

TRINITY TALKS

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The Regional Corner

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Feed Your Soul

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Jesse's Life - Story of Faith, Hope and New life.



Lent

A second year where the Lenten season was not the usual - at church or with family. Was it easier or more difficult to try the tradition of giving up something this season? Easter Egg hunts for the kids are different too. Out here in Vineland, the annual hunt is a "drive by". 10,000 egg treats scattered over four sites!

Easter has been a favourite celebration for many years for me. Minimal commercial trappings (compared to Christmas). Chocolate bunnies that lay eggs is fun, if not a little weird to explain to kids; but the hope that spring underlines in the Good News of the resurrection is reassuring.

Are you able to join some of the Holy Week services and to exercise your soul on the virtual Good Friday Walk? (Watch for the new tab on the church website) May you and your family find hope this Easter. *Carol*



What if God had voice mail?

I have learned to live with voice mail as a necessary part of modern life.

But I have often wondered, "What if God decided to install voice mail?"

Imagine praying and hearing this:

"Thank you for calling our Father's house. Please select one of the following four options: Press 1 for requests. Press 2 for giving thanks. Press 3 for complaints. Press 4 for all other inquiries."

What if God used the familiar excuse, "All the angels are helping other customers right now. Please stay on the line. Your call will be answered in the order it was received."

Can you imagine getting these kinds of responses as you call on God in prayer?

- "If you'd like to speak with Gabriel, press 1. For Michael, press 2. For any other angel, press 3. If you'd like King David to sing a psalm for you, press 4."
- "To find out if a loved one has been assigned to heaven, enter his or her social security number."
- "For reservations at our Father's house, press the letters j-o-h-n, followed by the numbers 3-1-6."
- "For answers to nagging questions about dinosaurs, the age of the earth, and where Noah's Ark is, wait until you get here."
- "Our computers show that you have called once today already. Please hang up immediately."
- "This office is closed for the week-end. Please call again on Monday, after 9:00 a.m."

Thank God you can't call him too often. You only need to ring once and God hears you.

You never get a busy signal. God takes each call and knows each caller personally.

When you call the Lord and ask for help he will say, "Here am I."

Thank God, when you call, His computer is never down!

Thorold Thief

Sad news - Trinity in now listed as a victim with the Niagara Regional Police. On March 22, Maggie Duckett created a *beautiful* spring garden in a large pot and placed it as a sunny greeting to the entrance of Community Hall. Within 24 hours, someone stole it! Thank you Maggie for your thoughtful gift - she needs a hug after this loss!



Anyone recognize this sign?

Welcome to Trinity's First Virtual Yard Sale

There is a project underway during the closure of church services to spruce up Trinity by divesting of dust collecting things that have sat unused, unloved for years / decades. In the spirit of "someone's junk is someone else's treasures", you may want a piece of memorabilia or something useful. The wooden sign above is one of three that hung outside the church to invite to Easter Sunday service, a Christmas Eve service and Joint Services with St. Andrews in the Summer.



Plant Stands (once used to hold poinsettias) There are 8 wooden stands with round tops (about 35 in and 30 inches tall) and 2 white ones with square top (about 88 cms) . Great for your plants in the window. Token donation to general fund and they are yours!