

## Saying 'NO' to Sunday shopping



People from around the province opposed to Sunday shopping demonstrated at the Centennial Building in Fredericton in February. Among them were at least a dozen Anglican clergy including, from left to right: The Rev. Ian Wetmore, Parish of Bright; Bishop William Hockin; Canon Richard McConnell, Parish of Rothesay; The Rev. Patricia Drummond (partly hidden), Christian Education Director; Bishop George Lemmon; Archdeacon Claude Miller. (Photo by David Watts)

## St. Mark's honours past, plans future

Members of the congregation of St. Mark's Anglican Church in St. George, which was destroyed by fire New Year's Eve, took part in a brief memorial service at the site on Sunday, January 20.

Following an afternoon service held in the Baptist Church, they moved across the street to the place where St. Mark's once stood. The rector, the Rev. Mary Anne Langmaid, read a poem about the fire written by Pauline Harmon Stewart. Parishioners then placed pieces of granite, taken from the wreckage of the church basement, in a cairn at the site.

During the service they also shared some of their memories of St. Mark's which they plan to publish at a later date.

On the following Sunday, January 27, a service held at the St. George Curling Club was followed by a day of visioning as parishioners came together to discuss what they would like to see included in the plans for a new church. Since that date, services have been held in the Church of Christ.

In order for plans for a new St. Mark's to become reality, funds need to be raised. One of the first events is Curl for St. Mark's at the St. George Curling Club the weekend of March 15 and 16. Seasoned curlers as well as those who have never played the game are collecting pledges. Children will be involved in a scavenger hunt and a giant Clue game promises to involve the whole of the town of St. George.



The Rev. Mary Anne Langmaid helps to build a cairn from remnants of St. Mark's.

## An opportunity to discuss health care from a faith-based, ethical perspective

Keeping the Vision Alive: An interfaith workshop in preparation for the Royal Commission on the future of health care in Canada, will be held in Fredericton later this month.

A spring round of consultations by former Saskatchewan premier Roy Romanow, who leads the royal commission, includes a

stop in Fredericton on April 19. The March workshop in Fredericton, one of a national series running parallel to the commission's consultation, is an opportunity for members of medical and religious communities, as well as the general public, to express their concerns and offer their input.

Dennis Howlett of Kairos, a Canadian ecumenical justice initiative, will facilitate the workshop, which is designed to examine the questions posed to Canadians by the Romanow commission, stimulate a faith-based ethical dialogue on health issues, and provide a platform for Canadian voices.

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## Budget surplus for 2001

Preliminary year-end figures released by diocesan treasurer Canon Fred Scott indicate a surplus for the year 2001.

"Support exceeded our budget forecast by a substantial margin. Mission outreach contributions came in at \$556,000, an increase of three per cent over 2000. Parish assessment payments were \$759,000. That is almost 97 per cent of the amount required, again a vast improvement over the prior year."

The diocese also launched a bishop's appeal in 2001, asking each parish to try to contribute \$500 over and above its other bud-

eted support. In all, 54 parishes were able to respond with contributions in excess of \$27,000. Further donations will also be forthcoming from the General Synod Appeal and will be applied to the 2002 budget.

"These excellent results on the income side, combined with the usual scrutiny over expenses, have combined to put the diocese in a surplus position. The parishes and people are to be thanked and commended for their support of the ministry reflected in our diocesan budget. Their efforts are very much appreciated," says Canon Scott.

## Foundation director to tour diocese

The Rev. Canon John Erb, Director of the Anglican Foundation of Canada, will a Diocesan Council meeting on March 14 at Christ Church (Parish) Church in Fredericton. It is just one of many stops on a 10-day tour of the diocese.

With loans and grants, the Anglican Foundation supports parishes, programs, camps, liturgical art, theological students, native projects and choirs. Dozens of parishes in this diocese have embarked on building and renovation projects in recent years with the foundation as a partner. Canon Erb will visit many of those parishes during his tour, which begins in the Moncton area on Saturday, March 9 with visits to the parishes of Westmorland and Sackville. He will preach at services in Riverview and Moncton on Sunday.

He will be in the Saint John area Monday and Tuesday to visit Gondola Point, Quispamsis,

Renforth and Upham. On Wednesday he will travel down the coast to Grand Manan and St. George.

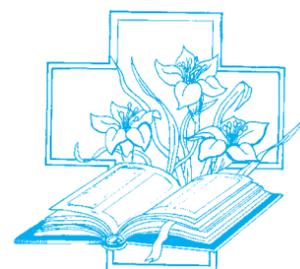
Canon Erb will be in the Fredericton area Thursday, Friday and Saturday for the council meeting and visits to Christ Church Cathedral, St. Margaret's, Burton, St. Mary's York, Kingsclear and New Maryland. Following a trip to Ludlow on the Miramichi on Saturday he will preach in Prince William and Richmond on Sunday.

Funding for the Anglican Foundation comes from capital bequests and annuities, gifts, memorials and expressions of thanks to God as well as from memberships. It is incorporated separately from the General Synod of the Anglican Church and its capital funds and donations are held separately from national church funds.

The Anglican Foundation makes grants of up to \$15,000 and loans up to \$75,000

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Easter 2002

# McAdam welcomes first woman rector

BY MARGARET LAKING

St. George's in McAdam celebrated its centennial in December and made more history in January with the induction of the Rev. Wendy Amos-Binks as rector. She is the first woman in that position.

Wendy began her McAdam ministry in the summer of 2001 following her graduation from Wycliffe College in Toronto and her ordination to the diaconate. She was ordained a priest in November.

"McAdam asked for a priest and I'm what they got," she says with a laugh.

What the parish really got was a woman with a fresh approach to the gospel, infinite supplies of compassion, understanding and forgiveness, as well as the ability to preach a compelling sermon.

It was the Rev. Eileen Irish,

rector of the Parish of Greenwich where Wendy served as a student, who preached the compelling sermon at this service, however.

"I think Wendy was sent to my parish to learn what not to do, so if she does anything wrong, it isn't my fault!" She went on to say that Wendy's nursing and teaching training and experience will be great assets to her ministry as she witnesses times of joy and times of sorrow.

When asked to share her own words of wisdom Wendy replied: "Words of wisdom ... well ... the advice I've been given more than once, and the advice that returns to me at this time is simply 'love the people' If we can live as a Christian community — making decisions and choices together — and still love one another 'warts and all' then that is everything.



The Rev. Eileen Irish, rector of the Parish of Greenwich, spoke at the induction of the Rev. Wendy Amos-Binks in McAdam in January. Ms. Amos-Binks worked in the Parish of Greenwich as a student.

## Paper benefits from record Journal donations

Contributions to the New Brunswick Anglican through the Anglican Journal appeal in 2001 were up by more than \$2,000.

A total of 678 donors from the Diocese of Fredericton contributed nearly \$20,000 which was shared equally by the national and

the diocesan papers. After expenses, the New Brunswick Anglican share was \$9,907. Donations to the New Brunswick Anglican in 2000 were \$7,831.

"We are most grateful for these generous donations to the newspaper," says the Rev. Neville Cheeseman,

who chairs the newspaper's Board of Management. "They not only help to cover the cost of keeping New Brunswick Anglicans informed, they reduce our dependence on diocesan funding and free up money for other ministries."

Diocesan newspapers

throughout the country depend on the Anglican Journal for their continued existence. Mailed with the Anglican Journal, they share mailing and circulation costs and benefit from the national paper's postal subsidy. Without the postal subsidy, mailing costs would be prohibitive.

Commentary

## Some questions about electronic giving

BY PHILIP WARD

In the recent movie *Thirteen Days* — Hollywood's version of the Cuban crisis, in October 1962 — a real struggle developed between President Kennedy and the top leaders of the American military. The military brass can hardly wait to give the order to blow the Russkies out of the water. But the President wants to avoid any military engagement, and to use the military strength available to him to persuade Russia's leaders to back off. In the words of a Presidential aide, frustrated by the trigger-happy generals, Kennedy is trying to 'communicate' with the Russians.

What is the language of this communication? Body language. As dramatically demonstrated in the movie, Kennedy got his message across, and the world stepped back from the brink of nuclear war.

Unfortunately, communication through body language is not always successful. Worse, sometimes it succeeds when we don't even intend it. Sometimes it conveys the very opposite of what we want to express. For example, at a meal table, a man may read his paper or use his cell-phone, quite oblivious to the fact that round the table, unnoticed by him, his family fumes quietly while being ignored.

When we first heard about Electronic Giving, we may have thought it was a good idea: trans-

ferring our financial gifts to our church directly from our bank account to the parish's account — regularly, consistently, without any effort on our part.

It was very good news for counters who stay behind long after we've left the church building and started our lunch. One can easily imagine how equally excited church wardens might be: income in those dry summer months would not decline as much.

But what does Electronic Giving communicate to the people in the pews?

The first message is blunt: our dollar contribution is apparently more valuable than our physical presence at what used to be called "divine service".

It takes effort to get out of bed on Sunday mornings, and to go to church; the temptation to roll over and go back to sleep, or to go and play a round of golf (or whatever interests us) — such temptation is made stronger by the voice that whispers 'Your gift will go through anyway'.

Secondly, Electronic Giving encourages a religion that is mindless. According to our Lord, the first commandment asks us to love the Lord our God with all our mind. Electronic Giving will not help us to do that, to consider, each Sunday, how God has blessed us during the previous week and then, consciously and thoughtfully, to

express our thanks to Him in tangible form. (See 1 Corinthians 16.2.)

A third aspect also reflects this danger of mindlessness. The scriptures make it clear, again and again: in Christ Jesus we are offered a personal relationship with the living God, whom we may now (as a result) address intimately, as Father. What would Christmas be if every gift arrived, unwrapped, delivered by some unknown courier, with nothing more than the names of the donor and the recipient?

The offering we give in church is meant to be a symbol of our own selves, of people dedicated and committed to serve the Lord — given out of gratitude for what we know He has done for us. If we are not prepared to commit ourselves to serve the Lord, and to meet with His people, do we think our dollars will fool Him or them to believe otherwise?

Some parents have discovered this truth the hard way: they gave their children "everything" (ie, they spend a fortune on their children, especially each Christmas), only to discover that what their children had really longed for was for their parents simply to spend some time with them.

Giving our time and attention to God is more precious to Him than all the money in the world. Ask Martha and Mary; they'll tell you.

## Lawrence Earle Hawkes 1909-2002

The Rev. Lawrence Earle Hawkes died in Sussex on January 20 at the age of 92.

Born in Sussex in 1909, he was the son of the late Robert Cyrus and Nettie Mabel (Orr) Hawkes. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Ruth (Jennings) Hawkes; a brother, G. Dallas Hawkes of Sussex; several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister, Marguerite Debow and brothers C. Alvin and Vincent.

He was educated in Sussex and Toronto. He was granted a Bachelor of Arts by the University of Toronto in 1934 and graduated from Wycliffe College in 1936. He was ordained deacon by Archbishop J. A. Richardson in 1936 and priested in 1937.

He served the parishes of Aberdeen & Bright and Andover in this diocese, then moved on to parishes in Ontario, England, Athabasca and Newfoundland. He returned to this diocese in 1971 and served the Parish of Madawaska. In 1974 he moved on again, this time to the Diocese of the Arctic. In 1984 he was appointed Priest in Charge of the Parishes of St. George and Pennfield.

His funeral was held at Trinity Church in Sussex on January 23, the Rev. Allen Tapley officiating, assisted by the Rev. David Barrett.

## LETTER

Dear Ana,  
Thank you for putting the article in the Anglican. This has helped the Christmas shoe box effort a great deal and gave the mission lots of exposure. Again thank you for your assistance.

Herb Marr  
Port Chaplain  
Saint John

## Health care

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"Health care in Canada is under attack," says David Watts, Diocesan Co-ordinator for the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF), a charter member of Kairos. "A system built on the concept of the best service for all the people is falling prey to the profit motive and the theology of the bottom line. This workshop is an opportunity to express where we, as faith communities, stand on this issue. Kairos is conducting these workshops across the country in order that we can share our faith-inspired values and vision of the future of health care in Canada with the Romanow Commission."

The Fredericton Kairos workshop will be held in the evening of March 24 at the Monsignor Boyd Centre, 120 Regent Street, beginning at 7 o'clock. Further information is available from David Watts at 506/459-5358, awatts@nbnet.nb.ca; Marian Lucas-Jeffries, 506/727-2253, marijeff@nbnet.nb.ca.

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## BISHOP'S PRINCIPAL ENGAGEMENTS

**March 4**  
12:15 p.m.  
Lenten series  
The Playhouse, Fredericton

**March 5**  
11 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.  
Lenten series  
Mary Oland Theatre  
NB Museum, Saint John

**March 8 - 10**  
AFP Retreat  
Prince Albert, BC

**March 11**  
12:15 p.m.  
Lenten series  
The Playhouse, Fredericton

**March 12**  
11 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.  
Lenten series  
Mary Oland Theatre  
NB Museum, Saint John

**March 16**  
Stewardship Meeting  
Cathedral Memorial Hall  
10 a.m.

**March 17**  
Parish of St. Mary's (York)  
10:30 a.m. \*

**March 18**  
12:15 p.m.  
Lenten series  
The Playhouse, Fredericton

**March 19**  
11 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.  
Lenten series  
Mary Oland Theatre  
NB Museum, Saint John

**March 20-22**  
Installation  
Rt. Rev. Fred Hiltz, Halifax

**March 24**  
9 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
Parish of Marysville

**March 25**  
12:15 p.m.  
Lenten series  
The Playhouse, Fredericton

**March 26**  
11 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.  
Lenten series  
Mary Oland Theatre  
NB Museum, Saint John

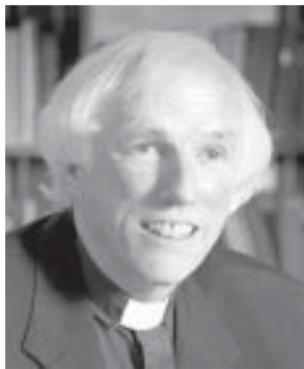
**March 28**  
Blessing of Oil  
Christ Church Cathedral  
12 noon

**March 29**  
Parish of Fredericton  
12 noon

**March 30 & 31**  
Christ Church Cathedral \*

**April 6**  
10 a.m.  
Wardens Day  
Christ Church  
(Parish) Church

\*Denotes Confirmation



## From the Bishop

### Focus on Youth 2003 ... What does it mean?

In response to the call of our last two Synods, we declared 2003 a year to focus on the spiritual needs of youth in our diocese.

In most Anglican homes, young people in their teens and twenties do not see Church attendance or involvement as a 'life priority'. They may well have a deep spiritual consciousness, but many of them do not see the Church as the source of this spiritual formation. We are in danger of losing a generation.

Our year-long focus on youth will give the Church opportunities to begin new programmes and directions aimed at reconnecting with that generation. The one year focus in itself will not solve our problems, but — given the passion and leadership of the clergy and lay leaders who work with our young people — I believe it will move us in new directions that will bear fruit in years to come.

The clear object of all our efforts is to help our young people find a living faith in Jesus Christ — a faith formed by the Church and

lived-out in their everyday lives.

It begins in the Anglican home. As parents and grandparents, we need to pray for more than better marks, the right friends, and acceptance into the right universities. We need to pray that our children discover a living relationship with God. Then we need to support our prayers with actions. Our children won't discover a living relationship with God if we are passive and just 'hope for the best'. We need to ask young people the right questions and, more importantly, listen to their answers and sometimes listen to their pain. We need to admit we don't have all the answers ourselves. We need to say Grace before meals, teach Sunday school, help with the youth group, drive our children to a Youth Service or a Christmas concert. In short, we need to focus on the spiritual needs of the young people in our own homes.

There is work to be done at the parish level too. It begins with an honest examination of our local ministry to youth. Anglicans his-

torically have not been known for their aggressive youth ministry. Too often such a ministry has been relegated to the back burner. It is time to recognize the young people in our parishes and make our worship, education, and pastoral programmes accessible to them. Too often children and young people are tolerated but not included, spoken at but not listened to. I believe these attitudes are changing, and I hope our focus on youth in 2003 will accelerate that change.

What can we do at the diocesan level to help our young people come to a relationship with God? The employment of a Diocesan Youth Coordinator has been suggested. Right now there are parishes in this diocese that offer effective youth ministry through programs led by dedicated volunteers, and in some cases Youth Ministers. There are other parishes, especially in rural and isolated communities, where there are few resources available to support a ministry to youth at all. A Diocesan Youth Coordinator could support them all through training and

resources. That person could also institute regional programmes and gatherings that would be especially beneficial to smaller parishes. I also see the diocese initiating regional youth services, with music, liturgy and teaching appropriate to the needs of young people.

Our 2003 Focus on Youth will raise the profile of the spiritual needs of teens and young adults in this diocese, as well as articulate the Church's response. Although the present generation of young people will too soon be adults, and as such will have different needs and expectations, a younger generation is always on the horizon and needs to find in the Anglican Church a spiritual place to call home, a place that welcomes them in a language they can understand — a language of acceptance, accessibility and love.

William Hockin is  
Bishop of Fredericton

## Bishop's dinner in support of youth projects

Proceeds from the second annual Bishop's Dinner will support youth projects in the diocese.

Bishop Douglas Blackwell, Suffragan Bishop of Toronto, will address the gathering at the Fredericton Sheraton on Monday evening, May 13. "He's an excellent and humorous speaker who relates well to youth," says Keith Dow who chairs the organizing

committee. "He has a human and hands-on approach to spirituality."

The Bishop's Dinner was established in 2001 as a way to raise discretionary funds for the bishop to use in support of programs and projects he feels are important to the diocese. The first dinner netted more than \$19,000, enough to fund the Clergy College for two years.

Diocesan chancellor Charles Ferris will again be master of ceremonies for the occasion. Tickets for the \$100 per plate dinner are available through the Synod Office in Fredericton (459-1801), Anglican House in Saint John (693-2295) and in parishes. A charitable donation tax receipt of at least \$65 will be issued for each ticket.



### Parishes get together

More than 200 people from the Parishes of Grand Bay, Ketepec, Westfield and Greenwich gathered at St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church in Grand Bay on February 17th. Bishop Bill Hockin addressed the group, which is considering a parish partnership and the construction of a modern worship and educational facility. A pot luck supper and fellowship followed the service.



## Second Annual Diocesan Warden's Day

for  
information sharing  
&  
gathering

Saturday,  
April 6  
10 a.m.

Christ Church  
(Parish) Church  
Westmorland &  
Charlotte Streets  
Fredericton



# Inner city fun, games and ministry

BY ANA WATTS

**D**onnie Snook has funky hair, cool glasses and an earring. In the winter he gets in his car and cruises around school yards at recess and lunch time. Kids in the know leave their friends to connect with Donnie. A quick conversation through the window, Donnie pops the trunk, and the kid scores — a pair of mittens.

"These mittens grow on trees," says Donnie, the 29-year-old director of the Saint John Inner City Youth Ministry headquartered at St. James Church on Broad Street. The mitten trees grow in the churches that support the ministry, and they are the four Anglican churches in the central core of Saint John, St. James, Trinity, Stone and St. Paul's.

Mittens are just the tip of the iceberg that is the SJICYM. The Chicken Noodle Club, a free hot lunch program is the longest-running aspect of the ministry. It

was founded by the Rev. Chris VanBuskirk, who established the ministry at St. James in 1989 and served as its first director.

"It started out as a free hot lunch program for children of the south end and now we have another Chicken Noodle Club at St. Paul's in the north end. We even get some parents now too, and we really appreciate the opportunity to get to know them."

Then there's the Neighbourhood Christian Hockey League, a girls dance program, a homework club, an after-school program for children in kindergarten through grade 2, a music program with choir and piano lessons, and Parents Night Out.

"We take children six and older for a fun-filled evening so their parents can get out and do something they enjoy too. We go swimming at the Saint John High pool every couple of weeks and that always draws a big crowd.

We sponsor kids for summer camp too."

Although its major funding comes from the four churches and the Diocese of Fredericton, over the years the ministry has also developed partnerships in the community.

"We're working with schools, community centres, other churches, hospitals and with other community initiatives to support the children in our neighbourhoods. We still don't have all the resources we need, but we do the best we can with what we have and we are most grateful for all the support we do get. It is what makes it possible for us to do what we do."

It sounds like fun and games, and on the surface it is, but there's more to it than that. Donnie regularly visits the homes of the children who participate in the ministry programs. "We do what we can to help and support many families in need."



Above, Donnie Snook, director of the Saint John Inner City Youth Ministry, with his friends Shaun and Mark. Right, Anthony, a regular at the Chicken Noodle Club, which sometimes serves spaghetti.



## Youth Worker Wanted

The Anglican Parish of Portland - St. Luke's Church is looking to hire a full time youth worker, beginning July 1st or sooner.

The applicant should be trained in youth ministry and have a love for children.

Deadline for applications is March 31st.

For further information please contact:

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## CATHEDRAL YOUTH SERVICE

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## Parish of St. Andrews launches community youth centre

If a scratch on one of your old LPs makes you wince and you think a disk jockey just plays records, you probably won't be spending much time at the St. Andrews Youth Action Centre.

"We hope to have three different DJ set-ups so the kids can learn to mix records, do scratching and stuff," says Jeremy Morris who runs the new facility funded by All Saints Anglican Church and Human Resources Development Canada. The Town of St. Andrews donates space in the W. C. O'Neill Arena. "We'll have workshops, the kids can book turntables. It takes a lot of practice and work to become a DJ."

Web design and art workshops, ski trips and skate boarding are on the agenda too.

"The people in our parish really believe it is important that the young people in this town know that we care about them," says Canon John Matheson, rector of St. Andrews. "We had a turnout three times the size of the average annual meeting when we voted to go forward with our youth centre plans. Jeremy is a really cool guy as well as a committed Christian, so even though the atmosphere at the centre is neutral and relaxed, there is an opportunity for Chris-

tian influence on young people, especially those who don't go to church anywhere."

Jeremy, who also has a Sunday youth ministry at All Saints, stresses the youth centre is wide open. "This is not a church centre. It is not just for the church kids. It is for everyone."

An avid and award-winning skate boarder, he is also a June 2001 graduate of St. Stephen University. As a student in the border town he helped with high school coffee houses, organized youth Alpha and other programs for young people in the church. He's worked with skate boarders in St. Stephen as well as St. Andrews and is trying to get a permanent skateboard park in St. Andrews off the ground.

"The town has set aside the space for a park, but there is nothing in it. I've built a lot of skateboard obstacles so we're going to try and raise some money for materials and build them here at the youth centre."

Jeremy has a one year contract at the youth centre with a possibility of renewal for two more.

"We have HRDC funding for one year, after that we have to come up with the full amount, an

extra \$15,000 each year," says Canon Matheson. We don't have to do it alone. This has been a community effort from the beginning, a great example of how churches can co-operate with service clubs and all three levels of government to achieve a common goal.

"It also helped to have someone 'on the inside' in our parish. Don Saunders is the business development officer for St. Stephen, knows the grant process inside out and is on a first name basis with those who run the local HRDC office. Without his help the project wouldn't have got off the ground. We also had letters of support for our grant application from the pastors of the other churches in town, so this work is clearly ecumenical."





# DNS

## Empowering Our Baptismal Ministry

June 7, 8 & 9, 2002  
St. Thomas University  
Convention Centre  
Fredericton

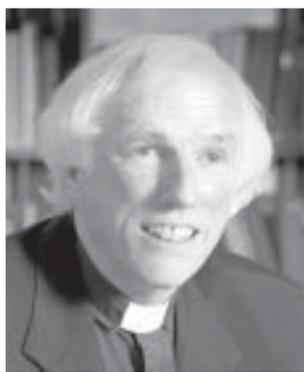
### The Rev. Joseph P. Russell



Joseph Russell is the former Canon to the Ordinary for Education and Program, the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio. He worked for twelve years as a parish priest in the Diocese of Oregon before assuming his diocesan position in 1980. It was his experience in the parish that led him to write *Sharing Our Biblical Story: A Guide to Using Liturgical Readings as the Core of Church and Family Education*, available from Morehouse Publishing. Mr. Russell has produced curricula materials for several church related organizations, including the United Church of Christ's curriculum *The Inviting Word*, a lectionary based Christian education program. *The New Prayer Book Guide to Christian Education*, a revision of a popular publication, has been published by Cowley Publications. Joseph Russell revised and enlarged the original book that provides help in designing education events based on the *Book of Common Prayer* (Episcopal).

Mr. Russell has produced a series of booklets for Forward Movement dealing with Christian Education and worship. *Daily Prayer and Bible Study with the Book of Common Prayer* encourages people to look to the Book of Common Prayer as a guide for spiritual growth. *The Daily Lectionary: A Weekly Guide for Daily Bible Readings*, in four volumes offers a week-by-week commentary on the daily lectionary readings.

Mr. Russell contributed to a collection of liturgies that used feminine imagery, and was one of the keynote speakers at a recent national conference designed to introduce the Children's Charter to the Church (a radical document outlining the congregation's responsibilities towards children in the church and in the world.)



Dear Friends

In my charge to the Diocese at the 123rd Synod, one of my concerns was for Lay Education and Spiritual Growth. This was echoed by the delegates during

their discussions, and this weekend is being held in response to those concerns.

The planning committee has worked hard to provide a weekend of high quality programming. A wide variety of workshops are guaranteed to meet the many interests of the participants.

I look forward to seeing you there, and encourage you to register early so as not to miss out on this dynamic experience.

Yours in Christ,

The Rt. Rev. William Hockin

*Lord:*

*Thank you for calling your people to be in relationship with you and with each other.*

*We pray for the lay weekend that will take place in June for lay people in the Diocese of Fredericton - may it be a time of great joy - a time of equipping your people for the work of ministry.*

*Direct by your Holy Spirit the members of the planning committee; our speaker, the Rev. Joseph Russell and each of the workshop leaders.*

*Give new vision and strength to your people in the strong name of Jesus Christ the Lord.*

*Amen.*

# CHOOSE YOUR WORKSHOP

## 1. Empowering Your Life Through The Bible

Joseph Russell will offer content that helps participants feel more at home in the Bible and practical tools for sharing the Bible in the congregation. Methods of Bible Study, telling Bible stories, narrative preaching, helping persons read and study the Bible on their own, sharing the Word in a new way and other aspects of biblical sharing will be discussed and, to the extent possible, practised.

### Leader

The Rev. Joseph Russell is well-known as a church educator, liturgist and conference leader in the Episcopal Church. He has written and co-authored several books and study guides and has served on the Standing Liturgical Commission of the national church and has had his booklet *Introducing the Revised Common Lectionary to the Episcopal Church*, published by the Forward Movement. He has returned to parish ministry with an interim appointment as Canon for Faith development at Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, Ohio.

## 2. Empowered By Prayer

"Speak Lord your servant is listening," 1 Samuel 3:9. Together we will explore different ways of being attentive and responsive to God through our day-to-day life, through scripture, and through our relationship with Jesus. We will reflect on what it means to develop a contemplative attitude and live as "contemplatives in action". Each session will provide opportunity for input from the facilitator, silence and solitude, and small group sharing. Participants are asked to bring a Bible, pen and journal.

### Leader

Leith Box and her husband Clarence Box have four grown children. One of their great joys is being grandparents to seven preschool grandchildren. Leith has enjoyed careers in nursing, teaching and counselling and been involved in many aspects of parish, community and diocesan life. Spiritual direction, regular retreats, and faith sharing in small groups has been of great benefit to her in her ongoing journey with God and others. She has completed a program in Spiritual Companionship and is currently in a formation program for Spiritual Directors. She considers it a joy and a privilege to journey with others through spiritual direction, retreat and small group ministry.

## 3. Empowering the Family Through Spiritual Traditions

Would you like to add some depth to the Spiritual Life found within the walls of your family home? Traditions come from our roots and help us to shape the present and future. Come and join us and bring your family's faith alive by exploring many different ideas about Christian traditions. Discover ways of enhancing your old traditions or starting new ones to pass on to the next generation. In this workshop you will be able to share experiences through discussion, join in hands on learning, and take home many resources. Accompany us on a journey of learning and sharing.

### Leaders

Margaret Petrie and Ginny McEwan, mothers, grandmothers and long-time ACW and Mothers' Union members respectively, offer many years of learning and experience. Both are active in parish life and serve on diocesan committees in the diocese. They believe traditions should grow and change with the family if they are to be kept alive and meaningful.

## 4. Empowering Discussion in Church Life.

One area of ministry that laypeople approached with bittersweet sentiment is the reality of gathering. As the faithful, we love to gather for worship to hear God's word and to partake of the sacraments. In this context we are, generally speaking, passive recipients of grace bestowed. But what about the times we gather as church members in the context of Bible study and program or vestry meetings? It might be said that for many, such meetings are attended out of a sense of duty rather than an opportunity to make an offering to the Kingdom. This workshop is designed for participants who have experienced a reluctance to make a contribution in this arena of ministry. We will be reminded that when we gather in the Lord's name, whether in worship, study or the business of the church, we create a sacred space to live the gospel and garner the 'grace of great things.'

### Leader

The Ven. Claude Miller was self-employed for many years before his ordination in 1988. He served as priest for seven years before becoming the Executive Assistant to the Bishop in 2000. He is well equipped to help you voice topics that are important to you, but have been a challenge for you to present to others.

## 5. Empowered by Our Anglican Identity

This workshop is designed to explore the spiritual depth of the Anglican tradition from early Celtic times to the present, with the intent of identifying the essentials of our tradition that can direct us into our future. The sessions will include video presentations by the bishop, and group discussion.

### Leader

Born in London, Ont, Bishop Bill Hockin graduated from Waterloo University (BA) and Emmanuel College, Saskatoon (L.Th.), and has honorary degrees from King's College and Wycliffe College. He is married with two children, and served in the Dioceses of Huron and Toronto before being appointed Dean of Christ Church Cathedral, Fredericton. Our Bishop was consecrated Coadjutor Bishop in 1998 and installed as Bishop of Fredericton in April 2000. He is author of three books, and enjoys an active outdoor life.

## 6. Empowerment for Christian Leadership

### Or "Repotting The Local Church".

One of the distinct advantages that we as Anglicans have is that we have Church buildings and congregations all over the country. The problem is, in many cases, that these churches are not healthy organisms. They may well have been at one time, but they need to be examined for fruit and for the strength to bear it. The re-potting seminar is designed to take a look at the local Church as one would a plant in desperate need of being re-potted; root bound, producing little fruit, no real growth and only a hint of actual life. Re-potting the local church will make use of ideas at the root of Anglicanism that are still useful in our modern culture.

### Leader

The Rev. Eric Phinney was born in Saint John, graduated from the University of New Brunswick in Business Administration and worked in engineering, real estate and credit management before graduating Wycliffe College (M.Div). He is a founding member of March for Jesus Canada and involved in Alpha, Watchmen for the Nations, Freedom in Christ, The Sentinel Group and Spiritual Mapping. Eric, his wife Val and their four children live in the rectory of St. James the Less Parish.

## 7. Empowering Ministry Through the Arts

The goal is to release creativity within a spiritual framework, specifically painting and banner creating. We will explore the call of God, through Scripture, bidding His chosen people to offer their artistic talent for His purposes. In response to that call we anticipate recognition of deep personal fulfilment. Together we will work at confounding the fear and intimidation that can prevent free expression and creativity while we enjoy each other's gifts and ideas in an atmosphere of freedom and acceptance.

### Leaders

Betty Kennett, the seventh child of two tailors grew up devoid of any desire to sew! However, she started a family at 21 and produced five children in seven years, so necessity became the mother of invention and she learned fast. Children's clothes and toys, wedding apparel, swim suits, banners, diocesan stoles and clergy, choir and layreader's vestments have all been attempted and some even with a measure of success. All this from one who wished never to sew and considered herself singularly devoid of talent! The Rev. Ed Coleman was born on a fishing boat called The Zany, sixth of a family of 11, at Isle Aux Mort, Nfld. He experienced a living Jesus at 14, became a layreader at 16; was a Church Army Officer for five years in Newfoundland and Labrador before being ordained priest in 1984.

## 8: Empowering Mentorship

# For further information



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[www.fredericton.angli](http://www.fredericton.angli)

and follow the links

Christianity is not taught as much as it is caught. Christian Mentoring and Christian Discipleship are inseparable. The cultivation of Christian Character happens in the context of Christian Community. Jesus is the perfect pattern, the keystone of all effective Christian Mentoring.

This workshop is designed to engage people in a prayerful and thoughtful search for wholesome mentoring relationships. Topics include: What does the Bible say about mentoring? How do I find a mentor?, How can I be a mentor? How can I encourage mentoring relationships?, and In what areas do I need mentoring?

Come prepared to do some serious work and have some serious fun!

Reed Fleming was commissioned in 1981 and has worked throughout Canada as an Evangelist. Before moving to Taylor College to become Director of Evangelism Studies, Reed was Prairie Regional Director and Diocesan Evangelist for the Diocese of Brandon. In the 90's, Reed took a leading role in developing the Relational Evangelism Workshop *Gentle Persuasion* and developed the mentoring workshop *As Iron Sharpens Iron* with follow up. Reed lives in Quispamsis with his wife Linda and children David and Judith. They attend St. James the Less.

**Empowering Christians in the Workplace**

Most of us work in secular workplaces, often surrounded by, supervising or reporting to people who don't share or understand our faith. What does it mean to be a Christian in the modern workplace? Christ can seem familiar when we're reading our Bible or involved in prayer or worship; how do we reach the point where we neither leave Him in the parking lot to start our work nor have to remind ourselves of who He is at the end of the day?

Come prepared to respond to thought-provoking questions and to share the challenges you've faced, your insights and encouragement. The emphasis will be on small group sharing.

Reed and Margot Linke are members of St. Paul's in Hampton, where he is a pastor and warden and she is the Sunday school superintendent. They are both journalists — he's the city editor for the Saint John Telegraph-Journal and she's an associate producer with CBC Radio One. They've been blessed with two children, Cameron, 10 and Chloe, 6.

**Music Director  
Marilyn Williams**

Marilyn is from Saint John. She studied both piano and voice with several teachers and has been a church organist/choir director in the area for more than 30 years, currently serving at St. John's (Stone) Church. Marilyn is co-director/accompanist for Treble Clef Singers, and plays French Horn with the 37th Canadian Brigade Group (NB) Band, 3 Field Regiment, Royal Canadian Artillery. She works full-time as a financial planner and part-time lecturer at UNBSJ.

**Spiritual Director  
Wendy Amos- Binks**

Wendy brings to the ordained priesthood her experience as nurse, teacher, secretary and mother of three boys. She is in her third year of spiritual direction herself and finds it very helpful in identifying God's activity in our lives and in drawing closer to Him through prayer. Wendy likes to talk to people and tries to be a good listener.

There will be a prayer room at the conference and Wendy will be available throughout the weekend to those seeking spiritual guidance.

Anglican House  
will set up a bookroom  
for the weekend,  
stocked with  
material pertinent to  
the workshops.

website  
can.org  
to DNS

**DNS WEEKEND REGISTRATION**  
**\$100**  
— a conference for Lay People —  
St. Thomas University Conference Centre, Fredericton  
June 7, 8, 9, 2002

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**ACCOMMODATION:**  
Single room \_\_\_\_\_ (\$25.00/night surcharge, limited availability)  
Double room \_\_\_\_\_ (No surcharge)  
Female \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_  
Room Mate \_\_\_\_\_

**WORKSHOPS:**  
(Participants attend only one)  
Please indicate 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice:  
1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL NEEDS:**  
Physical limitations \_\_\_\_\_  
Food allergies \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

- Please register before April 30th.
- Use a separate registration form for each person.
- Payment to accompany this form.
- Make cheques payable to The Diocese of Fredericton

Registration is not refundable after May 7th, 2002

Direct questions, Registration Forms, and payment to:  
Leith & Clare Box  
166 Tilley Road Phone: (506) 488 8910  
Village of Gagetown, NB Fax: (506) 488 3184  
E5M 1H7 E-mail: clbox@nb.sympatico.ca

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Tear above and keep this portion for your records.

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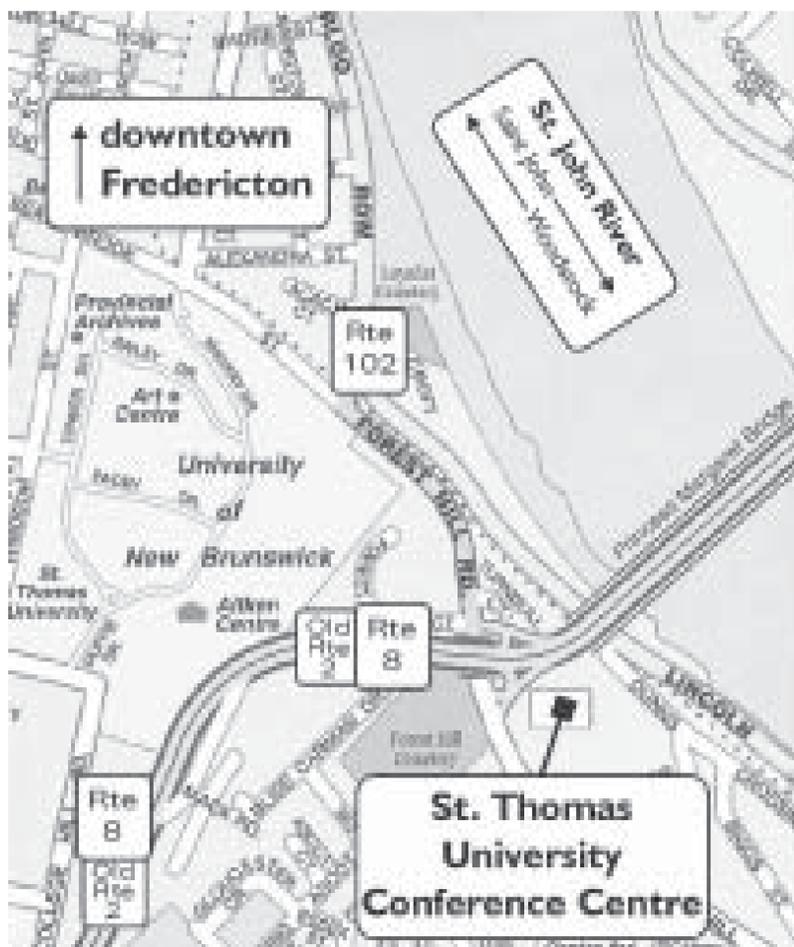
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# How to get to DNS

Join us for a relaxing weekend of sharing, fun and fellowship.

Both traditional and contemporary forms of worship will be available as well as a wide variety of workshops presented in a learning environment that will stretch from Creative Arts to Spiritual Development.

Special guests will visit on Saturday evening to enhance the fun and fellowship – so come prepared to participate in a Maritime Kitchen Party.



# DNS Agenda

Friday, June 7  
5:30 — 7 pm  
Registration

7 pm  
Coming Together  
Welcome  
Singing

7:30 pm  
Theme Speaker  
The Rev. J. Russell

8:15 pm  
Workshops  
Introductions  
Meet leaders

9 pm  
Evening Worship

9:45pm  
Gathering Place

Saturday, June 8  
7 — 8:30 am  
Breakfast

8:30 am  
Gathering of Community

9 am  
Theme Speaker

9:45 am  
Workshops

11:30 am — 1 pm  
Lunch

1:30 pm  
Workshops

3:30pm  
Theme Speaker  
Worship

5 pm  
Dinner

7 pm  
Maritime Kitchen Party

Sunday, June 9  
7 am  
Breakfast

8:30 am  
Gathering of Community

9 am  
Theme Speaker

10 — 11am  
Workshops

11:30 am  
Eucharist

1 pm  
Box Lunch  
Goodbyes

## GOT PLANS TO CREATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING?

### THINK PARTNERSHIP!

Consult **CMHC** and get a loan of up to **\$75,000** interest-free.

You've got plans to create affordable housing to meet a need in your community. Thanks to CMHC, you or your non-profit organization could receive a proposal development fund loan from the *Canadian Centre for Public-Private Partnerships in Housing* of up to \$75,000 to get your plans off the ground.

Over the last five years, CMHC has provided almost 10 million dollars for the development of over 200 housing projects for seniors, persons with disabilities, or low-income households.



## VOUS AVEZ UN PROJET DE LOGEMENT ABORDABLE ?

### PENSEZ AU PARTENARIAT !

Consultez la **SCHL** et empruntez jusqu'à **75 000\$** sans intérêt.

Vous avez en tête un projet de création de logements abordables pour répondre aux besoins de votre communauté ? Grâce à la SCHL, vous ou votre organisme à but non lucratif pourriez recevoir du Centre canadien du partenariat public privé dans l'habitation un prêt de financement pour la préparation de projets pouvant atteindre 75 000\$.

Depuis cinq ans, la SCHL a contribué près de 10 millions de dollars pour la réalisation de plus de 200 projets de création de logements destinés aux aînés, aux personnes handicapées ou aux ménages canadiens à faible revenu.

For more information:

Pour plus de renseignements:

1 800 668-2642 ; [www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca](http://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca)



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## School of Pastoral Care set for Fredericton

The Fredericton chapter of the Order of St. Luke the Physician and the Parish of St. Margaret's will sponsor a School of Pastoral Care May 2-4. The Rev. Dr. Bill Beachy, a retired priest



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and physician from Kansas City, Missouri, and Bishop Alex McCullough of Scarsdale, New York, will lead the school. Both men have long associations with the Order of St. Luke.

The School of Pastoral Care is an ecumenical ministry devoted to the restoration of the healing ministry in the Church. It was inspired by author Agnes Sanford and her husband, the Rev. Edgar Sanford. Since 1958 its

trained leaders have traveled throughout North America and the world, introducing Christians to a deeper understanding of the power of the Holy Spirit in the healing of physical, mental, social and spiritual ills.



McCullough

The May school will be held at St. Margaret's Church in Fredericton. Registration is \$50. Registration forms are available from Eileen Steele, 54 Hearne St., Fredericton, NB, E3B 6L8 (506/464-1747 or [jisl@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:jisl@nbnet.nb.ca)) and should be returned by April 2. Further information on the school is also available on the internet at [www.schoolofpastoralcare.net](http://www.schoolofpastoralcare.net).

## Marriage Life Conference

The fifth annual New Brunswick FamilyLife Marriage Conference will be held at the Sheraton Hotel in Fredericton April 5-7.

A division of Campus Crusade for Christ, FamilyLife Marriage Conferences offer couples blueprints to help them build strong homes. "We take a close look at issues that tug at a marriage, with emphasis on how to build a wall of protection around a relationship. We're reminded why God takes marriage so seriously and provide the tools to solve problems and resolve conflicts. These are all important things for troubled marriages as well as for couples who just want to make a good marriage better," says organizer David Hubbard.

The conference takes place in a relaxed and fun environment, it's a get-away weekend full of Biblical teaching and application balanced with humour and romance.

"Although the conference does not have a worship service in its schedule, FamilyLife strives to glorify God through Biblical teaching and stresses the couple's commitment to serve and be part of a local church. Jane and I invite you to join us for a Weekend to Remember," says David.

Registration is limited to 500 and information is available from the Hubbards at 506/455-4241 or the FamilyLife website, [www.familylifecanada.com](http://www.familylifecanada.com). Couples registered before March 15 receive a discount.

## New music resource available

A book called *Worship Songs ... In a New Key* is a new music resource available at Anglican House in Saint John. The modern and accessible songs were written originally for use at the contemporary service at St. Paul's Bloor Street in Toronto and are arranged for soprano, alto, tenor, bass choirs

and piano.

Eric Robertson, an active composer as well as Director of Music at St. Paul's, composed the music. Richard Ouzounian, a parishioner as well as a respected member of Canada's performing and media arts community, wrote the lyrics.

## Summer music school in Ontario

The Eastern Ontario Branch of The Royal School of Church Music is sponsoring a 3-day plus, Ecumenical Summer School for Church Musicians — organists, choir-directors, pianists, keyboard players, guitarists and music group leaders. This is to be held in Brockville, City of The Thousand Islands, from August 11th to August 14th, 2002.

Course content is to be aimed at musical repertoire for small city and country churches and will be particularly suited to those with either limited skills who might be relatively new to the arena

of church music, or those who have never had the opportunity for specialized study.

Plan a holiday in Eastern Ontario — one of North America's most scenic areas — and include this 3-day event as part of your vacation.

Send for our information package and get yourself all geared up for an action-packed and stimulating combination of study-time and play-time. Contact RSCM, E.O. Branch, C/o. Fraser Carr, Box 1515, Prescott, Ontario, Canada. KOE 1T0. Phone: 613-925-4930, E-Mail: [fraser.carr@recorder.ca](mailto:fraser.carr@recorder.ca)

## Making the most of a Holy Season



BY KEITH JOYCE, DEAN OF FREDERICTON  
DIOCESAN MOTHERS' UNION CHAPLAIN

Lent is like a tune up — gets us up and running the way we should.

Tune-ups take time, and the rapid pace of our lives fights against taking the time to get back in tune with our Lord. Our souls have a restlessness that can be calmed only by God Himself. At the same time, the process to that calmness includes work. The spiritual disciplines of prayer, fasting, self-examination, extra financial giving and Scriptural meditation are things that take time. That's why other things need to be given up to make the time, and to sharpen the focus on the goal of finding our true rest in God alone.

In this work of 'resting' in God, our relationship with Him is strengthened, and we mature as Christians. That's one of St. Paul's hopes for the followers of Christ. As members of the Church we are to 'attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God — a mature person, attaining to the measure of Christ's full stature'. (Ephesians 4:13 New English Translation Bible) This, through the power of the Holy Spirit, enables us to live lives that increasingly reflect the person of our Lord. That indeed is central to 'keeping a holy Lent', but not just for a season. It's for the whole year.

How are we keeping Lent as we enter into the second half of this springtime of opportunity for spiritual growth? Is it deepening

our spirits in the Spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ, or are we more taken up with what we are 'giving up'? Are our characters being molded by the character of our Lord as we spend more time with Him? Difficult questions, these. And at times the answers are difficult to find. Trying and failing is not a bad thing.

Ultimately, our hope is not in what we do but in what God has done in Jesus Christ. No matter how successful our Lent has been or is proving to be, let us continue with the following words of St. Peter in our minds and in our hearts:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he gave us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, that is, into an inherit-

ance imperishable, undefiled, and unfading. It is reserved in heaven for you, who by God's power are protected through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. This brings you great joy, although you may have to suffer for a short time in various trials. Such trials show the proven character of your faith, which is much more valuable than gold-gold that is tested by fire, even though it is passing away and will bring praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. You have not seen him, but you love him. You do not see him now but you believe in him, and so you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, because you are attaining the goal of your faith — the salvation of your souls. (1 Peter 1:3-9 New English Translation Bible)

### The Diocesan School of Church Music Choir School

will be held at

### Rothesay Netherwood School

(formerly RCS-Netherwood)

July 7-14

for more information contact

Jean Taylor 847-7331

or

Marge Harrison 832-3033

### Stainer's

### The Crucifixion

### A Meditation on the Passion of the Holy Redeemer

Sunday, March 24, 4 p.m.

Christ Church (Parish) Church

Charlotte & Westmorland Streets, Fredericton

The Choir of Christ Church (Parish) Church  
Directed by Dianne Wilkins

Bass: David Perritt Tenor: David Steeves  
Organist: Peter Waterhouse

Admission \$5:00

## Accommodations for ACW Annual

### Christ Church, St. Stephen May 7-8

Blair House Inn B&B

38 Prince William St.

(close to the church)

506/466-2233

discounted rates for meeting

single \$60-\$65

double \$65-\$70

includes full cooked breakfast

White Swan Motel

186 King Street

506/466-2031

two people, two beds \$56

four people, two beds \$65

Winsome Inn

196 King Street

506/466-2130

two people two beds \$90

additional people in room, \$10

each

includes continental breakfast

Scodick Motel

241 Route 1

(on the highway toward

Saint John)

506/466-1540

two people, two beds \$35

four people, four beds \$45

St. Stephen Inn

99 King Street

506/466-1814

prices not available

## St. Paul's celebrates 160 years of ministry

St. Paul's (Valley) Church in Saint John is celebrating 160 years of ministry to the glory of God in 2002 with several events in the coming months.

A post Easter event is in the works for April, and on May 25 there will be a parish supper with East Indian food. On June 23 there will be a riverboat cruise and some time during the summer there will be a reunion of former and present parishioners.

A community hymn-sing

is planned for September 22, there will be a parish mission and youth rally October 24 through 27. A deanery Evensong is scheduled for November 17, and there will be a festival of Lessons and Carols on December 15.

Everyone is invited to attend these events. Assistance in contacting past members of the parish family would be appreciated, as would any archival information or material pertaining to St. Paul's. Please call 506/652-3810

## Collector says 'Keep those cards and letters coming in'

David Goss, a Saint John churchman, historian and story-teller, is collecting New Brunswick church cards for a display at Anglican House in the fall.

"Note cards, Christmas and other greeting cards, historic or contemporary, are all welcome and will be included in the display that will be mounted during the Anglican House Open House and Christmas sales period," says David.

"Any information on the

artist who designed the card or information on the occasion that precipitated its production would also be welcome."

The cards and a contact person's name for follow-up should be sent to 21 Glenwood Drive in Saint John, E2M 5P3. A donation to cover the cost of the cards and mailing will be sent to each church in return. For more information call 506/672 8601, or e-mail at gosswalk@nbnet.nb.ca

## Cursillo moves to north

Clergy and laity from Miramichi and Bay du Vin are promoting the first Anglican Cursillo ever to be held in the northern part of our diocese.

The weekends (May 16-19 for the men, May 23-26 for the women) will be held at the beautiful Centre de Ressourcement facility in Bathurst. Shediac residents Bill Gerhardt and Joan

Daigle will coordinate the weekends and singer/songwriter Paul Macdonald will lead the music team.

These weekends make a total of 15 each for men and women since the introduction of Cursillo to our diocese in 1986.

Registration deadlines are May 2 for the men and May 9 for the women, but early registration is encouraged.

## Cursillo moves to far north

The first Arctic Cursillo weekend will be held in Yellowknife the weekend of April 12.

Marianna Stack, incoming Lay Director for Cursillo in this diocese as well as a representative on the Canadian National Cursillo Secretariat, says the weekend has been a Cursillo vision for a number of years.

"We are really pleased to finally be able to take a Cursillo to the people in

the north, rather than obligate them to come south," she says.

People from across the country who have been to a Cursillo can participate in the Arctic weekend through their financial support. The cost of sending a team to Yellowknife is very high.

Donations can be made to Verne Bernier, CACS Treasurer, PO Box 5, Savona, BC, V0K 2J0. Tax receipts will be issued for donations of \$20 or more.

## Confirmation in Perth-Andover



Bishop William Hockin confirmed six candidates at Trinity Church in Perth-Andover on November 4, 2001. Following the service they shared a cake with the rest of the congregation. From left to right they are: Eva McLaughlin, Andrew Clements, Anthony Goodine, Sara Goodine, Arielle DeMerchant and Travis Green.

## The Diocesan Resource Centre

### needs your input and advice

- Have you found certain books, kits, and video resources particularly useful in your own Christian walk or in your parish?

Please tell us which ones, we may be able to acquire them.

- Would you like to recommend a particular periodical? Send us the name and subscription information and we will list it on a Periodical Page in our catalogue.

- Do you know people willing to act as resources? (either locally or around the diocese)

These are people who could give talks, workshops or demonstrations in their area of expertise to parish groups. Perhaps you know someone who can make or mend church hangings or vestments, make banners, offer advice on computer purchases and uses, make music of any type, offer information on missions or insight into church history. If you send us their names, interests and contact information we will list them on a Human Resources page.

Please send this information to:

The Rev. Pat Drummond

506/460-8349

anged@nbnet.nb.ca

### Cursillo Weekends Centre de Ressourcement Bathurst

Men's

Thursday evening, May 16 through Sunday, May 19  
(Registration deadline May 2)

Women's

Thursday evening, May 23 through Sunday, May 26  
(Registration deadline May 9)

Registration forms and further information are available  
from your rector or  
anyone who has attended a Cursillo weekend.

# INTERCESSIONS

## Pray for others overseas, in Canada, and in our own diocese

### MARCH

**16:** Parish of Kent, The Rev. John Pearce, Priest-in-Charge; Resurrection Parish (Paroquia da Ressurreicao), Rev. Luiz de Souza Franca, Joao Pessoa, Brazil.

**17:** Church of the Province of Uganda, Archbishop Livingstone Mpalanyi-Nkoyoyo; partnerships with this church, the provincial office and the Uganda Christian University, both supported by grants from Partners in Mission; Diocese of Recife: Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Old Crow - St. Luke; Deacon Marion Schafer, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; Diocese of Fredericton, William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

**18:** Parish of Ketepec & Grand Bay, The Ven. Geoffrey Hall; The Rev. Roy Embley (R); Saint Paul Parish (Paroquia Sao Paulo), Rev. Nadja Maria Lins da Silva, Rev. Juciara Nascimento, Recife, Brazil.

**19:** Parish of Kingston, The Rev. Dana Dean; Strong House Life Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Casa Forte), Rev. Ricardo Mucio, Recife, Brazil.

**20:** Parish of Lakewood, The Rev. Bruce McKenna; The Rev. Royden Ferris (R); Holy Trinity Cathedral (Catedral da Santissima Trindade), Dean: Rev. Paulo Ruiz Garcia, Recife Brazil.

**21:** Parish of Lancaster, vacant; Living Waters Mission (Missao Agua Viva), Rev. Simea Meldrum, Jardim Brazil.

**22:** Parish of Ludlow & Blissfield, The Rev. David Titus; Bethel Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario

Betel), Lay Ministry Evilasio Tenorio, Recife Brazil; David Larlee, Wycliffe, Oxford.

**23:** Parish of McAdam, The Rev. Wendy Amos-Binks; Bethany Parish (Paroquia Betania), Rev. Leonides Menezes, Recife Brazil.

**24:** Church of the Province of Uganda, Archbishop Livingstone Mpalanyi-Nkoyoyo; Rev. Paul Jeffries, a Volunteer in Mission from the Diocese of Fredericton, serving as principal at Bishop MacAllister College in the Diocese of West Ankole; Province of Ontario, Archbishop Terence Finlay & Provincial council; Diocese of Recife: Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Arlene Kubica, Diocesan Administrative Officer; Sarah Usher, Bishop's Secretary; Members of the Diocesan Executive Committee; Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

**25:** Parish of Marysville, The Rev. John Cathcart; Major John Fletcher, Chaplain to the Military; Christian Love Mission (Missao do Amor Cristao), Rev. Washington Franco, Maceio Brazil.

**26:** Parish of Maugerville & Oromocto, The Rev. Keith Howlett; Beatitudes Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario das Bem Aventurancas), Lay Ministry Armando Fiel da Costa, Timbauba Brazil.

**27:** Parish of Millidgeville, Rev. Canon Alvin Westgate; The Rev. Albert W. Garwood (R); Good Shepherd Parish (Paroquia do Boom Pastor), Rev. Josafa dos

Santos, Salvador Brazil.

**28:** Parish of Minto & Chipman, Vacant, The Rt. Rev. George Lemmon, Interim; Good News Mission (Missao Boas Novas), Lay Ministry Israel Cardoso, Caapora Brazil.

**29:** Parish of Moncton, Rev. Canon David Mercer; House of Hope Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Casa da Esperanca), Rev. Miguel Uchoa, Jaboatao Brazil; Chris Hayes, Wycliffe.

**30:** Parish of Musquash, The Rev. Chris McMullen; Good Samaritan Parish (Paroquia do Bom Samaritano), Rev. Filadelfo Oliveira Neto, Recife Brazil.

### EASTER SUNDAY REJOICE NOW,

Heavenly hosts and choirs of angels, and let your trumpets shout Salvation for the victory of our mighty King.

Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth, bright with a glorious splendour for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King.

Rejoice and be glad now, Mother Church, and let your holy courts, in radiant light, resound with the praises of your people.

### APRIL

**1:** Parish of New Bandon, The Rev. Garth Maxwell; Christ Liberator Mission (Missao Cristo Libertador), Rev. Jorge Aquino, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**2:** Parishes of Newcastle & Nelson, The Rev. Richard Steeves; Communion Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Comunhao), Rev. Marcio Meira, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**3:** Parish of New Maryland, The Rev. Tony Bassett; Calvary Parish (Paroquia do Calvario), Rev.

Adonias Ramos, Paulista Brazil.

**4:** Parish of Pennfield, The Rev. Keith Osborne; Hope Mission (Missao da Esperanca), Lay Ministry Claudio Linhares, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**5:** Parish of Portland, The Rev. Gordon Thompson; The Comforter Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario O Consolador), Lay ministry Antonio Costa, Joao Pessoa Brazil; Bonnie LeBlanc, Atlantic School of Theology.

**6:** Parish of Prince William, The Rev. Robert J. Barry; Christ The Saviour Parish (Paroquia Cristo O Salvador), Rev. Josafa dos Santos, Ilha de Itaparica Brazil.

**7:** Church of the Province of Uganda, Archbishop Livingstone Mpalanyi-Nkoyoyo; companionship with the Diocese of Rupert's Land, the ministry of Rev. Canon Godfrey Mawejji in Rupert's Land, originally from the Diocese of Central Buganda; Diocese of Recife: Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Members of the Yukon Apostolate: Pattie Tetlich; Bishop's School of Yukon Ministries, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

**8:** Parish of Quispamsis, (vacant), The Rev. Paul McCracken, Interim; Jesus of Nazareth Mission (Missao Jesus de Nazareth), Rev. Severino Abel da Silva, S. Goncalo do Amarante Brazil.

**9:** Parish of Renforth, The Rev. Eric Phinney; God Liberator Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario, Deus Libertador), Lay Ministry Carlos Alberto Tome, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**10:** Parish of Restigouche, The Rev. Bill Morton; Emanuel Parish (Paroquia Emanuel), Rev. Ian Meldrum, Rev. Edgar Batista, Olinda Brazil.

**11:** Parish of Richmond, The Rev. Roderick Black; Liberty Mission (Missao da Liberdade), Rev. Stephen James Taylor, Rev. Evanilza Loureiro, Jaboatao Brazil.

**12:** Parish of Riverview, The Rev. Albert Snelgrove; Olives Garden Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Jardim das Oliveiras), Rev. Mauricio Coelho, Recife Brazil; Terence Chandra, Wycliffe.

**13:** Parish of Rothesay, Rev. Canon Richard McConnell; Holy Spirit Parish (Paroquia do Espirito Santo), Rev. Miguel Uchoa, Jaboatao Brazil.

**14:** Province of the Anglican Church of Congo, Archbishop Patrice Byankya Njojo; partnership with this province, the provincial office and the students and faculty at the Institut supérieur théologique in Bunia; Diocese of Recife: Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Tom Parlee & Spence Hill, Mission Education & PWRDF Co-ordinators, George Richardson, Alpha Regional Coordinator, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

**15:** Parish of St. Andrew's, Rev. Canon John Matheson; Mediator Mission (Missao do Mediador), Rev. Verulucia. Lins Silva, Recife Brazil.

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## Jesus' answer remains the same ... Love your enemies

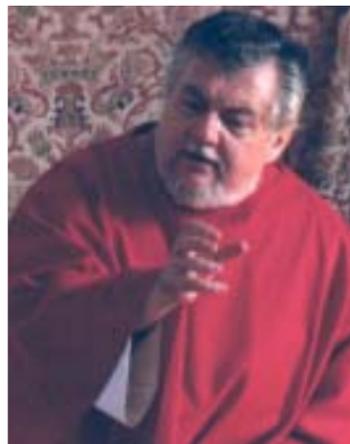
In Lent, we approach Golgotha and the Cross gradually.

The slow pace of Lent puts us at a disadvantage because we know what is coming. The story is so familiar to us now it is difficult to fathom what it is that Jesus revealed to his followers then. That makes it even more difficult to see what he is revealing to his followers today.

I'm not suggesting anything secretive. It's just that the whole story seems to be placed before us all at once. We see the entire picture and forget that one day followed another. Some of us may be selective in our reading; a few of us must wonder, for a moment, if there is anything left for us to learn.

The disciples had the advantage of living out the story. Even as they were part of the story, they still didn't know the outcome, so fresh it was to them. Reflection and integration was necessary for them to fully grasp what Jesus shared with them as they lived out their lives with him.

The gospels provide us with a variety of accounts of Je-



### the penultimate Word BY JAMES IRVINE

Jesus' life and ministry. Evangelists saw Jesus in a revelatory light that characterizes their respective accounts. Even with their differences, there remains a common thread. Successive generations recognize Jesus who was drawn inexorably toward Jerusalem and a Hill outside a City Wall and a death seen by some as punishment, by others as failure, and by disciples as sacrifice.

Jesus' teaching, the record of his words and actions gradually

built on a foundation, began in the shallows of the Jordan. His invitation to join him opened the succeeding weeks and months and seasons to men and women who, by their response, grew closer to Jesus. Their growth was slow and intimate. The daily exchange between rabbi and disciple, the questions and answers, nourished and encouraged eager hearts and minds. They shared in a spiritual journey that followed their master to an Upper Room, to a dark and secluded Garden and ultimately, at a distance, to a Cross.

The day came when one of the followers — it might have been Philip, or Judas — asked: What are we to do with our enemies, Jesus?

The Pharisees' response to Jesus' teaching was obvious. Anger was building. Angry murmurings and whispers, fed by jealousy and fear, had been voiced in public places. The disciples took note of it. In private they would have asked Jesus what they needed to do.

Love you enemies, Jesus replied.

It was not the answer they expected. It is not the answer they wanted. They were struck speechless. It was unheard of. It was unreasonable. It was unfair! There was no echo of Torah in this simple directive. Disciples down through the ages have struggled with this injunction. Later generations, with a wider world-view would discover that the Koran remained silent on this, and that the Buddha never asked this of his followers.

Jesus alone calls upon His followers to love their enemies. It makes Jesus and those who share faith in him unique.

It generated debate among His early disciples as it generates debate today. The early questions sound much like those we voice

Jesus answer remains the same.

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He rebutted each argument with the consistency of a set pace that led him to a Hill — we know it as Golgotha.

Jesus was unambiguous in his instruction. He did not explain Himself. He didn't need to. Any

explanation the disciples might have given would have been seen as an attempt to explain Jesus' intention away. So the eleven demonstrated for the myriads of followers who were to come just how clearly they did understand Jesus. Peter put his sword away. Later, although an Innocent was taken down from a Cross and reverentially placed in a Tomb, in Jerusalem there were no reprisals. Not that day, not the next day. Revenge was harboured neither in the heart or the mind.

We know that Jesus was true and his disciples were obedient.

So Good Friday is transformed into the joy and celebration of Easter. Anger, discomfort and fear are redeemed. We are made whole.

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# Think more deeply observe more alertly research more thoroughly

BY PATRICIA DRUMMOND

Many people brought up in the church, who attended Sunday School regularly and were confirmed, leave the church when they leave home, if not before. Many of them were stuck in what might be called a 'Sunday School faith'.

Now there is nothing at all wrong with what is taught in Sunday School — in fact, children often teach adults a lot about love for God — but intellectually, as St. Paul says, infants are given milk and more solid food is only given to those who are ready for it. We teach the wonder of creation and love for our neighbour to our little ones and usually save the intricacies of redemption and the Trinity for a later stage. Those who do not continue to learn and grow when they are older — to digest more solid food — are not prepared as young adults to deal with competing voices, different agendas, seemingly more sophisticated ideas. They reject the faith they have known since childhood because they believe what they know is it.

I once served on a board that interviewed a candidate for an outreach position connected with a church. One of the young men

we interviewed had been Roman Catholic. He said: "Of course, I no longer go to church — all that stuff about heaven in the sky, fish on Fridays and saying the rosary every day!"

The middle of an interview with several others present was not the time or place to discuss it with him, but I longed to say: "My friend, that is not the faith. Before you reject it, take time to explore it as an adult. Do some reading. Take a course or two. Talk to strong, committed and Christian adults. Join a study group. Explore the breadth and depth and riches of Christianity. Become as knowledgeable as possible about your faith before you reject it. You would invest time and effort in research before you bought a car, a house, a computer or anything else important. Do at least the same for the faith. Perhaps as you explore God will come to you in a heart experience and you will know for sure."

In a wonderful article published several years ago in Christianity Today, Cornelius Plantinga, Jr. wrote: "Adults learn to love God with all the powers of an educated mind. Adults bring to God a love that has all the law and

the prophets compacted in it... Love the Lord your God with all your mind. Whether we are nine years old or ninety... our job is to think more deeply, observe more alertly, research more thoroughly... all in the service of loving God."

It seems to me that this has become more and more difficult in a media dominated age. We are accustomed to being fed fast-moving, highly entertaining, emotionally-charged, fast-paced material, in which there is little or no opportunity for

reflective in depth analysis.

When I seriously began to study the faith which has always been part of my life, I found an awesome interconnectedness in it all. This continues to inspire and delight me and immeasurably enriches my love for God as well as my ability to express that love. In a culture increasingly antagonistic toward Christianity, we desperately need to be able to be as articulate as possible when we communicate the gospel to

others — to those countless people who are lost and searching for someone to follow who is worth following.

I hope our fledgling Diocesan Resource Centre will provide a way for many of us to grow in our faith, to enrich what we already know, and to acquire confidence in expressing it. In this we will be obedient to our Lord who told us to include our minds in our love for him, as well as our hearts, souls and strength.

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The Resource Centre has books, cassette tapes, CDs and videos suitable for all ages. There are many items which are suitable for parish small group studies and others good for group programming (ACW, Mothers' Union, Layreaders, Sunday School). Most of the materials in the Resource Centre were acquired when the Resource Centre at Church House in Toronto closed last summer. More materials will be added this year with Diocesan funding. The Resource Centre is temporarily accommodated at the Synod Office in Fredericton, but it is hoped that a permanent home, where people will be welcome to browse, will be found shortly. The catalogue may be accessed online at [www.anglican.nb.ca](http://www.anglican.nb.ca), and may be printed off if desired. Those wishing to borrow materials may call Phyllis Cathcart at 460-0525.

Committee members Archdeacon Claude Miller, the Rev. Michael Canning, Isabelle Hockin, Betty Kennett and I are also seeking input on the purchase of resources. If you know of or have used anything you found particularly useful please let me know at 506/460-8349 or [anged@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:anged@nbnet.nb.ca).

## Intimacy with the Lord can't be had by presumptuous shortcuts

I'm standing by the breakfast table, clearing away the remains of our noon meal. "I'm off," my husband calls from the back doorway.

"See you later," I reply.

He'll be back before dinner (which will be at whatever time he's back before), so no need for mushy good-byes — which aren't, I hasten to add, extinct. No need, either, for pet names like 'honey' or 'sweetheart'. The latter has long since been reassigned to granddaughters. Our dog is 'sweetie pie', and the occasional "Tootsie-boo" isn't so much a pet name as a covert signal to me that it's time for us to pack up and leave the party.

Over the years, even as our intimacy has increased, we've become increasingly formal in the use of names (Tootsie-boo notwithstanding), returning to the baptismal names we used in exchanging our marriage vows. It's as if we're each beginning to recognize just who the other is, with growing amazement and awe. The familiarity of marriage, I must say, has bred anything but contempt.



### From Maggie's kitchen

I wish sometimes that modern English were a more tender language — especially that it had retained the second-person familiar. Then the use of formal names, which recognize the 'otherness' of the other, would be coupled with the intimacy of 'thee' and 'thou', describing an ever more profound relationship. That, in the main, is why I hang on to 'thee's' and 'thou's' in my prayers, along with all the formal titles for our Lord. Intimacy with Him can't be had by presumptuous shortcuts, but only by taking on the mixture of familiarity and respect a child has for his or her father. Between us and God, there is both closeness and an unbridgeable (by us) distance. It's only natural that our

language should reflect that.

March 29 is the 214th anniversary of the death of the Rev. Charles Wesley, many of whose more than 6500 hymns grace our modern hymn books (18 in The Hymnal 1940, 30 in Hymns Ancient and Modern, 20 in The English Hymnal, 17 in the Canadian Book of Common Praise). Assuming that they haven't been altered beyond recognition (a recent trend in hymnody), they present to us one man's ever-growing love for his God and Saviour, in words both intimate and adoring. Wesley had a habit of rising very early (even earlier yet when faced with a demanding day) to pray, to read the Bible, and to meditate on what he had read. His hymns were an outgrowth and proof of this time he spent with his Lord. This verse of Shepherd Divine, our wants relieve, with its allusion to Jacob's dream, is a wonderful example: I will not let thee go, unless

Thou tell thy Name to me;  
With all thy great salvation bless,  
And make me all like thee.

It would be a rewarding exercise in the remainder of this

Lent to learn some of his hymns by heart, and to internalize the qualities of Christian devotion they contain.

Also in March, we commemorate five more lovers of God whose words appear in various hymn books: St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Gregory the Great, Bishop Thomas Ken, the Rev. John Keble, and St. Patrick, all of whom offer us words of deep devotion and love arising from

the company they kept with Christ and their encounter with Him in Holy Scripture. Again, their words are worth learning off by heart.

For St. Patrick's Day, March 17, while you are singing St. Patrick's Breastplate, bake up some Irish Soda Bread. The source of the following recipe, an Irish priest transplanted to North America, remembers this as dessert on St. Patrick's Day:

### IRISH SODA BREAD

Combine 3 cups flour, 2/3 cup sugar, 1 Tbsp baking powder, 1 tsp baking soda, and 1 tsp salt in a large bowl. Add 2 slightly-beaten eggs, 2 Tbsp melted shortening, and about 1-3/4 cups buttermilk (more if the eggs are small); mix. On a floured board, knead in 1-1/2 cups raisins. Shape into a round loaf about 2 inches thick. Place on a lightly-floured baking sheet; cut a cross on the top. Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for about an hour.

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