

Readings:

Isaiah 60:1-6, Matthew 2:1-12

This Week at Inca



Town hall Meeting- and Parish Council

Before the start of our next Parish Council meeting on January 21st, we'll be holding a Town hall Meeting to provide an update on the Geo-thermal project. If you don't think you can attend Vestry on February 4, this will be a good opportunity to stay informed. This is an important topic and we would like to have as many members of our community in attendance as possible. Please make a point of attending either on January 21st or at our vestry on February 4th.

Vestry Meeting, Sunday, February 4 after the 10:00 worship. Another important date in our calendar. On March 3rd the Diocese of Niagara will be electing a new Bishop and one agenda item at vestry will be to hear and learn about the candidates who are standing for election. Come and help our delegates discern who might be called to this office!

A reminder to those responsible, your reports are due to the office Thursday, January 25 at noon.

Why should I attend? We invite all parishioners to attend and learn more about some important decisions facing Incarnation, hear updates from committee members, to review our financial position and to elect our new churchwardens.

Christmas Market Meeting



Christmas Market Meeting - January 9th at 7pm, Chapel

Wrap-up meeting for Christmas market committee!

We'll meet to discuss last year's market and changes for next year



NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES for 2018 have arrived-

They are available in the office, or after worship on Sunday. With the new system, you will receive the same envelope number again this year.

Have you considered pre-authorized payments? A safe convenient way to ensure the church has consistent funding. See office for an application form



Saturday Jazz Series returns January 20 at 7pm

Come and join us for our first Jazz session of 2018.

Tickets - \$15 at the door, students - \$10.

More details to come!



Contemplative Fire - Returns January 21 at 8pm

Contemplative Fire is space and time to reflect, meditate, review, and recharge your emotional, spiritual and physical life. We provide a short time of hospitality starting at 8pm then we gather together as a contemplative and intentional community. We seek to enable reflection and meditation for all, from the novice to the experienced person.



Incarnation Choir Rehearsals Wednesdays at 7:15

If you are interested in sharing your voice, please join us at one of our Wednesday rehearsals, or speak to Charlene after a 10:00 service.



Wing and a Prayer – Returns January 25

We meet at 6:30pm at Monaghan's. Cost: \$25 per person including food and drink. RSVP Winkie Macdougall. Everyone is welcome!



Monday Night Karma Community Yoga, resumes January 8

Join us for a relaxing session, good for all skill levels. Mats available. Free, presented by R4R

Community News



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Every year between January 18-25 is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Christians around the world are invited to pray for the unity of all Christians, to reflect on scripture together, to participate in jointly-organized ecumenical services, and to share fellowship.

The theme for the 2018 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity comes to us from the Caribbean region. The ecumenical team chose the song of Moses and Miriam (Ex 15:1-21) – a song of triumph over oppression – as the motif of this year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

[Download your Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2018 materials today.](#)

This & That



Looking to Volunteer?

We have lots of way you can get involved. Positions include: altar prep, greeters, readers, hosts and coffee preparation. **Youth** can gain some volunteer high school hours. Training will be provided. Contact Julia Lockhart if you are interested in helping out. Don't forget to mark changes to the schedule on the master copy in the office.



Milk Bag Collection

We're still collecting Milk bags for the kids at Ellengale Public School



Our recycling efforts! New procedures

Thank you to all our hard-working volunteers who prepare the coffee and help with the set-up and clean-up of our premises. The daycare has been testing a new green bin routine with much success. We have almost completely eliminated critter attacks!

- **Start a new SMALL green bin for each service or event. Before leaving, tie off the bag and move the SMALL green bin waste to the shed and deposit into the LARGE green bin. This will eliminate any critter attacks. No green bins are to be left in the kitchen or out the back door after each event. If you don't know where the key to the shed is located, please ask a Warden or office staff.**
- Green bin liners are located in one of the 3 stacked multi-coloured baskets in the kitchen on the counter by the small sink
- All recycling must be emptied after each coffee hour or event. The large blue recycling bins are located at the back door. Please dump all recycling into the larger bins before leaving the church.

JUST A LITTLE *Reminder*

Changes to Order of Service or Bulletin News - Any changes need to be sent to the office by Tuesday, noon. office@incarnationchurch.ca

Nametags let people know who you are and make it helpful for people to put names to faces, especially for newcomers



Receiving Communion

All people at Incarnation are invited to receive the bread and wine at communion. The bread is received from the priest who stands between the servers who offer wine from the common cup; choose whatever side is free. You may choose to receive from an individual wine cups available to the left of the altar. Take one, consume the wine and replace the empty cup in the same spot. We hope this provides an inclusive approach to communion where all are welcome.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	January 7	January 14
Bread Making	L. Hickey	B. Gowing
Altar Prep	W. Macdougall	M. Stevens
Coffee 1	Macdougall	Hutchinson/Henley
Coffee 2	P. Russell	K. Wilson
Host 1	B. Abrams	P. Moffat
Host 2	S. Williams	S. Sinclair
Reader 1	Ofor Aligwekwe	D. Lusby
Gospel	b. Gowing	J. Grieve
Prayers	P. Mitton	L. Hickey
Server 1	W. Burk	P. Moffat
Server 2	T. Burk	L. Hickey
Wine Cups	S. Williams	B. Abrams
Counting	D. Bold	M. Thompson

Please Note: Thanks to all of you who update the master copy in the office – very helpful for me!

[DOWNLOAD THE JAN/FEB SCHEDULE HERE](#)