

# CORNERSTONE

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**St Paul's**  
ANGLICAN CHURCH



“A growing community called to know Jesus Christ and make him known in the world by our presence.”

## Sunday Services

8:00 a.m. – Holy Communion Said service

9:15 a.m. – Traditional/Choral Holy Communion. Kids are invited to join the God Squad for children’s worship, crafts and games. Nursery care also available.

11:00 a.m. – Praise Music Holy Communion. Kids are invited to join the God Squad for children’s worship, crafts and games. Nursery care also available.

## Other Services

10:00 a.m Wednesday – Bible Study and Eucharist

2:00 p.m. Thursday – “Seniors’ Afternoon Out” Service and Social

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## A message from Father John

### Easter is the answer

Just recently I had a call from an individual who wanted me to do a funeral service for their mother. This is a normal occurrence at St. Paul's, both Craig and I are asked to do funerals for people who are not members of our parish community. We consider this a great opportunity to help people in the midst of life's difficult moments. We try to offer our own personal support as well as an opportunity to connect with our parish community. Quite often we bring a member of our Pastoral Care team to the funeral and introduce them to the family. In addition we inform the family that memorial prayers will be said for the deceased in the church around 40 days and on the year anniversary of the funeral. They are welcome to attend but the prayers are offered as a comfort to them.

The lady asked me if I would not be too religious and wondered if we really needed to read scripture? In the end, I believe the family was blessed by the service

and the message I offered.

The comments came from a perspective I was not able to truly understand. In addition, I am well aware that many people attend funerals, weddings and baptism out of a sense of obligation and not because of the faith. For many, religion is about rules and moral principles. In other words, they are convinced that the rules and regulations of religion are what we are about. Somehow we are going to judge them. They believe that judgement and condemnation are at the heart of our faith.

I know that the only real message I can offer at a funeral is the truth and meaning of Easter. Easter changes everything. God's Love is so powerful that our greatest fears and weaknesses are transformed by it. He offers that love for free. This is our message and our hope.

I wish you all a blessed Easter,



## From the desk of Father Craig

### Rejoice!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in faith,

We are soon to hear the resounding, Christ is Risen! **The Lord is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

Let us prepare for the joy of Easter encourage by the words of St. John Chrysostom: "Enter all of you, therefore, into the joy of our Lord; both the first, and last. Let rich and poor rejoice together; both the faithful and the negligent - celebrate this day!"

Part of this Paschal mystery is that Christ "trampled down death by death," (I Corinthians 15:26) "O Death, where is thy sting? O Hades, where is thy victory? (I Cor 15:55) Christ is risen, and you are overthrown! Christ is risen, and the angels rejoice! Christ is risen, and not one dead remains in a tomb! For Christ, being raised from the dead, is become the First-born from the dead."... "Rejoice!"

We live in a time, like so many others, when we are taught by the world to find fault with one another. We are taught and sometimes even encouraged to let anger replace hope, bitterness replace love. Even if the pain that we experience in this world causes us to be separated from those around us, this separation will not have the final word. We are made whole and made one in Christ Jesus.

All that separates us, all that causes pain or suffering, finds its end in the resurrection.

May the Risen Lord, who calls all to unity, make us worthy to witness to that joyous day when our parish, our county, and our world, sanctified by the use of our gifts, may be a beacon of salvation to all.

In the name of Christ Jesus our risen Lord,

*Fr. Craig*

# Special services during Lent and Holy Week

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Thursdays, February 12 to March 18 at 10:00 a.m.

## MAUNDY THURSDAY

Thursday, March 24

Service: 7:30 p.m.

Easter Vigil: begins at 9:00 p.m.

## GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, March 25

Service: 10:00 a.m.

## EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, March 27

Sunrise Service: 6:30 a.m.

Eucharist: 8:00 a.m.

Eucharist: 9:15 a.m.

Eucharist: 11:00 a.m.



## God Squad news

Easter party, March 27, 2016

A decorative border of colorful jelly beans (blue, pink, green, yellow, purple) surrounding the text. The text is centered and reads:

**It's an Easter Party in Rutter Hall  
Sunday March 27, at 9:15 & 11am**

There's an Easter Egg Hunt for ages 4 to 6 years  
&  
A Scavenger Hunt for ages 7 to 12 years

If you are between 4 & 12 years  
Come and join in the fun.

A small illustration of a cross with a sun rising behind it. The cross is brown and has a yellow sun with rays behind it. The sun is partially obscured by the cross.

## St. Paul's 2016 Lenten Initiative

### SchoolBOX Nicaragua Mission Trip, July 2016

#### HOLA, NICARAGUA!

As a parish we often choose a ministry/outreach project to bless during Lent.

This year our focus is SchoolBOX, whose purpose is to simply to "MAKE EDUCATION POSSIBLE." This amazing ministry began in St. Paul's Almonte. Over the past 10 years, SchoolBOX has built over 49 schools. This ministry provides on-going support for 15,496 students, and school supplies for teachers. 20 schools are involved in their Soccer Dreams program. Tools 4 Schools, Supplies 4 Success, Soccer Dreams and Books 4 Kids round out the full SchoolBOX Program list. They've set up 15 mini-libraries with teacher training, and have hosted 350 international volunteers.

In July 2016, five members of St. Paul's (Cathleen Reid, Janet Tonks, Marsha Fisher, Ray & Lorna Brule) will be travelling with SchoolBOX on a Mission Trip to Masaya, Nicaragua. Our travel partners will be 4 members of St. Thomas' Stittsville, who have made 3 previous trips.

As volunteers, we will be doing some physical labour, ie: assisting in the build. But, even more importantly,

we will be there to encourage their children to attend and stay in school.

The Mirna Martinez School is the school we will be finishing in July. This school will have 3 classrooms, 75 Students and 3 Teachers. To build this School will cost \$74,200 CDN.

**St. Paul's Goal towards this cost is \$28,000 CDN.**

How can you help?

Special envelopes will be available at the Welcome Desk for your donations. Or, please put a cheque (payable to St. Paul's, please) with SchoolBOX indicated in the memo line on the collection plate.

We are all very excited about this Mission Trip and look forward to coming home with lots of stories to share. As with all trips, your on-going prayer support is essential and appreciated.

Please know how very thankful we are for the support of our Community.

*Lorna Brule and the Nicaragua Mission Trip Team*

"I am humbly reminded of the thousands of people who have made the SchoolBOX dream possible. By working together, we have done far more for the kids than we could have ever imagined."

**-Tom Affleck, Founder**



# Nicaragua mission trip update

by Marsh Fisher

To my Brothers and Sisters in Christ, I greet you on behalf of the five member Mission Team from St. Paul's, with Thanksgiving and Praise to God for your presence and support of our SchoolBOX Mission Trip. I would like to share our excitement and plans, as I bring you up-to-date on the developments of our trip planned for July 21st to August 1, 2016.

For the benefit of those who are unfamiliar with SchoolBOX, I would like to give you a very introduction. SchoolBOX is a registered Nicaraguan and Canadian Charity that is all about providing the message of education to children; building up their communities; and establishing friendships that stretch across borders. The SchoolBOX mission of "Making Education Possible" for all children in Nicaragua and the world, has been made possible with the aid of SchoolBOX personnel working in conjunction with teachers, community leaders, the Nicaraguan Education System, and the Government in the purchase of land. SchoolBOX provides simple, cost-effective programs to help remove the barriers that prevent children from getting a basic education in Nicaragua.

As founder Tom Affleck, from Almonte, Ontario, discovered, many children were unable to go to school as they did not have a pencil or paper. Those fortunate enough to attend school often dropped out by Grade 5. Tom shared his vision with concerned people in the community and at home, and a Dream materialized. Since 2011, over 49 classrooms have been erected in new schools under the skill and direction of an Engineer, and a Construction Manager, with drivers, Volunteer Coordinators and Guides, who have come together as countrymen to make a difference. Nicaragua has hosted over 350 international volunteers, many of whom have returned to continue their support on other mission trips. The existing schools with over 15,500 students and teachers, have not been forgotten - they are being supported annually with much needed school supplies. These schools are roughly set up in very poor conditions with few facilities, often without walls or a proper roof.

SchoolBOX has four simple, cost effective programs to empower children to go to school and stay in school: Tools 4 Schools, Supplies 4 Success, Soccer Dreams, and Books 4 Kids. Twenty schools are involved in the Soccer Dreams program, and fifteen mini libraries with teacher training has been inaugurated. The Dream of SchoolBOX is being realized, and is truly alive! The community is united in love for the children they serve and the belief that education can defeat poverty. Nicaragua is the second poorest nation in the Hemisphere, with 60% of the population living on less than \$2 a day (2003). SchoolBOX is comprised of thousands of people from different faiths and socioeconomic backgrounds. They empower educators and students, and they in turn empower their communities and change our world - "There is no greater service than to empower a child to reach their true potential".

The focus of our mission trip is as a work team member, to assist at the completion of a school building. As we are arriving when this School project is nearly complete, we are sure to be tasked with the less strenuous but long process of painting, among other jobs at the worksite. As we embark on this adventure journey to Nicaragua, we are told that this beautiful country is home to incredibly kind, generous and friendly people. We are to familiarize ourselves with some Nicaraguan facts, history and customs. Learning simple Spanish phrases will help us gain confidence and aid in our relations and conversations during our stay. We have received reading material to prepare us for the experience of a culture shock, advising us of proper building site attire, information on customs and gestures, we have been given a suggested packing list that will address dressing for the climate, and some health and safety issues that we are to be aware of.

Probably the most important part of the volunteer experience is getting to know the kids. Playing with them is a great way to encourage them to stay in school to achieve their dreams. As volunteers, there are select items that can enhance our relationships with the children. We are encouraged to bring if we wish: a sport item (soccer ball / skipping

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rope), art supplies (paper and markers), magic tricks or an instrument in accordance with our own gifts or hobbies to share with the kids we meet. I am in the process of researching and collecting together items that can be easily constructed to make simple musical instruments. I would love to take my love of music and song over to these welcoming people. The children enjoy games of hide and seek, playing with a trompo (a toy like a top with a string), skipping ropes or a hopscotch-type game called rayuela. Many children play checkers and marbles, and popular sports include soccer, baseball, basketball and volleyball.

Our St. Paul's team have signed all necessary documentation, purchased Airline tickets, arranged the necessary Medical, Trip, and Baggage Insurance and we are in the process of setting up our Appointment with the "trip Doctor" to receive the necessary vaccinations. We await our volunteer group Itinerary advising us of our daily agenda while we are there. We are getting ready to playfully look into those gift items that we can take with us that will be allowed within the Airline baggage limits. Soon it will be time to get out the backpack, dust it off, pull out the Summer clothing, find that spring sale of skipping ropes....but first we will put our collective heads together to creatively discuss further fund-raising ideas. Our last fundraiser at The Glen in Stittsville was lots of fun and we raised over \$1,200 for the combined Team of St. Thomas, in Stittsville, and St. Paul's. Together we will be a mighty group of nine, desiring with all our heart, that our Service will be rendered in God's Way. We will be around, so please do not hesitate to approach any one of the team if you have any questions, or suggestions. God Bless you All.

*Your Team: Lorna Brule, Ray Brule, Cathleen Kidd, Janet Tonks, Marsha Fisher*

## IRIS mission trip info

by Laurie-Ann Copple

When & Where?

AFRICA June, July & August 2016

Who? Laurie-Ann & Tony Copple.

Mission Presentation by Laurie-Ann  
**Coffee & Dessert Evening - FUNdraiser**  
 7 - 9:30 pm, 8 April 2016

"Compelled By Love" Heidi Baker  
**Movie Night, Friday 29 April at 7:30 pm**

Compelled by Love (2014) is a powerful, inspiring and definitive portrait of Heidi Baker, a modern day Mother Teresa, whose ministry is based in over 30 nations around the world. Shot on the run over a period of 20 years, in 10 countries and on 4 continents in war zones, brothels, bushes, and Ivy League campuses, from Hollywood to Mozambique, this film transcends all political, religious and social barriers.

Follow Rolland and Heidi Baker's journey into the world's darkest and most desperate places, as their pursuit of the presence of God has transformed a nation through love in action. The film chronicles the power of one life fully yielded to God and the truth that love wins.

Your prayers are always appreciated!

Laurie-Ann can be contacted at:

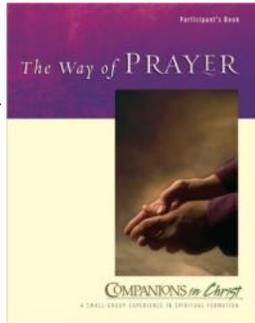
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## “Way of Prayer” course Beginning April 8

This 11-week course offers the opportunity to expand your vision of the nature and practice of prayer in its various forms through individual reading and exercises and weekly group meetings



Group meetings will be held at St. Stephen's Anglican Church, 930 Watson St., Ottawa ON (parking lot address 2821 St. Stephen's St., Ottawa ON)

Fridays 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

April 8 to May 6 and September 23 to October 28, 2016

Led by Roy and Eleanor Baumgart

Participants will be required to purchase the book “The Way of Prayer”

For more information or to register: call 613-828-2472 or email [office@ststephensottawa.org](mailto:office@ststephensottawa.org)

## Cursillo upcoming events “Experience Christ” April 16

“Experience Christ 2016” workshop, Saturday, April 16, 2016, 8:30am to 5:00 pm at St. Stephen's, 930 Watson St. A day dedicated to experiencing Christ and listening to the Spirit using different methods, such as art, music, scripture, prayer, movement and stillness. This event is open to everyone, whether you have attended a Cursillo weekend before or not.

Registration will be online through Eventbrite and will open in March 2016. We look forward to seeing many of you there!

*Ultreya!*



## Women's Retreat May 5, 2016

On Thursday, May 5, we will be holding a Guided Silent Retreat for Women at Bethesda Renewal Centre, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

We can accommodate a maximum of 10 people. Cost is \$15.00. Lunch will be provided.

If you would like to experience a quiet day away to pray, meditate, walk, read, or just soak, please consider joining us.

For more information, please speak to Lorna Brûlé, 836-1001 or Maureen Anderson, 862-6816. Register with Lorna in the office.



## Christian books wanted! Drop off on April 3, 2016

Please bring used CHRISTIAN BOOKS on Sunday April 3, for delivery to Love Ottawa on Monday, April 4. Bring them to the Boardroom, and leave them on the Boardroom table. Please DO NOT bring them before the 3<sup>rd</sup> - we really don't have storage room.

**Note:** No CD's, No Video's - BOOKS only.

All left over books will be picked up by Christian Salvage Mission - an amazing ministry that ships Christian printed materials where needed.

Where are the books going? Don't miss the sale!

### Love Ottawa Book Sale

The hours will be 9 - 5 on Friday Apr. 15 and 9 - 1 on Saturday Apr. 16. Our board room at the One Way Ministries offices (89 Auriga Dr. near The Met) will be full of used Christian books. (Last year we had 3000.) Hardcover will sell for \$2 and softcovers for \$1.

# Preparing my heart for Easter

by Ray Brûlé

Lent 2016, for me, has been different than those I remember from the past years.

Maybe it is my age that has caused me to pause and ponder this earthly journey and my future.

Maybe it is the loss of friends my age, especially Rick Marples, that has me questioning my own heart and with that, my relationship with ‘The One’ who has saved me.

Maybe it is watching my child nurture and love her children, and being aware of the speed with which that this past year has disappeared.

Maybe it is the “mission trip” to Maniwaki and watching God do miracles in a small town in Quebec.

Maybe it is the prayer, call and preparing for a new mission trip to another small town, but this time in Nicaragua.

Maybe it is...

I know without a doubt that God does not want me so tied up in “religion” that I neglect “relation” – relationship with Him.

Twenty years ago this month, I attended a Cursillo weekend where the bible verse chosen was Galation 3:28b “for you are all one in union with Christ Jesus.” The name of my small group was “One with Christ.”

If this was a prophetic word on my life, and hence a call to a greater relationship with God, then it stands to reason that this relationship needs to grow yet stronger, not become stale or worse – stagnant.

The Ash Wednesday service reminded me that “Lent is a time to prepare for this celebration and to renew our life in the paschal mystery... to observe a holy Lent by... reading and meditating on the word of God.” I am blessed to have discovered a 40 day devotional that I can use on my phone. This article includes ‘Day 22’ of that journey.

It is my hope and prayer that, this Lent, you allow God to unblock the channel that is between your mind (logic, law) and your heart (faith, grace) to freely accept the gift He offers through His Son. I pray that you accept Jesus as your savior and join our group to become “One with Christ.”

## From our Book of Alternative Services:

*The minister addresses the congregation, saying,*

Dear friends in Christ,

every year at the time of the Christian Passover we celebrate our redemption through the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Lent is a time to prepare for this celebration and to renew our life in the paschal mystery.

We begin this holy season by remembering our need for repentance, and for the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

*If ashes are used, the following may be said:*

We begin our journey to Easter with the sign of ashes, an ancient sign, speaking of the frailty and uncertainty of human life, and marking the penitence of the community as a whole.

*The celebrant continues,*

I invite you therefore, in the name of the Lord to observe a holy Lent by self-examination, penitence, prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, and by reading and meditating on the word of God.

## Preparing Our Hearts for Easter: A Lenten Devotional (40 Days)

What is Lent? It is a time in which we anticipate the victory of the light and life of Christ over the darkness of sin and death.

As we journey from Ash Wednesday to Easter, we are reminded of the reality of our frailty and God’s redeeming grace.

### "Day 22: The Waters"

In these verses, the Holy One of Israel is crying out through Isaiah, pleading with his people on the eve of destruction to return to the true fountain of life. It is an emphatic call to come without barrier to the eternal spring of living waters. Verses 2 and 3 make clear that this water is the word of God. The invitation is to drink deeply: to receive the word, reason with it, delight in it, to listen to it like they had never listened

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before. “Listen diligently” (v. 2) is literally, “Listen-listen!” a call for undivided and sustained attention. Ultimately, this word is meant to save them (v. 3), transform them (v. 7), and make them a blessing to the entire world (v. 5). They are being called into communion with their compassionate God (v. 7). But they refuse to hear him (6:9).

Lent is a time for us to admit the same tendencies displayed by Isaiah’s audience. For reasons conscious and less conscious, we are prone to neglect God’s word, and ultimately, God himself. Given enough time apart from the Scriptures, a kind of spiritual amnesia sets in, where we forget the taste that is sweeter than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb (Psalm 19:10). Lent is an invitation to see Christ as the woman at the well came to see him – as the pure, limitless satisfaction for our thirsty souls. It is our invitation to return to that well and drink deeply. Whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will

become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life (John 4:14).

### Prayer

Gracious Lord, in compassion you call us. By your mercy, open our ears to hear your voice, and hearing you, to return. Remove the scales from our eyes and unveil for us the wonders of your word. Your glories are revealed there. Be our delight. Be our satisfaction. Awaken in us a new sense of expectancy, as those who put their trust in you will never be put to shame. Glorious LORD, we are yours. In Christ’s Name, Amen.

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## St. Paul’s Got Talent! Saturday, May 28, 2016

### SATURDAY MAY 28, 2016 @ 7:00 PM FIRST OFFICIAL FUNDRAISER FOR OUR ORGAN FUND

The community of St. Paul’s is blessed with many, many talented people. We recognize that Sunday morning services do not always provide opportunities for many to share their gifts.

In order to showcase the aptitudes of these parishioners, we are going to host a Talent Event! We are looking for a lot of people to participate on Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in what will be our first official fundraiser for our new organ. There will be no admission charge, but a *Free Will Offering* will be taken.

The program for the evening will be divided into two sections. We will be celebrating our everyday lives in the first half (secular) and celebrating our worshipping community (sacred) in the second half.

We are looking for both the “performing” arts as well as the “visual” arts to take part in our evening. So in

addition to singers, dancers or instrumentalists, we are looking for dramatic monologues, readings or short comedic sketches. We would also like artists, quilters to display their crafts and even photographers to put together digital montages on a single subject or theme to be shared that evening.

If you have a flair or skill, we are interested in giving you an opportunity to share that talent. Please talk with Ann Faurbo, Maureen Anderson or Michael Turnbull or email [afaurbo@rogers.com](mailto:afaurbo@rogers.com).



# The simple truth about love

by Joyce Meyer, submitted by Diane Brown

The Bible teaches us that it's God's will for us to help hurting people. In John 13:34-35, Jesus says, "I give you a new commandment: that you should love one another. Just as I have loved you, so you too should love one another. By this shall all [men] know that you are My disciples, if you love one another [if you keep on showing love among yourselves]" (AMP). Matthew 22:37-38 says, "...You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind (intellect). This is the...first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as [you do] yourself" (AMP).

The love message is the power of the Gospel. It's so simple: Love God and love your neighbor as you love yourself. We often think we need someone to love us, but what we really need is someone to love. And the world is desperate for real love, so it isn't hard to find someone who needs to be loved.

We live in a society that drives people to selfishness. So much of the advertising we see and hear influences us to want more and more and to never be satisfied with what we have. But the more selfish and self-centered we are, the less power we have to do good and help others.

The good news is we have what we need in Christ to overcome a selfish, "What about me?!" mindset and lifestyle.

We have the power of God's love! It's the answer to every dilemma and problem in our society today.



And as Christians, our goal is to represent Christ in the world and show His love.

## What Is True Love?

Love is not just a feeling, or a theory, or a nice word. It's action—it's the way you treat people, what you do for others. Love will always cost you something: time, energy, effort, money, giving up your pride, doing what's right when you don't feel like it, keeping a good attitude when you don't get your way.

Loving the way God loves means you love when there's nothing in it for you; it's all about giving out and not expecting anything in return. We're called to outreach, not in-reach. Real love is about dying to self and living to love others.

Before you can love others, you have to experience God's love in your own life, because you can't give away something you don't have. Then you have to be willing to ask God to teach you to love the way He loves.

When you do this, God will enable you to reach out and help someone else. I know this works because I've lived it.

## Live to Love!

I used to be selfish, self-centered, always thinking about how I could get my way. And I was miserable. See, I loved God and wanted to love people, but no matter how hard I tried to be sweet and nice to everybody, all of my trying was getting me nowhere. I was cranky, hard to get along with and impatient. God showed me the problem was that I didn't like myself because of the shame of my past. I grew up in an abusive home, and I felt guilty, condemned and ashamed because of it. I had to accept God's love for me before I could love anyone else.

So I decided to study God's love in the Word, pray for God to change my heart, and confess what His Word says about His love for me. Every day I would say out loud, "God loves me," and I would say it over

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and over to purposely keep this truth in my heart throughout the day. After a year of doing this, I finally got a revelation about God's love for me.

Now I am able to receive God's love and love others the way Jesus taught us to love. I don't do it perfectly all the time, but I've come a long way and am making progress every day. My prayer is, "God, show me how I can help others. Make me a blessing everywhere I go. I want to live to love You and others."

In my personal life, I try to make it my business to add value to everybody I come in contact with. I can honestly say that learning how to love others with

God's love has made me the happiest I've ever been. The truth is you can't be selfish and be happy or have peace.

Make it your goal each day to pursue God's love and then give it away. First Corinthians 14:1 (AMP) says to "eagerly pursue and seek to acquire [this] love [make it your aim, your great quest]." So go after it with all your might, and ask God to make you a blessing everywhere you go. You can do something to help someone. You can live to love, just like Jesus.

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## St. Paul's refugee sponsorship update

### The Wakass family are on their way!

At our Vestry meeting in February, St. Paul's decided to sponsor a Christian refugee family from Syria: the Wakass family – Claude and her two sons, Mousa (14) and Eskander (12) – who are relatives of a family sponsored by Holy Redeemer parish. At this time, the required paperwork has been filed and the family has moved to Lebanon, where they are now waiting for a call from the Embassy to set up their medical checks and interview with Immigration. With God's help, the Wakass family could arrive in Ottawa within the next 4 weeks.

In order to sponsor this family and support them financially for their first year, we need to have \$23,500 available. I am thrilled to announce that we have already reached our goal! We give thanks to God for the generosity of St. Paul's. Any additional funds received will go towards the on-going refugee support work of the parish.

We are very grateful for the generous support and guidance of the people of Holy Redeemer parish, particularly Cathy Deogrades and Mary-Lou Hakansson, who have shared with us all the information they have gathered and lessons learned through their sponsorship journey. Holy Redeemer is now sponsoring their second family (also related to the first).

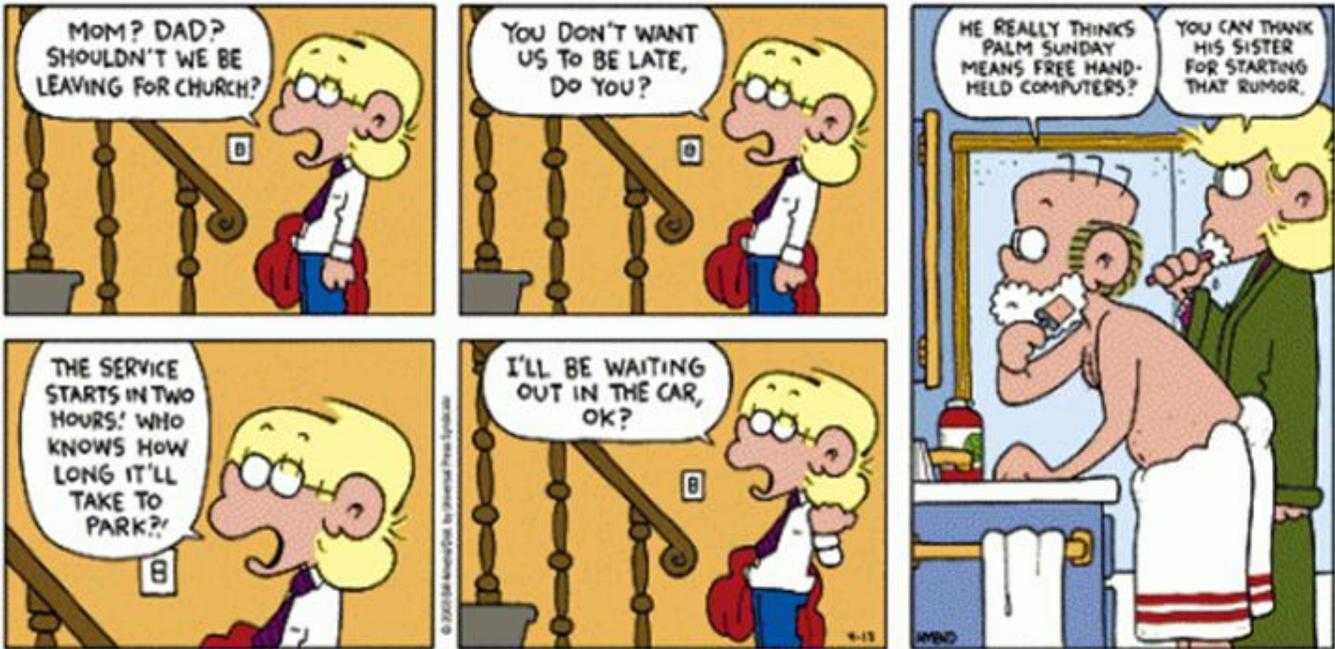
Because the family's budget is tight (the monthly amount is based on the amount the family will receive through the Ontario Works program at the end of the first year), Claude and the boys will share a house in Kanata with their relatives, who will be moving into the house very soon.

Thank you to everyone who has offered to help. We will be in need of material items and volunteer services over the next few weeks as we prepare for their arrival, and especially after the family arrives. We will advertise the specific needs as they arise.

If you have questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

*Alison Stortz and Danielle Mackenzie*





## St. Paul's Agora

Do you have something you would like to sell, trade, or give away?

There may be someone in our parish looking for that very thing!

Simply send your ad to: [cornerstone@stpaulshk.org](mailto:cornerstone@stpaulshk.org)



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