

Our dear friends in Christ,

St Aidan's, under the leadership of Canon Kevin, has found new and creative ways to stay connected during this time while public worship has been temporarily suspended in the interest of public safety.

We hope that you can join us for the video streaming worship on Sundays. These services will be livestreamed on Facebook, and later uploaded to the Parish's YouTube channel, <u>http://youtube.com/staidanslondon</u>. Kevin is also offering Morning Prayer via Zoom on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:30 am. To join the Zoom sessions, please email Kevin at <u>justkevingeorge@gmail.com</u> and he will send you an invite to join. The Lenten book study is also being conducted via Zoom. Both morning and evening sessions will resume on Wednesday, Mar 25, 2020.

Plans are underway to have a phone tree to reach out to individuals in our parish. By the time you are reading this, you will have likely heard from the Pastoral Team. Let this be a great reminder that we can all do our part to reach out via phone, text, email, or virtual coffee by FaceTime or Facebook Messenger, etc., to those we cannot get out to see.

As a church, we rely on the generosity of our congregation. If you are able, we encourage you to continue giving during this time. We understand that some will be unable to make an offering at this time due to reduce income. Please be assure of the prayers and support of your parish as you navigate the days and weeks ahead. For those who can continue with your financial commitment, there are several ways to make your offering:

- 1. You can begin Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG). About 50% of our offering is received this way. To those already on PAG, thank you! At times like this, we realize how important PAG is. For those not yet on PAG, please prayerfully consider this as a way to make your offering to St Aidan's by completing one of the attached forms (withdraw from either your bank account or credit card). You can drop it off to the church mail box, or scan and email as an attachment to <u>office@staidans.net</u>. If you prefer, we can also arrange to pick it up from you (from a safe distance, of course).
- 2. For those who continue to use offering envelopes, you can drop off your offering to the church's mailbox located to the left of the church main entrance. Alternately, you can leave it at the church office's mailbox at 1242 Oxford St W.
- 3. You can e-transfer your offering to office@staidans.net
- 4. We will be happy to have someone pick up your offering. Please contact the church office to make arrangement.
- 5. You can mail your offering (cheque only). Please check the post office to see if there are any changes in their services. This will be the most unreliable options.

Celina Ho, our Parish Administrator, will be keeping usual office hours. However, please understand that she cannot accept visitors during this time. You can continue to contact her by phone or email, and she will continue to receive all mail.

We are a praying community. Please be assured our prayers. Do not hesitate to be in touch with us if you need anything or have any questions.

Warm Blessings,

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