

UPCOMING EVENTS

Hiking Group November 12, 9:30 am – 11:00 am



Join us as we further explore the beautiful nature trails in our community while reflecting on timely Social Justice issues. We will meet at the parking lot at Riverbluffs Park, 251 George St N, Cambridge. Along the way we will experience the Pollinators Preserve, a beautiful lookout over the river, and explore along Devils Creek Corridor.

This is an easy out and back hike. Bring your family and friends, dress for the weather and enjoy the wonder of Gods creation while enjoying the company and conversation with fellow hikers. If you prefer to car pool, we will meet in the church parking lot, off Westminster, and leave at 9:15 am sharp.

Euchre Evening

November 5, 2022 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm



Join us for a fun filled Euchre evening in the church hall. A great time for socializing, a little competition, prizes, refreshments and a 50/50 raffle for added excitement.

Doors open at 6:00 pm, play begins at 6:30 pm sharp wrapping up at 8:30 pm. Cost is \$10 payable with cash at the door and includes a light lunch and refreshments. Proceeds will go to upcoming speakers and events.

Register by calling the Parish office at 519-653-6123. Hope to see you there! Proceeds will go to support the Social Justice events

COME JOIN OUR COMMITTEE



We would love to have you. We meet monthly typically on the third Tuesday of the month from 7:00 – 8:30 pm. Your involvement can be whatever time is available for you. Your presence and ideas are truly welcome. Come see what we are all about! For more information, contact the Parish Office at 519-653-6123, or Marie Adam at marieadam123@yahoo.ca or via phone or

text at 519-503-7312

PAST EVENTS

Together We Learn. Together We Heal



Our Guest Speakers, Clarence Cachagee of Crow Shield Lodge, Local Indigenous helper, visionary, author and Sarah Guinta, Justice & Peace, Hamilton Diocese shared stories, past and present, taught us lessons as we were guided by the Holy Spirit on the journey toward reconciliation and healing.

It was a memorable and meaningful evening!

Synodal Information and Dialogue Session



This online event was held to help us learn what the Synod process was all about and how we can have our voices heard at this very critical time in our Church.

Visit the Diocese website <https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod> to see the local results.

Bake Sale & Café Fundraiser

The Bake Sale in September was a great success. It was wonderful to see such enthusiasm and support from Parishioners. There were bakers, volunteers and of course purchasers. We are grateful for each and every one!



Proceeds will be going to the Children and Family program and future speakers and events as we continue to educate and learn on our journey to a more just society.

Sunrise Ceremony to celebrate National Day for Truth & Reconciliation



What a beautiful morning it was for our Sunrise Ceremony.

The beating of the drum, the heart-warming song, and the wise words from Laini our Indigenous Elder made the welcoming of this significant day, so very meaningful.

Let us take this light as our Holy Father has requested and bring new light into the world.

RESOURCES

Our current focus is on Truth and Reconciliation. Here are a few to get started. We have many and will refresh these monthly.

BOOKS:

Seven Fallen Feathers (2017) (<https://www.ttalaga.ca/seven-fallen-feathers>) Over the span of eleven years, seven Indigenous high school students died in Thunder Bay, Ontario. They were hundreds of kilometres away from their families, forced to leave home because there was no adequate high school on their reserves. Read the stories by award winning author Tanya Talaga.

The Right to be Cold, Sheila Watt Cloutier. One woman's story of protecting her culture, the arctic and the whole planet (2016)

Dances with Dependency, Calvin Helin (2008) Recommended by our very own Father Ed Hinsperger

From the Ashes, Jesse Thistle, (2019) In this inspiring debut memoir, Jesse Thistle, once a high school dropout and now a rising Indigenous scholar, chronicles his life on the streets and how he overcame trauma and addiction to discover the truth about who he is.

Richard Wagamese: Richard has many wonderful books worth reading. A well-known Indigenous writer in Canada, Wagamese won several awards including the Canada Council for the Arts Molson Prize (2013) and the Writers' Trust of Canada's Matt Cohen Award (2015). His works speak about the historical and contemporary socio-economic issues affecting Indigenous communities in Canada. They also bring attention to issues regarding Indigenous identity, culture and truth and reconciliation. A beloved writer, Wagamese's works have inspired many Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples and writers alike.

FILMS:

Senator Murray Sinclair on Reconciliation: (2.55 min)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wjx2zDvyzsU> A short but meaningful look at the importance of getting started.

Doctrine of Discovery: Stolen Lands Strong Hearts Can be downloaded to view off line at
<https://www.anglican.ca/primate/tfc/dri/doctrineofdiscovery/>

[We Were Children \(2012\), access through link, Amazon Prime](#)

ACTIVITIES:

Visit the Woodland Cultural Centre and Museum in Brantford. (Former site of the Mohawk Residential School run by the Anglican church) Due to current renovations tours are being offered via Zoom.
<https://woodlandculturalcentre.ca/>

OTHER:

Pope Francis address to young people and elders (July 29, 2022) during his historic visit to Canada
<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/speeches/2022/july/documents/20220729-giovani-anziani-igaluit.html>

Dr Cindy Blackstock and the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society and her untiring efforts on behalf of Indigenous children in Canada Also find out more about Spirit Bear
<https://fncaringsociety.com>
<https://ashokacanada.org/fellow/cindy-blackstock/>

United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP)
<https://www.un.org/development/desa/indigenouspeoples/declaration-on-the-rights-of-indigenous-peoples.html#:~:text=The%20United%20Nations%20Declaration%20on,%2C%20Bangladesh%2C%20Bhutan%2C%20Burundi%2C>

Lectures in Catholic Experience, St Jerome's University: Upcoming Seminars: <https://www.sju.ca/LCE>

Development and Peace (Caritas Canada. <https://www.devp.org/en/>)

Visit their website for further information. They are a democratic movement for international solidarity that supports partners in the Global South in pursuit of alternatives to unjust social, political, economic and environmental structures. They educate Canadians about the causes of the impoverishment of peoples and to mobilize them to act for change.

Watch their website for the wonderful program they present "The Reel Justice Film Festival" Their new schedule should be out soon.

Hamilton Diocese:

- A Pastoral Letter to Young People: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fRmOgT_W2ZY
- Synodal Results: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod/#about>