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# *The Cathedral* **MESSENGER**

**Welcome to the Anglican Cathedral of  
St. John the Baptist  
30 August 2026  
14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**We welcome in the Sacrament of Baptism** this afternoon **Patrick Ryan**, son of Jacob & Melissa. May God's Blessing go with you throughout your lives. The Baptism will take place following the 11 am service.

**Sunday school is restarting soon!** The start of Sunday School is nearing, and we're looking for members of the Cathedral Parish who would be willing to help out. We are hoping to recruit enough leaders that we can rotate between Sundays upstairs and downstairs. If you're at all curious or willing to work with our young people from preschool ages to teenagers, please talk to Heather Andres or email [sundayschool@ourcathedral.ca](mailto:sundayschool@ourcathedral.ca). Also, if you are able, **please join us for a planning meeting just after the 11 a.m. service today**, where we can figure out what Sunday School will look like this fall.

**Monthly Special Offering Intentions:** Our special intention for this month is **Home Again Furniture Bank**. Please write "**Home Again**" on your envelope or in the memo of your electronic donation.

**Vacations:** **Jill Kenny** is on vacation and will return to the Office on **September 9<sup>th</sup>**. Please note that the Office will not have regular hours during this time, but phone and email messages will continue to be checked on a regular basis.

### **Upcoming Fall Events:**

The **Gower Street Block Party** will take place **September 13<sup>th</sup>, following the 11 am service**. The Block Party is a fellowship and outreach project of the four churches in the Ecclesiastical District: Gower Street United, St. Andrew's Presbyterian, the RC Basilica, and our Cathedral. All are welcome to join us for food, fellowship, and entertainment.

**The Opening Service for our Diocesan Synod** will take place at **3 p.m. on Friday, 18 September**. Bishop Sam will deliver his Charge to Synod at this service and the Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, the Most Rev'd Shane Parker, will Preside.

**The Battle of Britain** service will be held at **11 am on Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**. The Royal Canadian Air Force Association and Cadets will again be participating in this service.

**The Blessing of the Animals** will take place at **2 pm on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>**. Animals of all kinds are welcome to come and receive a blessing and howl along with the hymns!

Our **Quilts, Hooked Rugs, and Stitching Show** will be open 12 noon to 5 pm on Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>; and 10 am to 5 pm on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. For more information, or to register your submission, visit: [www.ourcathedral.ca/quilts](http://www.ourcathedral.ca/quilts).

Our **Christmas Market** will return on Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. More details will be available soon!

### **Father Ray Kelly Live at the Roman Catholic Cathedral Basilica**

The Cathedral Basilica Foundation is pleased to present Father Ray Kelly live in concert on **Thursday, September 24 at 7:30 p.m.** at the RC Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist. Known around the world for his inspiring performances and his appearance on *Britain's Got Talent*, Fr. Ray is an Irish parish priest whose ministry beautifully combines faith and music. Join us for an uplifting evening of sacred music, Irish favourites, and beloved classics. Tickets: \$55 plus Eventbrite fees. For tickets or more information call 709-793-4411, visit Eventbrite, or email [info@basilicafoundation.ca](mailto:info@basilicafoundation.ca).

**Flowers in the Cathedral today** are given in memory of Hazen and Ora Russell from their family, through the legacy of Paul Russell.

**The Cathedral Choir** will resume rehearsals on Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. New Members are welcome! Choral Scholarships are available for students. If you are interested, please speak with Sharon Whalen, our Organist and Choir Director, or contact her by email: [music@ourcathedral.ca](mailto:music@ourcathedral.ca).

**Schedule for Readers:** Please contact the Office if you would like to be added to (or removed from) the list of Readers for our 11 a.m. service for the Fall. If you would like to know more about being a Reader in the Cathedral, please speak to the Dean.

### **Upcoming Sunday Services:**

#### **September 6<sup>th</sup>: Creation I**

– 11 a.m. BCP Sung Eucharist

#### **September 13<sup>th</sup>: Creation II**

– 11 a.m. BCP Choral Eucharist

#### **September 20<sup>th</sup>: Creation III**

– 9 a.m. BCP Holy Eucharist

– 11 a.m. BCP Choral Mattins for the Battle of Britain

#### **September 27<sup>th</sup>: Creation III**

– 11 a.m. BAS Choral Eucharist & Baptism

**Weekday Morning Prayer:** 9:30 am Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.

**9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist** (said) – BCP p. 67, Propers p. 237

**11:00 a.m. Sung Mattins** (BCP)

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| Hymn: <b>371 The God of Abraham praise</b> | <i>Leoni</i>   |
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| Versicles and Responses                    | <i>Tallis</i>  |
| Canticle: <b>Venite</b>                    | <i>Hanover</i> |

1. O come, let us sing with joy to the LORD;  
our Saviour and rock, loud praises accord.  
With thanks let us enter his presence and raise  
our shouts of thanksgiving in psalms filled with praise.

2. How great is the LORD, our God and our King,  
above all the gods, his greatness we sing.  
Earth's valleys and mountains he holds in his hand.  
He made them and rules them—the sea and the land.

3. O come, let us bow and worship the LORD;  
before him we kneel, with praises adore.  
For he is our God; we're the sheep of his hand,  
and we are his people who dwell in his land.

**Psalms 105:1-6, 23-26** *p. 464*

**Exodus 3:1-15** **Anthony Donnan**

Canticle: **Te Deum** *p. 7*

**Matthew 16:21-28** **Cindy Marshall**

Canticle: **Benedictus – CP 11 Blessed be the God of Israel** *Kingsfold*

Blessed be the God of Israel who comes to set us free  
And raises up new hope for us: a Branch from David's tree.  
So have the prophets long declared that with a mighty arm  
God would turn back our enemies and all who wish us harm.

With promised mercy will God still the covenant recall:  
The oath once sworn to Abraham, from foes to save us all;  
That we might worship without fear and offer lives of praise,  
In holiness and righteousness before God all our days.

My child, as prophet of the Lord, you will prepare the way,  
To tell God's people they are saved from sin's eternal sway.  
Then shall God's mercy from on high shine forth and never cease  
To drive away the gloom of death and lead us into peace.

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| Sermon                         | <b>The Very Reverend Roger Whalen</b> |

Hymn: **597 God, who touchest earth with beauty** *Glen Bernard*

The Prayers

The General Thanksgiving p. 14

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Hymn: **CP 434 The Love of Jesus calls us** *Aurelia*

The Love of Jesus calls us our joyous praise to sing;  
Our deeply felt thanksgivings we now together bring,  
For all God's many blessings, unasked yet still received,  
And for the generations who faithfully believed.

2. The love of Jesus calls us, that we may always be  
Companions on a journey, where all the world may see  
That serving Christ is freedom which time does not destroy;  
Where Christ's command is duty, and every duty joy.

3. The love of Jesus calls us to go where he would go,  
To challenge all that limits, to change, to learn, to grow,  
To know that Christ has freed us, that prisons are no more;  
For those who seek his kingdom, Christ opens every door.

4. The love of Jesus calls us in swiftly changing days,  
To be God's co-creators in new and wondrous ways;  
That God with men and women may so transform the earth,  
That love and peace and justice may give God's kingdom birth.

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