

The Beacon



*“It is through the way of the Cross that Jesus gives glory to God, receives glory from God, and makes God’s glory known to us. The glory of the Resurrection can never be separated from the glory of the Cross. The risen Lord always shows us his wounds.” **Henri J.M. Nouwen***

My Dear Friends in Christ,

We have done this before. We have walked the way of the Cross. We have heard the words, Hosanna in the Highest! ... Father, take this cup from me ... my God, my God, why have you forsaken ... it is finished ... He has risen!

Holy Week started on April 2nd with Palm Sunday. This upcoming week is a roller coaster of emotions. Joy, excitement, sadness, heartbreak, pain, and joy again. Lent is always an amazing journey that starts with us remembering our mortality with ashes on our foreheads, peeking at the Resurrection, and us celebrating our Eternal Life because of Christ.

The highs and lows of this story are all about our redemption. Easter ensures us that when we die, God will give us new life, even if we have made some rather poor choices throughout our life. God's mercy and grace will always endure. Even when the shadows of darkness settle around us, the sun will always rise, and the dawn will always break, and God will be waiting for us. It is no accident that we, as Christians, celebrate the Resurrection after a long, cold winter. It is no accident that we celebrate it just as spring arrives, bursting at the seams with new life and new beginnings, for that is what Resurrection brings. New life, new hope, new beginnings.

Holy week is a time for us to celebrate the Death and Resurrection of our Lord and Saviour. It is a time to be rejuvenated in Jesus. It is a time to once again experience God's grace and love.

I do pray that you will be able to join us this holy week. However, if you can not make it and wish to make Easter Communion at home, don't hesitate to get in touch with Rev. Jody at 905-414-4860.

Wishing all of you a very Blessed Easter

Jody+





Holy Week

Palm Sunday, April 2nd, 2023
8:30 a.m and 10:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday, April 6th
7:00 p.m.

Good Friday April 7th
11:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday, April 9th
8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt!

Everyone Welcome! Bring your kids, your grandkids,
neighbour's kids.

A vibrant Easter-themed poster for a family fun egg hunt. The background is white with a collage of colorful Easter eggs (blue, yellow, pink, green, and striped), a pink bunny, and green grass with white daisies and blue butterflies. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical layout. At the top, it says 'Easter Egg Hunt!' followed by a welcoming message. The main event title 'EASTER SUNDAY' is in large, bold, dark green letters, with 'JOIN US' above it. Below that, the date 'APRIL 9TH, 2023' is in yellow on a dark green background. The event details 'FAMILY FUN EASTER EGG HUNT AT ST. JAMES & ST. BRENDAN' are in white on a light blue background. The location and time 'THIS EVENT WILL BE HELD INSIDE ST. JAMES & ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE 10:30 AM SERVICE' are in black. The invitation 'CHILDREN OF ALL AGES ARE INVITED TO THE HUNT AND HAVE PHOTOS WITH THE EASTER BUNNY. REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED FOR ALL IN ATTENDANCE AND OF COURSE CHOCOLATE EGGS!' is in black. The final invitation 'JOIN US FOR OUR CELEBRATORY EASTER WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE CHURCH AT 10:30' is in black. A small watermark 'Made with PosterMyWall.com' is at the bottom left.

JOIN US

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 9TH, 2023

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JOIN US FOR OUR CELEBRATORY EASTER WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE CHURCH AT 10:30

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Wednesday, April 19th 2023

7:00 p.m.

Guild Hall

Everyone is welcome.



Thank you to Leslie Kennedy for coordinating this year's Lenten lunches again. Thank you to everyone who helped her, whether it be with making of the soups, the desserts, driving or serving.

Once again, it was a great success.

Thank you to everyone!!!!



*The Parish Retreat has been re-schedule to the fall.
It will now be the **Thursday, October 19th, Friday,
October 20th and Saturday, October 21st.**
Please Mark these dates on your Calendar today.
We have space for 15 people.*



Saturday, April 8th, 2023

Chris Summerhayes will be having his 1st Anniversary
Art Show in the Guild Hall.

The show is from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

St. J & B Friday Morning Coffee Group will be
hosting the refreshments.

All proceeds to go to support the Church's Building Fund
for the Guild Hall.

Come explore and enjoy some art, all the while relaxing
and having some Hot Cross Buns, coffee and tea.

Church Chuckle



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(See John 20:1-18)

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I WANT YOU TO FOLD UP MY BURIAL CLOTHES,
WAIT FOR MARY, AND REMEMBER THAT THIS IS
SERIOUS ... NO HIDING AND YELLING "BOO"



Job Title: Landscape Maintenance Job Posting

Position: May 23 – August 25, 2023

30 hours weekly, Monday to Friday

\$16.25 an hour for 14 weeks

Job Description: The successful candidate will provide for the maintenance and upkeep of

Mariners Park and the church gardens, located in downtown Port Colborne.

Primary Responsibilities

- care for the daily upkeep of the public outdoor space of the parish
- demonstrate the ability to work independently.
- provide a welcoming space for the community by demonstrating the ability to interact with the public.
- maintenance tasks of planting, weeding, and watering of flower beds; lawns, trees and bushes as required daily cleaning of park benches and general daily maintenance.
- assist with special events held throughout the summer.
- adhere to all Health & Safety regulations and reporting.

- Other general maintenance duties as required.

Qualifications

- Be between the ages of 15-30 years of age.
- Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred
- adhere to the qualifications set by the Canada Summer Jobs program.
- past experience in planting and upkeep of gardens, an asset
- Provision of a vulnerable sector police check
- St. James & St. Brendan values diversity and is an equal opportunity employer committed to employment equity.

We invite all qualified candidates to send a resume and cover letter to anglicanoffice@gmail.com by May 5th, 2023.



Sunday, April 9th, Community Easter Egg in the Church
after the 10:30 a.m. Service

Sunday, April 23rd, there will be one service only at 9:30
am. Special Guest for the weekend

The Most Reverend Colin Johnson

Assistant Bishop

Who would like to invite Parishioners into a 45-minute
Q&A after during coffee time.

Saturday, June 24th, Berries and Bubbly

Saturday, July 15th, Garden Tour, and Ice Cream Social

Friday, August 18th, 2nd Annual Golf Tournament

Sunday, September 3rd, Rector's BBQ

Friday, October 13th, Oktoberfest Dinner and Dance

October 19th to October 21st, Parish Retreat

Saturday, November 25th, Christmas House Tour

Volunteers Needed for Church Tours

Starting at the end of April, on Fridays from the hours of 9:00 am to 12:00 p.m., while the market is open, we would like the church to be open to the public. We want to give people the opportunity to come in, pray or look around. We are looking for people to be the host of these Friday mornings. Please call the office if you are interested.



The Knitting/Crocheting group will meet on Tuesday, April 25th, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. in the Narthex. Everyone is welcome!

If you are unable to attend service, nor do you not have internet, please listen to the Gospel and the Sermon on your Phone.



New Corporation for 2023

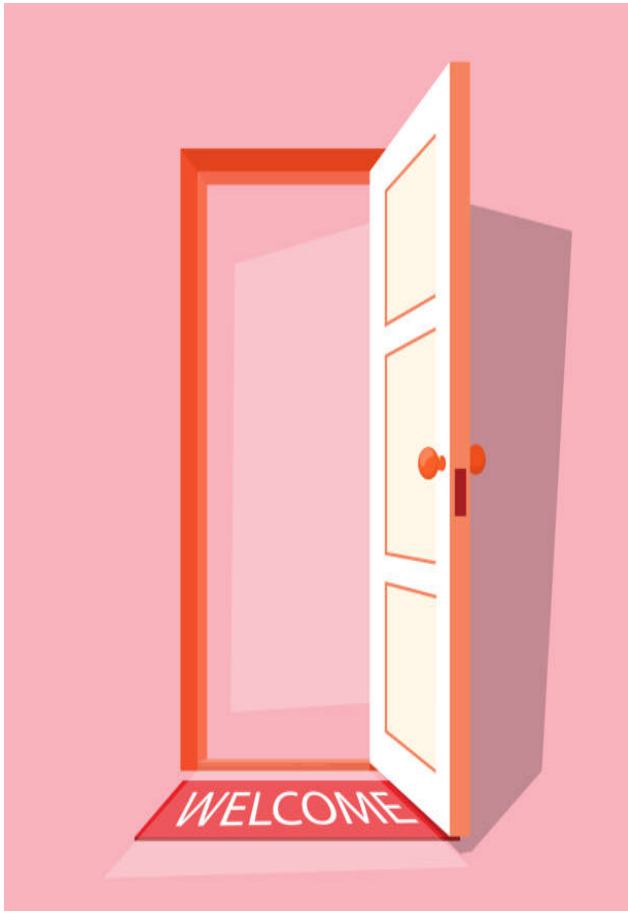
Rector	Jody Balint
Rector's Warden	John Hogan
Deputy Rector's Warden	Brian Abbott
People's Warden	Kathy Kairies
Deputy People's Warden	Jennifer Main
Treasurer	Leslie Kennedy

Parish Council for 2023, is made up of the Corporation members and the following people

2 Lay Synod Delegate	Robynn Bliss
	Pat Davis
Alternative Lay Synod Delegate	Jim Wilkins
Stewardship	Norbert Gieger
Member at Large	Vicky Sesto
Property Manager	Tim Kennedy
M.A.P. Representative	Wendy Saunders
Rector's Appointee M.A. L.	Tami Zacharias

If you ever have any questions in regard to going on within the parish, please feel free to speak with anyone on either Corporation or Parish Council, and please remember I am always available to chat. In person, on the phone or via email.

My Door is always open.





Jody will be away from Monday, April 10th, until
Tuesday, April 18th, inclusively.

Returning on Wednesday, April 19th.

Sunday, April 16th, while she is away, we will be having
Morning Prayer at both Services.

If you have Pastoral Emergencies, please call the
Rev. Jim Powell at 905-354-2809

Everyone is Welcome to All Our Services

Tuesday Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m.

Thursday Morning Healing Eucharist

10:00 a.m.

Bible Study

Every Thursday Morning

10:30 a.m.

Sunday Eucharist

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

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Third Sunday of the Month

The next Service is on April 16th.

6:30 p.m. with a Pizza Hour in the Guild Hall

Praise and Worship Service

Fourth Sunday of every month.

The next Service is on April 23rd.

4:00 p.m.

At the Pub with God

Fourth Sunday of every month after the Praise and Worship

Service at the Belmont.

5:15 p.m.

Service for Peace

Next Service is Wednesday, April 26th.

12:15 p.m.

God Answers Prayers (G.A.P.)

Third Wednesday of every month

April 19th, 10:00 a.m., in the Narthex

Places to Find Us:

<https://www.portcolborneanglican.org/>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/St-JB-Anglican-Church-Port-Colborne-112931226929130>

YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/StJamesandStBrendanAnglicanChurch>



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If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact anyone on the Corporation.

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Warden: John Hogan

Warden: Kathy Kairies

Deputy Warden: Brian Abbott

Deputy Warden: Jennifer Main

Vision Statement:

To Live as Christ Lived, Loving Everyone!

Mission Statement:

To invite, welcome, educate and support people into the community of St. James and St. Brendan and into the Life of Christ.

