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## Back to Church Sunday joins St. Martin's Annual Steamup! September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009 10:30 am

Many people are just waiting for an invitation to come to Church. They're too shy or uncomfortable to come on their own. "Back to Church Sunday" will give us an opportunity to extend the invitation to a special Sunday at St. Martin's. Our "FALL STEAMUP" features displays with pictures and information highlighting the variety of ministries we're involved in. This is a great chance to see what's happening behind the scenes - speak with representatives - marvel at the great things God has going on - right here! Newcomers will be amazed!

**Pasta Salad Contest** - sample the entries by various groups as you move from one booth to another - vote for your favourite and help pick "St. Martin's Champion Pasta Salad Chef". The winner will receive the much sought after *Steam Engine Award*

Following the service, bring your lawn chair to the back lawn. Parish Promotion is hosting this event featuring beef on a bun - sliced before your eyes, salad, dessert and beverage (freewill offering accepted to help with costs) Plan now to come, bring a friend and enjoy the fun. We never know where God will lead after that!

**PS** The ministry with the most creative and informative display and presentation will also receive an award to be presented in Church on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Don't miss it!

### FAQs

#### When are your services?

Sundays from September 13  
9:00 am Said BCP  
10:30 am BAS with full choir  
Sunday School & Nursery  
Wednesday 10:15am BCP

**Does St. Martin's have office hours?** Our secretary, Laraine is in Tuesday & Thursday 9:30-1:30. Rev. Millie is in by appointment - and much more!

#### How can I get on the parish list and get envelopes?

Fill in a blue form at the back of the Church, ask a Greeter or Peter Davidson. If you would like to be on our pre-authorized giving plan, Peter can help you.

#### How do I get a Name Tag?

Print your name as you would like it on the tag and give it to a Greeter.

#### How do I get on the email list?

Send us a note at [smartinsanglican@rogers.com](mailto:smartinsanglican@rogers.com) or give your address to a Greeter and we'll send you The News and periodic updates! It saves the church a stamp too-which means that money can do other ministry. THANKS!

#### Church School - can I help?

Speak with Janis Lynch or Rev. Millie to get involved! Police check and sexual misconduct policy workshop required.

### Blessing of the Pets

Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 pm we will hold our annual celebration of blessing the pets who share our life. St. Francis left us the example of love and kindness to animals and we commemorate his life by continuing that care. Friends and neighbours are always welcome. Bring your cats, dogs, hamsters, budgies, fish and reptiles 'with legs'.



### Prayer Group

On the first and third Friday of the month, at 10:00 am our prayer team meets to offer to God the needs and concerns of our community and our world. We can all use extra help and prayer is a great way to strengthen our life. If you would like to be part of this ministry, please speak with Enid Bourner. If you have special prayer requests, Enid will make sure they are lifted to God when the group meets and between times too.



### Jr. Choir

Beginning Sept 17, children age 7 and up are invited to come and sing to the Lord, Thursday evenings from 6:15-7:00 pm - bring a friend! Both choirs will sing together for special anthems.

### Grief Support

If you've lost a loved one, Community Care Durham is offering a support group Tuesday evenings from 7:00 - 9:00 pm, beginning September 29<sup>th</sup>. The sessions will be held at 1420 Bayly St. Unit 6. Please Contact 905-837-0017 Ext. 230 for more information.

Please, bless your own snakes!!





### Prayer Shawl Ministry

A prayerful knitting group making soft wraps and lap rugs for people in special need of a blessing. If you would like to be part of this Ministry please speak with Linda Strickland to learn more. Beginning Sept 17<sup>th</sup>, the group will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays from 1:30 – 3:30 pm. If you know someone who would be strengthened and encouraged by a shawl, please let us know. 905-839-4257



### Helping Hands

On the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays, from 1-3:00, dedicated volunteers meet at the church to sew sleep-wear and quilts for gift bags for **Herizon House** women & children's shelter in Ajax. Fall dates – Sept. 21, Oct 5 & 19, Nov 2 & 16 and Dec 7. Slipper knitters join in.

*New hands are always welcome –  
No experience necessary!*

### Special Sundays



- September 13** - Two services 9 & 10:30am
- September 20** - Baptism 10:30am
- September 27** - Back to Church Sunday & Fall Steam-up
- October 4** - Blessing of the Animals - 2:00 pm
- October 11** - Harvest Thanksgiving
- October 18** - Outreach Sunday
- November 1** - All Saints & All Souls
- November 8** - Remembrance Sunday
- November 15** - Patronal Festival
- November 22** - Christ the King
- November 29** - Advent 1 – Lessons and Carols 🎵

### Murder Mystery Night

**October 24, 6:00 pm**

Mark your calendar and watch for details and tickets for this exciting night out. Dress 50's-60's casual – get out the Brylcreem & polish up the saddle shoes!



### 🎵 St. Martin's Choir 🎵

September 7<sup>th</sup> Liz and the choir will be back in practice mode. Join our growing choir and you'll always have a seat. Come out Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm. Learn as you sing!

🎵 Sing praises to the Lord! 🎵



### Holly Bazaar

**Saturday**

**November 28<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am – 1:00 pm**

Antique Attic Baking Crafts Jewellery  
Café by the Bay Pickles Preserves Bottle  
Boutique, Knitting, Sewing, special draws and much more....donations needed for all areas!

Come **along** and **bring** your friends and neighbours!

**Business Card Ads** -You can now advertise your business on our St. Martin's website. If you provide a business card a link will be made to both your website and email for the incredibly low price of \$100 per year. Check the page at [www.stmartinsanglican.ca/businesscards.html](http://www.stmartinsanglican.ca/businesscards.html)

### Rooted in God: Prayer, the Soil for Christian Growth and Ministry October 3, 2009 9-3:30

The Rev. Sr. Constance Joanna will lead this conference at All St.'s Peterborough. There will be workshops on prayer and the day is \$15 with pre-registration and \$20.00 at the door – lunch included. See side bulletin board for more details.

*If you want your leadership to matter,  
lead in what matters to God!*

### St. Martin's Library

Religious and faith centred books and videos are available on loan from the shelves as you enter the church! Sign out a book and enrich your life.

*The Parish of St. Martin's exists to worship God, to minister to the needs of the community and to help all people grow in faith and fellowship as a family of believers.*