

## Diocesan Briefs

### Clergy Conference

Bishop Don Harvey of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador will lead the annual Clergy Conference at Rothesay Netherwood School August 26-28. The theme is Building Community Among Us.

### Sincere Sympathy

The people of the Parish of St. George, who lost their historic St. Mark's Church to a New Year's Eve fire, know something about what the people of St. Joachim's Roman Catholic Church in Boiestown are going through. Their church was also recently destroyed by fire. So the people of St. Mark's all signed a card and sent it to the people of St. Joachim's to express their prayerful support.

The future of St. Joachim's has yet to be decided, but the future of St. Mark's is bright. A new church will be built in time to welcome the next New Year.

### Historic Buildings

A Diocesan Historic Buildings Team, under the Diocesan Properties Committee, is testing a new 'tool' to help it evaluate these significant buildings.

Team member Bill Hicks presented a Church Building Evaluation Form to a team meeting in April. It requests information on the age, artifacts and resources of the structure, as well as details on existing designations, public interest and its interior significance. Members of the team all agreed it was a much-needed tool for the initial evaluation process and suggested it could be tested on selected pre-Medley, Medley and post-Medley churches.

It will be a very valuable tool for the parish Partnering in Ministry Project in the lower St. John River Valley. Three parishes with eight churches are looking toward a combined ministry in a new facility and need monetary as well as historic evaluations done on all the church structures involved.

That group has already begun to collect parish histories and inventory artifacts.

The Diocesan Historic Buildings Team is chaired by the Rev. David Kierstead and includes Charles Ferris, Lorna Williams, the Rev. Ross Hebb, Wayne Burley, Bill Hicks, Twila Buttmer and the Ven. Claude Miller.

## Standing Ovation



The Rt. Rev. Douglas Blackwell, Suffragan Bishop of Trent-Durham in Toronto (seated), received a standing ovation following his address at the Bishop's Dinner at the Sheraton Hotel in Fredericton on May 13. Bishop Blackwell took the gathering on a pilgrimage that covered his 40 years of ordained Christian life, a pilgrimage and journey that continues to explore the mystery of God's love. The dinner, attended by nearly 300 New Brunswick Anglicans and others, raised nearly \$20,000 for youth programmes in the diocese. Next year is dedicated to Youth Action in the diocese.

## Stewardship Action Team up and running

The Diocesan Stewardship Education and Action Team plans an annual fall stewardship conference for the next three to four years, as it develops tools and strategies to help parishes in their stewardship and financial development needs. Stewardship and Financial Development were identified as key needs in the diocese by members of synod in 2000 and 2001.

"We replied with some intentional initiatives, including a major stewardship conference last fall with Bishop Bill Burrill (retired) of Rochester, who focused on 'thanks-giving' as opposed to 'should-giving,'" says the Ven. Claude Miller, the Bishop's Executive Assistant. "Participants at that conference were asked if they would be willing to take leader-

ship roles in our diocesan initiative; 45 of them said yes."

A follow-up meeting was scheduled for March 23 in Fredericton. It resulted in the formation of the action team as well as the setting of goals and timelines, like the annual conference, a three to four year mandate and a workshop scheduled for Fredericton on May 4.

"As a result of that workshop, the Stewardship Education and Action Team is developing a questionnaire for parishes to use that will demonstrate their profile. When returned to the team, it will

serve as a template so the resources provided by the diocese will help answer their questions and assist them in their stewardship and fundraising needs," says Archdeacon Miller.

A Friday night and Saturday open stewardship conference for late November of this year is in the planning stages and parishes have been encouraged to contact the New Brunswick Anglican with stories of their initiatives — no matter how successful or even unsuccessful. The successful initiative at Christ Church Cathedral, on page 2, is the first one in.

## Team wants to spot — and stop — sexual abuse

A team is working on a sexual abuse policy and responses to sexual abuse within the diocese.

Charles Ferris, the Diocesan Chancellor; Eugene Westhaver, a Fredericton lawyer; the Rev. Bill Morton, Rector of Campbellton; Maureen MacIntosh, a Riverview social worker; the Rev. Ed Coleman, Rector of Hampton; and Shara Golden, who works for the provincial Human Rights Commission are working together to raise awareness of the issue within the diocese. Their goal is to help clergy and laity define the boundaries in pastoral relationships.

One of the tools at their disposal is *Sexual misconduct in our churches: Learn to spot it, Learn to stop it*, a video from the Anglican Church of Canada. With an accompanying handbook, it offers definitions and examples of sexual misconduct, including exploitation and assault, as well as strategies for preventing such incidents. The video, available from the Diocesan Resource Centre, is a useful introduction to the topic.

Ms. Golden and Ms. MacIntosh are working on an educational model for clergy and lay to be presented at the archdeaconry level.

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### This just in ...

**Bishop William Hockin's** book *The Habit of Hope* is short-listed for a God Uses Ink Award. Winners will be announced on June 14 in Guelph, Ontario.

**The Rev. Dr. Barry Craig** rector of St. Mary's York and professor of philosophy at St. Thomas University, won the Alumni Excellence in Teaching Award.

## Archives Committee



The Diocesan Archives Committee held its regular spring meeting at St. Peter's Parish Hall in Fredericton last month. Following a guided tour of historic St. Peter's Church, the committee got down to business, including the welcoming of two new members, the Ven. Geoffrey Hall and Lorna Williams. Twila Buttimer of the Provincial Archives was pleased to report the number of parishes forwarding records has increased substantially. Following the meeting the committee members were rewarded by the chairman, the Rev. Ross Hebb, with his homemade turkey soup and sandwiches. The committee is shown above: Mr. Hebb, Eric Swanick, Heather Vail, Archdeacon Hall, Ms. Williams, Ms. Buttimer and Harvey Malmberg. Diocesan archivist Frank Morehouse was behind the camera.

# Renowned author opens annual Clergy College at Cathedral service

The Rev. John Claypool, a renowned teacher, preacher and writer, will preach at Christ Church Cathedral on June 16 at 7 pm. The service will mark the beginning of the Clergy College at



the Hugh John *Claypool* Flemming Forestry Centre, where he is the first presenter. His lectures will include: Preaching as a Gift; How Does One Get One's Truth?; Who Are You As a Preacher?; Sharing One's Story; and The Process of Sermon Presentation.

Until recently, Mr.

Claypool was the rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Birmingham, Alabama, and he has taught courses at the College of Preachers since 1988. He is also the author of a number of books, including: *God is an Amateur*; *Stories Jesus Still Tells* — *The Parables*; *The Treasure, The Pearl & The Net*; and, most recently, *Mending the Heart*.

Dr. Terrence Donaldson, presently the Lord and Lady Coggan professor of New Testament Studies at Wycliffe College in Toronto, is another faculty member. He will use a combination of lectures and group discussions to investigate some characteristic features of Matthew's story of Jesus and his way of telling it. One of the goals of his course will be to

gain a better appreciation of how the story of Jesus can shape identity and provide meaning for readers in the 21st century as well as it did first century ones.

Dr. Brian Walsh, adjunct professor of the Theology of Culture at Wycliffe College and co-author (with Richard Middleton, who taught at last year's clergy college) of *The Stranger That It Used to Be*, will present a course on reading scripture in a post-modern context.

The Clergy College was established last year by Bishop William Hockin as an accessible continuing education opportunity. It is funded by the bishop with funds from the first annual Bishop's Dinner.

## Berry reports from Golan Heights

The Ven. Malcolm Berry, Archdeacon of Moncton, took a 30-day leave from the diocese to be a UN Observer in the Golan Heights. He sent the following report in mid-May, half way through his tour.

The evenings are quite chilly with strong winds, while the days are hot on the Golan Heights. I arrived here on 30 April amid tight security measures and daily encounter soldiers doing area recce's (recon-

naissance) both in Israel and Syria. I serve as Chaplain to task Force Golan. We are CCUNDOF (Canadian Contingent United Nations Disengagement Observation Force), TFG (Task Force Golan). There are 190 Canadians on this side at Camp Zioani and 16 located at Camp Fuouar, Syria. There are several other locations where Canadian observers are located throughout the land of separation in Lebanon, Damascus, and elsewhere. My ministry ex-

tends to these and to other nation personnel.

The holy sites are too numerous to list. If one is inclined to study the entire biblical record, one may find locations where significant things have happened. For example, there is a site in Damascus near the Christian Suk where the rock Cain used to slay Abel is prominently placed and has been so for over 3000 years! At mount

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# Visits enhance wealth as well as community

## The Cathedral's Everlasting Fund a Legacy of Faith

Bishop and Chapter of Christ Church Cathedral in Fredericton conducted a very successful stewardship initiative earlier this spring. It began with a notion to create a trust fund to incorporate a lot of smaller funds — some as small as an annual \$50 prize for a choir boy or girl — under one umbrella.

"We have conducted an annual stewardship campaign at the cathedral for many years, but we wanted to add a dimension. We wanted to build up our trust funds and give a name to our stewardship of our accumulated wealth. In consultation with Archdeacon John Robertson, Director of Stewardship for the Anglican Church of Canada, we developed our Everlasting Fund. Then, with the assistance of Jim Morell, we designed a comprehensive brochure to encourage our people to consider the cathedral in their wills and in planned gifts, like life insurance and annuities," says Doris Norman, the lay chair of the Stewardship and Financial Development committee of Bishop and Chapter.

As the committee prepared to distribute the brochures, it decided they were too important to simply be put in the mail — they should be hand delivered. Hand delivery involved a visit. If the congregation was going to be visited, then it should involve more than the distribution of a single brochure.

In the end, the visitation incorporated distribution of the Everlasting Fund brochure with four other objectives.

Another very simple brochure was developed to inform the people of the congregation about cathedral programmes, organizations and other activities. A questionnaire was developed to evaluate the cathedral's success (or even lack thereof) in spiritual growth and learning, worship, communication, leadership and creating community. An information sheet/questionnaire presented financial information — including the fact it costs about \$1,000 per day to operate the cathedral — where that money comes from and where it is spent. And finally, a document was developed to verify the cathedral's factual information on members of the congregation. It included a space for e-mail addresses, information on the number of children remaining at home as well as a check of addresses and telephone numbers.

Shortly after Easter, 47 volunteer visitors, with members of Bishop and Chapter acting as team captains, spent half a day

training with Archdeacon Robertson. He offered them Biblical teaching to back up what they were doing, gave them strategies that helped them talk about money comfortably and ensure no one felt any financial pressure as part of the presentation. The visits themselves were conducted over a two week period.

"The visitors were very well received," says Mrs. Norman. "We achieved all our goals and it was a good community building exercise as well. We got the information we need in order to be able to improve our programmes and services, and we have had several invitations to speak with individuals on the specifics of planned giving for our Everlasting Fund."

"Our people really appreciated being asked their opinions and were delighted to take part. Many of them said we should have done this years ago. I think it is a worthwhile exercise for any parish or congregation and just a matter of developing simple forms and questionnaires to meet their own needs. All that takes is a photocopier."

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## BISHOP'S PRINCIPAL ENGAGEMENTS

**June 2**  
Parish of Renforth

**June 8-9**  
Definitely Not the Synod  
Gathering

**June 15**  
Confirmation Task Force

**June 16-22**  
Clergy College

**June 23**  
Parish of Douglas &  
Nashwaaksis 10.13 a.m.

**July 7**  
Christ Church Cathedral

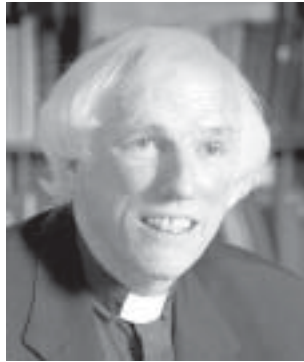
**July 11 -  
August 12**  
Vacation

**August 26-28**  
Annual Clergy Conference  
RCS Netherwood

**September 8**  
Parish of Coldbrook & St  
Mary 10.30 a.m. \*

**September 14**  
Provincial Meeting  
Order of St. Joseph  
St. John's,  
Douglas & Nashwaaksis

\* denotes confirmation



### From the Bishop

It's amazing to me how, for the most part, the predictions of our weather people are usually right on the money; storms and high pressure systems are predicted, sometimes almost to the minute, but every now and then the forecast misses the mark. It was like that a few weeks ago. Rain and wind — New Brunswick will get it all — they said. None of that happened. It was a sunny and rather warm day. I find it reassuring that there are forces in the natural order of things that can defy human prediction and control.

Such are my feelings when I hear the recent report from Sociologist Reg Bibbie over the strength of religion in Canada. For nearly twenty years Dr. Bibbie, a Sociologist from the University of

## When the weatherman is wrong!

Lethbridge, has been tracking the decline of the mainline denominations, predicting marginalization and oblivion. His research is thorough and Canadian. As a social scientist, he does his work well, and church leaders have certainly been listening. For this not so good news many have labeled him Bad News Bibbie. In his books *Fragmented Gods* and *Unknown Gods*, his research led him to the conclusion that if current trends continued, the mainline churches would lose about 50 per cent of their membership by the year 2005. But that's not happening!

Bibbie's latest work, published this spring, has defied his own dire predictions. In *Restless Gods* he documents what he calls a Renaissance of Religion in Canada. No longer are churches in decline, he says, instead they are showing modest growth. When asked why this is happening, he only points to the resilience of faith, crediting not new church strategies, but rather God himself!

Since reading his book, I've been looking for signs of this ren-

naissance on the local level, and they are evident.

- Many of our churches in the diocese have experienced measurable growth over the last five years. In the Saint John/Kennebecasis region alone, 11 out of 18 churches have grown over the past few years.

- People have shown a fresh interest in attending conferences and retreats. Alpha and Cursillo continue to be attractive to people seeking spiritual growth. The Lenten Series in Fredericton and Saint John continue to grow in numbers.

- Of the 300 people that I have confirmed over the past four years, many of them speak of their longing for God and their desire to be close to Him.

- There is, generally within our population, a new hunger for God that is seen in the sales of spiritual books, and in a willingness for solo talk — even in 'polite' company.

Like the predictions around weather, I find great excitement in the fact that those philosophers, politicians and

even theologians who have predicted the demise of religion in general, the Christian faith in particular, have been all wrong again. That there are forces in the universe that transcend our human vision. God continues to speak and call us into relationship with Him.

I am grateful for Dr. Bibbie's work; like any honest and even humble scientist, he reports what he sees, even when it contradicts his own predictions. But I am more grateful for this new activity of God among us. May we have eyes to see this and ears to hear His direction, and the courage to respond in service and in love.

May God Bless you this summer, and give you a time of refreshment and peace.

William Hockin is  
Bishop of Fredericton

### Appointment

The Rev. Eileen Irish is appointed Rector of Minto and Chipman, effective September 1. Mrs. Irish leaves the Parish of Greenwich, where she has served since her ordination in 1997.

### Berry report

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Tabor, the Mt. of Transfiguration, I happened to accompany a recce and went through a Bedouin village which is still inhabited since before Christ. The amazing thing is that I met a family there whom have roots which date back 4000 years!

Finally, I must tell you that the Canadian service personnel here are professional and compassionate about assisting the peace process. These individuals represent Canada with distinction and possess a heart for peace. Canadians are loved with admiration and respect by both Arabs and Israelis. Further, chaplains and the Christian message are well accepted by them. It is my privilege and blessing to have been granted such an opportunity. Thank you! Pray for peace in the land of peace and in Jerusalem!

In the service of peace, shalom, salams.

## Confirming a call



Men and women from throughout the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada (the Atlantic Provinces and Quebec) seeking affirmation of their calling to Holy Orders, recently attended an ACPO (Advisory Committee on Postulants for Ordination) meeting in Fredericton. This diocese has been responsible for the ACPO process for the past three years. It now moves to the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador. Seen here with candidates Julie Ann Armstrong of Maine (sponsored by the Diocese of Fredericton) and Ralph Moore of Prince Edward Island are Bishop William Hockin, left, and the Rev. Ed Coleman, an assessor for this diocese, on the right. Barbara Peppardene organized the weekend meeting. Photo by David Watts

## AFP renews prayer chain

BY CHRIS McMULLEN

On Saturday April 27, the Diocesan Steering Committee of the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer met in Fredericton to review and renew the Diocesan Prayer-Chain. Fifteen keen intercessors gathered to revise the guidelines for this diocesan network of intercession, and seek ways of promoting prayer among New Brunswick Anglicans. Of course our meeting ended with a very inspiring time of prayer together.

The Diocesan Prayer Chain is a 'telephone-tree' of volunteers ready to pray for people on request. People or parishes seeking special prayer-support during times of crisis or challenge are invited to receive the support of more than 80 intercessors throughout the province. That figure does not include many local parish chains which also participate in the Diocesan chain when asked. The Steering Committee wishes to have contacts in every parish. At present, about three-quarters of our parishes have a representative to receive and pray the circulated requests. Many of those people pass on these requests, when asked, to circles or chains of prayer in their own parishes.

Diocesan Prayer Chain volunteers agree to pray for the persons or situations daily, for a period of two weeks. An update or special request can extend this period, when desired.

Prayer requests for the Diocesan Prayer Chain are written down concisely, and passed on verbatim to prevent misinformation and preserve confidentiality. Indeed, the Deanery Prayer-Chain Coordinators have covenanted to preserve the confidentiality of all requests. They will not speak about any information contained in these requests, except with the Lord, and with other members of the chain. In addition, the information will only be passed on to other 'branches' of the chain or other intercessors who also agree to respect the confidentiality of those being prayed for.

Prayer requests for individuals should have their consent, or the consent of a responsible loved one. At any rate, the Lord

knows who we are praying for. Having even a first name helps us to focus our prayers, but requests do not necessarily have to name the person.

In each deanery, a coordinator is available to receive and commence the Prayer-Chain, the coordinator agrees on the wording of the request, and makes the decision as to whether the request is passed on to other intercessors in their deanery only, or to the whole diocese and/or even parish circles or chains of intercessors. We know the chain of prayer is complete when the request goes full-circle around a deanery, and/or the diocesan circle of deanery representatives, and is telephoned back to the representative who initiated the request.

Members of the Anglican fellowship of Prayer in our Diocese are eager to pray not only for our bishop and clergy (which we do daily), and for those in special need or crisis, but also for parishes and church programs who seek God's manifold blessing on their life and work around specific projects or concerns. We pray that all New Brunswick Anglicans will feel free to contact the Prayer Chain, with requests of intercessory support for their loved ones or their Christian ministry.

Healing for the sick is one important part of the work of God's Kingdom, but there are many other aspects of Christian service that need God's blessing. Today's Christians are faced with many temptations, stresses and challenges and we are entitled to spiritual support equal to the high expectations of our baptismal calling. Our Diocesan Prayer-Chain network is one way we may fulfill our priestly vocation to prayer and to active compassion in the name of Christ.

If you feel called to participate in this ministry, please speak with your rector and contact your deanery representative.

At the next AFP meeting in Fredericton on September 21, Bishop Hockin will lead a teaching time about prayer.

*The Rev. Chris McMullen is rector of the Parish of Musquash and Diocesan Representative for the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer*

## Clergy spouses gathered for worship, fellowship, prayer

BY CAROLYN VANBUSKIRK

In mid-April, the spouses of clergy in our diocese were invited to a three day conference and retreat at Villa Madonna in Saint John. The annual event is sponsored by the diocese to provide a special time for the husbands and wives of our clergy to gather for worship, fellowship, prayer, learning, and an enjoyable refreshing time.

This year we were blessed by an inspiring array of leaders in the areas of worship, song, presentations and personal experiences. Bishop William Hockin, Canon Al Westgate, the Rev. Eric Phinney and his worship team, Val Phinney and Maggie Harris all committed their time and talents to enrich our time together. We are truly blessed in this diocese to have such support.

On arriving at the Villa Madonna, participants registered and settled into their rooms which are available in a variety of sizes and meet any special need. At 4 o'clock we took part in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist with Bishop Hockin, followed by a lovely meal. After dinner we gathered for singing, led by Val Phinney.

A Retrospective presentation by Margaret Boomer of Woodstock followed the singing.

It was a real inspiration to hear her experiences and witness.

In the evening we traveled down the hill to St. James-the-Less for a service of Prayer and Praise led by a talented group of youth and Mr. Phinney. The music was inspirational as was the talent, the technology and the food.

Wednesday dawned foggy and after a lovely breakfast we were treated to a morning of information and discussion on children in today's society by the Rev. Patricia Drummond. Pat is the Christian Education Director for the diocese and shared her expertise with us. It was a pleasure to get to know her and her work a little better.

After lunch on Wednesday we had the option of a choir workshop led by Maggie Harris entitled Make a Joyful Noise or to have some free time. (Some of us were feeling somewhat mall deprived.)

We were all back together for another delicious meal at which each diner found a Windowsill Angel, lovingly handcrafted by Jim Mollins, his lovely wife Sylvia-Anne and her sister Helen Bateman (also the mother of yours truly) of the parish of Shediac. Family is still family no matter how far away you are.

Our evening was again com-

menced with singing followed by a presentation by Pearl Hazen of Sussex, who gave a very personal account of her experiences teaching in residential schools. Pearl has made a commitment to traveling back to these areas where she taught and reconciling with students and teachers from this period. Interestingly, she and Margaret Boomer had trained together and Margaret was planning her own trip to where she had taught at a residential school.

On Thursday morning, after breakfast and worship, we gathered in the conference room for our final presentation by Val Phinney. Val and a group from her church (St. James the Less) went on a mission to Mexico during the March Break. With a wonderful array of photos and personal experiences, she shared with us what a blessing this trip was, not just for the Mexican people they met and helped, but for the youth and leaders on the trip.

After a lovely service of Holy Communion with Canon Al Westgate we ate yet again, then bade our farewells.

I always find this annual retreat to be a truly enriching experience. It's user-friendly (I took each one of my children when they were babies) and the fellowship is priceless.

## Church Army Commissioning



*The Church Army commissioned four people to the Office of Evangelist in Saint John on Friday, April 19. Bishop Donald Harvey of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador was the Commissioning Bishop and preacher at the service held at St. Luke's Church in Saint John. The Rev. Gordon Thompson, rector; Captain Bruce Smith, National Director of Church Army; and the Rev. Capt. David Edwards, Principal of the Church Army's Taylor College in Saint John also participated in the service. Seen here following the service are back row: Peter Wendover of North Bay, commissioned to the Diocese of Algoma; Bishop Harvey; Herb Marr of Toronto, commissioned to the Diocese of Fredericton for the Seafarer's Mission in Saint John; front row: Deb Everest of Thunder Bay, commissioned to the Diocese of British Columbia and Ron McLean of Orillia, commissioned to the Diocese of the Arctic. Photo by Vera Wood.*

## AFP Deanery Representatives

(Contact anyone on the chain)

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Kennecasis -- Betty Jane Markham, 847-7222

Kingston -- Pauline Chambers, 433-1523

Shediac -- Charlene Routledge, 382-9805

Miramichi -- Herb and Deanne Trevors, 622-7572

Chaleur -- Brenda Jewett, 753-5196

Woodstock -- Marjorie Perley, 325-9845

Fredericton -- Elizabeth Spinney, 450-9968

# The Anglican Foundation Tour

*The Rev. Canon John Erb, Executive Director of the Anglican Foundation, toured the diocese in March, visiting parishes whose building projects were assisted by the foundation.*



*The Anglican Foundation has played a major role in the restoration of St. Paul's Church on Grand Manan. The ACW has also raised a considerable amount of money with lobster roll take-outs, chowder lunches and catering. Left to right back row: The Rev. Howard Anninson, rector; Canon Erb, Kevin Frankland, lay reader; Ray Ingalls. Front row: Carol Anningson, Marion Ingersoll, Yvonne Park, Betty Farnsworth, Betty Ingalls, Elizabeth Ingalls, all members of the ACW.*



*Nancy Wiggins, centre, accepted the Anglican Foundation plaque on behalf of the Parish of St. Margaret's. With her are Canon Erb and Canon Jon Lownds, rector of the parish.*



*The Anglican Foundation plaque will go on the new rectory in the Parish of Richmond. Left to right are: Andy Bell and Ralph Carpenter, members of the rectory building committee, Canon Erb, the Rev. Rod Black, rector and the Ven. Walter Williams, Archdeacon of Woodstock.*

## Men's Conference to explore leadership

**W**ill this be on the Exam? The Rev. Dr. Barry Parker will share the answer at the fourth annual New Brunswick Anglican Men's Conference at the Lord Beaverbrook Hotel in Fredericton on November 1 and 2.

The rector of St. Paul's, Bloor Street in Toronto, will explore this question during the three addresses. On Friday evening he will look at Knowing God — Real God, Real Man. Saturday morning it's Knowing Self — Messiah's Mirror, and the conference concludes Saturday afternoon with Knowing Ministry — Honest Serving Men.

Dr. Parker's heart and area of study focus on leadership and discipleship in the church and society in general. His focus at St. Paul's is on three primary ministry areas — leading, preaching and teaching. His prayer is that St. Paul's will be a beacon of hope, a dynamic outreach and a visible witness for Jesus Christ in the heart of Canada's largest city.

Dr. Parker served parishes in the Diocese of Edmonton be-

fore moving to Toronto, and he was a firefighter/paramedic in Alberta prior to his ordination. He and his wife Cathy have three teenage sons.

This year's men's conference will follow the regular format with the Saturday noon meal provided and attendees responsible for finding their own accommodation Friday night. The registration fee will be kept to a minimum. Posters and brochures with further details should be available in the parishes this month.

Men are asked to keep November 1 and 2 open for this excellent time of learning and fellowship.



*Parker*

Mark your calendar now for the  
6th Annual  
Christ Church Cathedral  
ACW Women's Conference

Saturday, October 26, 2002

For further information contact  
acw@christchurchcathedral.com  
or call 450-8500

# Bicentennial celebrations continue in St. Stephen

Anglicans in St. Stephen, marking the bicentennial of their parish this year, used Trinity Sunday, May 26, to recall the former Trinity Church.

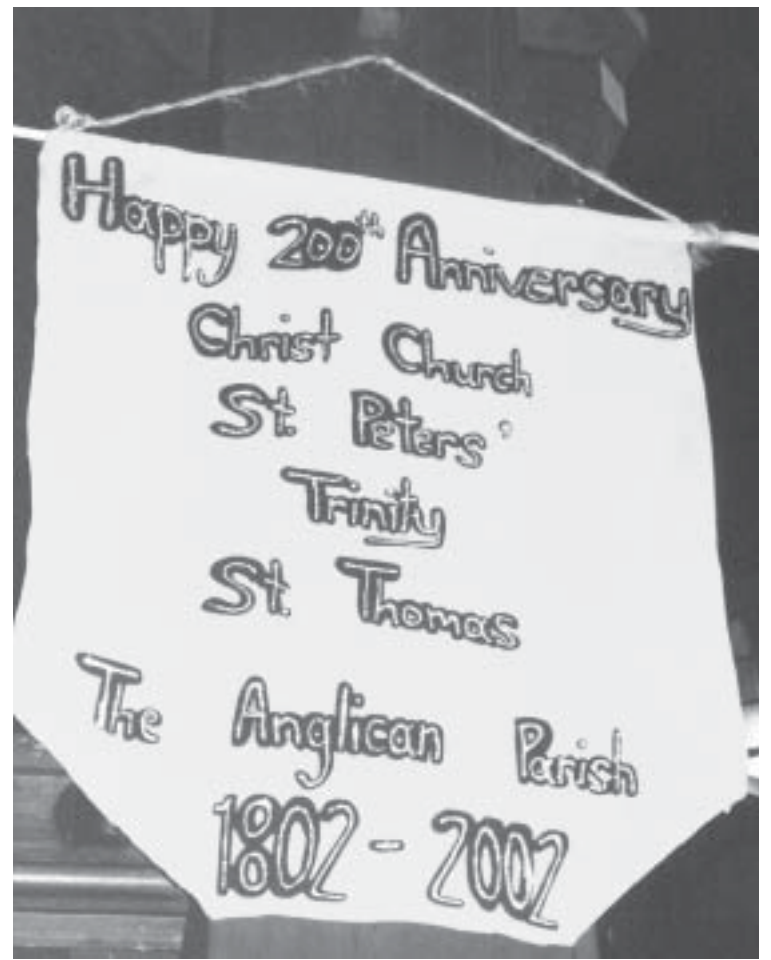
Adherents of the Church of England formed the first Anglican parish in St. Stephen on Easter Monday, April 19, 1802. The congregation split in 1870, with one group continuing at Christ Church on Prince William Street, the other at the new Trinity Church on Union Street. They remained separate until 1973 when the two parishes amalgamated, re-forming a single congregation. The new parish organization eventually sold the Trinity Church building, opting to make its home at the Christ Church property. Trinity Church was later torn down.

So, the Venerable Lyman N. Harding, Archdeacon Emeritus of Saint John, also the last Rector at Christ Church before the amalgamation in 1973, preached in Christ Church at a service of



thanksgiving for the work and witness of Trinity Church (1870-1973). The Rev. Eric Caldwell conducted the 11 a.m. service.

It was one of a series of bicentennial events, which began with an anniversary service at Christ Church on April 19. The



next bicentennial event takes place on the Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul, June 23, when the Most Rev. Harold L. Nutter, retired Bishop

of Fredericton, will preach at a service of thanksgiving for the work and witness of St. Peter's Anglican Church.

Three of New Brunswick's regional hospitals offer the services of Anglican chaplains.

Saint John Regional Hospital  
The Rev. Bill LeGrand  
(full time)  
648-7078

Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital  
Fredericton  
Canon Tom Smith  
(part time)  
455-3432

Moncton Regional Hospital  
Pastoral Care Department  
ask for Anglican Clergy  
(part time)  
857-5348

Patients and their families are encouraged to call.

## Commentary In the Spirit

BY PHILIP PAIN

In his 1964 book *They Speak in Other Tongues*, Anglican/Episcopalian layman John Sherrill shares his testimony of being filled with the Holy Spirit.

"Several people began to sing in the Spirit and soon the whole room was singing a harmony created spontaneously. It was extraordinarily beautiful. Harmonies and counter harmonies wove in and out of each other. I had the feeling that this was wholesome and good. Eight of us adjourned to have lunch together. Someone in our group suggested that we pray in the Spirit for the problems on our minds. Another started to sing very softly in the Spirit. I was helped by gaining an awareness that another presence was in the room. A man's voice said: 'I believe John wants the baptism in the Spirit.' The group moved closer around me. The Spirit flowed into me as I sat there, listening to the Spirit-song around me. Now the languages swelled to a crescendo, musical and lovely.

"The floodgate opened. From deep within me came a torrent of joyful sound. It was healing, it was forgiveness, it was love too deep for words, and it burst from me. I was free to soar into union with Him. No further conscious

effort was required of me, not even choosing the syllables with which to express my joy. The syllables were all there, ready-formed for my use. I had never felt more truly master of myself, more integrated and at peace. I could stop the languages at an instant, but who would? I wanted them never to stop. And so I prayed on, laughing and free, while the setting sun shone through the window, and the stars came out."

Individually, any Spirit-filled Christian can sing in the Spirit, and sing the interpretation in English. In one church, a woman with a lovely voice would sing in the Spirit, and another woman would sing the interpretation, and it would alternate beautifully back and forth. In another church, Joanne McFadder and Carolyn Wiens and other good singers, men and women, sing prophetically individually, alternating like a call and response, and as a duet.

Corporately, we read in 2 Chronicles 5:13, that as the musicians and people sang praise to God with one voice, the temple was filled with a cloud, and people fell down because the glory of the Lord filled the temple. The Psalms say: 'You remain holy, enthroned on the praises of your people. You inhabit their praises. You are the praise of your people. Praise awaits you O God of Zion. I

have seen your power and your glory in the sanctuary, and in your Name I lift up my hands."

At Holy Trinity Church, Brompton, the home of the Alpha course, the whole congregation sings for extended periods of time in the Spirit, followed by a deep sense of peace and God's presence filling the church. During one worship service, when the congregation had finished singing in the Spirit, a man then sang a prophecy, and this was followed by the congregation's singing in the Spirit a second time.

One man said the effect was wonderful on the people. It brought a heavenly atmosphere, as though the angels themselves were present and joining with them. Such singing is the very melody of heaven. It swelled as though reaching the throne, and then died away in an unearthly melody. The congregation praised God in the Spirit and God inhabited their praises.

Holy Trinity Church didn't have room at the front, at the back or in the aisles for the prayer team to pray with the children, teenagers and adults after the service. There wasn't enough room to accommodate those who wanted to rest in God's presence after receiving prayer, sometimes for an hour at a time, so the congregation as a whole felt it right to sell the pews and replace them with a

new carpet and stackable chairs.

Many English cathedrals as well as parish churches have chairs instead of pews. For Sunday worship, the chairs are arranged up-front, but only enough for the anticipated congregations, so there's no empty space at the front. During the week, the chairs can be arranged in a circle for prayer groups, Bible studies, Alpha courses, rehearsing the worship with drama or dance group, or simply to give space for praying with people, and letting them rest in God's presence.

Naaman was head of the army; a great man who was highly regarded, but unfortunately had had leprosy (2 Kings 5). Elisha the prophet told him to dip seven times in God's river. and then he would be healed. But Naaman went away angry. He almost didn't go to the river. But his servants encouraged him to get into God's river. So he went and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, and he was healed of his leprosy.

Soaking in the river of God's presence gives us the strength to keep exercising our ministries. If we keep soaking, we will cross the Jordan. *The Rev. Philip Pain is rector of the Parish of Upham*

## Teachers inspired as well as enlightened

At the third Building Blocks workshop held in Saint John on April 27, 11 participants received certificates and apple pins for attending all three Saturday workshops. The first part of the workshop focused on the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion. Since many churches use a non-Anglican curriculum for Sunday School, the sacraments need to be taught independently.

Those attending received background information and many ideas for presenting these subjects to children in an enjoyable and interesting way, including songs, games and ideas for art work. Discipline or classroom

management was the topic covered just before lunch and provided an opportunity for much sharing of problems and solutions.

During the afternoon, the use of creative activities such as drama, puppetry and art was the subject. The hands-on time was enjoyed as people tried out painting techniques, and rolled and patted clay to form miniature oil lamps.

One participant said she greatly enjoyed attending the workshop, gained a lot of knowledge and found it spiritually uplifting. Another said she hopes word will spread from this year's attendees to others who have missed the sessions.

## Guidelines booklet a valuable tool for church wardens

With the aid of experts and an informative little text, nearly 100 church wardens explored their responsibilities at the second annual Warden's Day, held at Christ Church (Parish) Church in April. Early in the day, they were each presented with the newly produced booklet *Guidelines for Parish Officers*, which they will use during their time in office and eventually pass on to their successors.

"It is a very useful little book," says Ed Werthman, a new warden in the Parish of Marysville. "Receiving that book was the highlight of the day. It certainly clarifies our job descriptions and keeps us all 'on the same page'."

The rest of the day the experts expanded on the topics covered in the booklet, which includes a glossary of terms as well as general information about parish and diocesan corporate structure and the duties of parish officers.

Diocesan Chancellor Charles Ferris addressed canons and regulations within the context of the shared responsibilities within and among the rector, wardens and parish corporation. He highlighted those canons that speak for the need for cooperation and delegation of responsibilities in the day-to-day life, business and Christian mission of the parish.

The Ven. Claude Miller, Executive Assistant to the Bishop, highlighted the guidelines relating to property. He touched on issues of ownership, transfer or sale, the bishop's interest in parish property, and the need for the diocese and bishop to have input with respect to parish property sale, purchase, renovation and construction.

David Wilson, of Wilson Insurance in Fredericton, addressed

the wardens on this timely topic. He offered insight into the recent dramatic rise in insurance rates, noting that competitiveness in the industry has been reduced by industry trends, claims experience, recent economic factors, and — of course — the events of September 11. Mr. Wilson stressed the responsibility of the insured (the parish) to ensure property is adequately valued and noted the frequent tendency to overlook the need for a complete listing and valuation of buildings and their contents. "There is simply no substitute for firmly-established values on property, because at the time of a claim it is incumbent upon the insured to prove the value of the loss," he said.

A recent problem in the diocese with a leaking furnace oil tank prompted discussion of pollution liability. Investigation following the Warden's Day event resulted in a report and information sheet on oil pollution liability coverage which was distributed to wardens, who were urged to read it carefully and ensure their parishes are complying in terms of legal requirements and insurance needs.

Canon Fred Scott, the Diocesan Treasurer, addressed issues related to the parish as an employer and the parish's relationship with the diocese.

He outlined the standards that apply to clergy stipends, benefits, pensions, housing and other matters of remuneration and referred the wardens to the detailed policies and regulations included in their new *Guidelines* booklet. He also reminded the wardens that they must take the issue of lay employees seriously, and that their employment standards should reflect our Christian principles and ethics as well as our legal obligations.



At the third Building Blocks session held in Saint John on April 27, 11 participants received certificates and apple pins for attending all three workshops. They are, from left to right, back row: Gloria Trivett, Kingston; Sharon Fournier, St. Luke's; Debbie Hooper, St. James, Broad Street; Kim Saunders, St. Mary and St. Bartholomew; Jennifer Whalen, Upham; and the Rev. Patricia Drummond, Diocesan Christian Education Director and workshop leader. In the front row are: Ruth Armstrong, St. Luke's; Jean Magee, Hammond River; Karen Vanderbroeck, Joanne Fitzpatrick and Betty Betts, all of St. Mary and St. Bartholomew. Tina Fowler of St. George's was absent for the photo.

## Christian education position extended

The Rev. Patricia Drummond will continue to serve as diocesan director of Christian Education at least until August of 2003. She was appointed for a two-year term scheduled to end on July 31 of this year.

Ms. Drummond has accomplished a lot in the part-time position over the past two years. She set up a Christian Education committee which meets about every three months; addressed several ACW Deanery Annuals, Mothers' Union meetings, some vestry meetings, and other parish groups; supplied monthly articles to the *New Brunswick Anglican*; offered monthly bulletin inserts to encourage parents to discuss faith

issues with their children between Sundays.

She has also spent a great deal of time with Sunday school superintendents and teachers in their parishes, often through workshops. Her Building Blocks workshops were specifically designed to enhance them in their faith and confidence. She also produces a monthly Christian Education newsletter.

"I will continue to respond to invitations to do specific workshops and talks and also plan to develop the Building Blocks workshops further. They will be offered in two areas of the diocese we have yet to cover. Many teachers have really appreciated their

Walk through the Bible aspect," says Ms. Drummond.

Underlying all her efforts is her church school philosophy: to enable children to begin to live out their baptismal covenant — to know the faith of Christ crucified so that they are able to bear witness to him in their daily lives; to understand the nature of sin and temptation, so that they may resist it, and follow the Christ-like way; and to love and serve Christ all their days, which involves service to others.

"We must also reach today's children in ways they understand and enjoy, having sufficient knowledge of the culture and modern teaching methods to do this effectively."

## Summer student hired for resource centre

BY BETTY KENNETT

A 10-week student placement grant for the summer ensures that cataloging, labeling and shelving of materials will be complete in time for the September opening of the Diocesan Resource Centre at Anglican House in Saint John.

Among the videos in the collection is *Angels in the Making*. It focuses on life experiences that may be used to nurture spirituality in children.

The video explores the subject in an easy-to-watch manner, emphasizing that to succeed in this venture it is vital for the mentor to walk alongside the child. It is a journey of mutual learning and discovery.

The programme would be

helpful for any group or for individual viewing, however it concentrates mostly on young children and teenagers. Youngsters are quizzed at intervals on their understanding of God and what they wish He would do! The answers are refreshing, revealing and remarkable. Key amongst the children's desires were a great longing for peace and harmony in the world and a personal commitment to serve those less fortunate than themselves — a wonderful beginning for a spiritual journey.

The challenges of multi-faith, multi-cultural families and communities are sensitively dealt with, and a section showing teenagers engaged in replacing a roof for a needy family is heartwarming. The witness of the young people, upon completion of their task, is an inspi-

ration. Youth leaders would benefit greatly in the viewing.

The connection between spirituality and the 'world of nature' spoke to me profoundly. The great resources available in the world around us abound so freely that one needs no budget or expense account to tap into it. The best things in life are free, springs to mind. VBC and church school teachers take note!

In the final section of the video, the tangible value of music is explored using the venue of Gospel music but encouraging worship in general as a very real help in the spiritual journey. The handbook provided with the tape has many good ideas for practical application at many levels. This is definitely a worthwhile view.

# Bishop's D



Diocesan Chancellor Charles Ferris welcomed the nearly 300 people who crowded the Sheraton Hotel Ballroom in Fredericton for salmon and fiddleheads at the second annual Bishop's Dinner. Mr. Ferris also announced that Bishop William Hockin and his wife Isabelle have bought land on the Mactaquac Headpond and are building a retirement home here. They moved to Fredericton from Toronto in the mid-1990s.



Jamie Morell, who serves on the Youth Action Team, thanked Bishops Hockin and Blackwell for their lessons on the centrality of Christ and the authority of scripture following their presentations at the Bishop's Dinner.



Caryn Crowe, a member of the Diocesan Youth Action Team, chats with Bishop Hockin during the second annual Bishop's Dinner in Fredericton last month.



Jamie Morell (left) and Caryn Crowe (right) chatted with Bishop Douglas Blackwell following his address to



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Captain Bonnie Hunt, who works with young people in her position as Christian Education Director at Christ Church (Parish) Church in Fredericton, was just one of many youth leaders at the Bishop's Dinner.

The event raised nearly \$20,000 for youth programmes in the diocese. The Diocese of Fredericton will focus on youth in the year 2003.



nearly 300 New Brunswick Anglicans and others at the second annual Bishop's Dinner.



Bishop Hockin outlined his youth strategy at his fund-raising dinner. Rejuvenation of the facilities at Camp Medley, a review of confirmation preparation and employment of a youth resource person are among his priorities.



Dean Keith Joyce and his wife Elinor, at the front table, were among the nearly 300 people who appreciated the remarks offered by Bishop Blackwell of Trent-Durham, in Toronto.

# MU members build community

BY DIANNE PHILLIPS

On Saturday, May 11, about 112 people gathered at Trinity Church in Sussex for the Mothers' Union Spring Rally. The theme of the day, Link Us Together, was evident in the decorations, activities and talks.

Diocesan President Kathy Nason welcomed all participants on behalf of Diocesan Council, and expressed thanks to the Trinity Church branch for all their work in preparing and hosting this event. Fourteen branches were represented, and it was recognized that several of those present had been enrolled as members during the past year.

One of the day's highlights was worship, led by the talented members of the musical group Third Sunday 2000. Michael Caines, one of the musicians, also served as piper, leading the MU banner parade into the church to begin our day. Nursery care was provided to enable mothers with children to attend.

After a few items of business, our guest speaker, Ruth Coleman, was introduced by Alice Kennedy. Ruth is a clergy wife, a mother, a social worker and a member of Mothers' Union. During her talk she shared several of the deeply touching poems she has written.

She introduced her presentation with a small group activity

in which inflated balloons were used to demonstrate the importance of a community network of support and care. Her remarks focused on the importance of building community and identifying our areas of ministry in that community. She pointed out that the five objects of the Mothers' Union define the organization as a means of Christian social work, where God's love may be ministered to a broken world. Ruth also stressed the importance of assisting our young people as they seek an active relationship with God. In small groups we discussed the kinds of support that MU has to offer, and explored ways of putting our ideas into action.

After midday prayers led by Kathleen Snow, we enjoyed the lunch that was prepared and served in the church hall by the Men's Brotherhood. During lunch, link branches were seated together, giving the opportunity to get to know one another a little better.

The afternoon session began with great singing once again, followed by an open question session with Bishop William Hockin. We were pleased with the opportunity to question him about his view of the work and role of the Mothers' Union.

A service of Holy Communion ended the day, with offerings received for the Northern Clergy Family Fund.

In her closing remarks,



Ruth Coleman (right), guest speaker at the Mothers' Union spring rally, delighted her audience with original poetry. Seen with her here at the rally are diocesan MU president Kathy Nason, Bishop William Hockin, and Ginny McEwen, a former Canadian MU president.

Kathy again expressed thanks to all who were involved and especially to the men and women of Trinity Church, Sussex, for the super job they did in hosting the 2002 Mothers' Union Spring Rally.



Members of linked branches sat together at lunch during the MU spring rally. Above Karen Vandenbroeck from St. Mary and St. Bartholomew in East Saint John and Alexandra Barrett from the host branch Trinity Sussex get better acquainted.

## Vintage christening gowns displayed at high tea

BY SHARI GILLIS &  
WENDY BRIEN  
COORDINATORS OF THE TEA

The Christ Church Cathedral Anglican Church Women held their second Spring High Tea on April 20. Her Honour Marilyn Trenholm Counsell was the guest of honour.

The tea this year displayed vintage christening gowns, several of which had been used at the cathedral over the years. More than thirty different gowns were arranged museum-style in family groupings with pictures and write-ups.

The oldest gown (1827) was from the Rayworth family, and the newest one was from John Harvey's family (1995). The beautiful display spread around the hall and into the lounge. On the stage was a Victorian cradle with canopy and christening gown from Mary Pugh's family.

The gowns came from India, Italy, France, Guernsey, Belfast and many parts of England, as well as from Newfoundland and other parts of Canada.

The tea was the afternoon blend from the Empress Hotel in Victoria, British Columbia. The sandwich recipes were researched

from newspaper articles, the library and the Internet sites of the Ritz and Savoy in London. The sandwiches were prepared by Mary Allwood and Lois Baker and their kitchen team. The Victorian sweets were all donated by members of the cathedral.

The tables were decorated with white daisies and small white bridge cloths and napkins. Various members of the ACW brought their own china to add to the beauty of the tables. The Atlantic Super Store provided four lovely flower arrangements, in addition to Rachel Kimm's artistic flower and silver arrangement on the tea table.

Edith Nutter, Donna Wallace, Doris Norman and Vera Drillen poured.

Jane Olgive provided Celtic harp music as an accompaniment while the ladies had tea, scones and Devonshire clotted cream and jam, sandwiches and sweets.

The proceeds of the event went to the Grace House for homeless women in Fredericton.



Isabelle Hockin, Shari Gillis and Lt.-Gov. Marilyn Trenholm Counsell among the christening gowns at the Cathedral ACW High Tea.

# ACW members focus on God's gift of health

BY ANN LONGTHORP  
PRESIDENT

The Diocesan ACW Annual Meeting was held May 7 and 8 at Christ Church in St. Stephen. More than 170 members registered.

St. Andrews deanery president Joan O'Neill, with help from all the branches, had everything really well organized, including the awesome food which we all love. Maybe they had glitches, but they didn't show.

The Rev. Peter Mills, rector of St. Stephen, planned both Eucharists. Bishop William Hockin addressed our theme — Maintaining What God Has Given Us — on Tuesday. The Rev. Bob Smith of St. Stephen University led Wednesday's service and the Ven. Lyman Harding gave the sermon on the Ascension of our Lord. Dr. Mary Smith was organist. The choir led the singing for both services and we greatly appreciated their attendance — they do make lovely music. After these services we could really know and feel our Lord with us.

The business meeting was held in the church. There is always a problem with hearing, even with good acoustics. In hindsight, I should have repeated each comment and question, since I did have

a microphone. That would have been a solution. I did forget one very important part. When deanery presidents give their reports we have people stand from that deanery in order to know how many are present. I didn't do this and I'm sorry. I hope I didn't leave out any other important things.

Our offering for both days was \$1,104.23. This was divided between the Rev. Paul Jeffries, a Volunteer in Mission from our diocese serving in Uganda; and the Rev. Pat Drummond for the Christian Education Resource Centre.

The nominating committee brought in the name of Christine Greer for treasurer and Deanna Wong for Secretary. Wendy Banks has resigned from Pickett Scovil Task Force. Vice-president Heather Carr will cover this position for now. Thank you Marge and Joanne from all of us. Other officers remain the same: past president, Mary Lou McCann; president, Ann Longthorp; vice-president Heather Carr, correspondence secretary, Jean Cole; Book of Remembrance, Diane Todd; diocesan missionary liaison, Roaslie Brown; foster children, Marion Carter; Farraline Home, Beverly Ward; Mothers' Union, Sharon Miller.

The banquet was provided by the St. Stephen Legion ladies. It was really good and so quickly

served. We had guests from the Baptist, Roman Catholic and Presbyterian Churches. The Branches, a musical choir group from Christ Church, provided a lovely closing to the day.

The presentations on Wednesday morning were a lot of fun. Stephanie LeBlanc, a dietitian, clarified a lot of food facts and fiction for us. We have to eat and we should do it right!. Ray Brennan and his helpers showed and told us about the benefits of exercise. God gave us one body, it's up to us to maintain it!

Next year marks 100 years of WA/ACW in our diocese. A committee is in place for planning this celebration. Now we need suggestions. Some good ones came from the floor, but do discuss this at your meetings and forward your ideas to Janice MacKay in Shediac Deanery, or to me (PO Box 1316, Hampton, E5N 8H3). We plan to reprint the first two books compiled on WA/ACW history and they will be for sale, along with a new book on the past 25 years. We are hoping the Cathedral Pewtersmiths will make a commemorative pin to mark the occasion as well. Remember, your participation in planning will make this a memorable celebration.

It was a good meeting. Thanks everyone.



Stephanie LeBlanc (far right), a nutritionist and dietitian with the St. Andrews Health Centre, clarified food facts and fiction for those who attended the ACW annual meeting in St. Stephen. Many of the members were well informed on food issues, but eagerly accepted the many hand-outs and new information Ms. LeBlanc offered.



YOU CAN DO IT! That was the message from retired RCMP officer Ray Brennan (front and centre) to the Diocesan ACW annual meeting in St. Stephen. "Do whatever it takes to get your blood flowing. If you're not fit when you retire, you can't do the things you want to do." The theme for the event, held at Christ



Rosalie Brown of Fredericton enjoyed the work-out presented by Mr. Brennan.

Reserve this date

Saturday, Nov 16  
Christ Church (Parish) Church  
ACW Christmas Bazaar



ACW Quiet Day  
St. Thomas Church, Stanley  
September 5, 2002

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# Liquid Church approach to youth ministry

BY PETER CAMPION

I was delighted to travel to Toronto to take part in a youth ministry conference run by the former youth advisor to the Archbishop of Canterbury, Pete Ward.

I was very eager to learn new approaches to reaching out to young people, and I certainly was not disappointed. Pete and his assistant, Johnny Baker, presented us with a very different model of the church, as well as a variety of different ways to tackle worship.

They suggested a model of the church that approaches mission from an outside-in perspective rather than an inside-out one that tries to add members to the existing nucleus already in the church. We tend to bring in members that are much like ourselves and the ones who are a little different feel uncomfortable and often leave. The outside-in model is one in which we go out into the community, form relationships, nurture those relationships, make a proclamation, and then start forming the church as a separate entity apart from the existing structure where many feel as if they will never be able to belong.

For my own situation at the school this came as quite a challenge. The students here are either committed members of their faith community, or have had little or no involvement in church life. The challenge for me is: should I try to make these students, who are unfamiliar with the existing structure, conform to that structure, or should I be offering them something completely different?



The Rev. Peter Campion, of Rothesay Netherwood School, the Rev. Eric Phinney of Renforth and the Rev. Brent Ham of Hillsborough/St. Andrews recently attended a unique youth ministry conference at Wycliffe in Toronto.

The worship at this conference was very exiting, non-threatening, and always provocative. Filled with visual imagery, activity, and contemporary music, the twice daily services were not only spiritually thought-provoking, but provided us with plenty of ideas to use in our ministry. The strongest message for us was to move from performance to involvement. Young people love to be involved.

If we can tap in to their culture and then actively involve them in the type of worship that is entirely theirs, then we can begin to win this generation back.

The Rev. Peter Campion is chaplain at Rothesay Netherwood School.

BY ERIC PHINNEY

The Reverends Brent Ham and Peter Campion and I set out for Wycliffe College in Toronto last month to hone our skills and think about ministering in the culture of today's youth. We spent a solid week thinking, discussing, listening and learning about what the real needs are and how to respond to them today.

I certainly had my head removed from the box it was in. The week began with a couple of days of reflection on some fairly classic thought about the incarnation and the Trinity — great starting points for any week away. Our eyes were dramatically opened to see some of the growing difficulties that exist in our church and in the ways we engage in youth ministry. One of the instructors' opening declarations was: "We in the church are in a state of shock and disconnection".

The instructor claims that there are several 'disconnects' that cripple us in the ways that we encounter youth, the unchurched, modern culture and the world we live in. If this is true then we, as the corporate body of Christ, need to seek new ways to begin to rebuild bridges and foster new relationships.

It wasn't until several days into the course that we discovered what the title Liquid Church actu-

ally meant. It is perhaps best summarized as the difference between using the word church as noun and a verb. The church, as the gathered people of God, is traditionally seen as a place to go. Modern culture is much more fluid and mobile, so the church needs to respond by changing into something that is about doing and movement.

'Doing church' is about much more than what actually goes on inside our buildings, or our homes. Church was presented in terms of communication rather than gathering. The actual structure was not as important as the content of the communication that went on within the structure.

Through 10 sessions of corporate worship, we explored some very creative ways to connect with God. If you would like to see some of the resources that were made available to us, go to <http://renforth.net/dioyouth> and click on the link to Liquid Church. You will also find a more extensive summary of our notes from this course.

The true gift of it was in the challenge it set forth for its leadership — to discover ways to be more creative, more imaginative and more incarnate in the life and depth of the whole Church.

The Rev. Eric Phinney is rector of Renforth.

## Youth editor named

Hi,

I am the new youth editor for the New Brunswick Anglican, so if you have any ideas, suggestions, stories, comments or pictures regarding youth in this diocese please let me know. My e-mail is [rachel\\_tapley@hotmail.com](mailto:rachel_tapley@hotmail.com) and my phone number is 433-1189.

I know there is a lot going on out there and I really want to share the news.

As an Anglican youth I have been involved in many diocesan youth initiatives myself. I have spent many summers at both Camps Brookwood and Medley. I've been to four TEC weekends, including the one in May, and I am a member of the Bishop's Youth Action team.

I got my BA from St. Thomas University this year and in the fall I'm going back for my BED.

I am looking forward to your submissions, and sharing what Anglican youth are up to in New Brunswick.



Rachel Tapley

## SSU has Anglican connections

At the invitation of Bishop William Hockin, students, staff and faculty from St. Stephen's University (SSU) recently met with diocesan representatives at St. Margaret's Church in Fredericton to 'get acquainted'.

"God is a God of change," the Bishop observed, "it is appropriate for us to be exploring new strategic partnerships."

Following a time of introductions and some lively worship led by SSU students, Archdeacon Claude Miller invited the students to share their respective stories and explain why they had decided to study at the small university in the border town of St. Stephen..

One student spoke of her conservative upbringing and how much she appreciated the intellectual freedom at SSU. Another said: "At the university, I am free to be who I am and free to become who God wants me to be." Several spoke of the transforming impact of travel and study in Europe, Africa and Asia. SSU has two full terms of study abroad for full academic credit.

The students fielded questions from diocesan leaders and there was general discussion about ways and means the university and the diocese might build a closer working relationship.

SSU has many Anglican



A recent 'get acquainted' meeting between diocesan and St. Stephen's University representatives included worship and song. From left to right at the gathering are Amanda Henderson of Toney River in Nova Scotia, a second year arts student; Bishop William Hockin, host of the event; Dr. Gregg Finley, a member of the SSU faculty; and John Paul Harmon, a former SSU student from Digdeguash.

connections. The Rev. Peter Mills, the current Rector of St. Stephen, is a graduate of the university. The late Canon Tom and Mary Robinson served as active members of the university's Board of Governors. Among the SSU's 15 faculty are several Anglicans, including Dr. Mary Smith, the Rev. Dr. Charlie Preston, the SSU Registrar, Rev. Dr. Robert Smith, and the SSU Dean of Arts, Dr. Gregg Finley.

SSU was founded 30 years

ago as a trans-denominational centre of liberal arts and ministry studies. Chartered by the Province of New Brunswick to grant Bachelors and Masters degrees, its students have gone on to further studies in the arts, business, law, education, nursing and the ordained ministry, at universities and seminaries across Canada, the United States and the United Kingdom.

For more on St. Stephen's University visit [www.ssu.ca](http://www.ssu.ca)

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Wycliffe College  
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has a new selection of master's level courses for youth ministry to be offered in 2002/2003.  
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# New facilities support full-time youth program in Rothesay

BY RICHARD MCCONNELL

The Parish of Rothesay officially opened its new parish centre on Sunday afternoon, May 12 at 4 o'clock. More than 300 people attended the service, during which Bishop William Hockin confirmed 16 candidates from the parish, including three adults who were also baptized that day, as well as eight candidates from the nearby Rothesay Netherwood School.

The congregation then walked with the bishop through the amazingly large complex to bless the new lobby and offices, the restored St. Paul's hall, the Crosby fellowship room and the grand St. Timothy hall for youth with its attending classrooms.

The new and renovated facilities enable the parish to launch its full-time youth programs. JT Sharpe has worked as director of youth and children's ministries at St. Paul's since May of 2001. He worked part time during this past year, building a middle school youth group on Friday nights and an elementary school group that meets on Wednesdays. He also works with Stephanie Burgoyne, our organist, with the junior choir.

As of July 1st, with the opening of the new parish centre, JT begins a full time position at St. Paul's. He has already advertized for the after school program that begins in September. Faith based, this program has a different theme for each day of the week, mixing the development of social skills, light sports, crafts and music. The population of the program will be small, a maximum of 15, ranging in age from kindergarten to grade five. As soon as possible thereafter, perhaps in January, St. Paul's will also sponsor a day school play school programme.

Meanwhile over the summer, day camps will be run from the third week of July through August. This will be an entire day

program, intended to help with child care and lead into the fall programs.

Fifteen years have elapsed from the time of the original idea for our renovation project, to eventual completion. In between lies a whole generation of changing needs and circumstances in the parish.

In 1987, the church hall (originally built in 1885 as the St. Paul's Sunday school) was in danger of imminent collapse, and remedial work to the foundations was carried out with the expectation of prolonging the building's life by ten years. Similar but more permanent structural support to the church itself was effected in the following year. The architect for these projects furnished the first plans for a covered link between the separate church and hall buildings, but this part of the proposal was not approved by the parish. A second design proposal to connect the two buildings was considered in the early 1990's but this was also rejected. It became necessary in 1997 to protect the exterior of the church by providing new siding and other weatherproofing measures, and the parish's finances were applied for a time to paying down the cost of this work.

In 1999, the parish was once again ready to examine the issue of the church hall and the facilities which a revitalized complex could potentially offer to the local community. There was also an urgent need for improved office facilities for the rector, church secretary and parish music director. A working committee was formed with the name Building Together, under the leadership of Don Crawford and Michael Halpin. The hall was by now living on borrowed time, having survived for 12 years since the 1987 shore-up work—it was once again sinking, and many parishioners felt that it should be demolished and a new building constructed in its place. A majority, however, fa-



Following a confirmation service at St. Paul's in Rothesay last month, Bishop William Hockin dedicated the youth floor in the newly remodeled and expanded parish hall. With him are, the Rev. Peter Campion, chaplain to Rothesay Netherwood School; Jordan Hayman, crucifier; and the Rev. Kenneth Brown, assistant priest at St. Paul's. With their backs to the camera are Susan Webb, the Sunday school superintendent; and Joshua Mackin, a member of the church's Elementary Youth Group. The new facilities enable the parish to launch an ambitious full-time youth ministry programme. Photo by Marilyn Ross.

voured the restoration and preservation of the existing structure, and the services of architect Douglas Kochel were retained to come up with a design to meet the following criteria:

- Provision of facilities to meet all current and foreseeable parish, youth and community needs;
- Accessibility of the new facility to the physically disabled;
- Preservation of the existing hall with its rich historical and architectural heritage.

Mr. Kochel successfully presented his proposal to the 2001 parish annual meeting. A parish visitation was made in the spring to identify adequate initial funding for the \$800,000 project. The general contract was awarded in September and construction commenced in October.

The entire hall was lifted up by four feet so that its main floor is now at the same level as that of the church. This measure also means that the hall basement area becomes much more useable. There is now a permanent covered structure connecting the church to the hall, and this area contains a welcoming reception room as well as the new offices. On the main level, St. Paul's hall is the largest room in the complex at 1,400 square feet and has been magnificently restored to its original Victorian splendour. St. Paul's kitchen has been fully updated to include a gas range and dishwasher. St. Apollon's library is a small room housing the parish's book collection, and the F. Margaret Crosby room is designed with meetings and small social gatherings in mind.

In the accessible lower level St. Timothy's hall covers 1,300 square feet. It has its own kitchenette, and is intended for recreational activities. St. Eutychus' youth room is administered by JT and there are also four classrooms (St. Mark's, St. Clement's, St. Titus' and St. Lois' rooms) for Sunday school and other educational purposes.

There will be a much larger celebration of this milestone in the parish's life on June 23rd when the wider community will be welcomed to the parish picnic. If any NB Anglican readers are interested in seeing the new parish centre they are welcome at any time and especially for the celebrations on that Sunday. The choral eucharist is at 10 a.m. with the Reverend Peter Campion, chaplain at Rothesay Netherwood School preaching. The picnic begins at 11:30 with an official ribbon cutting ceremony (opening the centre to the community) at 12 noon. Funs, games and food follow.

The Rev. Canon Richard McConnell is Rector of the Parish of Rothesay.

## Confirmation



Bishop William Hockin confirmed three candidates at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Cambridge-Narrows earlier this year. Kyle Jeffery, Marie Robinson and Ivan Kantor are seen here with Bishop Hockin and the Rev. Brenda McKnight. Following the service a turkey dinner was served to the entire parish.

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### JUNE

**16:** Province of Victoria of the Anglican Church of Australia; Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Haines Junction — St. Christopher, Beaver Creek — St. Columba, Alaska Highway mile 918-1202, The Rev. Canon Geoffrey Dixon, Rosalind Dixon & Lay Ministry Team, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; The Diocese of Fredericton, William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

**17:** Parish of Hampton, The Rev. Edward Coleman; The Rev. Bill LeGrand, Chaplain, St. John Regional Hospital; Christian Love Mission (Missao do Amor Cristao), Rev. Washington Franco, Maceio Brazil.

**18:** Parish of Hardwicke, Rev. Don Hamilton; Beatitudes Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario das Bem Aventurancas), Lay Ministry Armando Fiel da Costa, Timbauba Brazil.

**19:** Parish of Kent, The Rev. John Pearce, Priest-in-Charge; The Rt. Rev. George C. Lemmon (R); Good Shepherd Parish (Paroquia do Boom Pastor), Rev. Josafa dos Santos, Salvador Brazil.

**20:** Parish of Ketepec & Grand Bay, The Ven. Geoff Hall; Good News Mission (Missao Boas Novas), Lay Ministry Israel Cardoso, Caapora Brazil.

**21:** Parish of Kingston, The Rev. Dana Dean; House of Hope Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Casa da Esperanca), Rev. Miguel Uchoa, Jaboatao Brazil; Chris Hayes, Wycliffe College.

**22:** Parish of Lakewood, The Rev. Bruce McKenna; Good Samaritan Parish (Paroquia do Bom Samaritano), Rev. Filadelfo Oliveira Neto, Recife Brazil.

**23:** Province of Queensland of the Anglican Church of Australia, Archbishop Peter J. Hollingworth; The Province of Ontario, Archbishop Terence Finlay & Provincial Council; Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Whitehorse - Church of the Northern Apostles, Licensed Lay Ministers, Mal Malloch, Sarah Usher and Lay Ministry Team, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

**24:** Parish of Lancaster, (Vacant), The Rev. Wally Collett, Interim; The Rev. Lance McAdam; Christ Liberator Mission (Missao Cristo Libertador), Rev. Jorge Aquino, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**25:** Parish of Ludlow & Blissfield, The Rev. David Titus; Communion Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Comunhao), Rev. Marcio Meira, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**26:** Parish of McAdam, The Rev. Wendy Amos-Binks; The Rev. Stephen McCombe (R); Calvary Parish (Paroquia do Calvario), Rev. Adonias Ramos, Paulista Brazil.

**27:** People of the Parish of Madawaska, The Rev. Marjorie Murdoch; Hope Mission (Missao da Esperanca), Lay Ministry Claudio Linhares, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**28:** Parish of Marysville, The Rev. John Cathcart; The Comforter Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario O Consolador), Lay ministry Antonio Costa, Joao Pessoa Brazil; Bonnie LeBlanc, Atlantic School of Theology.

**29:** Parish of Maugerville & Oromocto, The Rev. Keith Howlett; Christ The Saviour Parish (Paroquia Cristo O Salvador), Rev. Josafa dos Santos, Ilha de Itaparica Brazil.

**30:** Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea, Archbishop James Ayong; The Primate, Archbishop Michael Peers, and the Council of General Synod; Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Pelly Crossing — St. James the Lord's Brother, Deacon Walter Majola & Olga Majola, Licensed Lay Minister, Betty Joe, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

### JULY

**1:** Parish of Millidgeville, The Rev. Canon Alvin Westgate; The Rev. Lloyd McFarlane (R); Jesus of Nazareth Mission (Missao Jesus de Nazareth), Rev. Severino Abel da Silva, S. Goncalo do Amarante Brazil.

**2:** Parish of Minto & Chipman, (Vacant), The Rt. Rev. George Lemmon, Interim; God Liberator Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario, Deus Libertador), Lay Ministry Carlos Alberto Tome, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**3:** Parish of Moncton, The Rev. Canon David Mercer; The Rev. Brenda McKnight, (R); Emanuel Parish (Paroquia Emanuel), Rev. Ian Meldrum, Rev. Edgar Batista, Olinda Brazil.

**4:** Parish of Musquash, The Rev. Chris McMullen; Liberty Mission (Missao da Liberdade), Rev. Stephen James Taylor, Rev. Evanilza Loureiro, Jaboatao Brazil.

**5:** Parish of New Bandon, awaiting the arrival of Capt Rod Brant Francis on August 1st; Olives Garden Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Jardim das Oliveiras), Rev. Mauricio Coelho, Recife Brazil; Terence Chandra, Wycliffe.

**6:** Parishes of Newcastle & Nelson, The Rev. Richard Steeves; Holy Spirit Parish (Paroquia do Espirito Santo), Rev. Miguel Uchoa, Jaboatao Brazil.

**7:** Province of Episcopal Church of Rwanda (PEER) Emmanuel M. Kolini, Archbishop; Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Community of Carmacks, Mayo - St. Mary with St. Mark, Interim Lay Leadership, Community of Keno; Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

**8:** Parish of New Maryland, The Rev. Tony Bassett; Canon Pastor Karl McLean, Chaplain to the Military; Mediator Mission (Missao do Mediador), Rev. Veralucia. Lins Silva, Recife Brazil.

**9:** Parish of Pennfield, The Rev. Keith Osborne; Nativity Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario, da Natividade), Rev. Jorge Aquino, Na-

tal, Brazil.

**10:** Parish of Portland, The Rev. Gordon Thompson; The Ven. Claude Miller, Executive Assistant to the Bishop; Reconciliation Parish (Paroquia da Reconciliacao), Rev. Luiz Marcos Silva, Caruaru - Brazil.

**11:** Parish of Prince William, The Rev. Robert J. Barry; Saviour Mission (Missao do Salvador), Lay Ministry Carlos Tome, Joao Pessoa, Brazil.

**12:** Parish of Quispamsis, The Rev. John Tremblay; Saint Francis of Assis Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Sao Francisco de Assis), Rev. Severino Abel da Silva, S. Goncalo do Amarante, Brazil; David Larlee, Wycliffe, Oxford.

**13:** Parish of Renforth, The Rev. Eric Phinney; Redemption Parish (Paroquia da Redencao), Rev. Maria Gorete da Silva, Olinda, Brazil.

**14:** Province of New South Wales, Australia, Richard Henry Goodhew, Archbishop; Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Dawson City - St. Paul, Moosehide - St. Barnabas, Eagle, Alaska — St. John, The Klondike Creeks, the Dempster Highway, The Ven. John Tyrrell, Archdeacon of the Klondike, Deacon Carol Tyrrell & family, Deacon Percy Henry, The Ven. Ken Snider (Honorary Asst), Aldene Snider & family, Licensed Lay Ministers: Mabel Henry, Shirley Pennell, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

**15:** Parish of Restigouche, The Rev. Bill Morton; The Rev. John Moorhead (R); Sower Mission (Missao do Semeador), Rev. Saulo Mauricio Barros, Olinda, Brazil.

**16:** Parish of Richmond, The Rev. Roderick Black; True Vineyard Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Videira Verdadeira), Rev. Edmar Pimentel, Caruaru, Brazil.

**17:** Parish of Riverview, The Rev. Albert Snelgrove; Archbishop Harold Nutter (R); Redeemer Parish (Paroquia do Redentor), Rev. Mitsuo, Noyama, Rev. Nadja Maria Lins da Silva, Recife, Brazil.

**18:** Parish of Rothesay, The Rev. Canon Richard McConnell; Pentecost Mission (Missao de Pentecostes), Lay Ministry Jardson Tenorio, Jaboatao, Brazil.

**19:** Parish of St. Andrews, The Rev. Canon John Matheson; Zion Mount Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Monte Siao), Rev. Leonides Menezes, Umburetama, Brazil; Chris Hayes, Wycliffe College.

**20:** Parish of St. Andrew's, Sunny Brae with Hillsborough & Riverside, The Rev. Brent Ham; Resurrection Parish (Paroquia da Ressurreicao), Rev. Luiz de Souza Franca, Joao Pessoa, Brazil.

**21:** Anglican Church of Australia, Peter Frederick Carnley, Archbishop; Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Old Crow — St. Luke, Lay Ministry, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their

families.

**22:** Parish of St. David & St. Patrick, The Rev. Canon John Matheson, Priest-in-Charge; The Rev. Les Petrie (R); Saint Paul Parish (Paroquia Sao Paulo), Rev. Nadja Maria Lins da Silva, Rev. Juciara Nascimento, Recife, Brazil.

**23:** Parish of St. George, The Rev. Mary Anne Langmaid; Strong House Life Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Casa Forte), Rev. Ricardo Mucio, Recife, Brazil.

**24:** Parish of St. James, Moncton, The Rev. Donald Routledge; The Rev. David Plumer (R); Holy Trinity Cathedral (Catedral da Santissima Trindade), Dean: Rev. Paulo Ruiz Garcia, Recife Brazil.

**25:** Parish of St. James (Saint John), Capt. Rod Brant Francis; Living Waters Mission (Missao Agua Viva), Rev. Simea Meldrum, Jardim Brazil.

**26:** Parish of Saint John, The Ven. Stuart Allen, The Rev. George Trentowsky; Bethel Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Betel), Lay Ministry Evilasio Tenorio, Recife Brazil; Bonnie LeBlanc, Atlantic School of Theology.

**27:** Parish of St. Margaret's, The Rev. Canon Jon Lownds; Bethany Parish (Paroquia Betania), Rev. Leonides Menezes, Recife Brazil.

**28:** Province of the Indian Ocean, Remi Rabenirian, Archbishop; 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.

**29:** Parish of St. Mark (Stone) Church, The Rev. David Edwards; The Rev. Robert Pratt (R); Christian Love Mission (Missao do Amor Cristao), Rev. Washington Franco, Maceio Brazil.

**30:** Parish of St. Martin's & Black River, The Rev. Robyn Cuming; Beatitudes Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario das Bem Aventurancas), Lay Ministry Armando Fiel da Costa, Timbauba Brazil.

**31:** Parish of St. Mary's, The Rev. Barry Craig; The Rev. Nicholas Prosser (R); Good Shepherd Parish (Paroquia do Boom Pastor), Rev. Josafa dos Santos, Salvador Brazil.

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**1:** Parish of St. Paul's (Valley) Church, The Rev. Rufus Onyewuchi; Good News Mission (Missao Boas Novas), Lay Ministry Israel Cardoso, Caapora Brazil.

**2:** Parish of St. Peter, The Rev. Ross Hebb; House of Hope Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Casa da Esperanca), Rev. Miguel Uchoa, Jaboatao Brazil; Terence Chandra, Wycliffe.

**3:** Parish of St. Philip's, The Rev. Kevin Borthwick; Good Samaritan Parish (Paroquia do Bom Samaritano), Rev. Filadelfo Oliveira Neto, Recife Brazil.

**4:** Church of the province of Southern Africa, Njongonkulu Winston Ndungane, Archbishop; Dioceses

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**5:** Parish of St. Stephen, The Rev. Peter Mills; The Ven. Harry Quinn (R); Christ Liberator Mission (Missao Cristo Libertador), Rev. Jorge Aquino, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**6:** Parish of Salisbury & Havelock, The Rev. Ellis Jagoe; Communion Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Comunhao), Rev. Marcio Meira, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**7:** Parish of Shediac, The Ven. Malcolm Berry, Capt. Hugh Bateman; The Rev. Ronald Rippin (R); Communion Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Comunhao), Rev. Marcio Meira, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**8:** Parish of Simonds, The Rev. Bentley Steers; Hope Mission (Missao da Esperanca), Lay Ministry Claudio Linhares, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**9:** Parish of Stanley, The Rev. Ranall Ingalls; The Comforter Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario O Consolador), Lay ministry Antonio Costa, Joao Pessoa Brazil; David Larlee, Wycliffe, Oxford.

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**13:** Parish of Upham, The Rev. Philip Pain; God Liberator Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario, Deus Libertador), Lay Ministry Carlos Alberto Tome, Joao Pessoa Brazil.

**14:** Parish of Upper Kennebecasis, The Rev. Leo Martin; The Rev. Canon Gordon Smith (R); Emanuel Parish (Paroquia Emanuel), Rev. Ian Meldrum, Rev. Edgar Batista, Olinda Brazil.

**15:** Parish of Victoria, The Rev. David Kierstead; Liberty Mission (Missao da Liberdade), Rev. Stephen James Taylor, Rev. Evanilza Loureiro, Jaboatao Brazil.

**16:** Parish of Waterford & St. Mark, The Rev. Allen Tapley; Olives Garden Missionary Station (Ponto

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**18:** Church of the province of Southern Africa, Dioceses of Port Elizabeth, Pretoria, St. Helena, St. Johns, St. Mark the Evangelist, Swaziland; Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Those retired from missionary service: Isobel Greenwood; The Rev. Ben Hall & Nancy Hall; The Rev. Dorothy Thorpe; The Rev. Bruce Aylard & Audrey Aylard, The Rev. Don Sax & Deacon Lee Sax, The Rev. Dr. Ellen Bruce OM, Marion Carroll, Licensed Lay Minister Edith Josie, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

**19:** Parish of Westmorland, The Rev. Robert LeBlanc, Priest-in-Charge; The Rev. Canon Dr. R.B. Smith (R); Mediator Mission (Missao do Mediador), Rev. Veralucia. Lins Silva, Recife Brazil.

**20:** Parish of Wicklow, Wilmott, Peel & Aberdeen, The Rev. Christopher VanBuskirk; Nativity Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario, da Natividade), Rev. Jorge Aquino, Natal, Brazil.

**21:** Parish of Woodstock, The Ven. Walter Williams; The Rev. Canon

Tom Smith (R); Nativity Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario, da Natividade), Rev. Jorge Aquino, Natal, Brazil.

**22:** Parish of Andover, The Rev. John Mills; Saviour Mission (Missao do Salvador), Lay Ministry Carlos Tome, Joao Pessoa, Brazil.

**23:** Parish of Bathurst, The Ven. Douglas Patstone; Saint Francis of Assis Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Sao Francisco de Assis), Rev. Severino Abel da Silva, S. Goncalo do Amarante, Brazil; Bonnie LeBlanc, Atlantic School of Theology.

**24:** Parish of Bright, The Rev. Ian Wetmore; Redemption Parish (Paroquia da Redencao), Rev. Maria Gorete da Silva, Olinda, Brazil.

**25:** Church of the Province of Central Africa, Walter Paul Khotso Makhulu, Archbishop, Dioceses of Umzimvubu, Zululand, Botswana, Central Zambia, Central Zimbabwe, Eastern Zambia; Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Whitehorse - Christ Church Cathedral, The Rev. David Kellet, interim priest, The Rev. Mary Battaja, Associate Minister, Lino Bataja and family, The Ven. Arthur Privett & Muriel Privett (Honorary Assistant); Licensed Lay Ministers, Joy Wickett, Dorothy Sorenson, Tom Parlee and George Richardson; Community Lay Ministers, Evalena Beisser and Anne Linder, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; William, our

Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

**26:** Parish of Cambridge & Waterborough, The Rev. Brenda McKnight, Priest-in-Charge; Donald Snook, Director, Saint John Inner City Youth Ministry; Sower Mission (Missao do Semeador), Rev. Saulo Mauricio Barros, Olinda, Brazil.

**27:** Parish of Campbellton, The Rev. William Morton; True Vineyard Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Videira Verdadeira), Rev. Edmar Pimentel, Caruaru, Brazil.

**28:** Parish of Campobello, The Rev. Charles Smart; The Rev. Ted Spencer (R); Redeemer Parish (Paroquia do Redentor), Rev. Mitsuo, Noyama, Rev. Nadja Maria Lins da Silva, Recife, Brazil.

**29:** Parish of Canterbury, The Rev. John Hall; Pentecost Mission (Missao de Pentecostes), Lay Ministry Jardson Tenorio, Jaboatao, Brazil.

**30:** Parish of Carleton, The Rev. Vicars Hodge; Zion Mount Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Monte Siao), Rev. Leonides Menezes, Umburetama, Brazil; Terence Chandra, Wycliffe.

**31:** Parish of Central Kings, The Rev. William Sheppard; Resurrection Parish (Paroquia da Ressurreicao), Rev. Luiz de Souza Franca, Joao Pessoa, Brazil.

### SEPTEMBER

**1:** Church of the Province of Central Africa, Archbishop Walter Paul Khotso Makhula, Dioceses of

Manicaland, Harare, Lake Malawi, Lusaka, Matabeland, Northern Malawi; Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Fort Nelson - St. Mary Magdalene; Toad River, Alaska Highway mile 150-506, The Ven. Sean Murphy, Archdeacon of Liard, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

**2:** Parish of Chatham, The Rev. Alan Reynolds; The Rev. David Staples (R); Saint Paul Parish (Paroquia Sao Paulo), Rev. Nadja Maria Lins da Silva, Rev. Juciara Nascimento, Recife, Brazil.

**3:** Christ Church Cathedral, The Very Rev. Keith Joyce, The Ven. Claude Miller, The Rev. Elaine Lucas, The Rev. Pat Drummond, Honorary Assistant, The Rev. Canon Hubert Drillen (R); Strong House Life Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Casa Forte), Rev. Ricardo Mucio, Recife, Brazil.

**4:** Parish of Coldbrook & St. Mary's, The Rev. Wally Corey; Canon Ron Stevenson, Chancellor to the Anglican Church of Canada; Holy Trinity Cathedral (Catedral da Santissima Trindade), Dean: Rev. Paulo Ruiz Garcia, Recife Brazil.

**5:** Parish of Dalhousie, The Rev. Andrew Fraser; Living Waters Mission (Missao Agua Viva), Rev. Simea Meldrum, Jardim Brazil.

**6:** Parish of Denmark, The Rev.

Michael Canning; Bethel Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario Bethel), Lay Ministry Evilasio Tenorio, Recife Brazil; David Larlee, Wycliffe, Oxford.

**7:** Parish of Derby & Blackville, The Rev. Richard Harris; Bethany Parish (Paroquia Betania), Rev. Leonides Menezes, Recife Brazil.

**8:** Province of the Church of Nigeria, Peter Akinola, Archbishop, Dioceses of Northern Zambia, Southern Malawi, Abuja, Bauchi, Bida, Damaturu, Dutse and Gombe; Bishop D. Edward Robinson de Barros Cavalcanti & staff; Diocese of Yukon: Telegraph Creek— St. Aidan, Dease Lake; Glenora, Licensed Lay Incumbent Lesley Wheeler-Dame, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family; William, our Bishop, George and Harold, Bishops Emeriti, and their families.

**9:** Parish of Dorchester & Sackville, The Rev. Kevin Stockall; The Ven. Reginald Stockall (R); Christian Love Mission (Missao do Amor Cristao), Rev. Washington Franco, Maceio Brazil.

**10:** Parish of Douglas & Nashwaaksis, The Rev. William MacMullin; Beatitudes Missionary Station (Ponto Missionario das Bem Aventurancas), Lay Ministry Armando Fiel da Costa, Timbauba Brazil.

**11:** Parish of East Saint John, (Vacant), The Rev. Les Petrie, Priest-in-Charge; The Rev. Barry Cohen-Thorley (R).

## Vocalized absolution and forgiveness was the voice of love

*I shall forgive their guilt and never more call their sin to mind.*

Jeremiah 31:34  
(New Jerusalem Bible)

We stepped in off the sidewalk and found ourselves embraced by the darkness of the vestibule. My Dad led the way and pushed open the large wooden door that hung on oversized hinges. I climbed the steps and entered as his arm reached over me, holding the weight of the door back. The lights, dim in the afternoon light, did not disclose the handful of parishioners that sat and knelt in the familiar nave.

I had come for my first confession, and soon I'd be confirmed. My Dad had rehearsed the Catechism with me Sunday afternoons. He brought me to the church that had found space for us as a family. This afternoon he would say his confession; and so would I.

Our pew was on the left ... a short distance down the center aisle, I followed him. First, he genuflected and on rising, entered. I did as he did, dropping to one knee, my left hand holding the end of the pew helping me keep my balance. A bit nervous, I



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didn't want to stumble. I slipped in beside him. Before kneeling in prayer, I looked around. I recall the backs of heads and the sides of faces. I noticed that some sat while others knelt. One here would finish a prayer, and exit the pew and the aisle and the nave in silence ... almost floating across the nave floor. Then someone there would leave the church; and another would come out of the chancel and, turning to genuflect, enter a pew for prayer and quiet reflection before leaving. It was private time in private space. No one spoke or extended a greeting.

It was then that my Dad got up, and touching my shoulder, whispered into my ear, "I'll be back in a few minutes. You wait here." I sat and waited and watched. My Dad walked up the

aisle, under the wooden Rood Screen and in the distance I saw Father Young. My priest was sitting just inside the altar rail, his back to the wall. My Dad went over and knelt beside him, at a prayer desk, just outside the rail. I watched with great interest, trying to see what was happening. I'd be next and I wanted to do this right.

My Dad was going to be forgiven; and I was going to be forgiven. I watched in awe.

Once my Dad returned and knelt beside me, he smiled, patted my knee and whispered that I could go up. Father Young was waiting for me. I pressed my pants with my nervous palms and stood. Reverencing the altar and the Sacrament, I walked up the aisle to the holy space I had approached on other occasions. The sweet smell of incense lingered in the atmosphere that gave me breath and life. I held my hands together, clasped. I dared not walk too quickly, but I dared not walk too slowly either. Pews slipped by and away as I advanced. The Rood, towering overhead, covered me. I was under the cross.

The assurance of forgiveness drew me closer and I grew excited with anticipation. I knew that my failings and shortcomings would be sponged away by Jesus' promise on the cross. The altar and baldachino — heaven itself — loomed before me; I turned and

went to the desk.

I knelt beside my Father and looked into his face and welcoming countenance. He wore his stole and his hands were folded in his lap. A piece of paper was on the prayer desk and typed on the paper I found familiar words ... In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. I voiced this familiar invocation as I traced the cross from forehead to chest, to shoulder to shoulder. "Father, I have sinned ..." I began to read and rehearsed my brokenness before my priest.

The list wasn't very long, but that didn't make it easy. What would Father Young think of me? What would Jesus think of me?

Six months earlier I had had my sixth birthday. A young boy can have a full life of sin and depravity by the age of six and a half! I think that had Father Young allowed me to postpone this opportunity to seek forgiveness my list would have been much shorter. But at my age I had not an inkling of the hormonal changes that assault young boys (and girls) later in life. The lens of my youthful self examination was unsullied and allowed me to be frank. I had been envious. I had been jealous. I had been proud. I had been cruel. I had been disobedient. And I had been able to view all of these things through a much larger lens than the lens of maturing sexuality

would allow later in life.

I finished my prayer and listened intently for the promise fulfilled in the covenant Jesus made on the cross. Father Young pronounced me forgiven! Absolved! A wonderful great weight lifted from slender shoulders — a greater weight than I had allowed — and I heard in Father Young's voice his ability to forget and think no less of this child of God kneeling beside him who had been so weighed down and who now could stand, light-hearted and refreshed!

I have never forgotten that vocalized absolution and forgiveness. I have since listened for it and have often been disappointed at not hearing it. I have listened for it in church and occasionally I have heard it there. But that isn't where I have found it with any confidence or regularity. What I heard in the autumn of 1951 was not a formula, not a phrase that is vainly repeated. What I heard and what buoyed my step as I joined my Dad in his pew was the voice of love.

Jeremiah, I was to learn much later, heard that same voice. He spoke of it: "Within them I shall plant my Law, writing it on their hearts" God had lovingly said. "I shall forgive their guilt and never more call their sin to mind."

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# Wanted: Committed teachers who regard their teaching as ministry

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An interesting study shows that most people who record having had a significant religious experience, had it before the age of 10. By the age of 10, however, most people will no longer talk about these experiences, or will have 'forgotten' them, because they have learned that to talk about them makes adults nervous and uncomfortable.

Our Sunday schools are seeking adults who believe they are called to make a significant difference in the life of a child by building a relationship of trust in which the child can explore his/her ideas about God, who will approach the questions of a child with acceptance and love and respond at their level.

Little children are extremely receptive to teaching about faith, but as they grow their receptiveness diminishes. It is of the greatest importance that they are given, not only the great stories of the heroes of our faith, but flesh and blood heroes in terms of role models of committed Christians living in their own neighbourhoods. Perhaps that could be you.

We need committed teachers who will regard their teaching as ministry. To perform any ministry we must be connected with

the source. It is essential to read the Bible regularly and to pray. It is essential to take our commitment to teach as seriously as we take our paid employment — to be properly prepared, to be there when expected, and to be on time.

Sunday school can use a vast array of talents. It is not only about teaching. What do you have to offer?

- Music — Any instrument or your voice would be delightedly received. Cooking? Snacks are important.

- Organization — Keeping a neat, well-stocked supply closet, photocopying curriculum materials, doing registration, calling absentees, writing and distributing parent's information notes are all important tasks.

- Art and Crafts — Many a Sunday school teacher would welcome someone with interest and talent in this area to 'take over' at craft time.

- Storytelling — If this is your gift, maybe you could do the first part of the class and have someone with other talents do the rest.

- Nurturing — Perhaps, one-on-one, you could look after and love the child who is upset, the child who is over-excited and needs to calm down, or the child who doesn't feel well today.

- Dancing or Physical Activity —

You may be a godsend to the teacher with highly active children who need a break to let off steam.

We expect our employers to teach us what we need to know in order to do the job. Sometimes, although we may feel that God is calling us to a ministry to children, we may feel inadequate and fear that we will not be given the tools we need. Read Exodus chapters three and four, as far as verse 17 and see how inadequate Moses felt for the job God gave him, and God's answers to his objections.

Then ask your parish for some training. Maybe there is to be a workshop or teachers' introductory meeting offered in the early fall or perhaps you could attend one in a nearby parish. Building Blocks workshops will also be offered again next year, in a slightly different format from this year's. They will be advertised in September. If it is difficult to obtain the training you feel you need, ask to assist an experienced teacher for up to a year.

Once you begin Sunday school, be ready to have the most fun you've had in a long time! Most Sunday schools today are doing innovative, exciting things with children. They are places of active learning.

I leave you with a quote

from Maxine Waldman, founder and executive director of the Caribbean Children's Ministry Network, in *Children's Ministry Magazine* — "When we as teachers love our kids as God loves them, God can and will work

through us. He wants to do this! To affect a child's eternity is part of the best adventure there is!"

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## Mysterious light



*The morning after Easter, Joan Brown of the Parish of Grand Manan was in the Church of the Ascension in North Head. She looked toward the altar and saw the cross shimmering in a pool of light. "It was in the morning so the sun was not shining on it. I think something more was happening," she said. She took this photograph to share the event with the rest of the parish and the diocese.*

## From Maggie's kitchen

# Jesus' grandparents a model for holy matrimony

Yesterday, I held a screaming and struggling two-year-old until (at a very long last) she was prepared to stay where she was told — in the playroom, and not in the living room where her parents were on ladders, stripping sappy old wallpaper. For my daughter, the wallpaper job looked like a vacation; for me, the child care was a temporary change-of-pace. For, as all grandparents know (and most will admit), one of the joys of grandparenting is that the children eventually go home.

Our family has recently increased by two on the grandchild level — neither of them exactly that yet, since they are still in the foster-child category, but they need the comfort and security of being able to call us Grandpa and Grandma. It's an adjustment for all of us, not just these two little children, but along with the challenge has come a kind of rejuvenation. Admittedly, as grandparents we're not up in the night, and for the most part our older-folks habits haven't had to change. Mostly, we're just asked to be there when

necessary and to offer moral support to the 'primary caregivers', as the current jargon goes. So there's no real stress on us.

Except, of course, since nothing in this life is simple, all this change has taken place in the midst of other major changes, like immanent moves. (We like to say, when asked how things are going, 'Tune in next week.')

Still, the real change for all of us, the source of the rejuvenation, has been a renewed sense of purpose and direction. In this age of designer babies, it's the undesigned ones, I think, who come with the clearest messages from God. They are stamped 'God-given: Handle with respect'. They have worth not because anyone planned for them, or even wanted them, but because they were made in the image of God. Unwanted in one place, very much wanted in another, and beloved of God in any case.

The Gospels don't mention them, and we only know their names through virtual hearsay, but our Lord did nevertheless have maternal grandparents. His mother

didn't suddenly appear out of nowhere! They were no doubt as important to Him as your own grandparents were (or are) to you, a fact not lost on Christians through the ages. Probably because of immigrants from Brittany, in northwestern France, Canada has always given special honour to Jesus' grandparents. St. Anne's in Fredericton was named for His grandmother, as was the magnificent Ste-Anne-de-Beaupres Basilica east of Quebec City, and she is counted as one of the patron saints of this country. Nor has Jesus' grandfather been forgotten. On a recent Friday, a century-old church named for him, St. Joachim's in Boiestown, went up in flames, but the fire brought his name, and family position, once more to our attention.

Our Lord's mother was a virgin, and with her we honour all who remain virgins for the sake of the Gospel. But her parents, Jesus' grandparents, are the model for Holy Matrimony, the faithful, chaste, and loving ground in which families are intended to grow. There is a beautiful Eastern Or-

thodox icon of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary which shows Joachim and Anna seated on a bed, in tender embrace. Holy Matrimony is indeed 'an honourable estate, instituted of God', as the Prayer Book tells us, binding

together not only man and wife, parents and children, but also generations before and to come.

To commemorate St. Anne's Day, July 26, something for the day from Brittany.

### ST. ANNE'S CREAM

To make this, you will need a few almond macaroons (not the coconut variety). If you can't find any in the market, buy some almond paste and make them yourself, using the recipe in *The Joy of Cooking*.

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees.

First make the caramel by bringing 1/4 cup sugar and 2 Tbsp water to a boil in a small pan, stirring until caramel-coloured (don't burn!). Pour into four ramekins, swirling to coat the sides and bottoms. Let cool.

Beat 5 egg yolks (or 3 yolks and 1 whole egg) with 1/4 cup sugar; whisk in 1-1/2 cups scalded (still hot) milk.

Place 3/4 tsp butter in each ramekin, sprinkle each with 1 Tbsp crumbled macaroons, and pour in the custard mixture (the macaroons will float). Set the ramekins in a dish and add hot water to immerse them half-way.

Bake till set, about 30 minutes (but start checking after 20!). Let cool, then run a knife around the rims to loosen the edges, dip each ramekin briefly in hot water to loosen the caramel, and unmold onto dessert plates.

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