PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS SUNDAY, JULY 4, 2021

- **COVID-19 UPDATE:** In a letter dated June 30, to active clergy and parish wardens, Bishop Anna offered direction regarding the continued easing of provincial restrictions on gatherings, including public worship. The province no longer has an order restricting the size of worship gatherings either indoors or outdoors. However, they do continue to encourage mask-wearing while indoors, and outdoors continues to be the safest place for people to gather. For the diocesan worship guidelines, go to https://www.saltspringanglican.ca/news/more-restrictions-lifted-on-church-gatherings.
- BETTY ROTHWELL'S 90th BIRTHDAY—WED JUL 7. This year Betty's family will be hosting a mostly-family outdoor gathering on her birthday. However, friends wanting to wish Betty a happy birthday are being encouraged to telephone Betty during her birthday week, starting from Sunday the 4th through the 10th of July. If you might visit Betty and want a gift idea, Betty loves reading and her daughter Wendy suggests gifting a favourite book: "she loves biographies, and otherwise any great story".



• ALL SAINTS' GARDENERS—FRI JUL 9, 10am, weather permitting. Those who can, gather at 9.30am, then at 10am we stop and meet in a circle, to greet each other and pray together for the task ahead. Please join us from 10 until about 11.15 as you're able, bring your own tools, and enjoy this fun opportunity to work together. If you are willing to be on the contact list, or have any questions, call Lolla: 250-537-2918, Ros: 250-538-1902, or Sharon: 250-537-9575. This is a weekly gathering, with Covid protocols in place.

Star of the Sea Events

All events are held online on **ZOOM**. **Registration is required** by email to <u>staroftheseassi@gmail.com</u> and then you will be emailed the Zoom link to join the session.

• POETRY OF RELIGIOUS TRADITIONS—TUE JUL 13, 7-8:30pm. Poetry expresses some of the most inspiring ideas and images of the world's religious traditions. In this session, participants are invited to bring a poem from any religious tradition: a poem from East or West; a poem ancient, contemporary, or somewhere in between. You are welcome to bring a poem to read or just to listen to poems brought by others and share your response. The evening will be facilitated by Salt Spring poet Brian Day.

• POETRY OF PRAYER—TUE AUG 10, 7-8:30pm. Poetry can not only speak of the holy but also address the holy, in words that are at once poetry and prayer. Join us for an evening of prayer poems, of sharing words that address the divine. Poems from all traditions are welcome, as well as those from no particular tradition. You are welcome to bring a poem to read or just to listen to poems brought by others and share your response. The evening will be facilitated by Salt Spring poet Brian Day.

For more information: https://www.staroftheseassi.ca/events

In the Diocese and Beyond

• **DIGNIFY: TWO MINUTE VIDEO SERIES.** Spend six weeks this summer thinking about what it means to "respect the dignity of every human being," as we are called to do in our baptismal vows. Bishop Anna, along with other reflectors from around the diocese, will give voice to the challenges and the joys this call brings to our lives. In **Episode Two**, Bishop Anna speaks about the tragic gap we are currently living in and where hope can be found in the midst of it: https://www.saltspringanglican.ca/news/dignify-episode-2.

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