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**Dear Friends -**

My meditation this week is about money and the Magic Kingdom.

Click here to view the link:  
<https://youtu.be/GjQJN6M4zoo>

You can also read it [here](#).

**Grace and peace,  
Leighton**

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### **St. Francis of Assisi, The Patron Saint of Animals.**

**St. Francis is celebrated for his profound spiritual connection to all living creatures, which he saw as God's creation. He believed in the inherent goodness of animals.**

**His feast day, **October 4th**, which is also **World Animal Day**, is marked by the traditional blessing of animals, symbolizing a celebration of his belief that all beings deserve love, respect, and care.**

**Bring your beloved pets to St. Mark's Anglican Church in NOTL for The Blessing of the Pets.**

**Join us for this warm and heartfelt event.**

**OCTOBER 4TH AT 11:00 A.M.  
St. Mark's Anglican Church**

## BLESSING OF THE PETS



**God made all creatures, great and small!**

**St. Mark's Anglican Church in NOTL**

**41 Byron Street**

**invites you and your pets to join us for**

**The Blessing of the Pets**

**in Honour of feast of St. Francis of Assisi**

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 4<sup>TH</sup>**

**11:00 a.m.**



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**\*Ladies of St. Mark's - Join us on  
Wednesday, October 1st\***

**The Reverend Dr. Susan MacLaren  
presents  
an autumn seminar/workshop  
for  
the women of St. Mark's**

**"Is a picture worth a thousand  
words...or nothing at all?"**

**Join us to discuss whether this widely used proverb is actually true.**

**Can a single image convey complex ideas and**

# emotions more effectively than a lengthy discussion?

**When: every Wednesday in October, beginning October 1st**

**Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon**

**Place: Addison Hall**

Coffee and tea will be served

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## Gentlemen of St. Mark's

You are invited to join us for

Holy Communion

**next Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, at 8 am,**  
followed, as always, by breakfast served with a smile at

**The NOTL Golf Club Waterfront Restaurant.**

Please let Greg Walker know as soon as possible if you plan to attend, so that he can confirm numbers for breakfast.

Greg can be contacted here:

**Ph: (905) 262-6605**

**[gregoryfwalker@gmail.com](mailto:gregoryfwalker@gmail.com)**

**Please join us and feel free to bring a friend!**

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### Parish Updates

#### In-Person Sunday Services

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist [Watch the live stream on YouTube](#)

#### On Duty this Week

September 28th , 2025

#### Greeter(s)

**8:30 a.m. - Steve Hinchliffe**

**10:30 a.m. - Trudi Watson and Earle Waugh**

**Reader - Wes Turner**

**Intercessor - Diane Turner**

**Altar Guild - Peggy Walker, Sue Baxter and Diane Turner**

**Server - Virginia Mainprize**

**Flowers - Diane Turner**

#### Order of Service

The Order of Service can be found on our website: [Order of Service Website Page](#)

### **Church Bells**

A reminder to all that the Church Bells play on Sundays at 12:05 p.m. Enjoy!

### **Staying Up to Date!**

Click on this link to find this and recent copies of our E-News: [Visit our recent E-Newsletters](#)

Click on this link to view our Calendar: [Visit our Calendar](#)

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You can also access our Facebook page when on our website by clicking on the Facebook icon that looks like an "F".

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### **Prayer Cycles - We pray for:**

**In St. Mark's Parish: John and Faye Shaver, Brett Sherlock and James Booty, Jennifer Smith, and their families.**

**In the Niagara Diocese: St. John the Evangelist, Thorold, The Reverend Dr. Susan MacLaren, Interim Priest-in-Charge; and the people of that parish.**

**In the Lutheran-Anglican-Moravian Cycle of Prayer: The Rt. Rev. Clara Plamondon, Bishop, and the clergy, and people of The Territory of the People; the Labrador Mission Province; and every child matters! Remember the Indigenous children who did not return home from residential school; for survivors and their families; for truth, healing, and reconciliation.**

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