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SIMCOE, FRIDAY 23rd January 2026

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

SUNDAY 25th JANUARY

EPIPHANY III

8:00am Holy Eucharist

Traditional (BCP). Said service

10:30am Holy Eucharist

Contemporary (BAS) with Music, Choir, & Sunday School
Refreshments & fellowship follow in the Parish Hall

WEDNESDAY 28th JANUARY (Chapel)

10:30 am Holy Eucharist

Traditional (BCP). Said service.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TUE 27 th JAN	Tai Chi Foundations	9:00am
TUE 27 th JAN	SVDP Lunch	11:30am
WED 28 st JAN	SVDP Lunch	11:30am
WED 28 th JAN	Parish Council Meeting	4:00 pm
WED 28 st JAN	Lynn Valley Voices	4:00pm
THU 29 th JAN	SVDP Lunch	11:30am
THU 29 th JAN	Choir Practice	4:00pm

CON BRIO MUSIC School

Announcing a music program for ages 5-16. There is one class at 6:00-6:45 for all and a class for older students at 6:45-7:15. (these students are chosen by the teacher) This program will begin on **January 15, 2026 at 6 pm**. Classes will take place on **Thursdays** at Trinity Anglican Church in Simcoe. A designated music room is in the basement of the church and the classes will be delivered by music specialist, Gena Norbury B. Mus.; B. Mus. Ed.; ATCL; Kodály Certified

Just.....
\$25
for 10 classes

*participation in the program will be verified by email.

Reserve your child's place now!

Confirmation and payment to be sent by **January 2, 2026** via email/etransfer **conbriomusicprogram@gmail.com** to confirm placement.

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80 Colborne St. S., Simcoe

North Shore HIGHLANDERS

3rd Annual

BURNS NIGHT

Saturday January 24th 2026

PORT DOVER LIONS CLUB COMMUNITY CENTRE

\$50 per ticket

Doors Open 5PM
Dinner 630PM

Silent Auction 🍷 Scotch Tasting 🍷 Scottish Culture
Highland Dancers 🍷 Traditional Music 🍷

Email northshorehighlanders2023@gmail.com for tickets

NORFOLK MUSICAL ARTS FESTIVAL PRESENTS

FESTIVAL WEEK

2026

40TH ANNIVERSARY
MARCH 2-6, 2026

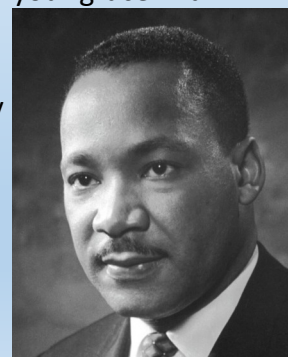
GET STARTED TODAY

The Norfolk Musical Arts Festival is preparing to celebrate a major milestone in 2026 — its 40th year — and registration is officially open now.

For more information please see their website: <https://nmaf.ca/>

A Martin Luther King Jr. Day Prayer

God of Justice, God of love, as you do, may we see all people as your beloved. Move us with your love to act for dignity for all people, to stand not in charity but solidarity with those who are oppressed. Save us from the temptation to wish but not to risk, to hide behind our privilege, to let others sacrifice. Sustain us with your hope, to trust your presence, to rely on your grace in all things. Fill us with the spirit of your peace, to face violence and cruelty with gentle persistence. Beloved, hold us in your arms, for the road is long, and the struggle is hard—but the future is yours.



PARKVIEW MEADOWS CHRISTIAN RETIREMENT VILLAGE

72 Town Centre Drive, Townsend, Ontario

PRESENTS



ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

THURSDAY MARCH 26, 2026

DINNER 6:30P.M.

TICKETS; \$25.00 EACH

and includes all you can eat spaghetti, Caesar salad, garlic bread, coffee or tea and dessert.

** Proceeds from this event will be used to support our Annual Carnival Day Open House.

This event plays an important role in raising funds for the Norfolk Haldimand Community Hospice, which provides essential care to individuals and families in our community

For more information or to purchase tickets please call 519-587-2448 ext. 400

Tickets can also be retrieved in the Gardenvue entrance at the reception desk.

Simcoe Legion

Wednesday, Jan. 28

Cream of Broccoli Soup, Cabbage Rolls, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Rolls & Butter, Mixed Desserts

\$16

In the Memorial Hall

EVERYONE WELCOME!



The Venerable Jonathan Egasi has recently moved to Simcoe and is looking to rent a room.

Please contact him at 437-907-8695 if you can help.



This 2litre Corningware La Marjolaine casserole was found at Trinity after the Bazaar.

It does not belong to the Church so if it is yours, please notify the Office to claim it. If it remains unclaimed it will be sold.



SPREADING OUR WINGS

The Prayer Shawl ministry is branching out. Instead of just making prayer shawls, lapghans and baptismal blankets, we are now knitting &/or crocheting hats for preemies, hand warmers for the elderly, hats, mitts and scarves for the homeless and knitted knockers (prosthetics for breast cancer survivors).



These smaller projects are perfect for in-between those bigger projects or for those warm summer days or evenings—that will be here before you know it!!!

If you are interested, but would need patterns and or yarn, please contact Rose Langley at furbabiesmama123@gmail.com.

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday

9:00am-12:00 noon

Visitors always welcome.



THE DIOCESE OF HURON

The Rt. Rev. Dr. R. Todd Townshend
Bishop of Huron

1-800-919-1115

Huron Church House

190 Queens Avenue, London,
ON N6A 6H7 www.diohuron.org



IMPORTANT NOTICE re: ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Guild is no longer able to pick up the flowers from Sobey's on Saturday morning.

Sobey's will deliver the flowers to the church. The delivery fee will be included in the cost of your flowers (minimum \$70.), or you can pick up/deliver the flowers yourself. In that case, they **MUST** be at the church between 9 –9:30 AM Saturday morning.





SINGING, SFEEHAH AND THE PRIESTHOOD OF ALL BELIEVERS

When I was asked to do a reading last month at a special ordination ceremony for three new priests and a deacon, I had a rather unexpected experience. Beyond being moved by the beautiful ceremony, the golden chalice, the bishop’s crimson robe and the sincerity of the priests entering into a sacred responsibility, I had an epiphany of sorts about the meaning of vocation.

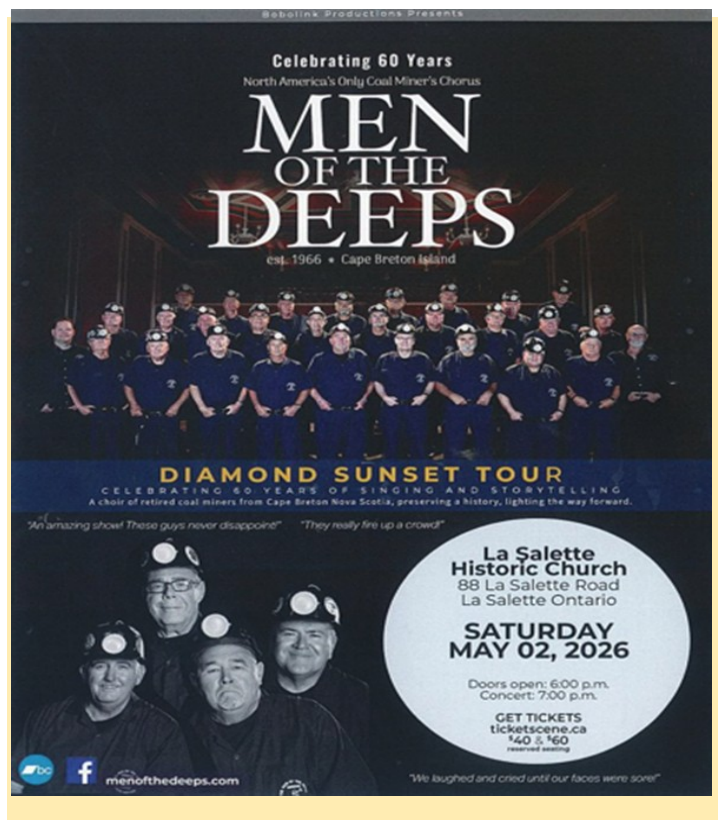
As I observed the ordination, I found myself wondering what the future of the priesthood would be. With numbers declining and churches facing financial challenges, would priests soon have to work two jobs? And as I repeated the traditional call and response with the congregation, offering to support and honour the newly ordained, I wondered about my own work in the world. In our own ways, aren’t we all called to express the sacred in our work, whatever that may be? And as Christians, was our “work” limited to a narrow definition of a “career” or was it more about allowing ourselves to be vessels for the Holy Spirit in whatever we do?

Now, I’m a writer by trade, and a researcher and PhD candidate. I’m also a trained singer. And I love to cook. Lately, I’ve been spending a bit too much time in front of a computer and not enough singing or cooking. But as it happened, I’d spent a few days before the ordination making *sfee-hah*—a traditional Lebanese lamb meat pie with allspice, yoghurt and pine nuts—as a way of honouring my late mother, Susila Bryant, whose 1000 days of passing was a recent milestone I wanted to commemorate.

I felt great joy following the recipe from my grandmother’s cookbook. As I formed each lamb *sfee-hah* into a shroud of dough and put it into the oven to bake, I said a prayer for the person who would eat it and for my late mother. Naturally, I brought a half dozen to the ordination and as luck would have it, I gave one to the Rev. Adam Dawkins, who had flown up from LA for the ordination.

Adam had given great pastoral care to my mum when she was dying of ALS, and they developed a special bond. It was such a pleasure to be able to give a *sfee-hah* to him, as well as to other clergy attending. Each time I gave someone a *sfee-hah*, it felt like sharing communion. It was as if by feeding people a favourite family recipe, I was feeding my mother, in a delicious circle of spiritual nourishment.

When I spoke to the Rev. Rob James (who told me he once worked as a civil servant in the UK while working as a priest on a voluntary basis) after the service, we had an interesting chat about the concept of the “priesthood of all believers.” This early Christian practice with Old Testament precedents, revived



by Luther during the Reformation, essentially expresses the common priesthood of all Christians. Some say it was a particular tenet of the Montanists, an early second-century Christian movement. For St. Augustine, it was baptism that was a kind of ordination into Christ’s royal priesthood.

After the sixth century, this idea began to fade with the influence of more hierarchical values. Some point to the influence of the second-century neo-Platonic Pseudo-Dionysius the Areopagite and his book *Celestial Hierarchy*, which introduced a succession of intermediaries—including angels and priests—between humanity and God. But what really struck me was the concept that we are all called to a kind of priesthood in our own way. I soon learned that the newly ordained Claude St Denis was, in fact, a full-time producer at Radio-Canada.

The next morning, after reading from Isaiah 11:6, I gave away some more *sfee-hah* and then ducked into a downstairs room to finish a story I was writing before a 2:45 p.m. rehearsal for the 4 p.m. musical service. It was an interesting experience going from my “work” as a parishioner and lay administrator to my actual paying work as a journalist, and it gave me a new insight into the cathedral as both a sacred space and a work space. The 4 p.m. service, where I’d been invited by our musical director Neil Cockburn to sing the [Cherry Tree Carol](#), featured Christmas songs from around the world. After the service ended, an elderly couple approached me to thank me for my song. Incredibly, they were old friends of my late mother.

They were dealing with some life challenges, and I immediately knew that I had to offer them the last two *sfee-hah* in memory of my late great mummy. As I gave them the lamb pie wrapped in tinfoil, we spontaneously embraced and said a prayer for my mum.

As I went home to finish another writing deadline, I remembered the sincerity of the new priests as they prepared for their ordination. I prayed that as part of the priesthood of believers, my intention in my writing, my singing, my baking and my being would always be so open to such wonder and grace. Amen.

Hadani Ditmery, The Anglican Journal