


NOVEMBER 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Remembrance Day – Remembrance Day was first held throughout the Commonwealth in 1919. It marks the armistice to end the First World War, which came into effect at 11 a.m. on Nov. 11, a year earlier. Canadians are asked to pause in memory of the thousands of men and women who sacrificed their lives in military service.</p>				1	2 Parents and Tots 9:30-11:30 AM The Open Gate Youth Group – gr. 7-10 7:30-9:30 AM The Open Gate	3
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PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THIS MONTH'S MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

NOVEMBER MISSION FOCUS - ARK

We've had intense, busy months at ARK's drop-in. From day to day, we bear witness to the raw, grinding reality of poverty and pain. Youth who bear great loss, discouragement and loneliness, mental stress and confusion. Young hearts that would rather die than live feeling unloved and forgotten—love gone wrong.

We hope and pray that the drop-in is a place of welcome and home. We think of Jesus, sitting down to eat a meal with folks suffering and forgotten, bringing healing and love. *At times overwhelmed and unsure of how to keep going, we are inspired by the hope, courage and resilient creativity of our young friends. We look to Love and Mercy to find a way for us all.*

The Sunday Suppers continues to be a place to feast together--guests and volunteers forming a unique community of sharing and care. *We especially thank the youth from Fall River who volunteer so faithfully at Sunday Supper. Thanks for supporting ARK in presence and prayer each week. Anyone interested in helping to make home-baked goods for gifts at the Christmas celebration at Sunday Suppers can contact ARK at 492-2577.*

Our concerns for prayer and support:

-We are concerned about our monthly \$ needs. ARK is funded solely by donations from individuals, churches and community groups. The monthly budget for ARK (both the drop-in and Sunday Suppers) is \$10,000. Currently, we are certain of half this amount. A number of our long-term supporters have passed away in recent years. Please consider joining our pre-authorized payment plan to contribute \$20, 50 or \$100 dollars towards sustaining ARK. Check out our website www.arkoutreach.com or call us for details.

-At the drop-in, we prepare hot, homemade meals each day of the week for 30-35 youth. **Our pantry shelves can always use: pasta and pasta sauce, peanut butter, rice, canned soup and meats, coffee, toilet paper, butter, canned milk.**

The beautiful meal prepared for us by women at Fall River church was a gift—everyone ate their fill of ham, scalloped potatoes and great dessert. Thank you so much. Anyone interested in preparing a pot of soup, bake goods, or a meal to contribute to our menu at anytime can call us 492-2577.

-Items we will need for people throughout the winter months: Men's long-johns, sizes S-M-L), Men's jeans (32-40), hoodies and sweaters, Wool and Cotton socks, backpacks, quality footwear—new or lightly used, men's sizes 10-12, towels, blankets, warm/compact sleeping bags, gift cards—Sobeys, Superstore, Tim Horton's, Walmart, Subway.

Many thanks to all the individuals and families at Fall River for your offerings of time, abilities, prayer and financial resources at the Sunday Suppers and the Drop-in. Your support is essential to making ARK a place of mercy and love, a place to call home.

Peace,
Dorothy and Emily

NOVEMBER - UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 11th - NEWCOMERS DESSERT NIGHT – 6:30 p.m. at The Open Gate - This is an opportunity to get to know the church a little better, ask questions, and let us get to know you better.



Nov. 19th - BOOK CLUB – 7:00pm at The Open Gate



Nov. 19th - OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD boxes due back on this date. **Operation Christmas Child** is an excellent opportunity to show God's love around the world! The simple act of filling a small shoebox with school supplies, small gifts and personal items can truly change the life of a child in need. Last year our little Fall River Chapel and their friends filled 112 boxes. What a blessing! Boxes and pamphlets for this year will be available at the back of the church, or from the Open Gate. You can also fill a box online at <http://www.samaritanspurse.ca/operation-christmas-child/get-involved/operation-christmas-child-packing-your-shoe-boxes/> Please talk to Sarah Gaudry with any questions.



Nov. 30th – KNOCK, SEEK AND ASK NIGHT – 7-12 at the Open Gate - Please come for an interactive evening of praying that God's kingdom would come and his will would be done in our lives, His church, our community, and the missions we support, as well as worship and seeking his direction and comfort. It is our hope that there would be something for everyone on this night, not just for those who are comfortable or "good at praying." Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate.

If you would like to be a part of the team planning the evening please see Jeremy at your earliest convenience.



Dec. 2nd – SPIRIT OF ADVENT - 6:30pm, at St. John's United Church, Fall River.



Each week we have scheduled times to join and pray together:

Tuesdays – 6:30 – 7:30 AM at The Open Gate

Wednesdays – 7:30 – 9:00 PM at The Open Gate

Sundays – 9:45 AM in a classroom of Georges P Vanier

****Everyone is welcome*****