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Some thoughts as we go to the polls

We are in the throes of election season, both provincial and episcopal. I want to write a few words about the former and will have a chance next month to add some thoughts on the election of a new suffragan bishop of Toronto.

I have no intention of telling you how to vote in the provincial election on Oct. 10. It is your right to make a choice that you believe will best serve our province.

I will tell you, however, that you ought to vote. In fact, I believe it is our Christian duty to participate in the civil life of our communities (see Romans 13, for example), and as Ontarians we do so in a significant way by exercising our franchise to vote. It is a hard-won liberty that we enjoy and opting out because of cynicism or indifference just

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BY BISHOP COLIN JOHNSON

won't do. Ours is a privilege that many people in other parts of the world do not have. So, go out and vote!

I'd like you to do something else as well – two things actually. First, I ask you to pray for those who have offered themselves as candidates in the election. Politicians play a critically important role in our society. They do an enormous amount of good with little public approval, and in fact bear the brunt of contempt, even defamation and abuse. They are not perfect. A rare few deserve the criticism they get, but the majority of candidates want to contribute to the building of a healthy, stable and liveable community. I know it first-hand. My



Brenda Crawford of St. Barnabas, Toronto, asks a question for politicians at the diocese's Housing Advocacy Workshop. Archdeacon Gordon Finney of St. John's, Peterborough, moderates the discussion. For story, see Page 2. PHOTO BY MICHAEL HUDSON

own father served as an MPP for 15 years, and as a local politician both before and after that. He did it not for the glory, clearly not for the popularity and certainly not for the money, but because he had a passion for helping people and wanted to make a personal contribution that would make a difference in the lives of his constituents. And he did! It was hard work, and he worked hard at it and sacrificed much to serve.

Politicians deserve our sup-

port – not without asking hard questions, but without the scorn with which we so casually and recklessly treat them. I thank God that people of such generally high quality are prepared to enter the political race today. Pray for them and for the government they will form and inform. It is our government.

Among the numerous issues being presented by the candidates in the election, I believe the critical issue is one of vision. What is our vision for this

province? What sort of people do we want to be? Who is to be included and who will be left marginalized? And how will we together share in the wealth of resources we have been blessed with?

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New director excels at innovative ministry

BY HENRIETA PAUKOV

WHEN the Rev. Helena-Rose Houldcroft realized that the low-income women she was working with in Regina had no place to shop for affordable food, she didn't wait for someone else to provide a solution. She worked with them to open a food store.

"All of the food stores have moved out to the periphery," she says. "They've become box stores; there are no stores available for the poor, because if you don't have a car, you can't get to a box store. So they are buying their food at convenience stores. Well, they are the least able to afford food like that.

"So we started what was called the Food for Life store. It was an amazing experience. We did some work on positive thinking and

spirituality. One woman got a job because of it; another woman left an abusive relationship.

"The women became such an inspiration to me. They were trying to model for their kids a different way of life, and part of that modeling involved volunteering and being a good neighbour, because that's how we were going to build a better neighbourhood."

Her resourcefulness and passion for social justice served Ms. Houldcroft well in her 24 years in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle in Saskatchewan. They will also serve her in her new position as the executive director of Flemingdon Park Ministry, a storefront ministry in the Don Mills and Eglinton area of Toronto. She started on Aug. 1.

Coming to Toronto is really a homecoming for Ms. Houldcroft,

who was born in the city and grew up north of Parry Sound. After earning a nursing degree at McMaster University in Hamilton, she studied at Trinity College. Afterward, because it was difficult for women to get ordained in the late 1970s, she worked as a lay chaplain at McMaster.

"When I was a lay chaplain, I realized how much I loved ministry, how I loved being with people," she recalls. "And I realized it didn't matter if I was ordained, because I had everything I needed in terms of developing my gifts and talents. And frankly, if I'd never been ordained, I would still be very happy and inspired, because I realized that the authority doesn't come from the ordination, it comes from the community recognizing your gifts and using them

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The Rev. Helena-Rose Houldcroft brings her experience to Flemingdon Park Ministry in Don Mills.

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ON THEIR WAY

Monique Edwards, left, Simone Alena Thomas and Kwende Ambrose each receive \$500 scholarships for their college and university educations from the Church of the Nativity, Malvern, on Sept 2. Over the past 11 years, the church has given out 43 scholarships to youth in the parish.

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Housing issues in spotlight as election nears

BY MURRAY MACADAM

AS Ontario's provincial election campaign heats up, 75 people from across the diocese gathered at St. John's, York Mills, on Sept. 8 for an all-candidates panel and workshop on housing issues. The event, organized by the diocese's Social Justice and Advocacy Board, was aimed at ensuring that housing and poverty issues become part of the election debate.

"I want to thank you," Bishop Colin Johnson told the party representatives. "Politicians do not have great press these days. We need to honour those willing to govern our society and offer our support."

Taking part in the panel discussion were Liberal MPP David Zimmer, NDP MPP Paul Ferreira, Conservative activist Brad Butt and Green Party candidate Mike McLean.

"What's our vision?" asked Bishop Johnson. "What can we dream to be possible? My vision is of a society where all are welcome, all find a place, and everybody is fed and housed adequately. Those on the edges of society are not shoved out of sight."

The candidates sketched differing approaches for dealing with housing issues. Mr. Ferreira, from one of Ontario's poorest ridings (York South-Weston), said: "We need to invest in affordable housing in a way that we have not done for a long time." Many people in his community work at two jobs as they struggle to pay the rent and feed their children.

Housing is just one condition of poverty, not something that can be fixed in isolation, said Mr. Zimmer. He painted a grim picture of the poor living in cramped apartments, noting that children in such conditions often grow up lacking self-confidence.

Mr. Butt, president of the Greater Toronto Apartment Association, credited the Liberals

for the current housing allowance program. He said policies are needed that respect the different housing choices that people will want to make, and housing allowances permit that.

A lively question period followed, chaired by Archdeacon Gordon Finney. Brenda Crawford of St. Barnabas, Toronto, who lives on a disability pension, told the candidates of her frustration with policies through which the government claws back half of any extra income she might earn. Phyllis Creighton mentioned the shame of our society in allowing homeless people to die on the streets, and won a hearty round of applause while calling for a more fair tax system to provide more housing and other measures to benefit the poor.

Participants also took part in small-group discussions on how to resist the "Not in My Backyard" opposition to affordable housing, how to get a housing project started, housing for people with special needs, and how to strengthen parish interest in housing issues.

Outreach conference approaching

REGISTRATION is still open for the diocese's Outreach Networking Conference on Oct. 13. The conference is taking place in a new location this year — Holy Trinity School, Richmond Hill — making it easier for Anglicans from the northern part of the diocese to attend. Its theme is "Bridging the gap: Connecting with our communities." A special feature this year is a program for youth aged 14 to 30. The keynote speaker is the Rev. Rauni Salminen, executive director of The Philip Aziz Centre, a hospice for people with HIV/AIDS and other illnesses.

By enabling Anglicans from across the diocese to meet each other, share experiences, learn about issues and worship together, the Outreach Networking Conference marks a high point in the diocese's social justice and advocacy ministry. It attracts about 150 people. While most participants are active in parish outreach efforts, others are not. Everyone is welcome.

To learn more and to register, visit www.toronto.anglican.ca/outreachconference. Please register by Oct. 4. The conference runs from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., and has a \$20 registration fee.

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Wild ride leads to growth

Rector pulls church back from brink

BY STUART MANN

The Rev. Bill Tully knows what it's like to be on a jetliner as it hurdles towards earth, its engines dead.

When Mr. Tully became the rector of St. Bartholomew's in New York City in 1994, the church had about three years left to live. Its once large congregation had shrunk to 125 souls (in a building that seats 1,300). Its Sunday offerings didn't cover expenses and its endowment fund was almost gone.

At his first meeting with parishioners, he said to them, "We're on an airliner going down. We're going to do everything we can to get the engines started and turn this around. We may see or even touch the tree-tops before we nose up again, so it's going to be a wild ride, and if you want to be part of it you have to be willing to take risks, believing we'll get the engines started in time."

He also said one other thing: "We're going to grow, and you won't like it."

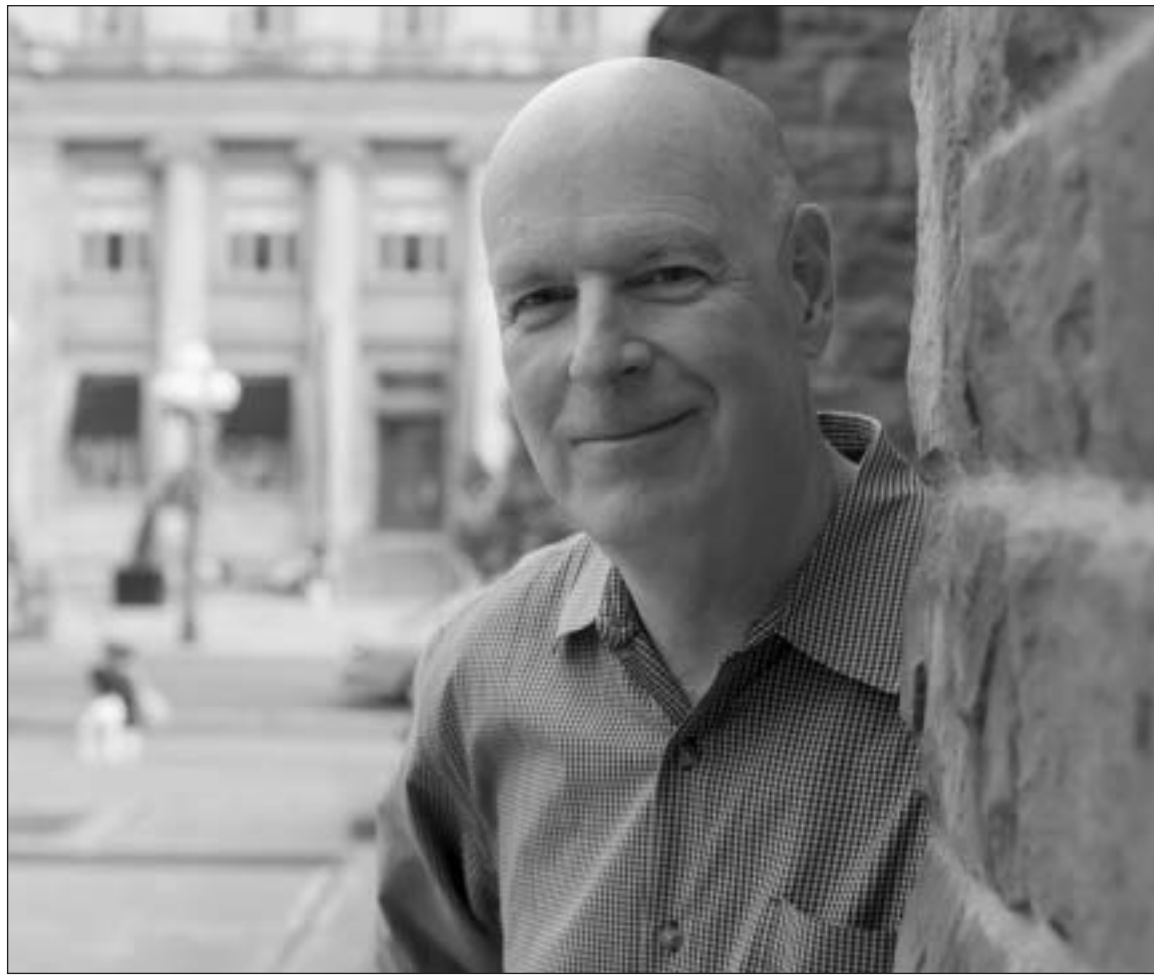
Mr. Tully, who did manage to get the engines started again and turn St. Bart's into a thriving church, was at Trinity College in Toronto in July to talk about church growth.

He said the dismal state of affairs at St. Bart's when he arrived was a sort of blessing in disguise. "It gave me the ability to say, 'We have to grow. We have to be very creative and flexible and try new things.'"

The first thing he did was make a conscious decision to be positive, affirming and hopeful. In the pulpit, he reminded the congregation of its mission to grow, and drew on biblical stories such as the return from exile and the rebuilding of Jerusalem to inspire them.

"It was important for me to be both the bearer of these sobering pieces of evidence of the crisis we were in, and also to offer creative ways forward and to say, 'We can do this and we will get there.'"

He began to make changes. One was to make sure that children were fully welcomed and included in the 11 a.m. service. In the past, the children were directed to another part of the building. He soon began to hear complaints that the children were too noisy, especially when they walked up the aisle to receive communion. At the end of the service on the following Sunday, he made a short announcement. He told the congregation that he had children of his own and he could understand how some people might be upset by the noise they make, "but if



The Rev. Bill Tully peers out from Church of the Redeemer, Toronto. He was at Trinity College to talk about his work at St. Bartholomew's in New York City. PHOTO BY MICHAEL HUDSON

you don't hear that noise, the next will be a death rattle, and you don't want that." Then he smiled.

He said it was important for him, as the leader, to make that announcement, and to do it in a non-anxious way. "The leader's role is to work on his or her own anxiety so that by the time you have to make those kinds of announcements, you've got it all out of your system and you can smile and even be a little bit playful. But you hold to your point: children are going to be part of this church and we will get used to them. Remember, I said, we will grow and you won't like it."

In the first few weeks at the church, he stood out on the sidewalk and greeted everyone who came in. But he found that he was alone. The sidespeople – who are called ushers at St. Bart's – were standing in the foyer talking to each other, some with their backs turned to the door. Sometimes it was hard to break into their conversation to get a bulletin.

He asked the ushers to meet him one day after work. They gathered on the sidewalk and walked through what it was like to approach the church. They found that the church's sign was hard to read. It even advertised a mid-week service that hadn't been held in years. They walked up the steps and into the church, an imposing building that takes up a city block. They said it was too dark and the washrooms were decrepit.

Afterwards, Mr. Tully asked them what they could do to make the church more welcoming. In the following weeks they created better bulletins, put up a new sign, improved the lighting and

cleaned up the washrooms.

Mr. Tully started to change the way the church spent its money. In previous years, the church made budget cuts across the board because that was considered to be fair. However, he said some things were more important than others because they led to growth, and they should be fully funded.

In researching the history of

"We're going to grow, and you won't like it." – The Rev. Bill Tully tells parishioners that changes must be made.

the parish, he found that the number one thing that stood out was its elegant music and professional choir. However, the choir had been reduced to singing 34 Sundays a year, leaving 18 Sundays when the church was silent and practically empty.

He decided to invest in the choir. "So much of what we needed to do to grow was going to take a long time, so I thought, What about bringing the choir back to full strength and making sure there was a 'wow' factor?"

He also persuaded a parishioner who loved the choir and music to fund four Sundays in the summer where the choir and an orchestra would perform at the 11 a.m. service. They called it the Summer Festival of St. Bartholomew's and advertised it on the local classical radio station.

It was a risky move. He was told that nobody stayed in New York in the summer. They were

wrong. Each service attracted at least 750 people, the largest congregations of any Sunday for the preceding five years except for Easter Day.

"Some came because they thought they were getting a free concert; others understood that it was holy worship with music. But it didn't really matter. We were celebrating one of our gifts, which was great music. And we were going against the culture in churches, which was to cut back. We had a wonderful time."

He said music is one of the best ways to jump-start growth in a church. "It's so important. Our culture is saturated with it. There is less and less tolerance for poor quality music. If I was the only ordained person in a small church and it was growing, I would want a curate as fast as I could, but I would probably hire a good full-time musician first. That might make more of a difference at the place where you encounter people."

The other area that he invested time and money in was the worship service. "Nothing is more important, week by week, than to keep working on that. Anglicans have such a great heritage in this area; we think we can just go on automatic pilot and our worship will be fine, but that's often what comes across: we're on automatic pilot. We have to be endlessly creative but still visibly traditional."

His staff meets every week as soon as possible after the service to evaluate it and suggest improvements for the following week.

He said preaching is extremely important and advises priests to find a speech coach or profes-

Tully's principles

Here are some of the Rev. Bill Tully's principles for church growth:

52 equal Sundays

He says churches which reduce staff, services and programs during the summer months are hindering their growth. "People vacation at different times of the year; schools and work schedules are flexible. You need to do some things to connect with people and keep things together over the summer."

"You need to have the full welcome mat out 52 Sundays. You ought to have all the quality of hospitality you have at any other time of year. You should have Sunday School or something for children. You should never cancel anything unless you mean to say that we, as a matter of theology, think summer isn't important."

"A lot of churches work on growth for nine months and then lose it all in three months and have to start all over again in September. It's like a fly bouncing against a window: it's perseverance instead of thinking."

The 90:10 Principle

"Ninety per cent of the people who are coming to your church come for one thing only: the worship service. They don't even come to the coffee hour. But churches do most of their programming for the 10 per cent. So the worship service is really important. I'm always saying to my staff that the few visible things that we can do to charge up the worship of God and that would cause some visible growth are very important to do."

Will it make us grow?

"When you're working with your leadership and they're bringing you their ideas, ask one question: Will it make us grow? That's the primary question you have to ask about every idea."

Invest ahead of growth

Growth doesn't happen on its own, he says. You have to invest time and money in the areas that you think will cause growth. You can't always wait for the budget to increase before spending in those key areas.

sional actor who will listen and give honest feedback. He also advises clergy not to let worship services get too long. "I think the creeping length of Anglican liturgical services is a killer for growth, and the leader is probably the only one who can effectively control this."

Invite a friend to church

"If you like our work, tell others; if you don't, tell us."

The sign hung on the wall of a shop in my hometown. In an effort to open communication and encourage word-of-mouth advertising, the store's owner had placed it on the wall in a very prominent place. He wanted to ensure that he could deal with any issues or complaints in a straightforward, constructive manner. He also hoped that a positive experience for his customers would result in a willingness to share that good experience with others.

I began to think about that in terms of the church. "If you like our ministry, tell others; if you don't, tell us."

In my experience, we sometimes reverse the message of that sign. When things are going well at our home church — when we get excited by certain programs, or the youth group is flourishing, or we encounter God in a meaningful way — we readily share our enthusiasm with our fellow members of the congregation. But when we have an issue with the direction the church is taking, or if we disagree with the rector, we sometimes complain to people outside the church in a way that is often unhealthy and destructive. The old saying that there is no fight like a church fight rings true. Conflict in the church needs to be handled within the values of the Christian community — honestly, di-

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BY BISHOP PHILIP POOLE

rectly, constructively and respectfully.

"If you like our ministry, tell others; if you don't, tell us."

All of the literature on evangelism that I have ever read indicates that there is one simple way in which the message of our faith is spread, one simple way a church will grow: Tell another how much your church and your faith has made a positive difference to you. Invite another person to come to church.

If each member of every congregation in our diocese invited just one person to join them on their Christian journey (and they stayed), we would no longer be worried about things like church attendance or finances. Of course, the Christian faith is much more than people attending church on a Sunday morning and sharing their worldly goods. At its core, it is a relationship with God through Jesus Christ. It is about making a commitment to Christ which compels us to go out into the world and make a difference in the name of Our Lord.

Anglicans by their nature are very reserved people. I sometimes joke that we are "God's frozen chosen!" We have difficulty sharing our faith, perhaps because we believe that

the Christian faith is private and personal. I believe it is intensely personal — but it is not private. It is meant to be shared.

I encourage us to create an atmosphere in which our faith can be shared without fear of judgment; where we can learn ways to share our faith with others in an effective manner; and to do that in an environment that provides an opportunity to grow and deepen in our spiritual relationship to Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Survey after survey tells us that while people are somewhat distrustful of organized religion, they are very interested in spirituality. To my mind, that gives us a unique opportunity as Christians to introduce our faith to our colleagues at work and our non-church friends in ways that can be positive both to the listener and ourselves. There is much that is good in our churches, much to be celebrated.

I encourage and challenge each of us to share the good news of Jesus Christ with others and to ask others to join us on the Christian journey. I ask each of us to invite one other person to come to church with us, to join in our Bible study, to be part of our prayer group, or to share in a social justice project in the life of our congregation.

This week, why not commit yourself to inviting one person to join you at church this Sunday.

"If you like our ministry, tell others; if you don't, tell us."

No one should be left out

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In this diocese, we have joined in work to end child poverty in this province where one in six children live below the poverty line. This is linked closely with housing. We have strongly and consistently advocated for policies that address homelessness and under-housing, not only for people whose living room is the sidewalk but for increasing numbers of frail and poor elderly. We have spoken and acted to provide supportive and affordable housing. To tackle these issues requires the cooperation of government, business and not-for-profit groups to ensure the provision of adequate stock of appropriate housing for people of all incomes. But it also requires us to address more effectively the underlying issues of quality health care, a liveable wage, meaningful work, and better funded social support networks. It requires us to give up the comfortable NIMBY-ism and adopt the more difficult "Yes, In-My-Back-

yard" approach that will challenge ourselves and our neighbours to a greater compassion and more intentional inclusion.

The issue around funding faith-based schools, which I personally oppose, wanes in comparison to the crisis that continues to exist in our province related to poverty and affordable housing. I acknowledge my bias on funding faith-based schools and my very mixed conflict of interest. The diocese has a long and good connection with a number of fine, privately funded Anglican schools. Some of our bishops, clergy and lay leaders have taught or been educated there. My wife is a public school teacher. Our church has a considerable history (even notoriety) in supporting a public school system. But you may not know that we have had an even longer history of working to include a more holistic discussion of faith within the curriculum. I support a public school system where all students can be educated together.

We need to do more to understand the world we live in and our neighbours. We need to learn more about other faiths as well as the Christian faith, not with a view of conversion but understanding. If we try to relegate to the personal and private sphere the religious values that shape people's view of the world, their moral structures and systems of belief and practice, or to pretend that they don't matter, as our public system currently does, we are breeding intolerance and misunderstanding, rather than tolerance. Such an approach does not help us understand the real world that we live in. On the other hand, encouraging a faith-segregated school system does nothing to build that understanding, either. We do not learn about each other by talking about "them" in their absence. It is only as we engage directly with each other face-to-face that we develop friendships and grow to an accepting appreciation of each other's differences and gifts. This we know well from our own experience in the Anglican Communion. It is even more important

today in our multi-cultural and global context that we engage in such discourse in our schools and in the broader community.

Surely we can work toward a broad vision where all are adequately fed, appropriately sheltered, well educated, have access to good health care, and find meaningful work at an adequate wage. Surely we want a society where the elderly are afforded the dignity they deserve and the young are provided a sound environment for learning, where no one is left out. And what are we willing to do to make this a reality?

These are not the issues that are on the front burner of political campaigns. So, my second request. What are the candidates coming to your door saying about these issues? Would you ask them? And then use their answers to inform your decisions about whom you will offer your support at the ballot box. And if your candidate does not win — indeed, even if she or he does — continue to engage them in building the type of Ontario where all can find a place at the table.



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Pressed pleats, grateful hearts

Dad, I need your laptop for Friday morning, and I need a ride, and please make sure my white blouse is ironed, and we need to be there by 7 a.m." Such were the desires of our daughter. She was off to Brazil on an exchange trip through the Rotary Club and was invited to the breakfast meeting of our local branch to give a presentation.

The meeting went well and our daughter did a great job. I was particularly proud of the way her blouse was pressed so nicely, pleats and all! After breakfast there were the usual announcements, and the leader of the club asked that the basket be passed around to the members. I think they do this at every meeting. I assumed that this was simply a way to cover the expenses of the scrambled eggs, bagels and fresh fruit. Someone got the basket and went to the other side of the hall. One of the members rose and began to speak. "I am so grateful for the presentation this morning. Thank you!" and then he put some money in the

CASUAL OBSERVATIONS

BY THE REV. MICHAEL CALDERWOOD

basket. Next, another man stood up. He also had some money and said, "Here is my offering, and I am glad that the Rotary Club is able to sponsor these exchanges. Good luck to our students."

It didn't take long for me to realize that everyone in the room was going to do this, all 40 of them. I glanced at my watch. Do I have time for this? The next person got up, some coins in hand, and said, "I am thankful for the good weather we are having." A woman rose from her chair. I think she had \$5 in her hand: "I missed last week, and I am grateful for how well my husband is doing after his operation."

I looked around the room: everyone was paying attention. Many were smiling. Something was happening, something I had not expected. People were taking the time to be grateful. I realized I did have time for this. This passing of the basket was not just another agenda item; it was more

than that. Some people were more eloquent than others, some stuttered and were clearly nervous, but that did not seem to matter. Such signs of weakness somehow made the offering all the more authentic. I discovered something else: these simple expressions of gratitude helped me to see the people in a new way. I found myself anticipating, wondering what the next person would say. I was smiling too, offering my own thanks for the things I heard.

This immediately brought to mind for me another gathering that would take place a couple of days later, just up the street on a Sunday morning. How would they give thanks? Do we provide sufficient time in our worship for people to express gratitude? Could we do more than pass polished brass plates as we sing "Now Thank We All Our God?" We have been talking in our parish about how gratitude is connected with giving. We are

trying to move away from giving in order to balance a budget, and instead live in a healthier place where generosity and gratitude are simply a way of life. We are trying to move away from the myth of scarcity that says, "What if we don't have enough?" to a place of freedom and joy, knowing that all is a gift and trusting in God's promise to provide. I believe in the paradox that says we will never have enough to do what God has called us to do, and at the same time, we have everything we need to do what God has called us to do. The simple exercise I saw at the Rotary Club helps me to live more authentically in that paradox. It is about changing how we see the things we have. It is about an ability to respond to the gift of grace, living a life of joy and celebration instead of fear and mistrust. It is about what we do with everything we have after we say, "I believe."

The Rev. Michael Calderwood is the incumbent of St. Paul's, Brighton.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

BY LAURA WALTON-CLOUSTON

Giving thanks

I live near Collingwood, and as I watch the colours on Blue Mountain change from green to red, orange and yellow, I give thanks for the beauty of fall. It makes me wonder: as we hold our Rally Sundays and get our children's programs in place, do we remember to give thanks? Do we show our children how to give thanks? Do we show them how to give back in thanks?

We are blessed with so much; to offer up a simple prayer of thanksgiving with our children is an opportunity to share a lesson in thanks. We can talk to them about our many blessings, and ask them how we can show our thanks by helping those less fortunate than ourselves. It is important that children's ministry is not focused only on curriculum, lectionary readings and seasonal things. It has to encompass the art of giving. We have to show how important it is to give to those less fortunate than us, or those who are in difficult circumstances.

In my home parish of Christ Church, Batteau, the children are allowed to choose where their Sunday School donations will go. Their offering does not go back to the church to pay for supplies. Instead, it goes to a worthy outreach chosen by the children. On the last Sunday of each month, they help make lunch for the congregation. The lunch is served after the service. It's called Toonie Lunch for FaithWorks. The children's Sunday School offering goes into the collection, along with the adults' toonies for the lunch. All proceeds go to FaithWorks. Their other weekly offerings go to local families in need or perhaps overseas.

The diocese's children's website has many great ideas for children's outreach. The website's address is www.toronto.anglican.ca/childrensministry. The website highlights the work of Sleeping Children Around the World, Free the Children and WorldVision. It shows how we can help local families. Our newest posting is about the Keiskamma Trust, which supports the opening of a paediatric AIDS clinic in South Africa.

It isn't complicated or burdensome to give thanks. Ask the children of your parish about what they are thankful for, and then see what they would like to do to give back to their church community or the community around them. By doing this, we are not only showing them that we are thankful for what we have, but that we can use those many blessings to help others we meet along the way.

Laura Walton-Clouston is the diocese's Children's Ministry Network Coordinator.

Great events coming up

Youth ministers have many opportunities to gather, learn and network this year. First up is Re-Source, a training program for youth leaders. This one-day event is repeated three times a year at different locations throughout the diocese.

The first Re-Source day will be held on Oct. 13 at St. Peter's, Cobourg. Carmen Palmer will be

BEYOND YOUTH GROUP

BY SIMON CHAMBERS

the keynote speaker. She worked with youth and congregations in the Vancouver area for 10 years. She will address the topic of holistic youth ministry. "I worked to bring youth into a relationship with the rest of the congrega-

tion," she says. "I will share some of these ideas and experiences and the theological reasoning behind them in my presentation." The day will include workshops on how to incorporate the arts into youth ministry,

building relationships within the parish community, and ministry to and with parents and families.

Next up is Looking Forward, a conference for youth leaders from across Canada. The event will take place Nov. 2-4 at Canterbury Hills in Ancaster, Ont. The theme is "When the Walls Fall Down." The conference will focus on social justice ministry.

"I believe that youth ministry must move beyond glorified babysitting, and that the church must move from a focus on program to lived practice," says Rob Shearer, the keynote speaker. "The church must engage and integrate global and environmental justice as lived spiritual disciplines. It must let youth themselves believe and declare that another world is possible."

In addition to Rob's presentations, Looking Forward will offer workshops, worship, resources, and more.

Finally, Generation 2008 is the first National Youth Ministry Forum. It will be held at Huron College in London, Ont. June 10-15, 2008. Participants will hear from famous youth ministry practitioners and theoreticians, including David White, author of *Practicing Discernment with Youth*. Generation 2008 will also provide a wide variety of experiences, including plenary sessions, small group discussions, workshops, worship, open space and networking time, and more.

For more information about the events listed above, email schambers@toronto.anglican.ca or phone (416) 363-6021.

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Mission trip engag

Working in Kenya challenges assumptions

BY HENRIETA PAUKOV

Since I came back from Kenya, everyone's been asking about my trip. And because this was a mission trip I was on, people want to hear about more than just "lions and so on," as my mom put it. They want to know what impact the trip had on me. They ask if the trip changed me. Did I have an epiphany? Did I receive life-transforming lessons? Did my faith deepen? What did mission travel give me? They ask the same questions I ask myself and the answers are far from simple.

I was in Kenya for two weeks in July with more than 100 Christians of all denominations — including Anglicans from our diocese — as well as some people with no religious affiliation. The mission was organized and led by the Rev. Canon Kim Beard from St. Paul's on-the-Hill in Pickering. There was a dental team, a medical team, an eye care team, a painting team, as well as teams doing theological education and Christian education.

Some of the teams worked in Nairobi the whole two weeks, while others spent most of their time in the Diocese of Bungoma in Western Kenya. I was with the film team, which was shooting a documentary about the mission, so I got to see most of our teams in action. It was my first time in Kenya, first time in Africa, and first time on a mission.

Mission travel gives you lessons in perspective. I am not talking about feeling all fortunate and grateful because you do not live in a slum and some of the people you are meeting do. The lesson is more basic than that. You cannot stand near Nairobi Railway Station at 5 p.m. on a weekday, as we did one day when the film team wanted shots of Nairobi's street life — with matatus speeding around you, people rushing to cross the street, talking on cell phones, laughing with their friends, whizzing by on bicycles, jumping on and off buses, leaping over puddles, selling newspapers, snacks and trinkets — without realizing that your own daily grind in Toronto or Barrie or Orillia, which sometimes totally consumes your thoughts, or seems very important or, in November or February, seems dreary and tedious, is almost exactly the same as the daily grind of all these other people an ocean away. At the end of the work day, we all really just want to get home.

Mission travel teaches you about humility. During our preparatory meetings before the trip, Canon Kim would remind us that "God is already at work in Kenya." And so He was, and so were Kenyans. One of the really humbling things about doing mission work in Kenya was that it involved, for the most part, joining in on the work that Kenyans were already doing.

This was true even in the Kayole-Soweto slum near Nairobi, the poorest place I've ever visited. Kayole is home to about 800,000 people. Most of the dwellings are



Mission team members, from left, Judy Allen, Joan Van Order, and Monica Van Order, with Kenyan nurse Lucy Mwangi, hold babies at Hope House in Nairobi. PHOTO BY DAVID HILLOCK

tin or wooden shacks. There is no proper electricity or plumbing system. The roads are full of potholes and surrounded by ditches of dirty water. But don't imagine it as a gloomy, depressing place. When we visited, the streets were bustling with people bent on their daily errands, children headed for school, mothers carrying babies in slings, women doing laundry in buckets, men riding bikes, ducks and chickens running around, shops and vendors selling everything from roasted corn to bike tires to wooden furniture. There was even a small shack called "El Niño Dry-cleaning."

We visited Shepcare Centre, a church, school and community centre run by an incredibly resourceful man named Pastor Luke Jakoywa. Shepcare has a vegetable garden, a well and a generator that pumps water, which is shared with other Kayole residents. All of this came about when Pastor Luke challenged the unemployed young people in the slum to stop doing "nothing for nothing" and start doing "something for nothing."

Pastor Luke's thin face is intense and his brown leather shoes are shiny, despite the mud in the compound. He spent an entire day patiently leading the film team around the facility and helping with the filming. I think he was doing it for Shepcare and for the scores of children who show up every morning to learn and to eat a bowl of porridge, possibly the only meal they will have that day.

I joined one teacher's kindergarten class, with about 20 three- and four-year-olds seated around a couple of long tables in a dark shack. The teacher called out English phrases like "throw" and "catch" as she threw a soft cloth ball to the kids, and she encouraged them to repeat the words as they threw the ball to their classmates. "What I am doing with this exercise is not only reviewing English words for the children, but also improving their motor skills," she explained to me.



Members of the dental team work at a clinic in the Diocese of Bungoma. PHOTO BY JOHN HONSBERGER

Shepcare needs new toilets, so some of our team members worked with a local plumber to figure out the best way to set up the plumbing. Our medical team also spent a day at Shepcare, treating everything from malaria to infected wounds. Other volunteers set up a library with donated books they had brought from Canada. "They were thrilled to get books, because they didn't have any books before," said Christine Belanger, who was part of the library team. "The kids were in there and they were starting to go through the books, and the teachers would come in and start sorting with us. Oh, they were so excited, because this will get the kids interested in learning English. It's just amazing to realize the power of books when it comes to learning." After the film team had gone back to the hotel, Pastor Luke called to thank us and to emphasize how badly money was needed to build new facilities. Mission travel shows you the shortcom-

ings in your own heart. One day, I got to visit Hope House, a home for abandoned babies in Nairobi. The house can accommodate up to 20 babies, who have been abandoned for various reasons. One of the little boys was rescued from a pit latrine; another was found by the roadside by the police. One or two are HIV-positive. At Hope House, they are cared for until they can be placed for adoption.

Some of our volunteers worked here, joining the Kenyan staff and volunteers in the daily routine of feeding, bathing and playing with the babies. "We've tried to lighten the load of the girls here and give them a bit of a break," explained Michelle Brown, a member of Trinity, Barrie.

Hope House is a happy place, though far from what we think of as "child-proof." The babies crawl on the dusty carpet and stick dirty toys in their mouths. A couple of times, when I went to wash my hands, no water came out of the tap. Nev-

es heart and mind



Young girls in Bungoma have a laugh.

PHOTO BY HEATHER DUFF



Heather Duff and Jennifer Chin paint a wall of the Wycliffe Centre in Bungoma, while Cheryll Van Order, in the background, paints the door.

PHOTO BY JOHN HONSBERGER



Young men in costume perform a humorous skit at the Cultural Extravaganza organized by the Diocese of Bungoma.

PHOTO BY HEATHER DUFF

ertheless, the kids smile and laugh readily, and they all have that clean baby scent.

"When I came here, I realized that the people who work here are so caring," said Judy Allen, a nurse and a deacon at Holy Family, Brampton, who was holding a wriggling, cooing baby. "You watch them and you can tell that they really care for the babies and love them."

The day we visited, five or six babies were playing on the carpet, all adorable, including one whose legs and feet were not developing properly and were strapped into a metal brace. Well, I have to admit that I was afraid to pick up that particular baby. I wasn't sure what was wrong with it, and I guess it was just easier to pick up one that looked more "normal." I was both embarrassed and moved to tears, though, when one of my fellow team members picked up that baby, sat her on his knee and made her laugh for the next quarter of an hour.

Our medical team was there that day. The babies get medical attention when they are sick, but they don't get regular visits from the doctor to check on their progress and development. So our doctors and nurses performed "well-baby" exams, looking at the babies' overall health and recommending follow-up treatment or medication. I peeked while Dr. Lynn Boorman examined the babies. Many seemed to be

More than once I was chatted up by a friendly stranger who just happened to have a child whose education they thought I might want to sponsor.

I loved the gracious manners of many Kenyan teenagers. Often a group of them boldly came up to me for no other reason than to shake hands and introduce themselves. One Sunday, the Diocese of Bungoma organized a musical extravaganza that took place after the church service. Church and school choirs which had arrived in buses from all over the diocese treated us to amazing music, dancing and skits. As I was checking out a Mothers' Union display table with local produce, I was approached by three girls in blue school uniforms. Linda, Linda and Abigael had come to the celebration by bus from the town of Kimilili. They asked me questions about myself, wondering especially whether I was married (a common question). They asked if I would send them postcards from Toronto. I took down their addresses and when I got back to Toronto, I sent each a postcard and a calendar with photos of Canada. I'm hoping they write back – how cool would it be to receive a letter from Kenya!

Another aspect of the culture that I appreciated was a greater emphasis on including everyone. For instance, during introductions, everyone shook everyone else's hand, no matter how long it took. And on that celebratory Sunday in Bungoma, at the church service, Bishop Eliud Wabukala introduced us to the congregation and asked every single one of us to stand up and say our name and hometown. There were about 100 of us!

Speaking of hospitality, Enos, the man who drove the film team's van, gave us an unexpected gift one day. He invited us to see the place he had been born and where his relatives still live. We got to see a side of Kenya the regular tourists probably don't get to see. We met Enos' aunt, who showed us around her mud-brick hut. It had several tiny rooms and was surrounded by the family's small farm. They grow corn, cassava, tea, sugar cane, bananas and vegetables. Next door is a similar hut, also surrounded by a farm, which belongs to Enos' father, and next to that lives another relative, also with a mud-brick dwelling and a farm. Very lean cows graze under trees, and chickens run around looking for food. Many of the people we met in Nairobi come from this sort of rural background. Like Enos, they move to the city in search of jobs. I asked Enos whether he misses the countryside and he said, "So much." I can see why. It is very green, quiet and peaceful.

Mission travel forces you to start thinking more deeply about why social injustice and economic imbalances exist and what your own personal response should be as a person of faith. In Kenya, our teams were supposed to spend time each evening doing reflections. It didn't quite happen that way, because we were usually too tired or too busy, but what did happen were thoughtful, spontaneous conversations at dinner, over coffee, and in the vans on our way to our work sites. We talked about the people we met, and the interesting, funny and sad stories we heard. One thing we all grappled with was the feeling that our work, valuable as it was, somehow wasn't enough.

"It's frustrating that you cannot do more, even though I know we did so much," said

Andrea Brandt, a nurse and member of Trinity, Barrie, who helped out at Hope House. "I feel sad about some of the stuff we saw, and knowing that, yeah, we gave antibiotics to these kids, but in three weeks, what happens if they get sick again? And the ones you couldn't help or do anything for, what happens to them?"

We talked about actions that could promote long-term change. Some of the nurses, doctors and dental hygienists said that if they were to go on another mission, it might be to do education rather than actual medical work, because many of the problems they were treating people for were preventable.

For instance, many people seen by the eye-care team had serious sun damage to their eyes, caused by the strong sun they were exposed to every day while farming. Regular use of sunglasses would have helped prevent that. People were suffering from malaria that could have been prevented by using a mosquito net or from diarrhea and worms that could have been prevented by an improved plumbing system.

Mission travel causes small, almost imperceptible shifts in your thinking and behaviour. Since I came back from Kenya, I've started going to church more regularly. I'd been wanting to do that for years and always had many reasons why I didn't do much about it. After I returned from Kenya, I realized that I need to just go and do it, because this craving for something more in my life is not going to go away. Also, I haven't shopped much since I came back. There were all those end-of-summer sales and all my friends had something new, but every time I caught myself thinking that I need that new pair of shoes or that bag, I felt faintly ridiculous. I didn't need them at all. I had enough.

A fellow film team member, Bill Bradbury, shared with me how difficult it was for him to put into words just what his feelings are about the trip, and I understood exactly what he meant. "A good time" is what people expect you to have on a mission trip and I don't like to disappoint people so I generally agree with them," he said.

"But I still find myself replaying the good times and the bad times, the happy times and the sad times, the times when I thought I was helping and the times I felt helpless, the times when I was in charge of the situation and the times when I was hopelessly floundering, the times when I felt strong and the times when I felt weak, the times when I acted right and the times when I acted wrongly, the times when I supported a colleague and the times when I failed to provide support or comfort, the times when I was acting in the spirit and the times when I was acting in the flesh.

"And after all of that, a year of training and preparing, many thousands of dollars later, have I accomplished anything? Have I grown? Was it worth it? The simple answers have to be yes, yes, yes — but it would take a book to elaborate on them."

A mission team from St. Paul's on-the-Hill, Pickering, will visit Grenada in August 2008 to help out in orphanages and to work on the reconstruction of churches damaged by Hurricane Ivan. A mission to Bolivia, focusing on construction and medical work, is being planned for 2009. Contact the Rev. Canon Kim Beard at beard3300@rogers.com.

Chinese congregations hold camp

Summer retreat combines lectures, games, worship

BY JENNIFER LOO

FOUR Chinese congregations gathered during the weekend of June 23-24 at Appleby College in Oakville, for the first-ever Toronto Chinese Anglican Joint Summer Camp. More than 260 friends and members of All Saints', Markham; St. Christopher on-the-Heights; St. Elizabeth's, Mississauga; and St. John's Chinese Congregation, came together with a common purpose, as expressed in the camp's theme, "The Vision for Renewal: Renew your church, O Lord, first renew me."

Prayers and preparations for the camp began last year, and it wasn't long before the steering committee realized the scale of what could be achieved with the pooling of so many talents and energies. The camp was able to offer not only a Chinese program, but also a parallel English youth program, as well as a full children's program. This family-friendly aspect of the event was met with enthusiasm, especially from parents, because it allowed all participants to enjoy the camp experience with their peers.

The two days were filled with a multitude of activities, including a series of lectures from Chinese and English guest speakers, and workshops on topics ranging from Anglican worship and hymn appreciation to Christian stewardship of the environment. For many campers, however, most rewarding were the small group

discussions that followed each lecture. In this more intimate setting, parishioners embraced the chance to mingle and engage in fellowship with their brothers and sisters from the other churches.

"One can truly feel the grace of God at work in this summer camp," said the Rev. Philip Der, who chaired the event. "It's reflected in the energy of all the people who have come here together – the sense of synergy is amazing." Indeed, nothing less than synergy could create the vibrant atmosphere as well as the tremendous effort of giving on the part of the campers. The offering during Sunday's Holy Communion service saw more than \$4,300 collected for FaithWorks.

Central to the entire proceedings was the theme of renewal. Guest speaker Stephen Lee, an Old Testament scholar, challenged parishioners to re-envision their own lives in the context of being children of God. He drew the image of a young child eager to lend a hand while her father sets up his new office: though the child is often more a hindrance than a help, she is loved for her willing heart and allowed to help in her own small way.

"We are that child," Mr. Lee told the congregation. "Let us not have any grand impressions of our own contributions at church or carry an inflated sense of self-importance in our lives."

"After all," he continued with a smile, "He is the shepherd, and we



FOR ALL TO SEE

Clergy and laity take part in the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament in the streets around St. Mary Magdalene, Toronto in June. From left are clergy: the Rev. Tay Moss, Canon Harold Nahabedian and the Rev. Theo Ipema. The service concluded in the church, followed by a garden party.

PHOTOS BY MICHAEL HUDSON

are merely sheep. Even our spiritual leaders – perhaps the sheep dogs of His pasture – only serve to bring others back into the presence of God." In his closing address, Mr. Lee emphasized that at the end of the day, we need only to offer ourselves freely, and look to God to take care of the rest.

"A young boy once offered to share his lunch," Mr. Lee reminded the campers. "God used him to feed five thousand. Let each of us come into God's presence as a receptive child. And let us wait for our Father to work His will."



New director sees potential

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well. And that's all I ever wanted to do – use my gifts well."

She got her chance to do just that when Archbishop Michael Peers offered her a position in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle, in a 10-

point parish. "I had a blast," she recalls. "People were very accepting of me. And the beauty of Qu'Appelle is, because it's low on resources, it's very innovative. So I spent 24 years there doing innovative, imaginative, edgy ministry, which is who I am."

She's excited about the possibilities that her new position offers. "It just uses my gifts the way I've always used them anyway," she says. "It has to do with working in the community; it has to do with empowering people to use their own resources, as opposed to coming in with 'Have I got an answer for you.'"

She says she will work with Flemingdon's board to help it take on more decision-making powers.

"If we can work toward the board becoming more self-sustaining, so that it becomes a board that's actually in authority, then we've got some options, some possibilities for the future that could be really amazing," she says.

"I think there's huge potential and there are amazing people who work there and who offer their lives to the ministry. I love being part of a team. It's not about me, it's about what God is doing in that place. And I'm excited about working with an incredible group of people. They know better than I. And that's what I want to farm."

She adds with a laugh: "Now, I'm from Saskatchewan, so I can do that, you see."

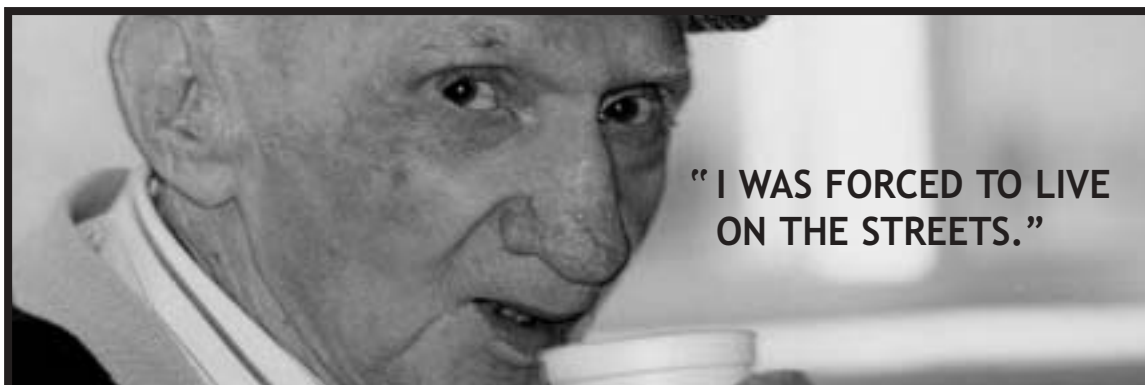
Prison ministry recognized

The Bridge prison ministry has received an "Agency of the Year" award from the Hamilton-Wentworth Detention Centre. The ecumenical ministry facilitates a reintegration program for teenage men at the centre, helping them to re-enter the community.

"The award was a great sur-

prise," says program director Gary Glowacki. "They also asked me to be the guest speaker at their volunteer appreciation dinner."

The Bridge, which receives funding from FaithWorks, has provided emotional, spiritual and social support to prisoners, ex-prisoners and their families for more than 30 years.



Jack — who's now 78 years old — was a former probation officer and clergyman. He was homeless for five years. He was forced to live on the streets because of health reasons and not enough income to maintain housing. Living at LOFT Community Services' St. Anne's Place has been the turning point of Jack's life during his senior years. He now has a place to call home and staff care that enables him to live a life with dignity and hope.



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Cream tea a nod to the past

On Aug. 18, St. James', Orillia, held its second annual Cream Tea on the lawn. Tea was served in fine china with scones, strawberry jam, and whipped cream. The ladies serving tea wore Victorian dress as did some of the guests. Three antique cars were on hand to add to the atmosphere, while musicians played recorders and string instruments. Proceeds will be used for the parish's new elevator.

Show features local artists

St. Barnabas, Chester, invites everyone to Riverdale Art 2007, its 19th annual art show and sale. The event will take place on Oct. 20, from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The show will feature original work by local artists, several of whom are award winners. Their work may be found in private, corporate and public collections worldwide. St. Barnabas' is located at 361 Danforth Ave., at the Chester subway station. The show will be in the church hall, which is entered just around the corner, off Hampton Ave. Admission is free. For more details, contact Neville or Jenny Reid at (416) 424-2190 or nwreid@sympatico.ca.

Spirit of Elvis lives in Collingwood

Approximately 65,000 people came to Collingwood on the last weekend in July for the 13th annual Elvis Festival, and All Saints', Collingwood, got in on the fun.

The parish offered visitors the use of its facilities, a meal of barbecued back bacon on a bun with a drink at a reasonable price, and a chance to rest from the noise and the crowds under the shade of its trees. On Saturday, they invited visitors to a Gospel Music Sing-Along, accompanied by the choir.

The next day, the parish hosted the Sunrise Elvis Gospel Service in the hockey arena, where six Elvis tribute artists and Elvis' backup singers, the "Sweet Inspirations," sang gospel music. The service was attended by 1,200 people, with All Saints' parishioners serving as ushers and the Rev. Heather Stacey, the incumbent, as the preacher.

"It's bigger than Graceland," says Ms. Stacey about the festival. "At All Saints', we like to show hospitality to the many guests and visitors to our four-season paradise. We feel so blessed that we live where other people come to play."

Parishes share food with neighbours

Several Peterborough parishes were featured in a local magazine called Good Food this spring for their outreach efforts. In the north end of the city, St. Barnabas, Peterborough — along with Edmison Heights Baptist, Northminster United, Christ Lutheran and St. Stephen's Presbyterian — is part of the North End Care and Share group, which holds a monthly community lunch for people in need.

In the south end, the parishioners of St. Alban, Peterborough, run a monthly spaghetti dinner.

Says the Rev. Kate McLarty, priest-in-charge at St. Alban's: "The people of St. Luke's, Peterborough, also came to check us out and they started a similar endeavour in the east end of Peterborough last April."

Canada Day float wins award

St. George's, Grafton, was the winner of the award for the best float in the Alnwick-Haldimand Township Canada Day parade. The float featured the Rev. Mary Ryback, incumbent, members of the congregation, and the resident dragon. The award was a hand-decorated milk can donated by Hoskin Farms.

Vacation bible school amuses kids

"Avalanche Ranch" was the theme of this year's Vacation Bible School, organized by the parish of Churchill and Cookstown. One week was held at St. Peter's, Churchill, and the second week was held at St. John's, Cookstown. "We had our summer student from Wycliffe College, Michael Caines, help out this year," says Pamela Gervais, youth ministry coordinator. "He played his guitar and led the music session. Both weeks were great, with about 30 children at each church."



May Day

On Aug. 15, Brad May of the Stanley Cup Champions Anaheim Ducks brought "the Cup" to Grace Church, Markham, where his mother and grandmother are parishioners. From left to right, Mr. May's mother Linell Curr, wife Brigitte, grandmother Mabelle Marriott, sister Anne MacDiarmud, and Mr. May.

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Members of St. Albans, Peterborough, serve up pasta at the monthly spaghetti dinner. From left to right: Meg, Jacob, Nicholas and the Rev. Kate McLarty, priest-in-charge. Photo by Carol Lawless



Parishioners from St. George's, Grafton, ride a float in the Alnwick-Haldimand Township Canada Day parade.



Kids and the Rev. Rob Mitchell, dressed as a soldier, act out the Walls of Jericho story at the Vacation Bible School at St. Peter's, Churchill.



Amanda Dodge and Margaret Leith enjoy tea at St. James, Orillia's, Cream Tea in August. Photo by Fred Blair

LOOKING AHEAD

Items for Looking Ahead should be emailed to hpaukov@toronto.anglican.ca. The deadline for the November issue is Oct. 1; for the December issue it's Nov. 1. Parishes can also promote their events on the diocese's website. Visit www.toronto.anglican.ca, click Calendar, then click Submit an Event.

Services

OCT. 7 — St. Saviour, Orono, 19 Mill St., will host a homecoming service at 2 p.m., celebrating the 175th anniversary of the village of Orono. All family and friends are invited to attend this service. Reception will follow in the John Breen Parish Hall. Call Charles Gray at (905) 987-4551 or Betty Ann Wood at (905) 983-5329.

OCT. 7 & 21 — Jazz Vespers at Christ Church, Deer Park, 1570 Yonge St., Toronto, at 4:30 p.m. Celebrate the music of Thelonious Monk on Oct. 7 and Dizzy Gillespie on Oct. 21. For further information, visit www.christchurchdeerpark.org.

OCT. 14 — Jazz Vespers featuring the Bob DeAngelis Quartet at St. Philip, Etobicoke, 25 St. Phillip's Rd., Toronto, at 4 p.m. For information, call (416) 247-5181.

OCT. 14 — Blessing of Animals service at 3 p.m. at St. Matthias, Bellwoods, 45 Bellwoods Ave., Toronto. Everyone is welcome, along with animal friends. For more information, call (416) 603-6720 or visit <http://www3.sympatico.ca/saint.matthias/>.

NOV. 18 — Jazz Vespers featuring the Roberto Occhipinti Quartet at St. Philip, Etobicoke, 25 St. Phillip's Rd., at 4 p.m. For more information, call (416) 247-5181.

Social/Fundraising

OCT. 13 — Christ Church, Brampton, 4 Elizabeth St. N. (just west of Highway 10 and Queen St.) will host its ever-popular Euchre Bridge Luncheon at noon. Tickets are \$15 for lunch, progressive games, and prizes galore! For more information, call (905) 451-6649.

OCT. 13 — St. Barnabas, Chester, presents its annual Caribbean Night. This fun-filled event begins at 7 p.m. Come and enjoy an authentic dinner complete with a cash bar, entertainment and dancing. There will also be a 50/50 draw. Admission is \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. St. Barnabas Church is located at 361 Danforth Ave. near the Chester subway. For tickets and information, call Barbara at (416) 412-1643 or Lyn at (416) 463-3539.

OCT. 20 — St. Joseph of Nazareth, Bramalea, presents Bowling for the Roof. Come and bowl with parishioners and friends at Brunswick Bramalea, at Williams Parkway and Chrysler Drive, Brampton, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Fun family event, prizes and surprises. Pledge forms available at the church. Phone (905) 793-8020 or email smason@bellnet.ca.

OCT. 27 — "Sing a New Song: Alive in the heart of the city for 160 years." Holy Trinity, Trinity Square, in Toronto, celebrates 160 years with the launch of a hymn-book and psalter, and the kickoff

of an organ fundraising campaign. The event begins at 7:30 pm, with a hymn sing and guest performances, followed by a reception. Tickets are \$10 or \$25 for a family. Call (416) 598-4521, ext. 223, or visit www.holytrinitytoronto.org.

NOV. 10 — St. Joseph of Nazareth, Bramalea, presents "Night Lights", a magical evening of dinner and dance, at St. John Fisher, 300 Balmoral Dr., Brampton. Admission is \$60. Live band and DJ. Dinner from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., dancing from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Door prizes. For tickets, call (905) 792-9065.

Conferences/Lectures

OCT. 2 — The Church of the Redeemer invites you to An Evening with John, a novel way to experience and understand the Gospel of John through stories, music and reflection, from 7 to 9 p.m. The church is located at 162 Bloor St. W. at Avenue Rd. There is no charge but participants should pre-register by Sept. 28. Call (416) 922-4948, or visit www.the-redeemer.ca and select News/Information. Childcare may be arranged during registration. A community meal will be available for \$5 per person in the parish hall from 6 to 7 p.m.

Sales

OCT. 13 — Grace Church, 19 Parkway Ave., Markham, will hold its rummage sale from 8:30 a.m. until noon. Call (905) 294-3184.

OCT. 13 — Clothing sale and boutique, Grace Church on-the-Hill, 300 Lonsdale Rd., Toronto, 10 am to 2 pm. Call 416-488-7884.

OCT. 20 — Holy Trinity Church, 140 Brooke St., Thornhill, will hold its Fall Rummage Sale from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. A large selection of clothes, household items, linens, books, games, toys, jewelry and much more will be available at great prices. For more information, call (905) 889-5931.

OCT. 27 — Country Fair at St. Crispin's, 77 Craiglee Dr., Scarborough, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch and BBQ, door prizes, bake table, books, country store, kids' corner, silent auction, and much more. Call (416) 267-7932.

OCT. 27 — The Church of the Advent, 40 Pritchard Ave., Toronto, is holding its Annual Fall Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., offering a great selection of gift and household items, crafts, books, a bake table and more. Call (416) 763-2713.

NOV. 3 — St. Andrew's Japanese Congregation will be holding its annual bazaar at St. David's, 49 Donlands Ave. (across from the Donlands subway), Toronto, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Japanese and Canadian food, baked goods, door-prizes and yard sale. Free admission. Call (416) 465-4940.

NOV. 3 — The Church of the Transfiguration, 111 Manor Rd. E., Toronto, will hold its annual Fall Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Country store, craft tables, baked goods, quilt raffle. Luncheon is from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and costs \$6. Call (416) 489-7798.

NOV. 3 — The Church of Our Saviour, 1 Laurentide Dr., Don Mills, will hold its Christmas Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Baking, jams and preserves, soups, knitted



VICTORY AT LAST

The Christ Church/St. Bede's team celebrates after winning the Scarborough Anglican Youth Movement's 46th annual baseball tournament on Aug. 18. They beat St. Nicholas, Birch Cliff, in the final game to win The Reverend Peter Trant Memorial trophy for the first time in 20 years. About 150 people and seven teams took part in the tourney.

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items and crafts, raffles and refreshments. For more information, call (416) 447-9121 or (416) 449-3878.

NOV. 3 — Holly bazaar and luncheon at St. James the Apostle, 3 Cathedral Rd., Brampton, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stamps, Christmas gifts, calendars, a children's room, and silent auction. Call (905) 451-7711.

NOV. 10 — Christ Church, Brampton, 4 Elizabeth St. N. (just west of Highway 10 and Queen St.) will have its Christmas Tree Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Come out to see our collectables, book table, crafts, delicious home baking and candies, and enjoy our famous luncheon at Santa's Cafe. For more information, phone (905) 451-6649.

NOV. 10 — Christmas Fair at St. Cuthbert's, 1399 Bayview Ave., Toronto (south of Davisville), from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Christmas crafts and gift baskets; knitting; sewing and quilt raffle; home baking, plum puddings, candy, preserves and cheese; jewellery, treasures, kitchen items, paperbacks and church calendars. Luncheon served from 11:30 a.m. If you have any questions, call (416) 485-0329.

NOV. 10 — Christmas Bazaar at Christ Church, Scarborough, 155 Markham Rd., from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. For more information, call (416) 261-4169.

NOV. 10 — Ye Olde Fashioned Christmas Bazaar at St. Nicholas, Birchcliff, 1512 Kingston Rd. (east of Warden), from 12 noon until 3 p.m. Wonderful crafts and Christmas decorations, baked goods, candies and preserves, books, attic treasures, tea room, and much more. Call (416) 691-0449.

NOV. 17 — 14th Annual Christmas Kitchen at St. Timothy's, North Toronto, from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Homemade Christmas fruit cakes, plum puddings, apple pies, tourtières, jams/jellies and much more. Shop at the silent auction (over 100 items), have your picture taken with Santa, and enjoy our delicious ham on a bun lunch. Back by popular demand will be our "Kids Only" Shopping Room. The church is located at 100 Old Orchard Gr., North Toronto. For more information, go to www.sttimothy.ca or call (416) 488-0079.

NOV. 17 — St. Timothy, Agincourt,

will hold a Christmas Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Unique crafts/snow-people, pine shop, preserves, treasure, pet, glass/brass, bags/boxes/baskets, jewelry and festive baking tables. Featuring a set lunch for \$10 per person. Call (416) 293-5711.

NOV. 17 — Holy Trinity, Thornhill, 140 Brooke St., will hold its Festival of Christmas from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Unique hand-crafted gifts, knitted items, baked goods, raffle and much more. Join us for a delicious luncheon or take a break in the Refreshment Room. For more information, call (905) 889-5931.

NOV. 17 — St. Margaret, North Toronto, 53 Burnaby Blvd., presents its Christmas Bazaar and Tea Room from noon until 2:30 p.m. Special gift boutique, linens, home baking, gently used women's clothing and attic treasures. For further information, call (416) 783-7680.

NOV. 24 — Holy Family, Heart Lake, in Brampton, holds its Annual Christmas Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Crafts, bake table, tea room, white elephant stall and a silent auction. The church is located on the west side of Kennedy Road north of Bovaird, south of Sandalwood. Call (905) 846-2347.

NOV. 24 — Craft show and sale from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. John the Baptist, Norway, 470 Woodbine Ave. (at Kingston Rd.). Local artisans from the Beach area will have crafts and gifts in this annual sale. Call (416) 694-2918.

Art Events

SEP. 30 — **NOV. 11** — St. Philip the Apostle, 201 Caribou Rd., Toronto, presents "Solace," an exhibition of artists' books that convey the beauty found in nature and the sorrow of its potential loss. The exhibit is part of The Caribou Project, celebrating art, spirituality and social justice. Call Robin Pacific at (416) 994-9980.

OCT. 20 — St. Barnabas, Chester, 361 Danforth Ave., Toronto, presents Riverdale Art, its 19th annual art show, from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free admission. For more information, contact Neville or Jenny Reid at (416) 424-2190 or nwreid@sympatico.ca.

NOV. 21 — Mark Tiller presents

the one-man drama "St. Paul's First Letter to the Christians at Corinth," at 7:30 p.m. at Grace Church on-the-Hill, 300 Lonsdale Rd., Toronto. Tickets are \$10; proceeds go to The Churches on the Hill Food Bank. For more information, call the church office at (416) 488-7884.

Music

OCT. 4 & 11 — Music on the Hill at St. John's, York Mills, 19 Don Ridge Dr., Toronto. Thursdays, from 12:15 to 1 p.m. All concerts are free. Call (416) 225-6611.

OCT. 4, 11, 18, 25 — St. Paul's Noon-Hour Organ Recital Series. Come hear Toronto's world-famous Casavant organ every Thursday at 12:10 p.m. October recitalists: Eric Robertson, Oct. 4; Marty Smyth, Oct. 11 & Oct. 18; William Maddox, Oct. 25. Admission is free. The church is located at 227 Bloor St. E., Toronto (between Church and Jarvis). For more information, visit www.stpaulsarts.com.

OCT. 4, 11, 18, 25 — Christ Church, Deer Park, presents Noonday Chamber Music, a series of concerts on Thursdays in October and November. Admission is free; a collection will be taken. All concerts begin at 12:30 p.m. and run for approximately 40 minutes. Bag lunches are welcome. Call (416) 920-5211 or visit www.christchurchdeerpark.org.

OCT. 14 — The Church of St. Andrew, Scarborough, 2333 Victoria Park Ave., presents a Dixieland Jazz Gospel Concert by the popular band, The Hot Five Jazz Makers, at 7 p.m. An evening of fun and audience participation. Tickets are \$20/\$10 for students (refreshments included). Call (416) 447-1481.

NOV. 3 — The Toronto Welsh Male Voice Choir performs at 7:30 p.m. at St. John the Baptist, Norway, 470 Woodbine Ave. (at Kingston Rd.). Proceeds from this concert will benefit the work of the East End Refugee Committee, an ecumenical group of churches in the east end of Toronto that sponsor refugee families. Tickets are \$20. Call (416) 691-4560.

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All invited to special day

All are invited to the Annual Corporate Eucharist and Workshop Day to celebrate and share the ministry of Chancel Guild members and their friends. The event will be held on Saturday, Oct. 13 at St. James Cathedral (King and Church streets, Toronto). Registration opens at 9:30 a.m. and the service begins at 10:30 a.m. Afterwards, participants will convene for lunch (bring a brown bag lunch) in the parish hall.

Speakers for the afternoon include Pat Brown, a granddaughter, daughter and sister of clerics. She is a member of St. Hilary's, Mississauga, and her talk, "My Life as a Chancel Guild Member," combines stories, devotions, humour and inspiration. Anna Chambers of St. Peter's, Erindale, and Sue Baston, chair of the Diocesan Chancel Committee, will give a PowerPoint presentation on everything you wanted to know about linens, flowers and vesting the altar. A question-and-answer time will allow both new and experienced members to address their concerns. There will be ample time to view the beautiful embroideries, vestments, and altar hangings, as well as the exquisite linen embroideries in the Diocesan ACW office. Members of the Monday Needleworkers will be on hand to answer your questions. All are most welcome to attend. Seek out someone new to accompany you!

General meeting

About 100 women from all corners of the diocese attended the 40th anniversary celebration of the Toronto Diocesan Anglican Church Women at our annual meeting, held at St. Peter's, Cobourg, in May. We were welcomed by the Rev. Claire Wade of St. Peter's, then took part in a eucharist in which the Rev. Anne Moore, the ACW's chaplain, presided and preached. Fay Smith brought greetings from the Diocese of Ottawa, and we

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heard greetings and best wishes from other groups and dioceses. Highlights of the meeting included a talk by Diane Fronz, who described the varied and challenging ministry of a parish nurse; the selection of literacy as the theme for Social Concern and Action area projects for 2008-2010; the election of board officers and area vice-presidents; and the acceptance of the audited financial statements and board reports for 2006. Retiring board members Barb Harburn, Janice Boomhauer and Susan French were honoured for their commitment to the witness of ACW.

A delicious lunch was prepared by Jackie Kirtley, assisted by her husband and the ladies of St. Peter's. All appreciated and enjoyed the lovely anniversary cake. Bishop Colin Johnson inducted the board officers and spoke of his appreciation of women's ministry throughout the diocese. The afternoon speaker, Suzanne Lawson, a member of St. Peter's and an alternate Canadian delegate to the Anglican Consultative Council (ACC), spoke briefly of women's contributions in the church but concentrated her talk on her experiences both at the ACC and the (then) upcoming General Synod. She gave an historical overview of one of the main issues that was discussed at General Synod and suggested that part of women's ministry should be to pray for those in attendance at General Synod and for the work that will follow on the decisions that were made there. The day provided opportunities for discussion, and all departed nourished spiritually and physically, enriched by sharing experiences and challenges and encouraged to continue their rich service in the name of our Saviour.

IN MOTION

Appointments

- The Rev. Canon John Hill, Interfaith Officer of the Diocese of Toronto, July 1.
- The Rev. Roland Kawano, Interim Priest-in-Charge, St. Martin, Courtice, July 1.
- The Ven. Judy Walton, Archdeacon of York-Simcoe, Sept. 1.
- The Rev. Tay Moss, Incumbent, Church of the Messiah, Sept. 1.
- The Rev. Robert Sinclair, Interim Priest-in-Charge, Orillia South, Sept. 1.
- The Rt. Rev. Douglas Blackwell, Interim Priest-in-Charge, St. Paul's, Lindsay, Sept. 1.
- The Rev. Anne Moore, Interim Priest-in-Charge, St. Mark and Calvary, Sept. 1.
- The Rev. Ted Bartlett, Assistant Priest, All Saints, Whitby, Sept. 9.

Vacant Incumbencies
Clergy from outside the diocese with the permission of their bishop may apply through the Ven. Peter Fenty.

- First Phase - Parish Selection Committee in Formation** (not yet receiving names):
- Parish of Orillia South
 - Parish of Lakefield
 - St. George, Pickering (Ajax)

Second Phase - Parish Selection Committee Receiving Names (via Area Bishop):

- St. Paul, Lindsay (Trent-Durham)
- Christ Church, Campbellford (Trent-Durham)
- Holy Trinity, Trinity Square (York-Scarborough)
- St. Andrew, Scarborough (York-Scarborough)
- St. Timothy, North Toronto (York-Scarborough)

Third Phase - Parish Selection Committee Interviewing (via Area Bishop):

- N/A

Conclusion

- The Rev. Marty Keatings concluded his ministry at the Parish of Orillia South in order to commence full-time chaplaincy in the Armed Forces, on Sept. 1.

Death

- The Rev. Robert Mackie died on Aug. 2. His funeral was held on Aug. 7 at St. Nicholas, Birch Cliff, Toronto.
- The Rev. Canon Hywel Hughes, honorary assistant at the Church of Our Saviour and former chancellor of the Diocese of Brecon, Wales, died on Aug. 4. The funeral was held at the Church of Our Saviour on Aug. 11.
- The Rev. Canon James Tiller died on Aug. 8. Canon Tiller

was ordained in 1950 in the Diocese of Niagara. He served as incumbent of Unionville and Stouffville from 1954, and was rector at St. Patrick, Wiltondale, from 1961 to 1992. After retirement, he served at All Saints, Whitby; St. Peter, Oshawa; St. Mark, Port Hope; St. John, Blackstock, (Cartwright); St. Thomas, Brooklin; and St. Martin, Courtice. A memorial service was held at St. George's, Pickering, on Aug. 15.

- The Rev. John Lennox died on Aug. 12. Ordained a vocational deacon in 1999, he served at All Souls, Lansing, and at the Church of the Incarnation. The funeral was held on Aug. 16 at the Church of the Incarnation.
- The Rev. Donald Belway died on Aug. 28. Ordained in 1953 in the Diocese of New Westminster, he served as Incumbent of St. Bartholomew, Toronto; St. Andrew by-the-Lake; Grace Church, Markham; and the combined parishes of Colborne and Grafton. Mr. Belway also served as Rural Dean of St. James and Honorary Assistant at St. Leonard, Toronto, before retiring in 1988. He celebrated his 50th jubilee at St. Mary Magdalene in February 2003. The funeral service took place on Sept. 1 at St. Mary Magdalene.

Choir sings in Grahamstown

Pandemic
doesn't stop
singing, dancing

This article continues our series on the companionship program between the Diocese of Toronto and the Diocese of Grahamstown, South Africa. The purpose of the program is for parishes, dioceses and individuals to link up with each other to share insights and information, and to experience each other's spirituality and culture.

BY HENRIETA PAUKOV

IN July, a choir from St. James Cathedral visited the Diocese of Grahamstown. The St. James Singers is the cathedral's resident mixed-voice chamber choir.

"It was spectacular," says the Rev. Greg Carpenter, assistant curate at Christ Church, Deer Park, who has been a section leader at the cathedral since 1989 and also sings with the Canadian Opera Company. "During the National Arts Festival that takes place in Grahamstown, the Cathedral of St. Michael and St. George runs a parallel festival called SpiritFest. Bishop Thabo Makgoba and Dean Douglas Stoute of St. James Cathedral had been in contact, and we were invited to come."

The choir performed at the Cathedral of St. Michael and St. George and at St. Alban's Church in East London, which is linked with Trinity, Streetsville, in the Diocese of Toronto. "A key component of our time in Grahamstown was to go out and see what is going on in the diocese and learn more about that," says Mr. Carpenter. The group visited the village of Ham-



Children from the village of Hamburg sing and dance during the visit from the St. James Singers.

burg, home of the Keiskamma Art Project, and met with its director, Carol Hofmeyr. Local women who are part of the Keiskamma Art Project created the Keiskamma Altarpiece which was displayed in Toronto during the 2006 International AIDS Conference.

The choir visited an HIV/AIDS clinic and met children orphaned by AIDS. "They were making what they called memory boxes," says Mr. Carpenter. "They make the boxes and place things in them so that they can remember the parents they've lost. As you know, with the HIV/AIDS pandemic, most of

them are looked after by their grandparents now. They sang and danced for us, and we sang for them. It was quite amazing."

For most members of the choir, this was their first visit to South Africa. "I think that there was a fair amount of eye-opening that went on, for sure," says Mr. Carpenter. "It was amazing for me to see — and it really came home at the orphanage — that in the midst of such unbelievable misery with the HIV/AIDS pandemic, they are singing and dancing, and they eke out every ounce of joy they can in life."



The St. James Singers pose with Bishop Thabo Makgoba at the Cathedral of St. Michael and St. George in Grahamstown, South Africa.

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Centenary of St. Anne's Byzantine Jewel



In October 2007, St. Anne's Parkdale will launch a year of special events celebrating the centenary of its glorious Byzantine church building designed by Toronto architect W. Ford Howland. The parish was founded in 1862 in the sparsely populated village of Brockton, when a committee, meeting in The Brown Bear pub, accepted the donation of an acre of ground at the toll gate near today's Dundas and Dufferin Streets.

It is noteworthy that, when the sons of the Honourable Alexander Macdonnell offered the property in memory of their mother, they also gave land to the Roman church upon which the first St. Helen's was built, for their father was a devoted Catholic.

By the turn of the twentieth century, the enlarged original church could no longer hold the expanding congregation; so the enterprising Incumbent, Lawrence Skey, held a competition to design a large building, with the stipulation that it enable all to see and hear. No stranger to controversy, Canon Skey accepted the design modeled on the plan and dome of the fourth century Hagia Sophia in Istanbul. The foundation stone was laid in June 1907, and the completed building was consecrated in 1908.

It was not until 1923 that there was sufficient money to engage J.E.H. Macdonald to lead a team of eleven artists, including two other members of the recently formed Group of Seven, Frank Carmichael and Fred Varley, plus an ornamental painter, to decorate St. Anne's. The fact that the paintings by the three artists constitute the Group's only religious work led in the 1990s to the designation of St. Anne's as a National Historic Site.

As the members of St. Anne's look back on our rich history and forward to the future, we wish to reconnect with former parishioners and their descendants. Can you share photos or memorabilia of St. Anne's for an archival display? Those with any connection to St. Anne's will want to attend some of the festive events of the centenary year, including monthly music recitals, choral concerts, art and architecture appreciation events. Please consult our website (www.stannes.on.ca).

Contact us at:

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New deacon ordained in Wasaga Beach

VICTOR Gauci will be ordained a deacon on Oct. 14 at 4 p.m. at the Prince of Peace Church in Wasaga Beach. He will be ordained by Bishop George Elliott, area bishop of York-Simcoe.

Mr. Gauci and his wife Jennifer are long-time residents of Wasaga Beach and members of Prince of Peace. Prior to moving to Wasaga Beach in 1990, they lived in Collingwood and attended All Saints, where they were also very active.

Mr. Gauci first heard God's call some 40 years ago, but due to the demands of raising four children, and being the main financial support for his young family, he was not able to respond. Now at age 72, fully retired and encouraged by his wife and his parish family, he is able to follow the call to the diaconate, and deepen his commitment to Jesus Christ.

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BARITONE WANTED

St. George's On-The-Hill Anglican Church

(4600 Dundas St. West – between Royal York Rd. and Islington Ave.)

is seeking a baritone for its semi-professional choir of 16 to 18 singers. Thursday evening rehearsals are 7:30 to 9:30 pm and the Sunday morning liturgy is at 10:30 am (9:45 call). Must be available for extra services during Advent, Christmas Eve and Holy Week. The repertoire is substantial and challenging. It would be helpful, but not necessary, to be familiar with Anglican high church liturgy. Music is a very important part of this active parish and is much appreciated by the congregation and clergy. Pay is commensurate with experience.

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