

NOTICES

Goulbourn Male Chorus

Presents

"Snack, Cider and Song"

Sunday, December 18 at 4:00 pm

Holy Spirit Parish

1489 Shea Road, Stittsville

Strings & Cantabile

Sunday, November 27, 2011 at 7:30

Featuring our own Gloria Jean Nagy

St. Matthias' Anglican Church

555 Parkdale, Ottawa

SCOTCH SUPPER

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Carleton Place

Wednesday, November 30, 2011

Home cooked turkey dinner with entertainment by

Memory Lane

CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

Carleton Place Town Singers

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Carleton Place

Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 pm

With flexibility comes a greater choice of options.

Christmas Pageant Practices

The Sunday School students will practice their roles in the Christmas Pageant during the Sunday School time. Pageant, which will also include adults, will take place December 18, 2011 during the worship service.

A luncheon hosted by the youth and children will follow.



Christmas Program

Connections

NEWS!!

We are hoping to have a newsletter out to the congregation for December 5th. If there are any groups that would like to put something in the newsletter please make sure it gets to Beth Ronaghan by this evening. It's a great way to inform the whole congregation of all the wonderful things in which we are involved.

Confidence lets us stand strong
and face every challenge.



Annual Operation Come Home Project Make this your opportunity to help!

Zip lock bags to fill are available now and can be picked up at the back of the Sanctuary until the end of November..These must be returned no later than Dec 4th in order to get them to the Operation Come Home group in plenty of time.

Each donation should include a pair of work socks, mittens, toothbrush, tube of toothpaste, package of throat lozenges, small package of Kleenex, and a package of lifesavers. Almost everything can be bought at the Dollar Store

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY

The **Advent Bible Study** will begin Sunday November 27th at 6:45 P.M. and go for three weeks. It should be finished weekly by 8:00 P.M. A good time is anticipated as we look at a few of the traditions of the Advent and Christmas seasons, then relate them to our worship. The ultimate goal is to make our worship more meaningful. Tea, and coffee will be served.

Looking beyond boundaries opens up limitless possibilities.

With Christmas fast approaching, there are two new books added to the Library

The Christmas Candle, Max Lucado

When a mysterious angel suddenly appears in a lowly candlemaker's shop, the holy and the human collide in a way that only God could imagine. Glowing bright with a timeless message, *The Christmas Candle* will warm your heart with a surprising reminder of God's bountiful love. *The Christmas Candle* explores the mystery of faith and the wonder of love. It is a reminder that when hope and forgiveness meet, miracles are always possible.

The Perfect Christmas Gift (GiGi, God's little princess), Sheila Walsh

As Christmas Day nears, Gigi is just bursting with anticipation. This is the time for gift giving, and every princess needs a crown. When her parents give her a hint about her big gift – white with a touch of pink, she is certain her coronation is near.

After what seems like years, during which Gigi practices her royal acceptance speech, Christmas morning finally arrives. Will Gigi unwrap the tiara of her dreams.

Little girls everywhere will appreciate Gigi's anticipation and the excitement of Christmas morning. This delightful tale is a reminder of that very first Christmas, when the very best gift came in a small, tender package.....



If you wish to have the names of a friend or loved one on our Christmas tree, please fill out the envelope that will be provided in the church bulletins for the month of December and place it on the collection plate. It can be in memory of someone that is no longer with you or, in honour of someone living. An ornament with the person's name attached to it will be hung on the tree. The Christmas Eve bulletin will include a list of the names that are on our Christmas tree.



The Session has decided that this year the donations for the memory tree will go to support a local mission right in our neighbourhood.

The young people who attend the Frederick Banting Alternative School across the street and their families often find themselves in a tight spot financially, especially at Christmas time. The Vice-Principal of that school, Debra Buffett-Riddell said that they would really appreciate gift cards for either the grocery store or Walmart, allowing the families who are less fortunate to have a good Christmas dinner and/or buy some Christmas gifts.

This year the donations for the ornaments on our Memory Tree will be used to buy these gift cards and Debra will join us for worship on December 18th so that we can present the cards to her, and she can tell us a bit about her work and the lives of the young people at the Alternative School.

Thank you for your support as we remember and celebrate those close to us, and as our light shines out into the community. You might also like to know that Doug has begun to serve the Frederick Banting Alternative School as a volunteer pastoral care worker working with them an hour or so each week.

