



ACW Launching Out

OUR PURPOSE

- To unite women in a fellowship of worship, study, and offering which will deepen and strengthen their own spiritual lives, and lead them into Christian service in parish, community, diocese, nation, and world.
- To work for and sustain an informed interest in the mission of the Church.



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Diocesan ACW Annual Meeting

Tuesday, May 5th
& Wednesday, May 6th

"Let Your Light Shine"

St. James the Less
Anglican Church,
1760 Rothesay Rd.,
Rothesay, N.B.

ROOMS:
20 non-smoking rooms
being held at
Quality Inn & Suites Amsterdam,
114 Millenium Drive,
Quispamsis N.B.
506-849-8050

All rooms have 2 queen beds.
Single rooms \$106,
double \$116;
Hot breakfast included.
Room rates expire
March 30.

Tuesday Registration:
9:30 a.m.
Service:
10:30 a.m

St. James the Less
has a large flat parking lot
with enough space for
everyone to park

POSTPONED

BANQUET:
St. Luke's Anglican Church,
Parish of Gondola Point,
12 Quispamsis Road,
Quispamsis

REGISTER:
PAULA ADAMS,
16 KENSINGTON AVE.
QUISPAMISIS, N.B.
E2E 2T9

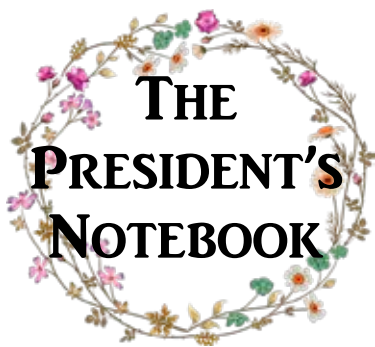
Due to COVID-19 concerns, the Synod Office is closed to the public. However, we are still operational – staff are working from home, so please use email to contact them. For email links, visit anglican.nb.ca, click on about>staff.

- PLEASE NOTE: The staff workday is 8:30-4:30. Please respect their personal time.



NOTE: The office phone system has malfunctioned and will not accept messages.

*Launching Out is posted on the Diocese of Fredericton web site (anglican.nb.ca.)
Members, please post or circulate this newsletter in your ACW branch.*



Linda Fury



AVERY LUTKENHOFF ON UNSPLASH

Spring has arrived - even though looking outside, it still resembles winter.

The temperature continues to rise, however, and we do know the snow will melt. Green grass — and dandelions — are not far behind. Birds can be heard singing, and the sky seems bluer than ever before.

We need to look outside, and walk or sit outside if possible. There we can see the wonders of God.

As you have already heard, we have decided to postpone our annual meeting. It will still take place, but we cannot, at this time, say when that will happen.

The safety and well-being of members are a most important

consideration, as well as the well-being of the people of the Diocese, the province, the country and the world.

We ALL need to be on the same page in this matter.

We are better off in many ways than our ancestors were in 1918-19 when the last pandemic occurred. We now have the telephone, email, and video chat — if you would like to see the person to whom you are speaking.

My daughter informed me of video chat when I returned from Florida to two weeks isolation. She, and the grandchildren, thought they should see me and make sure I was really here!

We also can now have

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necessities delivered to the door. Health care workers can now come to you if necessary. Doctors can now hold appointments with you by phone.

We WILL survive! We are one in Christ, one in community, one with the world.

“Let us join our voices to all

of God’s creation, singing our joys and pains, hopes fears and doubts — offering our voices to God.” (quote by the Rev. Lid Haugen-Strand).

“For nothing is impossible with God,” (Luke 1-37)

Thanks be to God.

Linda Fury, president

The deadline for names for the Book of Remembrance is now — April 1!

Book of Remembrance - Roll of Honour

Please notify Linda Collins LeBans and your Deanery representative with the names of those who should be entered into the Book of Remembrance. If you would like to put a member on the Roll of Honour, please contact Linda at 506-454-2649; email: lclebans@gmail.com or 55 Woodfield Crescent, Fredericton, N.B. E3B 2N2

Please allow sufficient time for Roll of Honour certificates.



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Submit articles up to 600 words.
Articles may be edited as necessary for length and clarity. Please send to:
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Annual meeting postponed due to pandemic

Tentatively rescheduled for June 2-3, same location

BY ROSEMARIE KINGSTON

I have been in contact with many of our ACW members concerning the COVID-19 virus and how it will affect our ACW upcoming meetings.

I have spoken with our Diocesan ACW president, Linda Fury, twice recently by phone.

As many of you know, Linda winters in Florida. It has been very trying for her as she was to fly out on March 30.

With flights being canceled, Linda was able to drive home with a fellow Canadian, but it was a last minute chance, so she was furiously trying to gather up her belongings and cancel services such as internet etc. the last time I spoke to her.

As I am the past diocesan ACW president, Linda reached out to me and we made two

emergency executive decisions.

Linda is in self-imposed isolation after returning to Canada from another country. Thus we postponed the April 6 diocesan ACW executive meeting.

Because of the age of our membership and the warnings we are hearing on how this virus affects the elderly, we also postponed our annual meeting. (Remember both Linda and I are over 60, LOL!)

We have no date for the executive meeting; that will be announced later. I have tentatively rescheduled our annual meeting until June 2-3, in the same place, St. James the Less on the Rothesay Road in Rothesay.

This tentative date may have to be changed again, so watch for further announcements.

I have spoken with Paula Adams who is handling the registration for our annual meeting. She has not cashed



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any cheques and will not cash the cheques for registration until we have further information and have definite dates.

This is a very trying time for all us. Yesterday, March 20, my husband celebrated his 70th birthday.

I had planned a small dinner party with our family, but plans had to change as some family are essential service workers and did not want to take a chance of

infecting Darryl or me.

Needless to say, I was disappointed that we were not able to gather to celebrate this milestone in my husband's life.

However, when things do not go my way, I make my gratitude list to remind myself to focus on what I do have and to take the focus off what I don't have. Doing this gratitude list is helping me with my cabin fever.

As sisters in Christ we do have so much to be thankful for. My faith tells me I am not alone in this crisis and 'this, too, shall pass.'

I am extremely grateful to Bishop David and my home priest-in-charge Rob Montgomery for their daily messages and talks. Again, I am not alone.

Blessings, love and serenity.
Your sister in Christ,
Rosemarie Kingston



Reminders from Launching Out

- The deadline for submissions is always the 22nd of the month before publication: Aug. 22 for September; Oct. 22 for November; Jan. 22 for February and March 22 for April.
- Launching Out needs your news! Please consider sharing your news so it can be included in the next publication of Launching Out. Don't hide it under a bushel — let it shine!

From your diocesan ACW treasurer

As I get the financial books balanced and closed for 2019 (with a lot of help from past treasurer Joyce McElman), I would like to thank all the branches who sent in their yearly dues.

Below is the Branch Treasurer's Form that each branch is to use and send to me at the address on the bottom of the form. Please include the Branch Treasurer's name, address, phone

number and email, if available. I look forward to accepting all dues and monies throughout the year.

I would appreciate all dues and monies in by the second week of December, 2020. If you have any questions, my phone number and email are on the form. See you all at the Annual!
Cathy Lutes



Branch Treasurer's Report Form

Please read information carefully before completing the form.

Date: _____

Deanery: _____

Church: _____

Place: _____

Divinity Scholarship Fund

Administration Fund - \$50 per Branch

Social Action Fund - \$25 per Branch

Extra-Cent-A-Day Fund

Our Fair Share

Helen Burton Fund

Diocesan Camps Projects

Camp Medley

Camp Brookwood

Paul Jeffries' Stipend

Bishop McAllister College, Uganda

Farraline Place

Farraline Place Roof Fund

PWRDF

Council of the North

Threshold Ministries (Church Army renamed)

Kara and Nelson Mejia - Honduras

Anglican Foundation of Canada - ACW Trust Fund

Other

TOTAL: _____

Name of Branch Treasurer: _____ Phone# _____

Postal Address: _____

E-mail: _____

PLEASE make cheque payable to: ACW, Diocese of Fredericton, and mail to: Cathy Lutes, Diocesan ACW Treasurer; 87 Venus Crescent, Hanwell, NB E3C 1N1
(E-mail: lutescathy@hotmail.com); Phone: 506-459-3265

St. Luke's ACW installation of officers



Feb. 16 was ACW Sunday at St. Luke's in the Parish of Woodstock, with 61 people attending, including seven children, and members of St. Luke's ACW branch. It was a wonderful time of worship, prayer, and fellowship. Presider was the Rev. Shirley Noseworthy and the preacher was curate Rev. Harold Boomer.

The executive and officers of St. Luke's ACW branch for 2020 were installed: president Jill Craig, past president Vivian Belyea, recording secretary Jean Collicott, treasurer Betty Butler, corresponding secretary Ruth Hall; family life Judi Anderson; social action Emily Clark; education secretary Lynne Slipp; extra cent-a-day Vivian Belyea; lunch and devotion Marion Robinson; united thank offering Betty Butler.

Members participated in the service as follows: greeters were Olive Noseworthy and Judi Anderson; readers were Jill Craig, Rosalie Brown and Jean Collicott; refreshments were provided by Betty Butler, Lynne Slipp and Vivian Belyea.



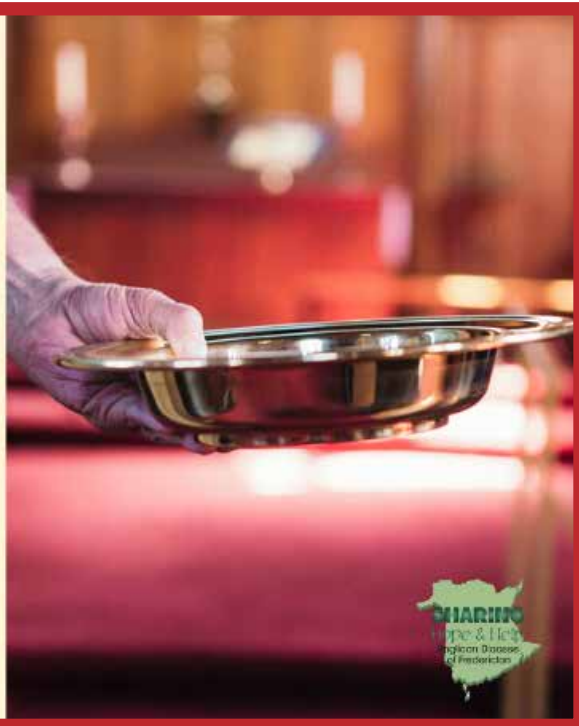
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continue your offerings?

Consider signing up for
e-offering!

Contact
eoffering@anglican.nb.ca
for details or visit:
<https://nb.anglican.ca/resources/eoffering>

*There's never been
a better time to
sign up for e-offering!*



On The Journey, with Eva Morton

Let's not squander this gift of isolation

"Create in me a clean heart,
O God, and put a new and
right spirit within me."
(Psalm 51:10)



Well, what an unusual Lent
this has turned out to be! All
our self-prescribed Lent-
en disciplines have been
well and truly trumped by
COVID-19.

Surprisingly, rather than
groaning at the need for so-
cial distancing, I have found
myself feeling liberated. I'm
starting to notice little things
about my place that need to
be done. I'm re-arranging
stuff. I have the time to stop
and pay attention.

I'm not rushing out the
door two or three times a day.
I have a surplus of stamps
left over from Christmas and
stacks of writing paper and
envelopes, so I'll probably get
caught up on some corre-
spondence as well.

I challenged myself
during the first week of Lent
to give away at least one
thing for each of the 40 days.

That's much easier to do,

and more satisfying, when
there's a proper "taking
stock" instead of grabbing
the first thing that comes to
hand (and regretting it later).

I donated a cherished
plate to the charity shop
where I volunteer and sold
it, with a lump in my throat,
on the very first day! You'd
think someone who had
once been through a fire
would be better at letting go
of stuff.

Letting go — that's what
Lent demands of us, and
sometimes we have little
control over how that comes
about. When we said the
prayer on Ash Wednesday,

"Create and make in us
new and contrite hearts," we
had no idea how that new
creation would manifest
itself.



CHARITY BETH LONG ON UNSPLASH

The fallout from the
pandemic currently sweep-
ing the world will change
how we live for years to
come, perhaps forever. The
social, economic and po-
litical repercussions are
enormous. Textile factories
are closing throughout Asia,
putting thousands out of
work.

Public transportation
won't be the same, and
some airlines may never
recover. The educational
opportunities of many will
be curtailed, and yet isn't it
encouraging to see so many
schools and universities
offering on-line courses as
compensation?

New things are indeed
being created. Working from
home will become easier.
Perhaps at long last we will
recognize the value of a
guaranteed basic income for

all citizens.

I think that one of the
most important outcomes
is that we are realizing how
small our world actually
is. We are not as isolated
from one another as we have
imagined. We are all in the
same boat.

Like any crisis, this is
a testing ground for how
we live as Christ in the
world. We can hunker down
and look out for ourselves, or
we can find safe ways to bless
and support others.

I don't think I need to
spell it out. I'm sure each
one of us can think of lots
of ways to make the most of
our enforced segregation.

We all know someone
we've been meaning to reach
out to, but haven't found the
time. We all have things we
should have sorted and given
away ages ago, but never got
around to it. Take my advice:
give it away before it's out of
fashion or so old it's falling
apart!

Take a walk and pray for
those who live in your neigh-
bourhood and wider com-
munity. God has given us
this time. Let's not squander
it wringing our hands and
bemoaning our lot.

Let's make a big jug of
lemonade with this batch of
lemons and share it around.
Blessings,
Eva

A message from the ACW Diocesan Treasurer

Hello all, I pray that you are all self-isolating and keeping healthy.

I wanted to assure those branches that have not sent in 2020 dues. Please know that I won't be visiting the bank to deposit any cheques I have, and will receive, until it is safe to do so. If you were planning on sending your cheque, understand that it won't be deposited in the near future. If you want to wait until church functions and life itself get back to normal, that is fine. Also, I have not begun to send receipts for last year's cheques that were sent after September. Now that time is aplenty in my household, I will be getting all the receipts emailed or sent out by mail shortly.

Thanks for your patience. Your sister in Christ, Cathy Lutes, 506-459-3265

PWRDF World of Gifts



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Parish of Newcastle-Nelson-Hardwicke donated enough money for the purchase of four farms through the World of Gifts – Primate's World Relief & Development Fund (pwrdf.org) in December. Pictured here is the ACW of Bay du Vin, which gave \$450, enough to buy one of the farms. Front row: Beth Guimond (treasurer), Betty McDougall, Lorraine Glazier and Cathy Durelle. Back row: Gwen McConnell (president), Margot Williston (secretary), Maria Smith and Lois Dolan.

DIocese OF FREDERICTON WEEKLY

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The New Brunswick Anglican is looking for stories — from you!

Problem Solution

Parishes: What have you been doing to address needs in your community and among your parishioners?

People: How have you been blessed during this uncertain time of pandemic?

Write your replies and send in for publication — ASAP!
gmcknight@diofton.ca



Thank you

Bishop David & Debbie Edwards wish to convey their sincere appreciation for your best wishes, gifts, donations to PWRDF, and your presence at their recent wedding.