration of the Lord's Passion*  
2:00pm – St. James – *The Lord's Passion*, with hot  
cross buns to follow

### Saturday March 31 Easter Vigil

St. Peter's, North Augusta, 6:30 pm

### Sunday April 1 Easter Day

8:00am – St. James, Kemptville, Eucharist  
10:30am – Holy Trinity, Merrickville

## NORMAL SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

8:00 am – St. James, Kemptville  
10:30 am – St. James, Kemptville

9:00 am – Christ Church, Burritt's Rapids  
10:30 am – Holy Trinity, Merrickville

### Parish of Oxford 9:00 am

1 & 3 Sunday - St. Anne's, Oxford Station  
2 & 4 Sunday - St. Andrew's, Garretton  
5th - St. Peter's North Augusta

Mid-week service 10:00 am - St. James, Kemptville



## UPCOMING EVENTS

March 25 – **Parish brunch**, Kemptville Legion, after the 10:30 service

April 1 – Regional Service and visit of Archbishop Fred Hiltz, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada

May 5 – Annual Yard Sale at Holy Trinity Church, Merrickville

May 6 – St. Andrew's, Garretton. **6th annual paddle day** and BBQ. Leisurely paddle on creek 10-2, BBQ 12-2.

May 30 - Marriage Canon Presentation. North Grenville Community Library, 7 - 9pm. Rev. Dr.'s David Smith and Barbara Robinson presenting. Open to all Anglicans.

June 24 – Regional service, St. James, 10:30 in Thanksgiving and support of Rev. Canon Jennifer

July 17 – **Annual Lock Service** at Burritt's Rapids lock. Regional Service.

August 26th - Regional service 10:30am - North Augusta, Potluck lunch to follow.

Sept 9 – St. Andrew's, Garretton. **Memorial service**. Service is at 2pm. No morning service this day.



It's time to start planning for

### Holy Trinity's Annual Yard Sale Fundraiser Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>

And it's more than a simple Yard Sale – **it's a Bake Sale and BBQ, too.**

Start rummaging through your home for items to donate to the sale. It's a great way to clear the clutter. Tell your friends and family members about the upcoming sale and encourage them to donate items for sale.

Volunteer Roundup will be starting April 1<sup>st</sup>. It's a wonderful opportunity to donate your time, talents and enthusiasm for this year's event. Watch for the sign-up sheets at the back of the church or contact Marilyn Stanton, this year's coordinator at 613.269.2150 or email [Stanton@diversia.ca](mailto:Stanton@diversia.ca)



St. Andrew's Anglican Church,  
Garretton

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## BBQ and Paddle

May 6, 2018  
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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St. Andrew's Anglican Church in Garretton is hosting the sixth Annual Paddle and BBQ fundraiser on Sunday, May 6, 2018 between 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Located in the beautiful country setting on County Rd 18 east of North Augusta at the edge of Limerick Forest, this little church has a big smile for all who come through its doors.

Enjoy exploring the south branch of Kemptville Creek, part of the Rideau River watershed, across the road from the church. The BBQ will be held on the Church grounds.



All are welcome!

BBQ from 11:30am – 1:30 pm

Fundraising through food sales.

Morning Paddle 10am- noon,

Afternoon Paddle noon – 2pm

**BYOB (bring your own boat)**

Event information

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## CURSILLO CORNER

### What is Cursillo?

Cursillo is a Spanish word meaning "little" or "short" course; the intent of Cursillo is to develop leadership and community which will in turn build up the parish church. The initial Cursillo experience is a short course in Christian living, presented over a three-day, live-in weekend. The format for the weekend includes a series of talks given by lay people and clergy on the fundamentals of the Christian life, as well as discussion, worship and fellowship.

Those who have taken part in a weekend are strongly encouraged to continue their journey by gathering with the wider community ([Ultreyas](#) or "Prayer and Praise" gatherings), meeting in small groups ([group reunion](#)) and engaging in spiritual direction..

### Upcoming Cursillo events

Praise & Prayer (Ultreyas)

March 18 – Holy Trinity, 7:00pm

April 15 – St. James, 7:00pm

May 20 – Holy Trinity, 7:00pm

June 17 – St. James, 7:00pm

If you have any questions please contact Dan Callaghan (258-2641) or David Piercey (269-2907)

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If you want to know who God is, look at Jesus. If you want to know what it means to be human, look at Jesus. If you want to know what love is, look at Jesus. If you want to know what grief is, look at Jesus. And go on looking until you're not just a spectator, but you're actually part of the drama which has him as the central character.

— N. T. Wright —