

## National Indigenous History Month continues

The Town of Oakville resides on the treaty lands and traditional territory of the Mississaugas, Neutral, Huron-Wendat and Haudenosaunee. This land is covered by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. In recognition of National Indigenous History Month, residents are encouraged to:

- Enjoy a walk along the *Moccasin Trail* and explore the history of the lands from an Indigenous perspective. Follow the Moccasin Trail along Sixteen Mile Creek Inner Valley to Dundas Street West at Lions Valley, following the trail signs along your journey.
- Take part in the virtual program [Planting our Seeds](#), a partnership between the town and Grandmothers Voice that celebrates Indigenous culture and community. Led by local urban Indigenous leaders Jody Harbour and Sherry Saevil, residents can participate on Thursdays at 6 p.m. until June 17 or watch recorded sessions on the town's YouTube Channel.
- Explore Your Roots at Library and Archives Canada: Starting Your First Nations, Inuit & Métis Nation Genealogy – Join the Oakville Public Library (OPL) on Monday, June 21 to celebrate National Indigenous Peoples Day. Presented in partnership with Library and Archives Canada, participants will learn about resources related to First Nations, Inuit and Métis Nation genealogy and how to access collections.

This week we continue our series on components of the Indian Act. We encourage you to sign the letters in support of Bill C 15 if you have not already done so -- the bill seeks to implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples {UNDRIP}.

Here is [the link to sign the letter](#) to honour Indigenous rights.

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### GOOD TO KNOW:



#### **Incarnation is? An evening of stories!**

Please plan to Zoom in for a fun evening of stories that celebrate Incarnation - from those who were there at the origins through to those who are new to the community.

**Thursday, June 17 from 7-8:15 pm via Zoom**

[This is the zoom link](#)

(This is the same as the weekly Sunday link!)

And don't forget to send us, as soon as you can, a 5-10 second video clip from your phone OR a written email message that finishes the sentence "Incarnation Is..." with a word or a phrase. Please send to Kim Widger (Christian Learning Team) at: [kim.widger@sympatico.ca](mailto:kim.widger@sympatico.ca)

We would love to include you in the montage of "Incarnation Is...!"

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### National Indigenous History Month 2021

Learn more about the rich and diverse cultures, voices, experiences and histories of First Nations, Inuit and Métis people through these interactive resources.

[To learn more, click here](#)



### Pride Month

June is Pride Month in Canada. Early June typically kicks off the Pride season of festivals and celebrations from coast to coast to coast that run until the end of August.

Here are a few local links:

[Pride Toronto](#)

[Positive Space Network of Halton](#)



### Support Leila Stevens Journey!

Ride Don't Hide is the largest mental health bike ride in Canada. But it's more than a fundraiser—it's a movement for mental health.

I have found another way to offer my support towards mental health within our community. In follow-up to my March homily, I am lending my support to the Ride Don't Hide Initiative sponsored by CMHA (the Canadian Mental Health Association). This initiative is a win-win. I have pledged to engage in significant physical activity throughout the month of June to both improve my personal well-being, while simultaneously raising funds for mental health, to get more people the help they need.

Would you consider sponsorship? [Click the link here.](#) I would so appreciate your help!

Leila

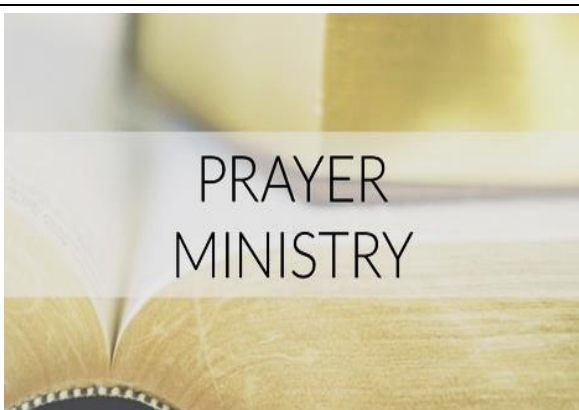


### Nurturers needed!

Samer and Cherry have planted our Community Vegetable Gardens!

Can you help nurture our newly planted vegetables? We're looking for 2-3 more volunteers for 1-2 hours every other week, to help water, weed and care for the community gardens.

Please contact Cherry Collins <[cherry.collins@hotmail.com](mailto:cherry.collins@hotmail.com)>



### Incarnation's Prayer Team Prayer works when we work it!

Inca's Prayer Team was officially formed on Tuesday. We are excited and honoured to be able to pray for your requests. We wanted to inform you that in addition to the public, Sunday intercessions which are sent to the church office, there is another immediate option.

If you would prefer your personal prayer request(s) be private, and not read publicly, then simply forward your confidential request(s) to Randy at [associate@incarnationchurch.ca](mailto:associate@incarnationchurch.ca)

Should you have any questions please feel free to also email Randy.

Thank you!



### Hearts for Healthcare Update

We are continuing our Hearts for Healthcare initiative for a few more weeks! Please feel free to drop your cards in the box on the table outside the church. Hearing the "Essential Stories" of Tristan and Sarah these past few weeks is a poignant reminder of the need to let our hospital workers know we appreciate all that they have done in the last year and continue to do, and that our hope is for brighter days ahead.

This little project our Incarnation community started has grown to include other church communities and workplaces, senior's homes, our daycare, neighbourhoods, and high-rise buildings! Thanks to all who have put pen to paper to bring light to a healthcare worker!



### Volunteer Schedule

The May/June volunteer schedule is ready! Thanks to everyone who raises their hands and helps with our online service.

[Click here to download and print the schedule.](#)



### Vaccine roll-out Information

[Updated information from Halton Region](#)

You can find the latest information about what stage we are in, case counts, and vaccine roll-out information



### Anglican Family Hub

In response to COVID-19, Children, Youth and Family ministry leaders from the Diocese of Niagara created an online one stop hub for families. Not having that village of extended family, parishioners, teachers, peers, and community supports has impacted families in a way that needed immediate assistance.

To visit the **Anglican Family** website, [click here](#)

## THIS & THAT

### LOOKING TO VOLUNTEER?

Interested in participating in our online worship? Contact Julia Lockhart ([julia.a.lockhart@gmail.com](mailto:julia.a.lockhart@gmail.com))

Volunteer Schedule	June 13	June 20	June 27
First Reading/All	M. Chambers	D. Lusby	M. Purves
Psalm	B. Abrams	L. Maclauchlan	R. Marshall
Good News	G. Chambers	A. Turner-Sommer	P. Moffat
Prayers	S. Curran	J. Grieve	ME Chown

[Click here to download the MAY/JUNE volunteer schedule](#)