



SHEAR MY SHEEP



DAWN BRANCH

The Rev. Julie Armstrong (wearing the headscarf and wielding ancient model hand shears) tends two flocks in the Parish of Denmark. Members of one flock have two legs and gather in church, members of the other

flock have four legs and eat grass on the hillside behind the rectory. They both inform her Pastoral View on page 4. Seen with her in the above photo is her flock partner Helena Larocque, and Helena's patient Shetland cross ewe, Eve.

Budget shortfall for 2004 prompts publication of parish participation

BY ANA WATTS

The diocese ran a deficit of \$47,000 in 2004. Budget spending projections were on target, but there was a shortfall of income from the parishes.

"There is some concern over the ability of parishes to fund the diocesan budget on a go-forward basis," says finance committee chair Murry Arnott.

In an effort to inform New Brunswick Anglicans of the diocesan financial situation, the finance committee and Diocesan Council have made the figures outlining parish support for the diocesan budget public. They were posted on the web in April <<http://anglican.nb.ca/synod/>

finance/index.html> and are printed on page 8 of this newspaper.

Each year the diocese requests a Mission and Outreach contribution from each parish to fund the work in the wider church. The diocese also assesses each parish's share of diocesan episcopal and administrative expenses. In both instances, the calculations are based on the parish's average operating income over a three year period.

The parish share of the Mission and Outreach budget is directly proportional to its share of total parish income across the diocese. If the parish's income is 10 per cent of the total parish

income for the diocese, the parish is asked to support 10 per cent of the Mission and Outreach budget.

Parish assessment in support of the episcopal and administrative budget is also based on income, but the calculation is also based on the number of givers in the parish. This results in a range of percentage assessments. Some parishes are asked to contribute as little as 8.5 per cent of their annual income, others as much as 11.5 per cent, with the average at about 10 per cent.

The figures on page 8 indicate the amounts requested from each parish in 2004, and the amounts actually paid by the parishes.

Saint John parishes agree to amalgamate

BY ANA WATTS

The parishes of East Saint John and St. James' Broad Street will amalgamate to form a new parish in August. Members of vestry in both parishes unanimously voted to ask Bishop Claude Miller to initiate the amalgamation process at separate meetings on May 9. The decision was formally announced to the parishes in a letter from the bishop read at a combined Sunday service on May 15.

"I am encouraged by the courageous step taken in faith by these Saint John parishes," says Bishop Miller. "By recognizing the changing demographics and needs of the community, they ensure a continuing and viable Anglican ministry in the east side and south end of the city."

Legal amalgamation will take place on August 20. The new parish will have a new name and new boundary. The present corporations will work together to determine details about the new parish.

In recent years, studies of the ministry needs of inner-city Saint John revealed insufficient

population to support four large churches with aging buildings - St. Paul's (Valley), St. Mark (Stone), Trinity and St. James' (Broad Street). In 2002, in order to reduce expenses, St. James and East Saint John agreed to share a rector and other costs. St. Paul's closed in 2004.

"The decision to amalgamate is the result of prayerful consideration over the past several years," says the Rev. Robyn Cuming, rector of both parishes.

According to canon law (Canon SIX, section 11 of the Diocese of Fredericton), the notice announcing the intention to amalgamate was read again on the next three Sundays. Notices were also posted in the churches and published in Sunday bulletins.

The parishes, through their corporations, petitioned the bishop for amalgamation. A group of 10 worshipping church members from either parish may, however, object to the proposal in writing within three months of the bishop's initial announcement. The objection would be considered by the Diocesan Council.

Several motions before synod

The 128th Diocesan Synod of Fredericton was held June 2-5 at the Aitken Centre on the University of New Brunswick Campus in Fredericton. At press time, however, the event had yet to take place.

A total of 13 notices of motion were published in the Synod Journal. Insurance, gambling, editorial policy of the New Brunswick Anglican, a new design for parish registers, the diocese's commitment to rural

communities and several motions relating to sexuality were among the subjects to be discussed.

On Friday evening, a diocesan-wide service of celebration and thanksgiving, with addresses by George Porter, the Canon for Youth, and Liz Harding, director of Christian education, was expected to be a highlight.

Full synod coverage will appear in the September issue.

Red geraniums beautiful reminders of the Holy Spirit

BY DAVID GOSS

The Chi Rho club of Trinity Church in Saint John undertook to add some color to the celebration of Pentecost this year. Everyone was asked to wear something red to the service and dozens of red geraniums were placed all about the church. All in all the effort was effective in adding to the readings, sermon and music of the day, all carefully chosen, of course, to tell the story of the first Pentecost and the effect of the Holy Spirit on the followers of Jesus. Following the service many parishioners bought the geraniums and took them home as constant and beautiful reminders of the Holy Spirit at work in their lives.



Seen here with their rector, Archdeacon Stuart Allan, and their red geraniums following the Pentecost service at Trinity, Saint John, are Nancy and Malcom Smith, and Donna Goss.

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This exquisite and intricate window was restored piece by piece. See Archives Corner page 5.



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DIOCESAN NEWS

Executive assistant must be ready to respond

BY ANA WATTS

There is no application process for the position of executive assistant to the bishop. Little wonder. The position description is daunting.

In this senior clerical position in the Diocese of Fredericton, the incumbent's primary duty is to support and work closely with the bishop in his/her provision of pastoral and administrative leadership to the diocese. S/he is also expected to be a loyal, trustworthy, well-organized, administratively capable self-starter with up-to-date computer skills who is also "a person of integrity who is comfortable in any difficult or confidential situation."

Obviously Bishop Claude Miller recognized those qualities in Geoffrey Hall.

When Bishop Miller was executive assistant to Bishop Bill Hockin, he worked closely with Geoffrey on a groundbreaking project that eventually saw the parishes of Ketepec, Grand Bay, Westfield and Greenwich amalgamate to form one large and vibrant Anglican community.

In 2003, when Bishop Miller moved to Bishop's Court, Geoffrey and his wife Kelley left the comfortable rectory in Grand Bay where the rooms were all painted in tasteful, neutral colours in consideration of tenants to

Meet the Synod Office Staff

follow, and moved into a lovely home of their own on Fredericton's north side. Kelley promptly had every room painted a different and lively colour. Geoffrey also moved into the executive assistant's office on the second floor of the synod office building on Church Street in Fredericton and assumed a hectic schedule.

As executive assistant to the bishop he works closely with clerical and lay leaders within the diocese including the dean, territorial archdeacons and regional deans, the chancellor and vice-chancellor, as well as the chairs of various boards and committees, and other synod office staff -- especially Fred Scott, the diocesan administrator/treasurer. He is a member and secretary of the Bishop's Counsel (the dean and archdeacons) and an ex-officio member, appointed by the bishop, of many committees.

On any given day he might address clergy questions and concerns, talk to potential candidates for ordained ministry, chair a meeting or two and consult with the finance committee on projects throughout the diocese.

On another day he might spend time working on the



ANA WATTS

Archdeacon Geoffrey Hall among his books in his office across the hall from the bishop's at the Synod Office on Church Street in Fredericton. There is no such thing as a 'typical day' for the executive assistant, and any day can be hijacked by a diocesan emergency.

diocesan web site, deal with paper and electronic correspondence from the bishop's office, work with the chancellor on diocesan compliance with the Privacy Act, compile an extensive docket for a Diocesan Council meeting and review Matrimonial Commission applications.

Any day could be hijacked by an emergency situation anywhere in the diocese.

His days are inevitably varied and often long. Indeed, if he is home in the evening he often catches up on electronic

correspondence or investigates new programs and opportunities to improve synod office efficiency and effectiveness through technology. When he can't find an existing program to do the job, he will invent one, like the Diocesan Information Management System (DIMS) — a user-friendly data management system providing instant access to everything from the names of parish wardens and baptismal statistics, to church street addresses and financial returns. Early positive reports

on its effectiveness — it is just coming on-line in this diocese — indicate the program could be marketable to other dioceses.

Geoffrey Malcolm Hall is a cradle Anglican, born in Woodstock. He worked his way through high school and university. He received a B Ed. from UNB in the mid-1980s and taught briefly in New Brunswick schools. In 1986 he entered Atlantic School of Theology and received his MDiv in 1990. He was ordained to the diaconate on June 6 that year and priested a year later.

He served the Parish of St. Philips in Moncton in the summer of 1990; was interim deacon-in-charge in Central Kings in 1990 and 1991; assistant curate at St. Paul's (Saint John) from 1991 to 1993; interim priest-in-charge of the Tobique in 1993. He was appointed to the parishes of Grand Bay and Ketepec in 1993 and made Archdeacon of St. Andrews in 2001. He remained in those positions until he was appointed executive assistant to the bishop in 2003.

Geoffrey loves to sing (he met his wife Kelley in a choir) and music has been an important part of his ministry. In his limited spare time he makes wine, dabbles in desktop publishing and website development and wishes he had time to sail and do a little woodworking.

Hockin faith seminar well received

BY KEITH DOW

Retired Bishop William J. Hockin recently led a highly successful faith seminar in Rothesay. A total of 85 individuals registered for the two-day event that was organized to examine the four distinctive worship traditions of the Christian church.

Under the direction of Bishop Bill, as he is affectionately known, participants explored contemplative, charismatic, evangelical and incarnational worship traditions. After each lecture, we were divided into small groups to further discuss faith issues relevant to each tradition. One person from each group reported to the plenary session which followed each lecture.

Well-known soprano Mary Lee McKenna served as musical director. Her inspirational singing was enthusiastically received and complemented the bishop's down-to-earth speaking style and warm humour.

The faith seminar was a convivial exercise in Christian fellowship, which was open to all faith groups. A planning committee, chaired by Joyce Gregg, began organizing the conference several months ago. The success of the recent



Retired Bishop Bill Hockin explored contemplative, charismatic, evangelical and incarnational worship traditions during a recent seminar in Rothesay.

seminar has the planning committee already thinking of inviting Bishop Bill to present a Lenten lecture series in Saint John again next year.

He regularly conducts popular Advent and Lenten lectures in Fredericton and has also conducted several spiritual renewal weekends for parishes throughout Canada. The recent faith seminar was held at the spacious Bill McGuire Centre, which overlooks the scenic Kennebecasis River.

COMING EVENTS

June 18
Vocations Day
St. John the Baptist,
Riverview
For those exploring a call to
ordained ministry
Archdeacon Geoffrey Hall
geoffrey.hall@anglican.nb.ca

Aug. 15-17
Rock Camp at Brookwood
For 13 to 17-year-olds
Contacts
The Rev. David Perks
dperks@nbnet.nb.ca
The Rev. Julie Armstrong
(506) 553-6788.

Oct. 1
Diocese of Fredericton
Christian Education
Conference
Christ Church [Parish] Church
Fredericton

Nov. 5
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Youth ages 11-15
Christ Church (Parish) Church
Fredericton



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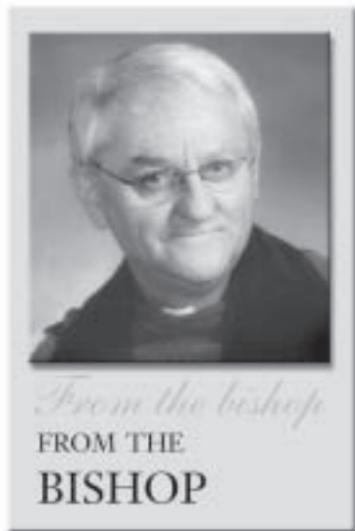
THE BISHOP'S PAGE

Take time for refreshment and renewal

It was a very busy spring in the life of our diocese and most of us are looking forward to a time of renewal and refreshment — a little time to interrupt the routine, the “busy-ness” in the church. In our families, the children look forward to the break from school, to the lazy days of summer; we hope our university students find the employment they need in order to continue their education and also find a little time to spend with friends. During the long winter months our thoughts often turned to places of rest — our summer cottages, or the much-advertised get-a-ways.

Jesus and his disciples sought a retreat from the crowd and worldly activities following a busy time of ministry.

In our time and in the worldly sense, rest is a misnomer. Sabbaths and vacations are seen as opportunities for business. We often exchange one busy and hectic routine for another. Heavily structured activities



and expensive toys are the “busy-ness” of vacations. We often hear people say (and only partly with tongue-in-cheek): “It’s good to get back to work for a rest.”

The gospel encourages us to rest and, to use St. Paul’s words, “be transformed.” The focus and purpose of a believer’s life can be lost in the “busy-ness” and the businesses.

A vacation, ought to be a retreat from the world; not just a time to rest our bodies, but to refresh our souls. A vacation is a time to renew our friendship with God, to experience his love more deeply and to be transformed. A simple exchange of busy routines can hardly be expected to assist us to refocus and nurture our most important relationship.

The businesses and routines of church life too, can be found guilty of separating us from God and his nurturing love in the world. A proper time of rest can provide an opportunity for personal and corporate change. Without reflective time with the author of our salvation, we can expect business as usual when we return to our predictable routine.

Bishop Geoffrey Howell writes: “The glory that the Church must show is not magnificent buildings, not slick success, but love which reflects and is the holiness of God ... When the Church seems untrue to its vocation, it is tempting to join the chorus

of voices which point to its weaknesses, its collusion with the world, the various marks of sin and division which mar the face of Christ it should reflect. How bishops are attacked, conspiracies detected, so that sometimes it seems that such things are our main concern. But we only have one concern, and that is to be more Christ-like. Nothing else will convert the world; nothing else has the power to transform our own lives.”

May our friendship with Christ be nourished during our time away from the norm, so that we might return with renewed vigour to reflect his unselfish love to all.



Clude Miller is Bishop of Fredericton

PRINCIPAL ENGAGEMENTS	
June 17	RNS Chapel Service
June 24-26	CSF retreat Fredericton
July 3	150th Anniversary Parish of Campobello
July 10	Trinity Church Saint John
August 7	10 a.m. Parish of New Bandon
August 29-31	Clergy Conference RNS
Sept. 6	Bishop's Counsel
Sept. 10	AFP Steering Committee Fredericton
Sept. 11-15	Saint John Deanery
Sept. 22-25	Provincial Council

Building Faith for a Lifetime

A Capital Campaign for Camp Medley and Camp Brookwood Update



At the May meeting of Diocesan Council, Archdeacon Malcolm Berry (left), was anxious to improve the participation rate of council members in the camps campaign. He had left his pledge sheet at home, but scribbled his commitment on a napkin and handed it to Bishop Claude Miller at a break. The bishop discourages motions scribbled on napkins, but welcomes camp campaign pledges in any form.

The latest figures

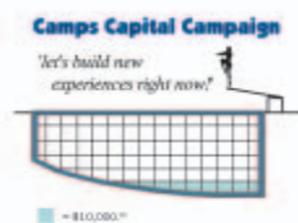
The future of our diocesan summer camping program is in your hands. Please prayerfully consider how you can help and fill in the pledge card on the left today.

The campaign total is
\$1,000,000
\$100

from every New Brunswick Anglican subscriber would do it. So would 1,000 pledges of \$1,000

At press time the total was nearly \$63,000, up from \$36,000 the previous month. \$49,000 in pledges,, \$13,500 in one-time cash donations.

Each cell in the pool below represents \$10,000. When the pool is full, we will be ready to help our young people Build Faith for a Lifetime



Strategic Update

Our spring campaign focused on Anglicans in leadership roles with presentations to Diocesan Council, Bishop's Counsel, ACW and Mothers' Union and others. Letters went to rectors, wardens, vestry members, treasurers, retired clergy. Canon Basil Buckland called me after getting his to set the record straight on the earliest camps.

“They never slept in army tents. The boys slept in the converted workshop and the girls slept in the old hen house.” And that’s about as far as I am going there.

A \$1,000 commitment over four years amounts to a Tim’s coffee a day, Monday through Friday.

— Peter Irish, Coordinator

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COMMENTARY

Essentials invitation

BY ALLEN TAPLEY

The Open Door, an Anglican Essentials Conference, takes place June 16-18 at Roy Thomson Hall in Toronto.

This historic meeting will see Canadian Anglicans, concerned for the recovery of orthodoxy within their church, gather in unprecedented numbers to speak to the world with a powerful and united voice.

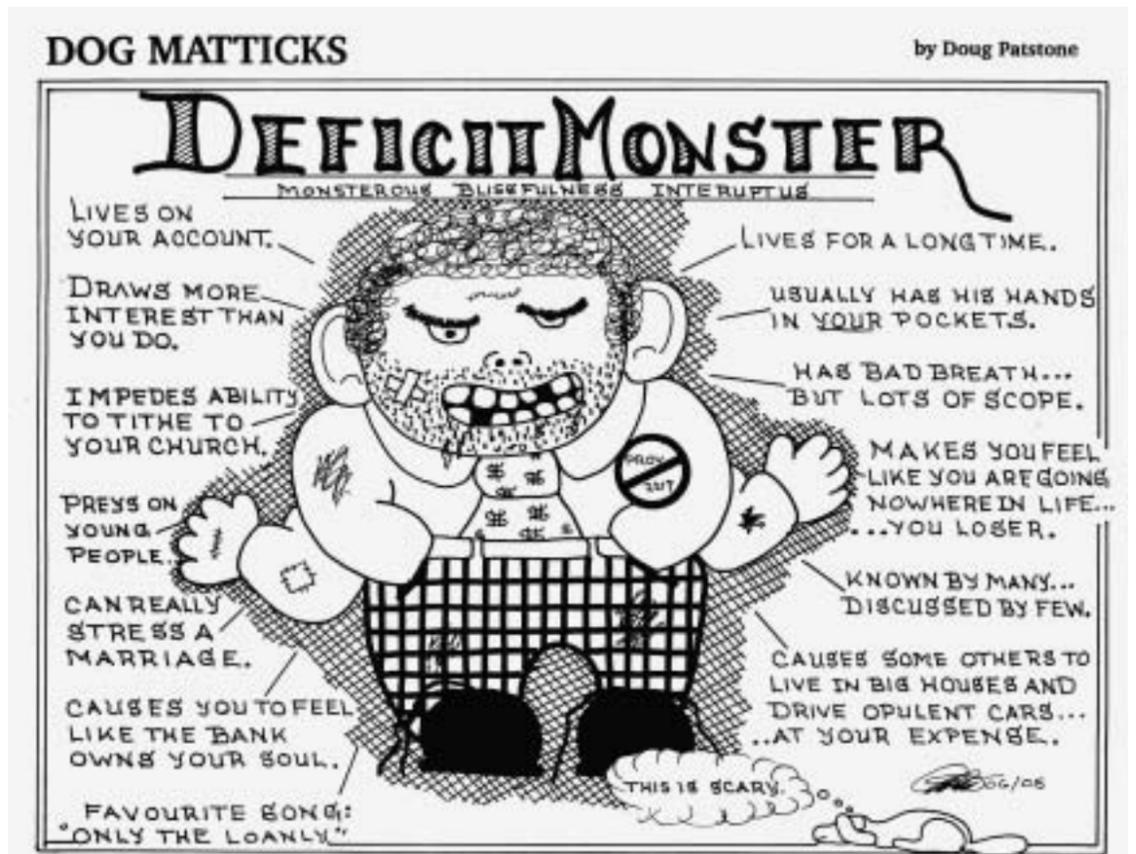
Congress presenters include Anglican leaders from across Canada. Retired Bishop Donald Harvey of Newfoundland, representing the Anglican Network in Canada, and Canon Charlie Masters, the national director of Anglican Essentials Canada, will be joined by primates and other key representatives of the worldwide Anglican Communion. They include Archbishop Gregory James Venables, primate of the Southern Cone, Canon Bill Atwood, general secretary of the Ekklesia Society, Bishop

Robert Duncan of Pittsburgh, moderator of the Anglican Communion Network. They will discuss and identify the critical issues and choices facing the Anglican Communion at this moment in history.

Anglican Essentials Canada is a federation of orthodox Canadian Anglicans whose purpose is to be the theological and spiritual rallying point for historic Christian orthodoxy in the Anglican Church of Canada, calling the church to embrace and live by its orthodox Christian heritage under the renewing guidance of the Holy Spirit.

This conference is for all Anglicans, lay and ordained. You may register online at <www.anglicanessentials.org> or write to Anglican Essentials Canada, c/o L. Bryan, 2288 Devon Rd., Oakville, ON L6J 5R4.

By the time you read this the registration fee will be \$200 for adults. Youth 25 and under may register for \$100.



The shepherd need only love the sheep

BY JULIE ARMSTRONG

The ram didn't arrive until New Year's Eve — an eventful and traumatic journey for him and for his shepherds. Icy roads, a late night rescue, a couple of hot toddies to take off the chill and inner shivers. Eventually there was a triumphant, though temporary, union with his ewes. He didn't care. They were ewes, flirty and anxious to meet him, and he was the big man for about a month.

I envy animals the sweet imperative of their sex lives. The smell is right, the pheromones flow, and it is all good. The ewes adore the ram, he is proud and protective of his girls, and everyone is happy. The consequences are lambs five months later, not guilt and sleepless nights. Our lives should be so simple.

The parish waits anxiously. "Any babies yet?" they ask every Sunday, as they shake my hand, hug and kiss me at the door.

"End of the month now."

They come to visit the sheep, bring little treats of apples and bread crusts. The sheep reside in pasture and paddock behind the St. Ansgar's cemetery, with a rough shed (built by me, an inexperienced shepherd and carpenter) for shelter from wind, cold and sun. It was a hard winter. I was alone. Struggled through drifts and blizzards once the cemetery road could not be plowed. The new four-wheel drive Dodge truck couldn't always blast through, and there was the

The Pastoral View

very real danger of skidding sideways on the steep slope and taking out a headstone.

I lost three sheep, the first loss in three years. I've lost lambs born too early or too small. Once I lost a ewe to infection late in her pregnancy. But this winter two small ewes died of hypothermia in a wicked storm, and I barely saved a third. She lived in a stall in the rectory basement for a month after that, while she gained weight and the fleece she had lost to copper toxicity. Then my oldest ewe died in her sleep. I have shed tears over every flock loss, either from sorrow and a sense of failure, or perhaps from the sheer exhaustion that comes with managing a flock on my own in the mountains of northern New Brunswick.

I came into shepherding with a partner, a husband who chose to depart once I got settled in this parish and in my life as a priest. Perhaps I should have given up the sheep, too, but a soul can take only so much loss. I had done most of the work myself anyway, from moving the flock by truck or on foot, to shearing, lambing and inoculating. I have since engaged a flock partner for management and shearing, but



she lives in a village outside Bathurst, a fair piece away, and we have to plan shearing and ram transportation according to weather and work schedules.

Abraham and Sarah managed their flocks together and with family. The traditional life of a shepherd is solitary at seasons, but within the context of the clan. Shearing is a group activity, a social event for young men to show off their strength, ability and sexual attractiveness to the young women who catch the sheep, roll fleeces, carry water and food.

Electric shears and the isolation of the open spaces of North America made shearing

a solitary contract job, much to the detriment of farm life and courtship. Many a romance and eventual marriage took root in the spring, with the lambs kicking their heels and the shearers flexing their biceps for girls in summer dresses.

Modern courtship rituals are much more confused, without the good and simple basis of looking for a suitable partner to run the farm and the flock. I, for one, am still looking, but the shearers I have engaged have been middle-aged men with back problems and a wife at home, or my flock partner, a woman young enough to be my daughter, and

often mistaken for such.

I chose this life. I chose to follow the flock, and to follow my beloved, Jesus Christ. I read the gospels and I know he understands shepherds and sheep. I suspect he spent some of his young years with family in the summer hills, watching the flock, assisting with difficult births (a child's small hands are often helpful) and as he grew older, shearing with the other men, smiling at the pretty girls as they chased exuberant ewes and brought the bread and wine for the noon meal. Perhaps he took his turn sleeping outside the sheepfold — the circular, unroofed building that kept the animals by night — with an ear open for the midnight thief or the hungry wolf.

I know what heaven will be. It will be sunny days on green hillsides, lambs bounding and leaping, ewes slowly cropping grass, rams ever alert, heads raised in noble pose. It will be cool shade under the trees, and a joy that the wolf will not attack, that the shepherd need only love the sheep, and fear nothing.

Heaven will be every moment in the presence of our beautiful lover, comforted with apples. I don't wish for cities of gold, marble halls, wings and harps. I'll take a quiet breeze, the eternal sun, and a sweet melody on the penny whistle. I have walked as a shepherd, and I know what heaven is.

The Rev. Julie Armstrong is shepherd to two flocks — one two-legged, the other four-legged — in the Parish of Denmark.

DIOCESAN NEWS

Stained glass window in Temperancevale restored

ARCHIVES CORNER

Yves Frigault and Doris Blaney of Temperancevale spent close to 400 hours over the fall and winter months restoring the stained glass window above the altar at St. Luke's.

Years of exposure to the New Brunswick climate had deteriorated the lead that held the thousands of pieces of glass together. Before it crumbled entirely, it was removed and taken to Mr. Frigault's basement workshop

where he designed and traced an exact pattern of the window on paper. Then the window was taken apart and each piece was soaked in a solution of water, soda and vinegar. Ms. Blaney, a long time member of the

parish, cleaned each one with a toothbrush and razor blade, then Mr. Frigault rebuilt the window. With lead cane, putty, solder and infinite patience, he expertly and lovingly restored the window to its original beauty.

During the course of the restoration, he wondered about the Rev. Henry William Tippet, the parish's first missionary and the person to whom the window is dedicated. Mr. Frigault contacted the Archives for information.

Conversations with Mr. Frigault and Ms. Blaney; "Notes on the History of the Church of England in the Parish of Queensbury" by R.P. Gorham; and information on the Tippet headstone in Forest Hill Cemetery revealed the following:

Henry William Tippet was

one of several British-born clergy who served this diocese in its early days. Born on June 12, 1814 to Captain and Mrs. William Tippet in Cornwall, England, he was ordained deacon by Bishop Medley on Dec. 21, 1845 and raised to the priesthood on Feb. 28, 1847. In January of 1848 he began his work as Missionary of Queensbury, the parish to which he devoted the rest of his life.

When Tippet went to Queensbury, there was neither church nor parsonage, but in 1868, looking back on his first twenty years in the parish, he

noted that he had travelled 30,000 miles, preached 3,000 times, baptized 139 people, and built three churches (St. Thomas, Queensbury, 1849; Holy Trinity, Queensbury, 1853 and St. George's, Caverhill, 1859) and a parsonage (1849). His efforts did not end there. Mr. Tippet began to hold services in Temperance Vale in 1871 and laid a foundation for a church. It was moved to a new site and completed and consecrated on July 10, 1889.

Six of the 139 baptized by Mr. Tippet were his own children: Mary Vivian (1848), Arthur Patterson (1850), William Herbert (1851), Cornelia Sophia (1853), Joseph Hartley (1854) and Frederick Harvey (1860). On Feb. 5, 1874, Mr. Tippet died while on a visit to his native country and was buried at St. Saviours, Manchester, beside his mother.

His wife Cornelia, who was born to Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Grindon in Bristol, England, on Nov. 17, 1819, died in Fredericton on Nov. 6, 1892. She is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Fredericton, and her stone contains information (aforementioned) about her husband. At least three of their children are also buried there.

The photo of the Rev. H.W. Tippet was donated to the Archives by the Robert W. Tippet family.



FRANK MOREHOUSE

Yves Frigault and Doris Blaney spent close to 400 hours restoring an intricate stained glass window (see the index box on page 1) in St. Luke's, Temperancevale.



FRANK MOREHOUSE

St. Luke's, Temperancevale



The Rev. H. W. Tippet, to whom the window at St. Luke's is dedicated.

ACW ANNUAL



Donald Snook (left) of the Saint John Inner City Youth ministry, and the Rev. Dr. George Porter (right), Diocesan Canon for Youth, inspired and entertained members of the ACW gathered for their annual meeting at St. Paul's, Rothesay, in early May. Seen here with them are ACW diocesan president Heather Carr, second from left, and Inez Estabrooks of St. Paul's ACW in Sackville.

ACW Coming Events

Diocesan Quiet Day
Sept. 8, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Church of The Good Shepherd,
Cambridge Narrows

Guest Speaker
Bishop William Hockin
Registration \$15
Please register by August 31
send cheque or money order to
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RESERVE
Saturday, Nov. 19
12:30 -- 3pm
for the
Christmas Bazaar
at
Christ Church (Parish) Church
Corner Charlotte & Westmorland
Fredericton
Cafe au Bazaar begins at 12:30

ABOUT THE DIOCESE

WARDEN'S DAY



ANA WATTS

Wardens from throughout the diocese gathered in Fredericton on May 7 for an information meeting with the diocesan chancellor and diocesan staff. Liz Harding, the newly appointed Christian Education director, announced an annual "Confirmation Rally" designed to help newly-confirmed young people remain connected to the church. The Rev. Douglas Barrett (left) Archdeacon Stuart Allan and the Rev. Rod Black (right) are members of the Diocesan Council Parish Support and Development team, which organized the event. Doug Scammel (second from left) of the Parish of Prince William and Barbara Parsons of Chatham, were among the 65 wardens who participated.

Treasurer honoured for 40 years of service

BY JENNIFER WATSON

When Connie Price was in her early 30s and undertook the position of parish treasurer in Canterbury, she certainly didn't intend to remain in the position for four decades — but that's exactly what happened. Now that she has reached her 70s, however, she is handing over the reins.

At a dinner held in Connie's honour at the Canterbury church hall on April 16, her friends, family and fellow members of the congregation gathered to thank her for her years of hard work and to present her with a gold watch in appreciation of the sacrifices she has made over the years.

Connie insists there was not a lot of sacrifice involved. "I never really felt that I was doing too much. I was happy to be able to do it."

Connie began to attend church in the little village of Canterbury, about 25 km south of Woodstock, around 1950. A few years later she was asked if she would be treasurer.

"They couldn't find anyone to do it so I said I'd give it a try."

She had no idea it would be a volunteer position that would last longer than most people's careers. Nor did she realize how much the position would benefit her as a person.

"It's given me a little more confidence in myself."

The job today is a lot different from what it was in the 1960s. "It's harder now than it was back then. There is more paperwork to do and more accountability, especially since the parish of Canterbury amalgamated with the



Connie Price was recently presented with a gold watch in by the Parish of Canterbury in appreciation of her 40 years as treasurer.

parishes of Kirkland and Benton."

As the years went on, she turned to her husband Robert for help more and more often.

Connie has seen a lot of changes in the church in her years in the parish. At least seven rectors have come and gone and the congregation has dwindled. She recalls the days when there were 20 kids in Sunday school and 50 to 60 people at the church service each week. Now, the parish is lucky to see 30 people on a Sunday.

The numbers are shrinking because the community is shrinking. The young people move away, the older people pass away.

Dwindling numbers didn't keep her from her desire to help out in her own way, though. "I didn't mind doing it. I didn't have a full time job outside the home."

Connie admits that after keeping the job year after year because no one else wanted it, she was surprised when the vestry said they'd found a replacement for her. She jokes that now that someone new has taken over, that person may be in for the long haul as well.

"They might have a hard job to get rid of it," she laughs.

Connie still watches the calendar and when certain dates come around she thinks about the church bills that need to be paid. Then she remembers that's not her responsibility anymore.

"It's hard to break 40-year-old habits," she laughs.

Warden Larry Graham told the parish it had been blessed to have a treasurer as dedicated as Connie.

"It's a very important job and lot of work behind the scenes. She's been very faithful and has done a wonderful job."

New York mission a blessing to missionaries

BY JONATHAN SPRINGTHORPE

An intergenerational mission team from St. John's (Stone) Church in Saint John spent March break in New York under the direction of the New York School of Urban Ministry (NYSUM) in Astoria, Queens.

It was the second trip in as many years for a Stone team to one of the largest and most diverse cities in the world. Last year's team was more youth than adults, this year's was more adults than youth.

We left Saint John, on Friday, March 4, and travelled to Fairfield Maine where we stayed with the friends we made the year before at Fairfield First Baptist Church. Saturday was spent travelling the rest of the way to New York. Sunday we journeyed out to Times Square Church, which often has an attendance of more than 10,000! and joined in the wonderful Gospel singing. We spent the remainder of the day seeing the sights of New York, winding up in Little Italy to enjoy authentic Italian Cuisine.

Monday morning we began our outreach with two classes; one on multicultural ministry, the other on ministry to the homeless. From that point on, the week seems like a fantastic roller coaster ride.

In the course of the week we served at soup kitchens in Harlem and Brooklyn, gave out tracts on the subway, prayed on Staten Island Ferry, ministered to homeless on the streets of New York, led services at the AIDS Hospital, and Rehabilitation Centre and more.

We gave our testimonies, worshipped in song (even on the subway), led services of the Word, prayed for people, and listened to desperate hearts. I could not help but watch with joy, as those who only months before were positive they could not "do ministry" naturally responding to people and needs with compassion, and joy.

I am confident that a mission trip impacts the people who participate deeply. Missions recharge people spiritually, help to find new or hidden spiritual gifts, and give people a vision of what God can do through a team of committed individuals.

I hope this article encourages even one person to join a team to go on an adventure with God. You won't regret it.

Capt. Jonathan Springthorpe is youth minister at St. John's Stone Church in Saint John.

NEW RAMP



PATTI HOYT

The people of Christ Church in Bloomfield (Parish of Central Kings), recently added new front steps and a ramp to their pretty country church. The stairs are much safer and the ramp is greatly appreciated. The new structure will eventually be painted to match the building. Christ Church, built in 1811, is one of three points in the parish. The other two are Trinity Church in Springfield, and Ascension in Lower Norton (on the outskirts of Hampton). The Rev. Robert LeBlanc is priest-in-charge of the parish.

ABOUT THE DIOCESE

SUSSEX PUPPETS



ALEXANDRA BARRETT

Ann Caines (far left) learned about puppets at the Christian Education workshops last fall and thought children in the Parish of Sussex would enjoy making and using them. She was right. She started a puppet group and the kids love it and look forward to it each week. The group has even been invited to entertain at a nearby United Church. Left to right in the front row are Rachel and Elizabeth Barrett and Emily Ferris. In the back row are Ms. Caines, Chelsea Coates, Susan Ferris (helper), Brandon Tingley, Daran Caines and Tanya Tingley (helper).

SUSSEX CONFIRMATION



On April 10, Bishop Claude Miller confirmed 11 young people at Trinity Church in Sussex. Seen here following the service are, left to right (front row): Brandon Tingley, Mia Henderson, Laura Sponagle, Daran Caines and Rachel Barrett; (middle row) Molly Hall, Emily Ferris, Chelsea Coates, Brian Sponagle and Mary Anne Simpson; (back row) the Rev. David Barrett, rector, Bishop Miller and Jordan Steeves.

Survivor in New Denmark: The Sequel

On April 29 and 30, two New Brunswick Anglican ministers abandoned their comfortable rectories to brave New Brunswick weather in tents. It was Survivor in New Denmark: The Sequel. Again, no lives were lost.

Last February, the Rev. Julie Armstrong of the Parish of Denmark challenged her neighbour and Lutheran pastor Kimber McNabb to a survivor weekend challenge. They camped out, cooked out, and inspired their congregations to compete in everything from sheep races to snow sculpture contests in an effort to build community and raise money.

Ms. Armstrong and her flock emerged victorious from that challenge and she was anxious to prevail again this year, only Pastor McNabb was unavailable. She was moved to a parish in Halifax. Ms. Armstrong scratched her head, then challenged The Rev. David Perks in Plaster Rock, rector of the Parish of the Tobique.

"He wimped out of February, and March was mostly Lent, so nothing could really happen until April, which, incidentally, is warmer than February," said Ms. Armstrong. "That's no camping challenge, so we had to have some one-on-one competition to make it work."

A mini-regatta was planned.

"Dave and I were both sailors in our old lives, and here we are, landlocked. It's got to be one of God's little jokes, just to keep us humble."

Friday night of the challenge was cold after all. It had snowed recently. Mr. Perks accused Ms. Armstrong of praying for it. A cheery and warming fire was produced, following a brisk game of Capture the Flag, won by Denmark under pirate (or Viking) rules.

The miniature regatta was won by Alanna Hansen of Denmark, our youngest sailor, whose tangerine crate vessel turned pirate (or Viking) and captured all other vessels.

About 30 children played soccer behind the cemetery at St. Ansgar's. The pitch bounds were the pasture on one side and the Carlsen monument on the other. Tobique claimed a one to nothing victory.

Ms. Armstrong won the slap shot shootout. Yes, the little American girl made four out of five shots, and the Montreal native lost.

The street hockey game (played on an uphill parking lot, which made it interesting) was so successful that no one kept score. Everything in New Denmark is either uphill or downhill of everything else.

The purpose of the Survivor weekend was really to bring the children of the parishes, including the Lutheran kids, together. It was very successful. The last event was a potluck and a Bible Trivia quiz, won by the only Roman Catholic present, Rose Jeppesen. Anglicans have been warned to read their Bibles more often.

Many thanks to the participating parishes, including the Lutheran parishes of New Denmark.



Alanna Hansen of the Parish of Denmark, with her tangerine-crate vessel, was the youngest competitor in the miniature regatta, one of the highlights of the recent Survivor Weekend in New Denmark. She also won the competition with her tangerine-crate vessel. She captured all the other vessels under pirate/Viking rule. This year Julie Armstrong, the rector of the Parish of Denmark, challenged David Perks, the rector of the Parish of The Tobique to several fun-filled, community-building contests. Last year she challenged the Lutheran Pastor in New Denmark. Ms. Armstrong and her parish prevailed on both occasions.

FINANCIAL NEWS

Parish support for the diocesan budget in 2004

MISSION OUTREACH				PARISH ASSESSMENT			MISSION OUTREACH				PARISH ASSESSMENT		
PARISH	RE- QUESTED	CONTRIB- UTED	SHORT	RE- QUIRED	PAID	DEFICIT	PARISH	RE- QUESTED	CONTRIB- UTED	SHORT	RE- QUIRED	PAID	DEFICIT
Bathurst	\$9,636	\$9,636	0	\$11,928	\$11,928	0	Johnston	0	0	0	0	0	0
Campbellton	\$5,172	\$3,798	\$1,374	\$7,608	\$7,608	0	Kingston	\$5,028	\$770	\$4,258	\$10,752	\$10,752	0
Chatham	\$13,440	\$13,440	0	\$17,856	\$17,856	0	Quispamsis	\$7,620	0	\$7,620	\$9,924	\$4,962	\$4,962
Dalhousie	\$2,916	0	\$2,916	\$3,204	0	\$3,204	RCS- Netherwood	0	0	0	0	0	0
Derby/ Blackville	\$9,756	\$6,798	\$2,958	\$12,996	\$12,996	0	Renforth	\$12,228	\$12,228	0	\$24,768	\$24,768	0
Hardwicke	\$4,572	0	\$4,572	\$3,852	0	\$3,852	Rothsay	\$15,456	\$15,456	0	\$23,016	\$23,016	0
New Bandon	\$5,040	\$5,040	0	\$5,556	\$5,556	0	Sussex	\$13,428	\$13,428	0	\$18,384	\$18,384	0
Newcastle/ Nelson	\$8,268	0	\$8,268	\$11,232	\$11,232	0	Upham	\$2,928	0	\$2,928	\$5,748	\$5,748	0
Restigouche	\$2,088	0	\$2,088	\$2,304	\$2,304	0	Upper Kennebecasis	\$4,572	0	\$4,572	\$5,028	\$5,028	0
Cathedral	\$27,840	\$27,940	(\$100)	\$39,192	\$39,192	0	Waterford/ St. Mark	\$9,504	\$9,504	0	\$12,468	\$12,468	0
Fredericton	\$44,628	\$44,628	0	\$47,472	\$47,472	0	Dorchester	\$1,176	0	\$1,176	\$1,296	0	\$1,296
Fredericton Junction	\$6,228	\$2,076	\$4,152	\$7,236	\$2,412	\$4,824	Hillsborough	\$2,676	0	\$2,676	\$3,144	\$3,144	0
Gagetown	\$4,152	\$110	\$4,042	\$4,632	\$4,316	\$316	Kent	\$3,816	\$3,816	0	\$4,200	\$4,200	0
Maugerville	\$684	\$684	0	\$756	\$756	0	Moncton	\$15,936	\$15,936	0	\$19,404	\$19,404	0
New Maryland	\$6,312	\$5,786	\$526	\$6,948	\$6,948	0	Riverview	\$9,804	\$9,804	0	\$13,680	\$13,680	0
Oromocto	\$6,036	\$6,036	0	\$7,716	\$7,716	0	Sackville	\$8,820	\$6,522	\$2,298	\$11,628	\$11,628	0
St Peters	\$6,540	\$1,200	\$5,340	\$7,188	\$7,188	0	Salisbury/ Havelock	\$3,984	\$3,652	\$332	\$6,684	\$6,127	\$557
St. Margarets	\$6,888	\$6,888	0	\$7,584	\$7,584	0	Shediac	\$20,952	\$20,952	0	\$20,964	\$20,964	0
Bright	\$5,688	\$5,214	\$474	\$6,588	\$6,039	\$549	St. Andrews Sunnybrae	\$4,812	\$4,812	0	\$5,292	\$5,292	0
Cambridge/ Waterboro'	\$3,084	\$3,084	0	\$3,396	\$3,396	0	St Philips	\$6,408	\$1,000	\$5,408	\$8,940	\$8,940	0
Douglas/ N'asis	\$17,868	\$17,868	0	\$25,596	\$25,596	0	St. James Moncton	\$4,416	\$4,159	\$257	\$9,372	\$8,591	\$781
Ludlow/ Blissfield	\$7,524	0	\$7,524	\$9,120	0	\$9,120	Westmorland	\$2,724	0	\$2,724	\$3,000	\$77	\$2,924
Marysville	\$7,452	\$7,860	(\$408)	\$7,860	\$7,452	\$408	Coldbrook St. Marys	\$9,924	\$9,924	0	\$12,924	\$12,924	0
Minto/ Chipman	\$6,612	\$6,612	0	\$8,004	\$8,004	0	East Saint John	\$5,868	\$5,868	0	\$6,468	\$6,468	0
St Mary York	\$8,304	\$8,304	0	\$10,764	\$10,764	0	Lakewood	\$8,292	\$8,288	\$4	\$10,716	\$10,716	0
Stanley	\$5,724	\$5,724	0	\$6,300	\$6,300	0	Millidgeville	\$6,048	\$6,048	0	\$10,860	\$10,860	0
Carleton	\$11,532	\$11,532	0	\$14,988	\$14,988	0	Portland	\$17,556	\$17,556	0	\$19,248	\$19,248	0
Lancaster	\$11,532	\$11,532	0	\$15,000	\$15,000	0	Saint John	\$13,044	\$11,000	\$2,044	\$14,916	\$14,350	\$567
Musquash	\$5,544	\$5,544	0	\$6,108	\$6,108	0	Simonds	\$3,096	\$3,096	0	\$3,408	\$3,408	0
Nerepis St John	\$18,312	\$18,312	0	\$20,268	\$20,268	0	St. James	\$3,804	0	\$3,804	\$5,424	\$5,424	0
Victoria	\$7,320	\$7,320	0	\$8,052	\$8,053	(1)	St. Mark	\$11,064	\$10,190	\$874	\$11,784	\$10,853	\$931
Campobello	\$2,616	\$2,616	0	\$2,868	\$2,868	0	St. Martins/ Black River	\$4,848	\$1,833	\$3,015	\$5,340	\$4,895	\$445
Grand Manan	\$6,060	\$750	\$5,310	\$6,588	0	\$6,588	Andover	\$6,804	\$6,804	0	\$8,820	\$8,820	0
Mcadam	\$4,620	\$4,795	(\$175)	\$5,076	\$5,076	0	Canterbury	\$3,300	\$3,300	0	\$3,636	\$3,636	0
Pennfield	\$7,608	\$7,608	0	\$8,832	\$8,832	0	Denmark	\$2,172	\$2,172	0	\$4,056	\$4,056	0
St Andrews	\$12,288	\$12,288	0	\$15,912	\$15,912	0	Grand Falls	\$852	\$37	\$815	\$936	0	\$936
St David St Patrick	\$852	\$852	0	\$936	\$936	0	Madawaska	\$2,520	\$2,520	0	\$2,772	\$2,772	0
St George	\$6,420	\$6,420	0	\$8,700	\$7,799	\$901	Pr. William	\$6,264	\$6,264	0	\$6,720	\$6,720	0
St Stephen	\$8,928	\$8,928	0	\$12,240	\$12,240	0	Richmond	\$5,280	\$5,280	0	\$5,808	\$5,808	0
Central Kings	\$4,152	\$3,228	\$924	\$4,572	\$4,572	0	Tobique	\$5,988	\$5,489	\$499	\$6,936	\$6,358	\$578
Gondola Point	\$3,924	\$3,597	\$327	\$5,532	\$5,071	\$461	Woodstock	\$10,584	\$10,584	0	\$14,580	\$14,580	0
Hammond River	\$5,316	0	\$5,316	\$5,856	\$5,856	0	Wicklow, W.P.&A	\$12,144	\$12,144	0	\$15,732	\$15,732	0
Hampton	\$8,904	\$8,904	0	\$11,556	\$11,556	0	DIOCESAN TOTALS	\$654,120	\$553,389	\$100,731	\$824,748	\$780,550	\$44,198

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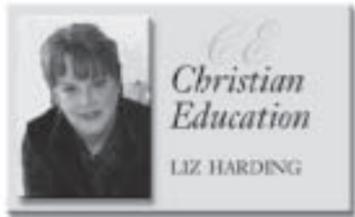
THREE SPACES BETWEEN WORDS, NO CAPS

The importance of being honest . . . especially with young people

In the Sistine Chapel is Michelangelo's famous fresco *Creation*. In it, Adam and God face each other with their arms outstretched, their index fingers not quite touching. I was particularly moved when I saw a copy of this picture recently, because it spoke to me of my relationship and friendship with God. It reminded me again that I am in relationship with a God who always has his hand extended towards me and never turns his back on me. God beckons me daily into a deeper relationship with him.

Looking at this picture, I was also challenged by the way God calls me to be in relationship with all of his creation. I, as a Christian in the power of the Holy Spirit, need to reach out to others and show love and compassion in the same way that God shows me unconditional love. Sometimes there appears a gap, as in the picture of God and Adam, but God calls us into a relationship which closes that gap.

I have been asked many times how my faith survives in difficult times. I believe it is



chiefly because of my history with God, supported by my relationships with other Christians.

My history with God includes the stories in the Bible of God reaching out and desiring a relationship with his people. I experience and see God working in my life; I have a prayer life (although sometimes I have to rely on the prayers of faithful friends), I seek God in private and corporate worship; I know a God who is faithful and constantly sustains me — although I often don't see the hand of God clearly until later.

Also I see God in the powerful witness and role-modeling of faithful Christians. As we help our young people to develop a history with God, it is important for them to see and know us as faithful Christians. We are not called to be perfect,

that's what the Easter story is all about, but we are called to be faithful.

It is through our relationship with God and the sharing of this relationship with others that our young people will learn and grow. God gives us all unique spiritual stories and nobody's story is better than anybody else's. When we enter into trusting friendships we share our stories and spiritual formation takes place.

This summer please take some time to open up a dialogue with someone younger than you are. Share your stories about where you have seen God at work. Share your stories about where you have seen Jesus in your daily life. Share the hopes, expectations, ideas and thoughts you have as you walk with God through life.

Our stories will not always be full of joy. Indeed, young people will see right through us if we are not honest. We do, however, need to hear each other's stories of God's faithfulness and of our own history with God. It is important that our young

people develop their own history with a God who loves us all unconditionally, delights in us and forgives us when we fail.

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The Rev. Keith Howlett of St. John's, Oromocto, offers a children's formation class in which the children as well as their adult care-givers (parents, grandparents of others) participate. The adults and children spend intentional time together and share ideas and experiences. The full story is on the diocesan website. Find it at http://anglican.nb.ca/fp_archives/050531/formation.html

Let's foster generosity, altruism, Samaritanism, in our children

A baby upset by the sound of another baby's cry demonstrates empathy. Psychologists believe this is a precursor for later altruistic or selfless behaviour, an essential attribute for the development of personal relationships within the family and the community — the kind of behaviour so eloquently described in Jesus' parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37).

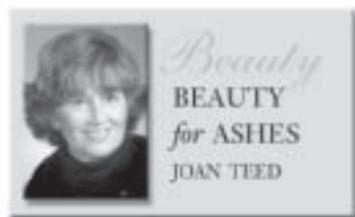
Are we naturally altruistic, or do we need to be taught?

Biologist Richard Dawkins maintains we need to teach generosity and altruism, because "we are all born selfish."

Economist Ernst Fehr thinks more highly of us and believes we should teach tolerance and generosity in order to promote altruism. We are "capable of altruism," he says. "It is possible that our genes even guide us toward such behaviour. Perhaps we are born with the potential to be selfless."

The Rev. Martin Luther King said "greatness is determined by service." That's greatness, not fame.

We have all witnessed examples of sacrificial behaviour — the loving and selfless acts of those who risk their lives for total strangers. People do come to the aid of others, even when it is not to their personal advantage, even at the expense of their own



"Giving is the secret of a healthy life. Not necessarily money, but whatever a man has of encouragement and sympathy and understanding."

John D Rockefeller Jr.

health or financial security. The technologically expedited extraordinary responses to the Indian Ocean tsunami and the death of Pope John Paul II are perfect examples.

Our "sin-based" theology notwithstanding, I would like to believe our God created us this way.

Although many animal parents sacrifice for their offspring, researchers in several fields say only humans are gifted with altruism, a willingness to sacrifice for those beyond their personal kin — sometimes to total strangers — for no personal gain.

I wonder about that. I read recently about a gorilla that picked up a child who fell unconscious into a zoo pen and cradled him until he was rescued by the keepers. Then I heard of an elephant that lifted

children onto its back with its trunk and walked them to safety before the tsunami waters were even seen. I guess these were instinctive actions, but who knows?

Altruism is certainly an attribute that crosses all world cultures and economies and motivates cooperation within larger communities.

According to "Mr. Google" of the World Wide Web, altruism is an ethical concept first described in 1851 by an Italian, Auguste Comte. He called it the pursuit of good for the other person; benevolence as opposed to selfish propensities. Although he also included support for Darwin's theories because he included "behaviour that promotes survival chances of others at the cost of one's own" in his definition of altruism, primarily his definition was self-sacrifice by loving others as oneself.

This idea of loving oneself first in order to love others is a conundrum for many people, especially women, who equate it with selfishness.

In the counseling profession today we spend a lot of time teaching people that giving must come from a deep well of personal respect, otherwise it robs the self and leads to problems with body image, abusive relationships and other issues. We help them develop a secure base of self-

esteem so they are less passive, less apt to give themselves away too readily.

Some anthropologists believe altruism rises from an interaction between culture and genes ratcheted together through time and experience. In some cultures, like the Inuit, selfish people are banished so the group can survive.

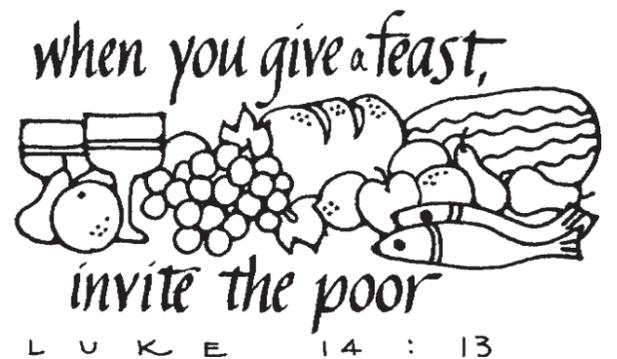
It seems to me our money culture discourages the spread of altruism by locking people and organizations into zero-sum competitive relationships. The international monetary aid system creates third world debt that drives some countries into bankruptcy. In these cases, helping others creates a huge disadvantage.

I also see what some social scientists describe as a very limited form of altruism. Philanthropists who believe themselves to be the souls of integrity, pursue a "you scratch my back and I'll scratch yours," kind of charity

that assumes generosity will be reciprocated. Instead of an expression of love for humanity or of caring for social betterment (so important to us social work types), it is a cool calculation of quid pro quo. We all know these reputation builders. Every work place has a few. Their well-targeted good deeds are done for personal gain, to enhance their own image, status, profit or position.

We strengthen our communities and families when we model altruism to our children. They learn to respect others only if we do. We have the good news that Christians are called to altruism and generosity. Our churches are great base camps, offer a good start for our young — if we just get in the Spirit.

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INTERCESSIONS

JUNE

¶20: Parish of Cambridge & Waterborough, (vacant) the Rev. Brenda McKnight, priest-in-charge; the Rev. Ken Brown. In Recife, Jesus From Nazareth Anglican Station, the Rev. Fernando Acosta.

¶21: Parish of Campbellton, the Rev. Arnold Godsoe. In Recife, Bethesda Anglican Station, the Rev. Juciara Crasto.

¶22: Parish of Campobello, the Rev. Capt. Charles Smart, priest-in-charge; Canon Basil Buckland (retired). In Recife, Martin Luther King Anglican Station, the Rev. Israel Pereira Cardoso, OSF.

¶23: Parish of Canterbury, the Rev. Jane Arnott interim priest, ArchdeaconWalter Williams priest-in-charge. In Recife, Nativity Anglican Station, the Rev. Bruno Luiz Teles de Almeida, OSF.

¶24: Parish of Carleton, the Rev. Howard Anningson; Michael Amirault, student. In Recife, Ipojuca Anglican Station, the Rev. Geison Vasconcelos.

¶25: Parish of Central Kings, the Rev. Robert LeBlanc. Mount Moriah Anglican Station, the Rev. Miguel Uchoa, Márcio José de Sousa Simões lay minister, assistant.

¶26: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Okinawa, Japan, Bishop David Stohl Tani. Diocese of Recife, Communion Anglican Parish, the Rev. Márcio Medeiros Meira. Diocese of Yukon, Dawson City - St. Paul, Moosehide - St. Barnabas, Eagle, Alaska - St. John, the Klondike Creeks, the Dempster Highway, ArchdeaconJohn Tyrrell, (Archdeacon of the Klondike), Deacon Carol Tyrrell & family, Deacon Percy Henry, ArchdeaconKen Snider, honorary assistant, Aldene Snider & family, Mabel Henry, Shirley Pennell, licensed lay ministers, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

¶27: Parish of Chatham, the Rev. Alan Reynolds; the Rev. Eric Caldwell (retired). In Recife, Mandacaru Anglican Station, the Rev. Jorge Aquino, OSE, Jocelenilton Gomes da Silva lay minister, assistant.

¶28: Christ Church Cathedral, Dean Keith Joyce, the Ven Geoffrey Hall, honorary assistant. In Recife, Christ The Redeemer Anglican Station, José Fernandes lay minister.

¶29: Parish of Coldbrook & St. Mary's, the Rev. Gregory McMullin; Canon Brian Champion (retired). In Recife, House of Prayer Station, Roberta Araújo lay minister.

¶30: Parish of Dalhousie, the Rev. Andrew Fraser. Burning Bush Anglican Station, Josenaide Maria Lopes Pereira lay minister.

JULY

¶1: Parishes of Denmark and Grand Falls, the Rev. Julie Armstrong; Terence Chandra, Wycliffe. In Recife, Peace Anglican Station, Solange Cristina Pereira lay minister.

¶2: Parish of Derby & Blackville,

the Rev. Douglas Barrett. In Recife, New Life Anglican Station, Marconi Alves de Oliveira lay minister.

¶3: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Oregon, USA, Bishop Johnny Itty. Diocese of Recife, Mount Moriah Anglican Station, the Rev. Miguel Uchoa, lay minister Márcio José de Sousa Simões, assistant, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti & staff. Diocese of Yukon, Old Crow - St. Luke, Rev. Deacon Marion Schafer, Esau Schafer & family, lay ministry team, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

¶4: Parish of Dorchester & Sackville, the Rev. Kevin Stockall; the Rev. Peter Champion, chaplain, Rothesay Netherwood School. Diocesan Office, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti, Recife Brazil.

¶5: Parish of Douglas & Nashwaaksis, Canon William MacMullin. In Recife, Holy Trinity Anglican Cathedral, the Very Rev. Sérgio Andrade, Rev. Edmar Carvalho Pimentel, osf, auxiliary.

¶6: Parishes of East Saint John & St. James (Saint John), the Rev. Robyn Cuming; the Rev. Neville Cheeseman (retired). In Recife, Emmanuel Anglican Parish, the Rev. Ian Meldrum, the Rev. Vera Nascimento, coadjutor.

¶7: Parish of Fredericton, ArchdeaconJohn Sharpe, assistant curate the Rev. Elaine Hamilton, Capt. Bonnie Hunt, youth director. In Recife, Resurrection Anglican Parish, ArchdeaconLuiz Souza de França.

¶8: Parish of Fredericton Junction, (vacant), Canon Philip Ward, interim priest-in-charge; Ellen Curtis, Wycliffe. Good Samaritan Parish, the Rev. Manoel Severino Moraes, OSE, the Rev. Fábio Vasconcelos, coadjutor.

¶9: Parish of Gagetown, the Rev. Gerald Laskey. In Recife, Holy Spirit Anglican Parish, the Rev. Miguel Uchoa Cavalcanti, the Rev. Geison Sávio de Holanda, coadjutor, the Rev. Fernando Acosta, assistant.

¶10: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Owo, Nigeria, Bishop James Adedayo Oladunjoye. Diocese of Recife, Mandacaru Anglican Station, the Rev. Jorge Aquino, OSE, lay minister Jocelenilton Gomes da Silva, assistant, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti & staff. Diocese of Yukon, Sarah Usher, Diocesan Administrative Officer, members of the Diocesan Executive Committee, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

¶11: Parish of Gondola Point, the Rev. George Eves; the Rev. Barry Cohen-Thorley (retired). In Recife, Saint Paul Anglican Parish, the Rev. Juciara Rodrigues.

¶12: Parish of Grand Manan, (vacant), Bishop George Lemmon, interim priest-in-charge. Redeemer Anglican Parish, the Rev. Vera Lúcia Lins

Silva, interim rector, the Rev. Nadja Lins, assistant.

¶13: Parish of Hammond River, the Rev. Peter Gillies; the Rev. Wally Collett (retired). In Recife, Good Shepherd Anglican Parish, Dom Filadelfo Oliveira Neto, OSE, interim rector, the Rev. Bruno Luiz Teles de Almeida, OSF, assistant.

¶14: Parish of Hampton, (vacant) the Rev. Wally Collett, interim. In Recife, Christ The Saviour Anglican Parish, Dom Filadelfo Oliveira Neto, OSE, interim rector, the Rev. Bruno Luiz Teles de Almeida, OSF, assistant.

¶15: Parish of Hardwicke, the Rev. Don Hamilton; Marian Lucas-Jeffries, Atlantic School of Theology. In Recife, Reconciliation Anglican Parish, the Rev. Claudio de Souza Linhares, OSF, the Rev. Lillian P. da Costa Linhares, OSF assistant, the Rev. Claudio Norberto OSF, assistant.

¶16: Parish of Kent, the Rev. John Pearce, priest-in-charge. In Recife, Redemption Parish, ArchdeaconMaria Gorete Correia, OSE.

¶17: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Patna, North India, Bishop Philip Phembuar Marandih. Diocese of Recife, Christ The Redeemer Station, José Fernandes lay minister, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti & staff. Diocese of Yukon, Pattie Tetlich Yukon Apostolate, Bishop's School of Yukon Ministries, the Rev. Deacon Susan Titterington, diocesan youth coordinator, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

¶18: Parish of Kingston, the Rev. Bonnie LeBlanc; the Rev. John Cooper. In Recife, Jesus From Nazareth Anglican Parish, the Rev. Severino Abel da Silva, OSF

¶19: Parish of Lakewood, the Rev. Douglas Patstone. In Recife, Sower Anglican Parish, the Rev. Quintino Orenge.

¶20: Parish of Lancaster, the Rev. Chris McMullen; the Rev. Wally Corey (retired). In Recife, Mediator Parish, ArchdeaconArthur Cavalcanti, the Rev. João Cândia Peixoto coadjutor, the Rev. Gustavo Gilson, assistant.

¶21: Parish of Ludlow & Blissfield, the Rev. David Titus. In Recife, Saviour Parish, the Rev. Márcio Medeiros Meira, Cláudio Luiz Figueiredo de Brito, assistant lay minister.

¶22: Parish of McAdam, (vacant), the Rev. Eric Caldwell, interim priest-in-charge. In Recife, Good News Anglican Parish, the Rev. Israel P. Cardoso da Silva, OSF, Eliane Cardoso OSF, assistant lay minister.

¶23: Parish of Madawaska. (St. John the Baptist Anglican/St. Paul's United shared ministry) the Rev. Fran Bedell, deacon-in-charge. In Recife, Nativity Anglican Parish, the Rev. Jorge Aquino, OSE, Rodson Ricardo, OSE, assistant lay minister.

¶24: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Peterborough, Canterbury, Bishop Ian P.M. Cundy. Diocese of Recife, House Of Prayer Station, Roberta

Araújo lay minister, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti & staff. Diocese of Yukon, Mission Education & PWRDF Co-ordinator Rev. David Pritchard, Diocesan ACW President, Gloria Hockley and all ACW Members, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

¶25: Parish of Marysville, the Rev. John Cathcart; the Rev. Dr. Barry Craig. In Recife, Communion Anglican Parish, the Rev. Márcio Medeiros Meira.

¶26: Parishes of Maugerville & Oromocto, the Rev. Keith Howlett. In Recife, Living Waters Anglican Parish, the Rev. Siméa Meldrum.

¶27: Parish of Millidgeville, Canon Alvin Westgate, priest and rector, the Rev. Canon Brian Champion, honorary assistant, the Rev. Paul McCracken, honorary assistant. The Rev. Patricia Craig, Hospice Saint John. In Recife, Olive Garden Parish, the Rev. Maurício Coelho, the Rev. Estevão Menezes OSE coadjutor, the Rev. Marco Antonio Mota & André Luiz de Souza lay minister, assistants.

¶28: Parish of Minto & Chipman, the Rev. Eileen Irish. Philadelphia Anglican, the Rev. Luiz Marcos Silva, OSE, Roberta Alexandra Lyra de Almeida lay minister, assistant.

¶29: Parish of Moncton, the Rev. Chris VanBuskirk. Michael Amirault, student. In Recife, Freedom Anglican, Lay Minister Júlio Gomes.

¶30: Parish of Musquash, the Rev. Bonnie Baird. Christ The Liberator Anglican, Flávio Adair lay minister.

¶31: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Port Elizabeth, Southern Africa, Bishop Nceba Bethlehem Nopece. Diocese of Recife, Burning Bush Anglican Station, Josenaide Maria Lopes Pereira lay minister, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti & staff.

Diocese of Yukon, those retired from the Diocese - 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, the Rev. Geoffrey & Rosalind Dixon, Marion Carroll, Edith Josie, licensed lay minister, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

¶32: Parish of New Bandon, Archdeacon Patricia Drummond. In Recife, Hope Anglican, ArchdeaconQuintino Orenge, Manoel Nunes lay minister, assistant.

¶33: Parishes of Newcastle & Nelson, the Rev. Richard

Steeves; the Rev. Montague Cutts (retired). In Recife, Consoler Anglican, the Rev. Antonio Costa de Oliveira.

¶4: Parish of New Maryland, the Rev. Bruce McKenna. In Recife, Salvation Anglican, Jeane G. Arruda de M. Coelho, lay minister.

¶5: Parish of Pennfield, the Rev. Keith Osborne; Terence Chandra, Wycliffe. In Recife, Saint Francis Anglican Station, the Rev. Severino Abel da Silva, OSF.

¶6: Parish of Portland, the Rev. Gordon Thompson. In Recife, Bethel Anglican Station, the Rev. Evilásio Tenório da Silva Júnior.

¶7: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle, Rupert's Land, Bishop Duncan Douglas Wallace. Diocese of Recife, Peace Anglican Station, Solange Cristina Pereira lay minister, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti & staff. Diocese of Yukon, Whitehorse - Christ Church Cathedral, Dean Peter Williams & Barbara Williams, the Rev. Mary Battaja, associate priest, Lino Battaja & family.

ArchdeaconArthur Privett & Muriel Privett (honourary assistant), Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

¶8: Parish of Prince William, (vacant). In Recife, Saint Stephen Anglican Station, the Rev. Carlos Alberto Tomé da Silva, OSE, ML. Frei Hélio Holmes, OSE, assistant.

¶9: Parish of Quispamsis, the Rev. John Tremblay. In Recife, Saint Luke Anglican Station, Samuel Hansen, evangelist.

¶10: Parish of Renforth, the Rev. Eric Phinney; the Rev. Terry Doncaster (on leave). In Recife, Mount Zion Anglican Station, the Rev. Sérgio Andrade, Adilson Ferreira da Silva OSF lay minister, assistant.

¶11: Parish of Restigouche, the Rev. Andrew Fraser. Jesus From Nazareth Anglican Station, the Rev. Fernando Acosta.

¶12: Parish of Richmond, the Rev. Christopher Hayes; Ellen Curtis, Wycliffe. In Recife, Bethesda Anglican Station, the Rev. Juciara Crasto.

¶13: Parish of Riverview, Canon Albert Snelgrove. Martin Luther King Anglican Station, the Rev. Israel Pereira Cardoso, OSF.

¶14: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Remo, Nigeria, Bishop Michael Fape. Diocese of Recife, New Life Anglican Station, Marconi Alves de Oliveira lay minister, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti & staff.

Diocese of Yukon, Fort Nelson - St. Mary Magdalene, Toad River, Alaska Highway mile 150-506, the Rev. Fred Carson, Marcia Carson and Matthew, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

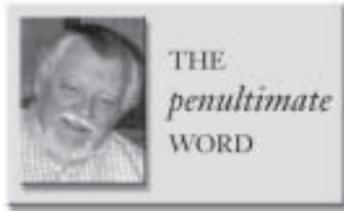
¶15: Parish of Rothesay, ArchdeaconRichard McConnell; Lt. Cdr. the Rev. Rick Durrett, chaplain, St Luke's Chapel, CFB Gagetown. In Recife, Nativity Anglican Station, the Rev. Bruno

Get real! We are the Body

BY JIM IRVINE

“Anglicans drink their religion straight. Nothing to distract from their misery.”

The Da Vinci Code (page 346)



My copy came home wrapped in a grocery bag.

Friends and acquaintances spoke highly of Dan Brown's *The Da Vinci Code*, almost in tones reserved for holy writ. Book clubs studied the piece with a discipline unknown by most Bible study groups. The book I held in my hands was taken seriously. For many it was a point of reference.

Settled into my reading chair, a mug of strong coffee within reach, I cracked the book and began to read. The unfolding of a conspiratorial mystery grabbed my attention.

The story is hung by sinews of fiction on a skeleton of reality. The plot took me on a feverish race toward investigation and discovery. Had the premise of the story been espionage, I would not have been so affected. But this was no formula who-done-it.

This story dealt with the intrigue of faith and applied the conspiratorial turn of the screw to issues about which we often harbour suspicion, doubt and fear, but about which we seldom speak. When these issues are vested in the liturgical robes of ghosts haunting ancient sanctuaries, belief is suspended and the novel takes on a new life.

This book would take more than one pot of coffee.

Brown understands the need for serious adult study of the faith — not simply to discredit the plot of the Priory of Sion and the Knights Templar with its suspicions of the Roman Catholic Curia — but to begin to address Jesus' question to Simon Peter: “And you, who do you say I am?”

Truth expressed in fiction demands a critical assessment so the reader may cleave the two. The homicide and intrigue, the wonderful myth of the Holy Grail, the cloak-and-dagger transactions amongst cardinals and the Episcopal office charged with Opus Dei and its goals and aspirations — these are sufficient to ignite the faggots of doubt and suspicion and burst another conspiracy into flames. They are reminiscent of earlier fears and darker days of the Church, illumined with pyres consuming the objects of hatred.

The kernel of truth that spoke to me was the throwaway comment by Sir Leigh Teabing to Robert Langdon in the crypt of

London's ancient Temple Church: “Anglicans drink their religion straight. Nothing to distract from their misery.”

Here was no fiction, no research, and no conspiratorial suspicion. Here was an observation that added nothing to the plot but expanded the scope of the Church and made it ecumenical.

In this season of Pentecost, we are charged to bear witness for Jesus crucified and risen. As the Body of Christ we are charged to bear witness of that into which we have been baptized, Jesus' death on the cross and his Easter event. Yet it is our misery that we often proclaim and in which we are more content to exult.

At a recent gathering I observed that we are the Body of Christ, as St. Paul so often reminded his disciples. It may be a difficult concept for us to embrace in this self-centred age, but it is foundational to our being. It also elicited the dismissive response: “Jim, get real! We have our divisions!”

I had never before in my life been told to “get real,” and I found the admonition curious.

In this Pentecost season we find our unity, and in this unity we proclaim, without conspiracy, a faith totally lacking in fear and suspicion. Divisions do exist, but in them we find no cause for exultation. In spite of them we find our foundational unity in the cross and empty tomb of Jesus. Our divisions are left outside our assembly to keep company with misery and uncertainty.

In this season that will lead us throughout the summer months and into the autumn, Ordinary Time, better we say: “Bill, get real — we have our unity in Jesus who has died, who is raised, who will come again!”

Better we say: “Susan, get real, we are the Body of Christ!”

Better we say: “John, our divisions are offered on the altar of Jesus' brokenness, and we are one in him!”

Too many see us as exalting in our misery, and for that they see only a fictional Jesus with whom they may have their way. As for me, my observation remains unchanged for the reprimand.

Get real — we *are* the Body!

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Canon Jim Irvine makes his home in Fredericton.

INTERCESSIONS

AUGUST 15, CONTINUED

Luiz Teles de Almeida, OSF.
¶16: Parish of St. Andrews, Canon John Matheson. In Recife, Ipojuca Anglican Station, the Rev. Geison Vasconcelos.

¶17: Parish of St. Andrew's, Sunny Brae with Hillsborough & Riverside, the Rev. Robert Salloum; the Rev. Ernie Eldridge (retired). In Recife, Mount Moriah Anglican Station, the Rev. Miguel Uchoa, Márcio José de Sousa Simões lay minister, assistant.

¶18: Parish of St. David & St. Patrick, Canon John Matheson, priest-in-charge. In Recife, Mandacaru Anglican Station, the Rev. Jorge Aquino, OSE, Jocelenilton Gomes da Silva lay minister, assistant.

¶19: Parish of St. George, the Rev. Mary Anne Langmaid; Marian Lucas-Jeffries, Atlantic School of Theology. In Recife, Christ the Redeemer Anglican Station, José Fernandes lay minister.

¶20: Parish of St. James, Moncton, the Rev. Donald Routledge. House Of Prayer Anglican Station, Roberta Araújo lay minister.

¶21: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Ripon and Leeds-Knaresborough, York, Bishop James Harold Bell. Diocese of Recife, Holy Trinity Anglican Cathedral, the Dean Sérgio Andrade, the Rev. Edmar Carvalho Pimentel, osf, auxiliary, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti & staff. Diocese of Yukon, Telegraph Creek - St. Aidan, Dease Lake, Glenora, Outreach from Watson Lake, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

¶22: Parish of Saint John, Archdeacon Stuart Allen, the Rev. George Trentowsky, honorary assistant: Marian Lucas Jeffries, summer student, the Rev. Roy Embley (retired). In Recife, Burning Bush Station, Josenaide Maria Lopes Pereira lay minister.

¶23: Parish of St. Margaret's, Canon Jon Lownds, the Rev. John Harvey, honorary assistant. In Recife, Peace Anglican Station, Solange Cristina Pereira lay minister.

¶24: Parish of St. Mark (Stone) Church, the Rev. David Edwards; the Rev. Greg Fraser, chaplain Dorchester Correctional Centre. In Recife, New Life Anglican Station, Marconi Alves de Oliveira lay minister.

¶25: Parish of St. Martin's & Black River, the Rev. Dana Dean. In Recife, Diocesan Office, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti, Recife Brazil.

¶26: Parish of St. Mary, the Rev. Ian Wetmore. Holy Trinity Anglican Cathedral, Dean Sérgio Andrade, Rev. Edmar Carvalho Pimentel, osf, auxiliary.

¶27: Parish of St. Peter, the Rev. Dr. Ross Hebb. In Recife, Emmanuel Anglican Parish, the Rev. Ian Meldrum, the Rev. Vera Nascimento, coadjutor.

¶28: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Rumbek, Sudan,

Bishop Alapayo Manyang Kuctiel. Diocese of Recife, Emmanuel Anglican Parish, the Rev. Ian Meldrum, the Rev. Vera Nascimento, coadjutor, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti & staff. Diocese of Yukon, Carcross, Rev. David Pritchard, Tagish, Johnson's Crossing, Ven. Sean Murphy. Teslin - St. Philip's, (outreach from Watson Lake), Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

¶29: Parish of St. Philip's, the Rev. Kevin Borthwick; Mr. Charles Ferris, Diocesan Chancellor. Resurrection Anglican Parish, the Ven. Luiz Souza de França.

¶30: Parish of St. Stephen, the Rev. Peter Mills. In Recife, Good Samaritan Parish, the Rev. Manoel Severino Moraes, OSE, the Rev. Fábio Vasconcelos, coadjutor.

¶31: Parish of Salisbury & Havelock, the Rev. William Morton; the Rev. Royden Ferris (retired). In Recife, Holy Spirit Parish, the Rev. Miguel Uchoa Cavalcanti, the Rev. Geison Sávio de Holanda, coadjutor, the Rev. Fernando Acosta, assistant.

SEPTEMBER

¶1: Parish of Shediach, Archdeacon Malcolm Berry, Capt. Hugh Bateman. In Recife, Saint Paul Anglican Parish, the Rev. Juciara Rodrigues.

¶2: Parish of Simonds, (vacant), the Rev. Wally Corey, priest-in-charge; Michael Amirault, student. In Recife, Redeemer Anglican Parish, the Rev. Vera Lúcia Lins Silva, interim rector, the Rev. Nadja Lins, assistant.

¶3: Parish of Stanley, the Rev. Dr. Ranall Ingalls. In Recife, Good Shepherd Anglican Parish, Dom Filadelfo Oliveira Neto, OSE, interim rector, the Rev. Bruno Luiz Teles de Almeida, OSF, assistant.

¶4: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Salisbury-Ramsburg, Canterbury, Bishop Peter Fearnley Hullah. Diocese of Recife, Resurrection Anglican Parish, Archdeacon Luiz Souza de França, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti & staff. Diocese of Yukon, Watson Lake - St. John the Baptist, Lower Post, Swift River, the Rev. Deacon Lesley Wheeler-Dame, Eric Dame & family, the Rev. Canon David Kalles, Alice Kalles & family, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

¶5: Parish of Sussex, the Rev. David Barrett, the Rev. Ellen Curtis, assistant curate; Lt. Col. John Fletcher, chaplain to the military. In Recife, Christ The Saviour Anglican Parish, Dom Filadelfo Oliveira Neto, OSE, interim rector, the Rev. Bruno Luiz Teles de Almeida, OSF, assistant.

¶6: Parish of Tobique, the Rev. David Perks. In Recife, Reconciliation Parish, the Rev. Claudio de Souza Linhares, OSF, the Rev. Lílian P. da Costa Linhares, OSF assistant, the Rev. Claudio Norberto OSF, assistant.

¶7: Parish of Upham, the Rev. Philip Pain; the Rev. William Forgrave (retired). In Recife, Redemption Anglican Parish, the Ven. Maria Gorete Correia, OSE.

¶8: Parish of Upper Kennebecasis & Johnson, the Rev. Leo Martin. In Recife, Jesus From Nazareth Parish, the Rev. Severino Abel da Silva, OSF

¶9: Parish of Victoria, Canon David Kierstead; Terence Chandra, Wycliffe. In Recife, Sower Parish, the Rev. Quintino Orenge.

¶10: Parish of Waterford & St. Mark, the Rev. Allen Tapley. In Recife, Mediator Anglican Parish, Archdeacon Arthur Cavalcanti, the Rev. João Cândia Peixoto coadjutor, the Rev. Gustavo Gilson, assistant.

¶11: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Saskatoon, Rupert's Land, the Rev. Rodney Osborne Andrews, Bishop Thomas Oliver Morgan. Diocese of Recife, Good Samaritan Parish, the Rev. Manoel Severino Moraes, OSE, the Rev. Fábio Vasconcelos, coadjutor, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti & staff. Diocese of Yukon, Atlin - St. Martin, Deacon Vera Kirkwood and family, Dorothy Odian licensed lay minister & family, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

¶12: Parish of Westmorland, the Rev. Rufus Onyewuchi, priest-in-charge; Canon David Genge (retired). Saviour Anglican Parish, the Rev. Márcio Medeiros Meira, Cláudio Luiz Figueiredo de Brito, assistant lay minister.

¶13: Parish of Wicklow, Wilmott, Peel & Aberdeen, the Rev. Douglas Painter. In Recife, Good News Anglican Parish, the Rev. Israel P. Cardoso da Silva, OSF, Eliane Cardoso OSF, assistant lay minister.

¶14: Parish of Woodstock, Archdeacon Walter Williams: the Rev. James Golding (retired). In Recife, Nativity Parish, the Rev. Jorge Aquino, OSE, Rodson Ricardo, OSE, assistant lay minister.

¶15: Parish of Andover, the Rev. John Mills. In Recife, Communion Anglican Parish, the Rev. Márcio Medeiros Meira.

¶16: Parish of Bathurst, the Rev. Roderick Black. In Recife, Living Waters Anglican Parish, the Rev. Siméa Meldrum.

¶17: Parish of Bright, the Rev. Anthony Kwaw. In Recife, Olive Garden Parish, the Rev. Maurício Coelho, the Rev. Estevão Menezes OSE coadjutor, the Rev. Marco Antonio Mota & André Luiz de Souza lay minister, assistants.

¶18: Clergy and people of the Diocese of Shyira, Rwanda, Bishop John Rucyahana Kabango. Diocese of Recife, Holy Spirit Anglican Parish, the Rev. Miguel Uchoa Cavalcanti, the Rev. Geison Sávio, Bishop Robinson Cavalcanti & staff. Diocese of Yukon, Communities of Faro and Ross River, Bishop Terry Buckle, Blanche and family. Claude, our bishop, William, George and Harold, retired bishops, and their families.

YOUTH

Keepin' Current

Prayer for the C2C Mission Team

Lord, we pray for safety and health for the team travelling to Cuba, and for an understanding of our different cultures and a new language.

We ask for harmony among the team members and for the strengthening of new friendships. Let them trust in you, so that nothing will hinder your work.

We ask your peace for the families, friends and parishes here in our diocese as we join with them in support and prayer.

We ask your blessing on those with whom we will be staying in Cuba as they open their homes to sisters and brothers from another country.

We pray that everyone will be touched in new ways and will freely share their experiences with others.

Let us all remember the words of Mother Teresa: Together we can do something beautiful for God.

Mark your calendar

Manna

A diocesan-wide event for 11 to 15-year olds happens Nov. 5 at Christ Church (Parish) Church Fredericton.

Cathedral Youth Service

June 19
6:30 p.m.
Everyone Welcome

Christ Church Cathedral
Fredericton

Info 450-8500,
office@christchurchcathedral.com

U 2 SERVICE



CHRIS HAYES

On Friday evening, May 13, nearly 50 people (most of them young) attended a U 2 Service at St. John's Church in Richmond Corner. The service was built around the music and videos of concert footage of the popular Christian rock band. The Rev. Chris Hayes led the service, which he felt was very well received.

I'm curious, George ...

What youth ministry programs do you use or recommend?

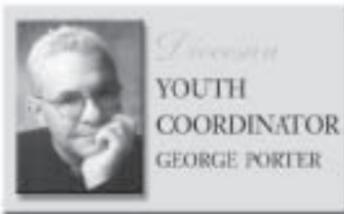
This is one of the questions I am most frequently asked by those who work with youth. On the one hand the answer is easy.

None.

I have never found a youth ministry program that is a one-size-fits-all deal. I doubt that there is one. The Journey to Adulthood is one of the better ones, but it is so very demanding in time and commitment for a parish, that few carry it through.

I am also sometimes afraid of the question because many people still think that doing ministry with young people is primarily a matter of finding the right program. 'If you build it — put it on — they will come.' Many people approach program as an easy short-cut, but there are no easy shortcuts to relationships — and relationships are at the heart of youth ministries.

I'm also concerned that most youth ministry programs tend to try to tell young people what to think



or believe. I'm convinced that one of the major reasons why up to 80 per cent of young people who are active in their parish or youth group will drop out by the time that they're in mid-university is because they are often told what to think or believe. They've not been taught how to think or discern beliefs.

Most have not been shown real connections between biblical stories or studies and their real lives either. Many have had lots of Christian education, but have not experienced spiritual formation. Many young people don't know how to live christianly because they've not made the connection, and we have generally not equipped them to do so.

There are plenty of good, easily accessible resources around today for youth ministry. Youth Alpha, Youth Emmaus, Youth Ministry Specialties, Emergent, Group, and many others offer lots of good things. These all need to be mined for ideas that are then adapted and creatively shaped for the realities of the local context. Youth ministries have no one-size-fits-all.

Resources cannot take the place of cultivating supportive, nurturing and authentic relationships with young people any more than programs can. There is no substitute for that demanding and costly process of forming these relationships, but it is in the context of these relationships that spiritual formation of young disciples takes place. Then the connections are made between believing and believing.

The Rev. Dr. George Porter is Diocesan Canon for Youth.

Worth Checking Out

A resource recommendation from George

Experiential Youth Ministry Handbook: How Intentional Activity Can Make the Spiritual Stuff Stick. by John Losey. Youth Specialties Books Zondervan, 2004.

Part one of the book is an excellent and concise introduction to experiential learning theory and how this applies to spiritual formation of young people.

The second, longer part of the book, is an activity resource.

Can be ordered from Anglican House through a Canadian supplier. \$23.99

"Remember now the Creator in the days of your youth..." —Ecclesiastes 12:1

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