

IGNATIUS FARM COMMUNITY GARDENS: 2021 DATES

ACCESS TO GARDEN PLOTS & PLANT SALE

Annual gardens open one field at a time between May 15-25. You will receive an email when the field you are assigned to is open, along with a field map to assist you in locating your plot. Garden plot number & name assignments will be posted for 2 weeks on the Community Gardens notice board adjacent to the Farm Workshop parking lot.

Returning perennial gardeners can access their plots after they have re-registered and paid. New perennial gardeners access plots May 25-31, pending final cultivation. Notification will be by email.

Orientation: There will not be a large Spring Field Day gathering on the May long weekend; It is spread out over several days with a drop-in plant sale and staff available to provide orientations. [Seedlings can be ordered in advance online](#) with assigned pick-up times. If you are new to gardening at Ignatius, or in a field that is new to you, drop by during one of the following times to know how to access your plot, water etc...

- Friday, May 21, 10-noon, 2-5pm – Drop-in orientations only
- Saturday, May 22, 9am-noon - Also a seedling order pick-up; seed & additional seedlings for sale
- Tuesday, May 25, 2-5pm - Also a seedling order pick-up; seed & additional seedlings for sale
- Friday, May 28, 2-5pm - Also a seedling order pick-up; seed & additional seedlings for sale

AMENDMENT ORDER DEADLINES & DELIVERIES

- Straw mulch and tractor buckets of compost are delivered to plots on the following weeks:
May 24, June 7, June 21 for annual and perennial plots
Oct. 4 for garlic and perennial plots
- Order by 10am on Mondays for mid-week delivery; order forms are on info board
- **We need 5 volunteers for the distribution of mulch on May 27th**
- Compost purchased by the 20L pail is self-serve and can be taken from the nearest pile after payment

WATER LINE CLEAN-UP

Thursday, September 23rd or 30th

Collect water lines from the community gardens and store them for the winter.

- **5 volunteers needed!**
- 9:30am-12:30pm, and 2-4pm

Plots must be Cleaned Up

MONDAY OCTOBER 18TH

- All vegetables, tools, tomato cages, stakes, string, row cover etc must be removed from annual garden plots.

GARDEN CLEAN & GLEAN

Tuesday October 19th

- Collect plot number stakes and other obstructions to tractor work, and glean produce before the gardens are put to bed (ploughed and composted) for the winter!
- Starts at 9:30am
- **We need 12 gardeners to volunteer!**

Seasonal Farm Events returning in 2022...

ANNUAL LAND BLESSING

Last Sunday in May

Beginning at St. Brigid's Villa with an outdoor liturgy, there is a wagon tour to bless the land. A Eucharist celebration follows and a potluck lunch.

- Bring water bottle, dishes and your potluck contribution to share

TASTE REAL GUELPH WELLINGTON LOCAL FOOD FEST

3rd or 4th Sunday in June, 11am-4pm

Come out to Ignatius for this great event of local food, beverages, music, workshops and fun for the family. Ignatius will be providing wagon rides and u-pick strawberries.

OPEN FARM DAYS

Tuesday & Friday, 3rd week of August

- Wagon rides, kids' activities, music, ice cream and BBQ, and community building!
- Join in the fun from 3:30pm-6:00pm

Stone Soup - Fall Harvest Celebration

First Saturday of October

- A simple meal prepared and shared together with a campfire to follow. All are welcome to come out to celebrate the summer harvest and share the food abundance!