



TRINITY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

April 17, 2025

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Trinity OFFICE HOURS: Our parish administrator works in the church office Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 12-3 pm while working from the home office on Monday and Friday. All telephone messages regarding church business are to be directed to the office 506-693-8558 or trinsj@nb.aibn.com.



You Tube Trinity Services: You can view Trinity’s recorded services by going onto YouTube and typing in Trinity Anglican Church SJ. That will bring you to our channel and all of the previously recorded services.

E-Offering Stewardship Option Thank you to all who are supporting Trinity through their regular stewardship, as this helps the Treasurer meet the ongoing financial needs of Trinity’s ministry. Should you wish to join the E offering program, you can do so from your home by contacting Denise at 506-693-8558 or through the church email, trinsj@nb.aibn.com. Trinity has currently 19 parishioners utilizing the E Offering option for ongoing stewardship. Thank you for your continued support.

Maundy Thursday Pot Luck Supper is Back!



Trinity is returning to pre-COVID with its' Maundy Thursday Pot-Luck Supper – followed by the Maundy Thursday Worship Service.

When You Ask? – Thursday, April 17, 2025

Kitchen Open at 4pm

Supper Served – 5pm

Worship Service – 7pm

Let us gather as community around the table prior to joining together for Worship. Let the Office know that you are planning on attending so we can plan for the numbers joining us



Last Sunday at Trinity: Last Sunday Trinity celebrated Palm Sunday, The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Palm Sunday is a significant day in the Christian faith that commemorates Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, marking the beginning of Holy Week. On this day, crowds welcomed Jesus with palm branches, shouting ***"Hosanna in the highest!"*** It is a time of celebration and anticipation as we remember the arrival of the long-awaited Messiah.

As we experience Palm Sunday, let us reflect on the significance of this day. It is a reminder of Christ's redemptive journey, leading to his ultimate sacrifice on the cross. It is a time to remember that Jesus is the King of kings, who came to save and deliver us. Today marks the beginning of Holy Week, leading us to the Cross and the Hope of Resurrection.

Palm Sunday also serves as a reminder of Christ's fulfillment of Old Testament prophecies. This narrative highlights Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on a donkey, fulfilling the prophecy of **Zechariah 9:9: *"Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey."*** It also marks Jesus' ultimate sacrifice for the salvation of humanity. It foreshadows the events that would unfold during Holy Week, leading to Easter Sunday.

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During this Holy Week we will revisit Maundy Thursday where Jesus gathered with His Disciples. Jesus praying in the Garden of Gethsemane where He was identified by Judas to the soldiers who took him away to stand before a mock trial on Good Friday. The mocking, the thorny crown, the whipping to be followed by making Himself carry His own cross only to be later nailed to it.

From the Passion Narrative we do hear Christ' last seven words:

1. Forgive them, Father! They do not know what they are doing.
2. I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in Paradise.
3. Dear Woman, here is your Son, - here is your Mother.
4. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me.
5. I am thirsty.
6. It is finished.
7. Father, into your hands I commit my Spirit.

As we take in all that this Palm Sunday has for us individually, let us enter into this Holy Week with a sincere and grateful heart experiencing fully the cost of our salvation that gives us the hope we need to continue this life journey in certain hope of the Resurrection.

Jerusalem Times

Obituaries

33 AD

JESUS CHRIST

Jesus Christ, 33, of Nazareth, died Friday on Mount Calvary, also known as Golgotha, the place of the skull. Betrayed by the apostle Judas, Jesus was crucified by the Romans, by order of the Ruler Pontius Pilate. The causes of death were crucifixion, extreme exhaustion, severe torture and loss of blood.

Jesus Christ, a descendant of Abraham, was a member of the house of David. He was the Son of the late Joseph, a carpenter of Nazareth, and Mary, his devoted Mother. Jesus was born in a stable in the city of Bethlehem, Judea. He is survived by his mother Mary, his faithful Apostles, numerous disciples and many other followers.


Jesus was self-educated and spent most of his adult life working as a Teacher. Jesus also occasionally worked as a

Medical Doctor and it is reported that he healed many patients. Up until the time of his death, Jesus was teaching and sharing the good news, healing the sick, touching the lonely, feeding the hungry and helping the poor.

Jesus was most noted for telling parables about His Father's Kingdom and performing miracles, such as feeding over 5,000 people with only five loaves of bread and two fish, and healing a man who was born blind. On the day before His death, He held a Last Supper, celebrating the Passover Feast, at which He foretold His death.

The body was quickly buried in a stone grave, which was donated by Joseph of Arimathea, a loyal friend of the family. By order of Pontius Pilate, a boulder was rolled in front of the Tomb. Roman Soldiers were put on guard.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that everyone try to live as Jesus did and believe in Him. Donations may be sent to anyone in need.



This Sunday at Trinity This Sunday we will celebrate Easter Sunday and we will share some thoughts around the First Resurrection Apostle – Mary Magdalene – Jesus chose over all He could have revealed Himself to – to reveal Himself to Mary. Come out and be part of the Trinity community as we bring the Light of Christ back into Trinity, celebrate the Risen Lord and be part of the beautiful Easter music Spencer and his choir has prepared for you.

Prayers

We offer special prayers for:



Prayers for Rt. Rev. Geoff Woodcroft Bishop of Rupert's Land. Bishop Geoff has been recently diagnosed with a terminal illness at the young age of 63. Archbishop David Edwards updated me on Geoff's health, as he completed his first round of Chemotherapy and now starting round two. Keep Bishop Geoff and his wife Ven. Jennifer Sissons in your prayers.

Prayers for Ukraine Most Holy God and Father. Hear our prayers for all who strive for peace and all who fight for justice. Help us, who today remember the cost of war, to work for a better tomorrow and as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict, bring us all, in the end, to the peace of Your presence through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayers for Russia – We pray for all those in Russia who have been affected by this ongoing war of Ukraine. For the lives lost, the families torn apart and for those Ukrainians who reside in Russia along with Viktoriia and Alex and their boys. We ask for their continued safety, a speedy resolve to this unjust attack and for a lasting peace between these two countries. Amen

Special Prayers ongoing for Viktoriia (34) and Alex (34) Yezerskaya and their children, Daniel (4) and Samuel (7). Let us pray for their safety and the blessings they will share as God's hands, speech, and feet in their answering of His call on them as they continue as missionaries in Russia among their own people.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer The Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui, the Most Rev Andrew Chan, Archbishop. Anglican Church of Canada, Acting Primate Anne Germond. Diocese of Central Newfoundland, Bishop John Watton. Diocese of Ho, Bishop Matthias Meduadues-Badohu. Diocese of Yukon, Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame, Old Crow: St. Luke's, the Rev Jeffrey Mackie-Deernsted and the Rev Marion Schafer. Archbishop David, retired bishop William and their families.

Prayer for Israel and Palestine –we pray for the current peace actions and the safe release of those taken captive. We hold both communities in our prayers as they commence rebuilding their lives and that the peace presently experiencing will live on. Amen

Prayer for Canada, Mexico and the United States – We pray for a resolve to the ensuing economic war being launched against Canada and Mexico which will also involve the United States in response. We ask for the calming of the rhetoric and power influences that appear to be fueling this initiative and a return to these countries working in harmony for the better of the world.

Parish Prayer Requests Arthur Kristoffersen, Katie Kassner, Shirley Shaw, Winston Wilson, Ann Campion, Frank Rodgers. We pray for Ven. Canon Brent Hamm – Archdeacon in Moncton.

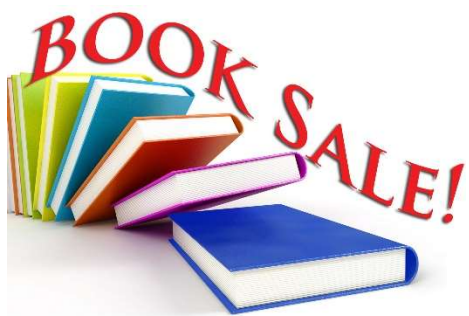
TRINITY's SERVICE CALENDAR

Date	Sunday	Service	Readings	Presider
Apr 17	Maundy Thursday Supper – 5pm served			
Apr 17	Maundy Thursday – 7PM	BCP HC	Exodus 12:1-10 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-17, 31-35	Rev Steven Scribner
Apr 18	Good Friday 12 noon – 3PM 12noon – 1pm -Cross 1 – 2pm – last 24 hrs 2 – 3pm – 7 Last Words			Rev Steven Scribner
Apr 20	Easter Sunday	BCP HC	Isaiah 65:17-25 Psalm 118:1, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 John 20:1-18	Rev Steven Scribner
Apr 27	2 nd Sunday of Easter Baptism – Oliver Lawrence Bell- Estabrooks	BAS Baptism & Eucharist		Rev. Steven Scribner



Trinity in a Glance:

- **April 17 –**
 - Maundy Thursday Parish Pot Luck Supper – 5pm
 - Maundy Thursday Worship Service – 7pm
- **April 18 –**
 - Good Friday – three-hour service – 12 noon – 3pm
 - 12noon – 1pm Significance of the Cross
 - 1pm – 2pm – Journey with Jesus – Last 24 hours
 - 2pm – 3pm – Christ's Seven Last Words
 - 3pm – retire to the Bennett Room for the traditional Hot Cross Bun social
- **April 20 –**
 - Easter Sunday 10:30am –
 - Bringing in the light to the Church
 - Flowering the Cross



Trinity's Spring Used Book and Cookie /Coffee Corner is on!

Friday April 25th 4:00 – 7:00pm

Saturday April 26th 10:00am – 1:00pm

Pricing:

- **\$1.00 each or a Bag Full for \$5.00**

Come out to find your summer reading – all topics – and enjoy a cup of coffee and a cookie for a nominal fee.



This week we're introducing a new feature in the Enews, "A Little Sunshine from Susanne." For a number of years, I've been receiving a daily email from a media outlet called The Good News Network (we featured it in the Enews last year)—it contains only good news stories from around the world. I think all of us could use a little good news right now, so each week, I'll be summarizing a story from the previous week's offerings. I hope you enjoy it. Every blessing, Susanne

A Different Kind of New-Birth Story for Easter

The oldest residents of the Philadelphia Zoo, 2 100-year-old tortoises named Mommy & Abrazzo, are now the proud parents of 4 new hatchlings (and more on the way!). These critically endangered Western Santa Cruz tortoises are part of the Survival Plan of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA).

The zoo's animal care team went to great lengths to provide suitable accommodations for the eggs, purchasing new nesting material consisting of sand and soil for Mommy to lay in and then carefully digging up the clutch of 16 eggs and placing them in an incubator to ensure safe development and hatching.



100-year-old Mommy



and 2 of her babies

Mommy and babies are reported to be doing well. The new arrivals will be introduced to the public on April 23, the 93rd anniversary of their mother's arrival at the zoo. They'll remain at the zoo for at least the next 5 years before being considered for placement in other facilities in the breeding program. The zoo's president, Dr. Jo-Elle Mogerman, asserts that "Philadelphia Zoo's vision is that those hatchlings will be a part of a thriving population of Galapagos tortoises on our healthy planet 100 years from now."

See the full story on the Good News Network:

https://www.goodnewsnetwork.org/the-philadelphia-zoos-galapagos-tortoises-are-new-parents-at-100-years-old/?utm_campaign=newsletters&utm_medium=weekly_mailout&utm_source=11-04-2025

Watch a short video on Youtube: <https://youtu.be/ZvhuEWsLeh4>

Beacon Cove Donations Toiletries in larger size (not travel size), feminine hygiene products, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner and body wash. Also looking for clothing, shoes, socks, blankets and larger towels. Gift cards in small denominations. Paper products, toilet tissue, paper towels and facial tissue are welcomed.

Trinity will collect these products and deliver. Beacon Cove will also accept donations via the diocesan website – choose Beacon Cove from the drop-down menu: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/13778>.

Keep up the great work and remember the great work Beacon Cove is doing in our community.

By Rudyard Kipling

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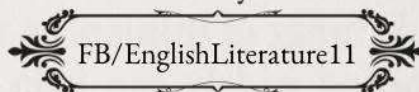
If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:

If you can dream—and not make dreams your master;
If you can think—and not make thoughts your aim;
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
And treat those two impostors just the same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools:

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If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings
And never breathe a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the Will which says to them: 'Hold on!'

If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with Kings—nor lose the common touch,
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And—which is more—you'll be a Man, my son!



Trinity Memories of Trinity Choir and Organists of our past & present:



Trinity's Organist and Choir Director Spencer Belyea's choir on Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025.
Photo Credit – Louise Dodge-Hall.

The Great East Window Campaign 2025



The caption in the photo: Stained glass depends not on reflected light, like most forms of art do, but on transmitted light.

It is anticipated with the East Window cleaned on both sides and new protective clear covering on the external window face the East Window will be once again brilliant in its' colors having last been cleaned in 1958.

The fundraising is actively underway – below you will see the fundraising progress to date graphically displayed in the Thermometer.

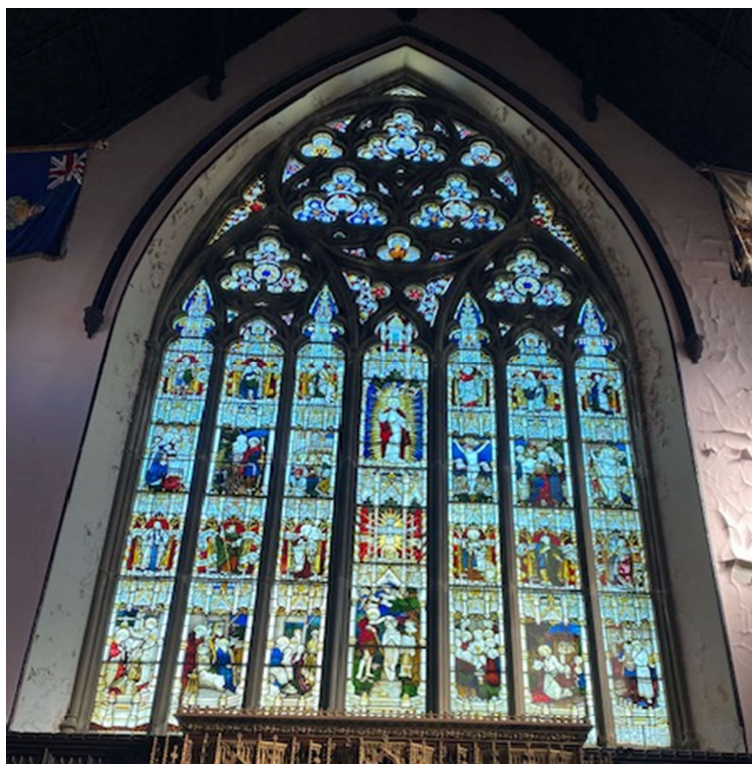
Trinity has received the Heritage Permit for this project. The application for the Saint John Heritage Grant for this project has been submitted.

There are ongoing approaches being made to other options for grant support for this monumental project which will ensure the protection and life ongoing for The Great East Window.

Trinity appreciates any and all fundraising suggestions as the parish continues to firm up this projects' financial support. Should you require additional information you may contact the Great East Window Campaign Chair, Jacqueline Oland through the parish office or myself, Rev. Steven Scribner.

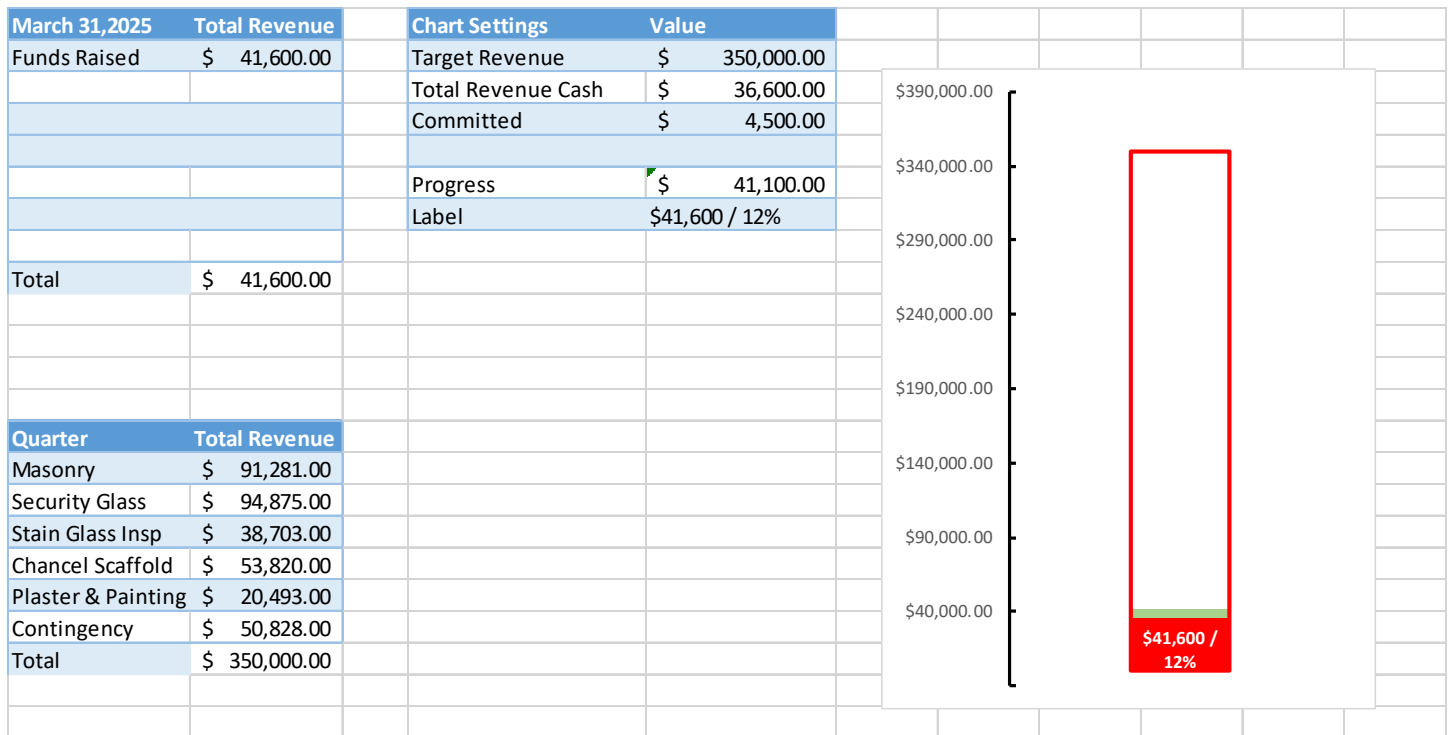


The East Window Exterior

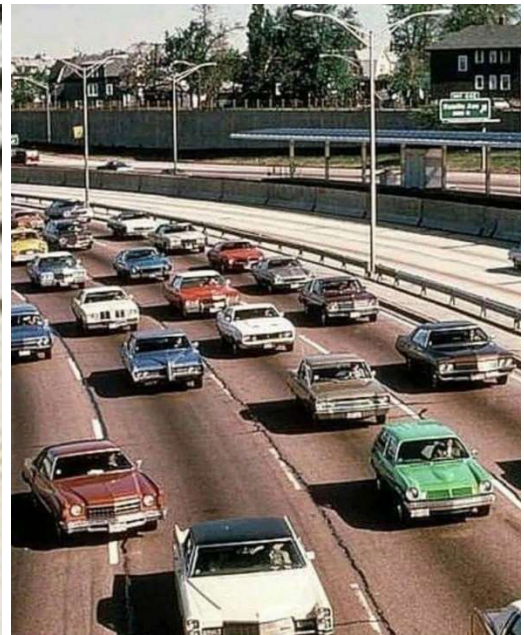


The East Window Interior

Thank you all for your consideration on this very critical restoration project for Trinity's future.



Remember when?



When Saint John's first MacDonald Restaurant was on Rothesay Avenue and they added the Caboose for the children's birthday parties.

And do you remember when the automobile industry actually had incorporated design in their yearly models along with a vast colour pallet rather than searching for your white or black SUV in the Costco parking lot these days. Interesting picture of cars on the highway – 1963 Cadillac (white), 1975 Mone Carlo (bronze), green Vega station wagon, 1968 Pontiac (blue), 1972 Buick LeSabre (brown) and the list goes on. I would defy any of us to pick out the cars in an equally busy highway picture these days.

This is our year in our family:



Our home cheering on the Winnipeg Jets and my sisters home looking for the 14th Stanley Cup for the Leaf's. What is for certain this year there are many more Canadian NHL teams playing in the finals.

Being Canadian – The Envy of the United States.

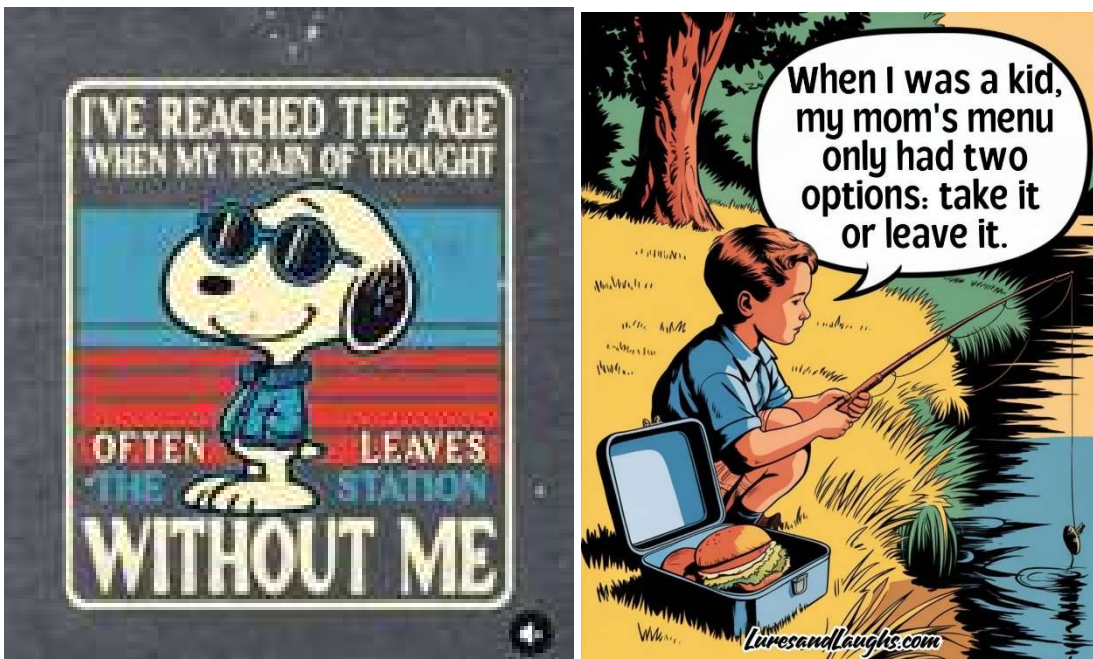


Mike Myers on Saturday Night Life (SNL) a few weeks back. Caution on crossing the border these days – not the same as it was last year. They can ask to have a look on your mobile devices and ask what you think of the US President. We may have to start having one-on-one confessions for those who have had to lie to the border guards on their feelings towards the US President.

Humor



James Scribner at age 2 ½ with a firm grip on a beater.



Blessings 2025 – Reverend Steven