



# St. Augustine's

*A Church Family in the Heart of the City*

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## Coming Up Next Week December 10 , 2017

### **Sunday (December 10)**

4:00PM Lessons and Carols Service – see notice on reverse

### **Monday (December 11)**

6:00PM Middle School Youth Group

### **Tuesday (December 12)**

7:00PM Parish Council meet and James and Judith's home

### **Wednesday (December 13)**

1:30PM Prayer Quads meet

5:45PM Handbell Practice

6:30PM Sr. High Youth Group – see notice on reverse

7:00PM Home Groups meet

### **Thursday (December 14)**

9:30AM Holy Eucharist

6:30PM Praisemakers Junior Choir

7:30PM Senior Choir

### **Saturday (December 16)**

8:00AM Men's Group meet for breakfast and fellowship

5:00PM Holy Eucharist

### **Sunday (December 17)**

8:00AM Holy Eucharist (Traditional)

10:00AM Holy Eucharist (Family) – Christmas Play

See over

A service of **Lessons and Carols** will be held today, **Dec. 10th at 4 p.m.** There will be lots of carol singing, the Sr. Choir, handbells, organ, brass and more. Please join us to hear the story of Christmas in word and song.

**Christmas Hamper Sunday** Next Sunday will be our Christmas Play and we are asking everyone to please participate by bringing a non perishable food items for those within our church family needing support this Christmas. Canned soup, canned meats, and snacks are appreciated. Also, we will be providing them with gift cards to purchase the items they most need at this time of year. These gift cards will replace the “stars and bells” for gifts. Gift cards can be dropped off in the labelled boxes in the Narthex or in the church office. Cards can be from stores such as Canadian Tire, Shoppers, Walmart, London Drugs, etc. All denominations of gift cards are welcome. All food donations and gift cards need to be in to the church by December 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Stewardship 2018** Please return your “Stewardship 2018” response card at your earliest convenience. Only through the return of the card can your Finance Committee prepare a well thought out budget for our programs and expenses for 2018.

**Cornish Pasties** - The Friendship Group have Cornish Pasties available for purchase. The price is \$20.00 per dozen or \$10.00 per half dozen. The pasties are packaged individually on plates of 6 and baking instructions are included. Please call Margot to purchase.

**Give A Goat** Your gift of \$30 turns families into goat farmers. PWRDF and Global Affairs Canada provides \$80 matching funds for goats! If you wish to add this to your offering, make cheque out to St. Augustine’s, marked ‘Goat’. Give a Goat donations need to be in by December 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Buck a Duck** – only on Sunday December 17<sup>th</sup>. During coffee hour after the Christmas pageant, you have the opportunity to get your ‘ducks in a row’ by contributing to “Buck a Duck”, another PWRDF project matched by Global Affairs Canada. \$30 provides 15 ducks to an aspiring duck farmer. Cheques can be made out to St. Augustine’s, marked ‘Ducks’.

**Could You Help Out?** A parishioner from Extencicare (115 Fairmont Boulevard South) has expressed an interest in attending the Sunday 10:00 service at St. Augustine’s. She uses a walker, but can get in and out of cars easily. If you are able to give her a ride to and from church, please give Sylvia Besplug a call at 403 320 0102.

**Sr. High Youth Group: Christmas Party and Life Size Clue Game !** Meet at the Hammond’s house 1317-4 Ave. So. at 6:30pm. Pick up from same location no later than 9pm.

**LIGHT UP OUR CHURCH:** We are lighting up our church again to share the joy of Advent and Christmas. You are invited to participate by donating \$45.00 for a full string or \$25.00 for a half string. You may do this by cash, cheque (earmarked “lights”) or by debit also marked for “lights” Thanks for your support.

**Clergy Christmas Gift Envelopes** there are envelopes for these gifts available in the church entrance. Please feel free to pick one up if you wish to give a Christmas gift to the clergy. They may be placed in offering plate or brought into the church office.

**Christmas play rehearsal updates** are now on the website under “children’s ministries”.

**Mail!** Please check your mailboxes for the Warden’s Christmas letter and newsletter. If you do not have a mailbox please check the box beside the mailboxes for your mail.

**Christmas Events and Services**

**Service of Lessons and Carols - today**

Sunday Dec. 10 – 4:00pm

**Christmas Play** 10:00am Sunday Dec. 17

**Saturday Service** – 5:00PM Last Saturday service until Jan. 6

**Sunday Dec. 24** – 7:00pm Family Holy

Communion service (candlelight)

11:00pm Late Night Holy

Communion service (candlelight)

**Monday Dec. 25** – 11:00am

Christmas Day Communion

(Children are invited to bring a favourite toy)

**\*Please note that as December 24 is a Sunday, there will be no Sunday morning services that day.**