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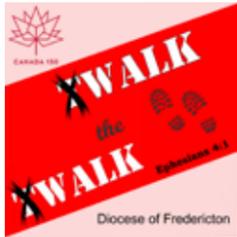
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WE'RE PILGRIMS, NOT FARMERS!

Bishop David Edwards and his fellow pilgrim and route planner Trevor Fotheringham share a light moment early in the third annual pilgrimage in the Archdeaconry of Moncton. See more on page 5.

Five ordained in June service

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

Two long-time lay leaders are now deacons, and three deacons are now priests after the June 18 service of ordination at Christ Church Cathedral. The church was just about standing-room only as a huge crowd celebrated the event.

John Galbraith and Dwight Stuart have long served in their respective parishes of Douglas and Nashwaaksis, and Fundy and the Lakes and were ordained deacons in the service on Sunday.

David Peer and Kevin McAlister have served the past year as deacons in their parishes of East Saint John; and Minto &

Chipman and Marysville respectively. Dan McMullen has served as deacon/missioner in the Kennebecasis Valley and the Parish of Upper Kennebecasis. All three were ordained priests during the service.

The Rev. Canon Kevin Stockall, priest and rector at the Parish of St. Mary, York, preached a sermon on St. John the Baptist, beginning with the shocking statistic that, as of the end of 2016, a record 65 million people have been displaced and are essentially refugees due to conflicts, violence and persecution. The United Nations report says civil war in South Sudan and Syria

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Family reunion needs some helping hands

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

If many people do a little, a lot can be accomplished.

That's the hope of the Rev. Canon David Barrett, the part-time interim priest at St. Luke's in the Parish of Portland. St. Luke's has been coping with financial difficulties, but it has a big, heartwarming project that requires some helping hands.

"St. Luke's really wants to do this, but they need help," said David. "There's no way they can do it on their own."

For some time now, a refugee family of 10 from the Democratic Republic of the Congo has been living in St. Luke's empty rectory.

Mwavita and Conquistador Kabusimbi and their eight children are fortunate to have the rec-

tory to live in, as there are probably no apartments in Saint John that could have housed them.

While the family is Roman Catholic, they are at St. Luke's most Sundays, even though they speak Swahili and French.

"It's been a real pleasure for us," said warden Deborah McEachern. "Their smiling faces warm our hearts."

A year ago, Mwavita's sister, Neema Atibu, arrived in Saint John with her four-month old baby, Regina. They lived in the rectory as well but now have their own apartment.

Her new husband had to stay in Africa because he was not part of the original refugee application. Even so, it would take between 18 months and four years after an application is sent to get him to Canada.

"A while ago the woman (Neema) came to the church and asked if we could sponsor her husband to come here," said David. "To get him here it will cost between \$12,000 and \$20,000. To St. Luke's it might as well be \$20 million."

The request was impossible to grant, but also impossible to ignore.

It so happened that Miriam Westin, daughter of Carolyn and the Rev. Dr. John Paul Westin of Stone Church in Saint John, was Neema's settlement counsellor at the local YMCA. She attended a vestry meeting and answered all their questions. The consensus was to ask for help.

The plan was to ask each

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DEBORAH MCEACHERN PHOTO

Regina and her mom, Neema Atibu, at St. Luke's Anglican Church. The Parish of Portland is trying to raise money to bring Regina's father to Saint John and is asking for help in doing so.

DIOCESAN NEWS

Fr. Kevin Stockall: 'You are called to prepare the way'

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and other crises have uprooted millions of people from their homes.

"That's the population of two Canadas," said Fr. Stockall. "It's a problem that requires incredible compassion and incredible resources."

Referring to the reading from Isaiah 40, he described the spiritual crisis the prophets had warned of.

"In addition to the loss of all the outwards signs of their deeply held symbols, they lost God too," he said. "They were a people who had lost all in every conceivable way. The words Isaiah spoke were a call to sit up and take note."

The fulfillment, though, didn't come for centuries, until the birth of a baby boy and the mute Zachariah's insistence that his son be named John.

That birth, said Fr. Stockall, was so that "those who sit in the shadow of darkness might have light. The birth of this son was a sign to Zachariah that God was doing what he promised."

To the ordinands, he said, "You are called to the path of John the Baptist, to prepare the way. The call to righteousness and justice has never been more timely.

"Darkness takes a lot of different forms," he said. "For those who risk their lives, those living in dehumanizing poverty, those who live in London high rises and on our streets, those who reside in the lowest tax brackets. Wherever you are called, it's always to be with those who sit in darkness.

"When the night comes and your work is done, Christ won't ask how many meetings you attended, how many motions



MCKNIGHT PHOTOS

Clockwise from top left: The newly ordained were all smiles after the service. From left: the Rev. Kevin McAllister, the Rev. John Galbriath, the Rev. Canon Leo Martin, the Rev. Dan McMullen, Bishop David Edwards, the Rev. Dwight Stuart and the Rev. David Peer; Laying on of hands; Reception at Cathedral Memorial Hall; The colourful procession from the hall to Christ Church Cathedral.

you seconded. He will ask if the words you've spoken served to guide people in the way of Christ."

Bishop David Edwards presided at the ordination. After the service, everyone moved to

Cathedral Memorial Hall for fellowship and refreshments. Bishop David called each of the newly ordained to the microphone to introduce family members and receive their certificates of ordination and licences.



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Requests for help sent out in June

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parish in the greater Saint John-Sussex area to do a one-time fundraiser, said David.

"With all these little fundraisers, we'd have the money in no time," he said. "It's the reunification of a family that's been apart for a whole year."

"Thirty letters were sent out

to different parishes the first of June," said Deborah. "We've heard back from two."

Those two, Musquash and Central Kings, have offered to help, but both David and Deborah acknowledge the timing of the letters — right before summer — was not good.

So they're hoping that parishes will respond now that summer is over and vestry meetings

are back on, and that other interested parishes and individuals with a heart for refugees — or family reunification — will lend a hand as well.

"It tears me apart," said Deborah. "This man hasn't seen his baby in a year. It's bad to separate families."

If you can help reunite this family, contact St. Luke's at 506-693-4152.



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THE BISHOP'S PAGE

Where do we go from here?

I find it remarkable to think that this month I will enter my fourth year as your bishop.

During the last six months, I have been taking stock and asking the question "Where do we go from here?"

In different parts of the diocese and our life together we have faced significant decisions.

Many of us have felt the pain and sadness of them. In the long run, they may prove to be good or bad, but I can say they have been made in good faith and with much prayer.

A person cannot fully understand the nature of a ministry from the outside. After three years I have great admiration for my predecessors and fully understand the idea found in the service of celebration of new ministry where it speaks of "building on the work of those who have gone before."

The advantage of the passing of time means that a clearer picture can emerge of what is needed to move things forward.

In this article, I can only give the headlines, but I believe that the following has to be our emphasis during the coming years.



What I am going to say can be summed up as follows:

Walking with Jesus, growing deeper with God.

We are to remember that the diocese is made up of parishes, which contain one or more congregations. It is the parishes which are the drivers of God's mission and ministry, the role of diocesan structures is to facilitate this.

Obviously, things will be worked out differently in each parish, but we need to have a commitment to work together for the good of us all.

I believe our first important theme is that our congregations/parishes need to grow more

into being Jesus-centred communities, not solely places where people gather for worship once a week.

In a society where loneliness is recognized as a terrible blight for people of all ages, how do we as the Church (the body of Christ) present an alternative vision to the individualism which has led us to this place, where many of our neighbours ache desperately for fellowship and love?

These gatherings do not have to be in church buildings. In fact, they can be anywhere at any time and for many reasons.

There are plenty of examples of this across the diocese and beyond. They can be organized events or just being together. Big or small. It does not matter.

The second theme is that as followers of Jesus, we are to be agents of the Kingdom of God. A buzz word used about this idea in recent years is "missional."

A great deal has been written on the subject, but what does it mean? One of the roots of this type of thinking is found in the Lord's Prayer:

"Thy Kingdom come, thy

will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

Jesus taught in the bible that he was the beginning of something new, where outsiders joined the insiders, healing of the soul was available to all, life was to be lived seeking peace with God, and a new people were to emerge, driven by the love of God and directed by the Holy Spirit.

Being a missional community means that we seek to move this forward, so that our world will change and that glory will be given to God.

As I said earlier, these are headlines. Much more detail will be needed to see them worked out in practice in our lives, congregations and communities. We must be in prayer for God to guide us in the coming days.



David Edwards is Diocesan Bishop of Fredericton.

PRINCIPAL ENGAGEMENTS

SEPTEMBER 9
DIOCESAN STEWARDSHIP DAY

SEPTEMBER 10
PARISH OF MADAWASKA

SEPTEMBER 14
DIOCESAN COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 16
DIVINE DRAMA COURSE (LOCATION TBA)

SEPTEMBER 17
* PARISH OF COLDBROOK AND ST. MARY

SEPTEMBER 21-23
VITAL CHURCH MARITIMES

SEPTEMBER 23
ST. ANN'S, WESTCOCK, 200TH ANNIVERSARY

SEPTEMBER 24
* PARISH OF NEW MARYLAND

OCTOBER 1
PARISH OF ST. ANDREWS - INDIGENOUS WEEKEND

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BISHOP'S COUNSEL

* CONFIRMATION

Summer stewardship thoughts

Over the summer I have seen examples of stewardship throughout the diocese.

In May and June Bishop David walked in my archdeaconry, and not only did the locals walk with him, but some people from other archdeaconries drove here and walked with him and Trevor, using their time to support the bishop.

Bishop David gave his time to walk with parishioners and spent time talking with them while walking and worshipping every day at a different church.

Parishioners at every parish also gave time and talent preparing meals for the walkers and being great hosts.

Another example is Diocesan

Choir School. For 60 years junior and senior choristers from all over the diocese have given their talent, time and treasures as they invest time and money to learn new music and sing God's praises

at two Evensong services as well as services at choir school itself.

During the summer my parish lost a long-time member who gave so much of herself over the years as a Sunday school teacher, organizer of card parties (that generated enough money to send our junior choristers to choir school),



active member of ACW and president for a number of years as well as serving on vestry.

She was much loved by all the parish and her heart was so big that she always had time for everyone. The church was full for her funeral — a testament to the depth of her commitment to the parish and her stewardship for the benefit of everyone.

As you read this, it will be September and Stewardship Sunday will soon take place, as will the Diocesan Stewardship Conference.

For the conference, check the website for registration information. The agenda is full of interesting speakers and examples of stewardship.

Please make every effort to attend and learn from presenters who can speak to the need for stewardship. anglican.nb.ca/register

In October I will be attending a conference organised by the National Church and it looks to be a really interesting couple of days.

I will be writing on this in subsequent issues of the NB Anglican.

Michael Briggs is the diocesan stewardship officer. He lives in Moncton.

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REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT

God's Hand At Work: More babies, more families

Part six of a series on refugee resettlement in Saint John

In June we read of the birth of little Sam — the waiting, the panic and the wonderful news of a healthy boy.

The two refugee families include mother and father, Ramadan Samir and Ilias Wedad; their adult daughter, Ruba; their adult son, Ramadan Mohammad, daughter-in-law, Mara Touk Maha and their young grandsons, Ramadan Samir and baby Sam.

The three parishes involved in their resettlement are Coldbrook & St. Mary, St. Mark (Stone) and Saint John (Trinity).

It has been a little over a year now since little Sam was born. It is difficult to believe he was one year old on July 13. How time flies!

September 7, 2016 was Little Samir's first day of kindergarten — the start of yet another new journey in Canada.

Mohammad and Maha had decided to enroll Samir in French immersion. The morning was filled with excitement, seeing all the young children gathering their first day of school and getting to meet their teachers.

In early September, just after Samir started school, we received a call from the YMCA that Maha's family, the Maratouks, were approved to come to Canada and join the rest of the family in Saint John. Another family to meet and get ready for. How exciting!

On Sept. 23, members of the team met and welcomed Maha's mother (Ghada), brother (Omar), sister-in-law (Naghah) and nephew (Ziyad) at the airport, at 1:30 a.m.!

It was a long day for them — Turkey to Toronto to Saint John. They were exhausted by the time they finally arrived.

Fortunately, with Mohammad's help, they were able to get an apartment in the same complex as Mohammad's household and his parents.

That certainly made things a lot easier and they were able to help round up furniture and necessities for the family very quickly.

By this time, Mohammad had purchased a vehicle, got his driver's license (thanks John Paul!) and had found full-time employment at the Saint John Trade and Convention Centre.

After a few months had



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Before we began this journey, the YMCA told us, "you will be changed" by being part of this humanitarian effort. How true we found those words to be.

passed the decision was made to take Little Samir out of French immersion and have him go to a school that was much closer to home. So, in January he enrolled in another school. This has worked out very well.

The year ended with news that Mohammad's other sister, Lubna, her husband and four children wanted to come to Canada.

However, since the fully government-sponsored refugee program had closed, they would need a group to privately sponsor them.

So, with John Paul Westin, rector of Stone Church, a sponsor group was formed. Called the Damascus Group at Stone, we are responsible for working with the Atlantic Baptist Con-

vention to get the applications in and approved by Immigration Canada and then, once in Canada, to help orient them and provide financial support for a year.

The spring of 2017 saw Mohammad's father, Samir and Maha's brother, Omar, get their driver's licenses and purchase vehicles.

Transportation is much easier for them now, as the families have been busy taking English classes at the YMCA.

We also found out that two more babies are/will be on the scene. Nagham had a baby boy this past summer and Maha will have another baby in November.

A special heartfelt thank you goes out to anyone who contributed in any way. All expressions

of interest, support and prayers have meant a lot.

It has been a wonderful experience and we are so blessed to have these wonderful families in our lives and have them share their lives and experiences with us.

It certainly emphasizes how fortunate and blessed we are to live here in Canada.

Before we began this journey, the YMCA told us, "you will be changed" by being part of this humanitarian effort. How true we found those words to be.

For those involved, we are forever positively changed by this experience.

And as an added bonus, it was great that we had three church congregations working as a team and working together



LEFT: Mohammad, Maha and children wait at the airport for her family to arrive from Turkey.

TOP: Little Samir, first day of school.

ABOVE: Ghada (Maha's mother), re-unites with her grandson, Samir, upon arrival at the airport in Saint John.

so wonderfully.

Thanks to Reverends John Paul Westin and Greg McMullin for encouraging this to happen and to God for making it happen.

At this point, as there is more support from the other family members, the amount of time we have spent with the families is less than what we did when Mohammad and his family first arrived.

There was so much to do and learn at that time. It has been such an interesting and exciting experience!

As we work on getting more of the family here and settled, I am sure we will be busy once again. Stay tuned for their story!

Harold McInnis worships in the Parish of Coldbrook and St. Mary.

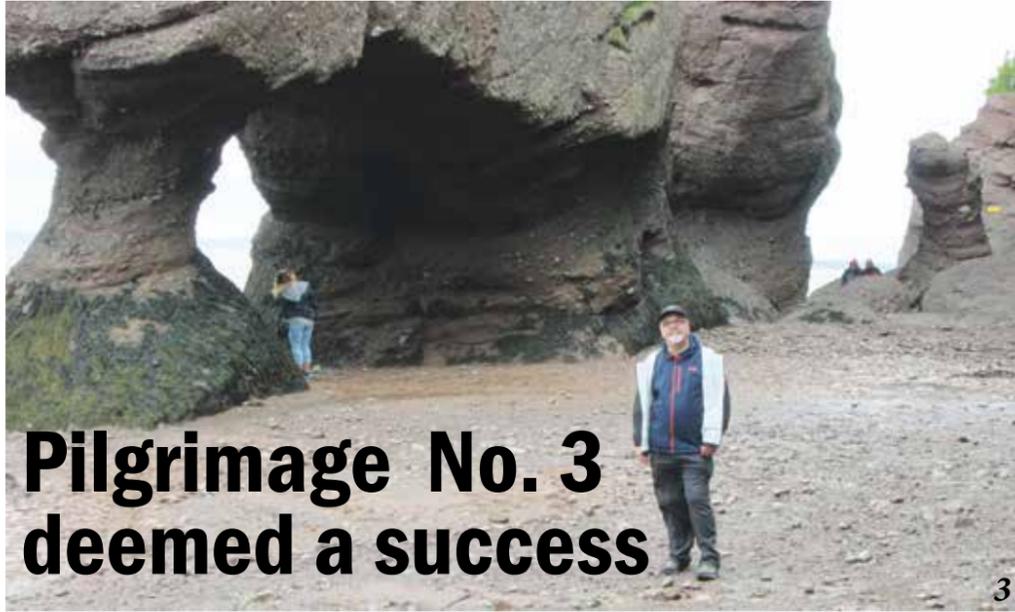
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Pilgrimage No. 3 deemed a success

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BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

Three counties, 240 kilometres, 15 days — the bishop's third annual pilgrimage wound up June 11 with a service at St. Philip's Anglican Church in Moncton.

This year Bishop David Edwards chose the Archdeaconry of Moncton in which to walk. He and walking partner Trevor Fotheringham began the trek on Sunday, May 24 after the morning service at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Browns Yard, on the Richibucto River, to St. Matthew's Anglican Church in Harcourt, a 21-kilometre walk.

That set the pace for the longest pilgrimage yet. On Wednesday, June 7, a visit to Riverglade found a group of nine walking from Pettitcodiac to Salisbury in the Parish of Salisbury and Havelock. One pilgrim was from the Parish of Richmond, Cindy Derksen, who has joined the bishop for a day's walk all three years.

"It's a wonderful outreach," she said. "I enjoy supporting the bishop. I hope I can do it each year."

Millie Estabrooks, a parish member from the area, was also along for the day.

"I wanted to come and support the bishop," she said. "So I'm walking to Salisbury today."

There has been great support for the bishop and the pilgrimage, said Trevor.

"We haven't been walking alone for any part of the pilgrimage," he said. "And the hospitality in every parish has been excellent."

The Rev. Chris Hayes was in day two of three days of walking with the bishop in his parish.

"I'm feeling better than I thought I would," he joked. "I was prepared for exhaustion, desperation and senility!"

"We had a meet and greet last night," he said. "It went really well. It was a nice, light-hearted discussion and it was very helpful too."

Three Camp Medley staff members also joined the pilgrimage for the day, as happened last year as well.

"It's a good opportunity to involve staff in greater diocesan events," said camp director Maren McLean Persaud.

This is the second pilgrimage for both Maren and Allyson Caldwell, who will run the Leaders in Training program at camp.

Kyle McGraw, another staffer, swapped his 6 a.m. run for the trek with the bishop.

Bishop David said the pilgrimage was going just as he hoped and he was achieving the goals he set: to get to know the archdeaconry and the people in it better, and share the message of Jesus with others.

"We've had a great reception all the way along," he said. "I am grateful to all the parishes."

He noted he's been "fed excellently!"

The bishop especially enjoyed the hike to Dickson Falls in Fundy National Park the day before.

"We've had some good off-road walks around Riverside-Albert and Hillsborough," he said. "And we had a great time walking up Shepody Mountain."

With lunch time looming and the temperature heating up, Chris arranged to have the former St. Peter's church in Riverglade opened. Just off their route to Salisbury, St. Peter's is in the process of being sold but it offered a respite from the heat and a place to say Mid-day Prayers.

After lunch, it was back on the road for the remaining eight

or nine kilometres to Salisbury.

The pilgrimage, however, was not without controversy. The week before, during his walk in the Parish of Shediac, the bishop met several people and a CBC camera crew on his path who were there to confront him about an ongoing issue that has been in the news — the parish's proposal to lease some of its land to a developer to build a large campground.

Opponents took the opportunity to talk to the bishop in person. Chancellor David Bell was walking with the bishop that day. Here is his first-person account:

"As we were walking a trail, two men approached and engaged the bishop in quite a discussion. Then as we rounded the next bend we found other concerned citizens in wait, together with a CBC camera crew. One of them made his case to the bishop while the CBC filmed and then the bishop gave a short interview.

"Still later, we were joined on our walk by another person concerned about the potential development. All of the interactions were polite and involved

the bishop listening and then explaining that he and Diocesan Council would not be considering the Shediac development for some time.

"The parish can apply to diocesan authorities only if it has environmental and other clearances already in place, a process still going on. Bishop Edwards is quite aware of the Shediac situation but his pilgrimage allowed him to hear from people personally.

"I was impressed by his stamina in making those same explanations over and over again," said Chancellor Bell.

The CBC story that resulted from the encounter said the bishop thanked the concerned citizens for their insights, adding "it would help his thought process."

You can view the CBC story here: <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/new-brunswick/fredericton-bishop-campground-concerns-1.4140123>

Next year's pilgrimage is tentatively set for the Archdeaconry of Woodstock. You can read and comment on the bishop's pilgrimage blog here: anglican.nb.ca/wp/pilgrimage.



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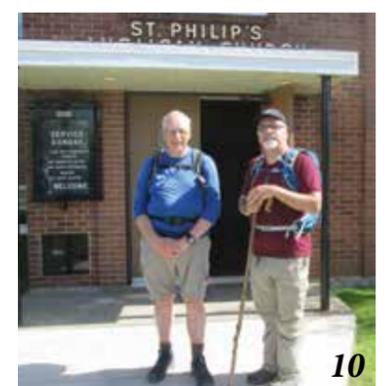
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PARISH NEWS

Their own parish pilgrimage

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

It seems pilgrimage fever has struck in the Parish of Fundy and the Lakes, outside Saint John.

Bishop David Edward's trusted fellow pilgrim and Brit, Trevor Fotheringham, and the parish rector, the Rev. Canon Leo Martin, set out on a two-day pilgrimage June 23-24 to walk 50 kilometres across the parish.

"What began as a joke about walking from one end of the parish to another became reality when I accepted Trevor's challenge of walking to raise funds for our recently purchased furnaces," said Leo.

The walk raised \$1,500 for the building fund.

But this walk had some ripple effects beyond an infusion of cash, and some might say they were just as valuable as a topped-up building fund.

"The walk allowed us to see and experience the geography of the parish, especially its many long hills," said Leo.

"The time on the road also gave me the opportunity to reflect on the parish and its loving and caring people who have worshipped in this part of the diocese for so many years.

"An added bonus of this trek was to see the involvement of so many parishioners helping in varied roles to make our walk a success. All corners of the parish bonded together to make this a true parochial event."



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A stop outside St. Joseph's Catholic Church and Hope Centre on Loch Lomond Road in Saint John included pilgrims Jim and Elizabeth Kendal, Canon Leo Martin, Bishop David Edwards and Trevor Fotheringham.

In true form, the pilgrims were well taken care of, with a breakfast in St. Martins, plus lunch and supper at other parish halls along the way, all shared with parishioners.

"All points of the parish were involved," said Trevor. "The idea was to create a sense of community within the parish."

It was just Trevor and Leo walking the first day, but on the second day, four or five others from the parish, plus the bishop, joined them.

On day one, they walked from St. Martins to Black River. Day two saw them walk from St. Thomas Church in Black River to Christ the King Church in east Saint John, with a stop at All Saints in Upper Loch Lomond. They visited all the churches, former and current, in the parish.

"I now ask myself whether I would do this again," said Leo, who is a marathon runner. "My answer is that perhaps next year, I can challenge Trevor to join me in a marathon instead!"



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BUJOLD BAPTISM

The Rev. Ann Fairweather presided over the baptism of Colton Brian Bujold, Brock Ben Bujold, Geri Sue Bujold and Jack Henry Michel Bujold. It took place at Christ Church, Campbellton on July 9.



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Betty Lacey and Robena Weatherly relived a few memories during the Camp Medley Kitchen Party June 10. Betty was a camp leader and Robena a camper during the first year of operations in 1945.

Just like old times!

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

The first annual Camp Medley Kitchen Party was a toe-tapping affair which went over well with attendees. The Celtic duo Frantically Atlantic entertained at the camp on June 10.

Two women in attendance had a unique perspective on their visit to the camp, because both were there in 1945, the first summer the camp opened. Betty Lacey of Queenstown was a counsellor, and Robena Weatherly of Cambridge-Narrows was a camper.

"We were among the first," said Robena. "Canon Buckland encouraged me to go and he transported me there."

The facilities then were a bit more Spartan than they are now.

"I remember being in a big chicken house, with iron beds. There were a whole lot of us there at once," she said.

Yes, chicken houses.

"It had been a chicken farm," said Betty. "The chicken houses were all made over and cleaned out."

Betty worked at the camp for

one or two summers — the time between finishing school and getting married. She remembers the many games and activities, and a Rev. Vincent Martin dropping in from time to time to check on the camp.

Robena enjoyed her summers as a camper with all the activities and friends.

"Basically we had a great time," she said. "It was uplifting in all ways. There was lots of singing and I enjoyed that."

Their evening back at Camp Medley's kitchen party had a lot of singing as well.

"The entertainment was lovely," said Robena. "It was a great event."

At 94, Betty still enjoys getting out.

"I go to many of the church activities," she said. "I still like to go and I enjoyed the music."

Both marvel at the changes and upgrades to the camp, including the proper cabins, as opposed to chicken houses.

"The facility has grown and it's lovely," said Robena.

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PARISH NEWS

Woodstock celebrates 150, too

Sunday July 2 was a day of celebration for the people of Christ Church in the Parish of Woodstock. It marked the 150th anniversary of the church's consecration, and the 150th birthday of Canada. Also included in this special service was the confirmation of Linda Smith.

The Officiant was Bishop David Edwards and the preacher was the Very Rev. Geoffrey Hall, Dean of the Cathedral. Also in attendance was the Venerable Patricia Drummond, acting territorial archdeacon.

A cavalcade left St. Luke's in Woodstock at 10 a.m. escorted by Town of Woodstock Police Constables Guthrie, Macleod and Bradstreet. Special guests included soloist Sally Dibblee, harpist John Thompson, historian David Dibblee, Mayor of Woodstock Arthur Slipp, and Carleton-Victoria MLA Andrew Harvey.

The Anglican Parish of Woodstock had its beginnings with the ordination of the Rev. Frederick Dibblee as deacon on Oct. 23, 1791 and as priest on Aug. 19, 1792 by the Rt. Rev. Charles Inglis, the first Bishop of Nova Scotia.

The first parish church was erected near Hodgdon Road in 1804. In 1866 the congregation



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Outside St. Luke's July 2, members of the congregation with the Rev. Shirley Noseworthy, Bishop David Edwards and the Very Rev. Geoffrey Hall, Dean of the Cathedral, who is from Woodstock.

decided to build a new church. Christ Church was erected and consecrated Nov. 7th 1867, by

the Rt. Rev John Medley. The rector at that time was the Rev. S.D. Lee Street.

Build it and they will come

BY DEBBIE MACKINNON

The spring of 2016 saw the demolition of St. James the Less in Tay Creek. From this has come the construction of a gazebo on the site.

This gazebo has no wall and is built this way to welcome everyone who wants to stop, whether just for a moment of quiet time, to visit a loved one interred there, or just to use their phones.

On Sunday, June 25th it was used for our first drive-in worship service. There were 31 in attendance, including Bishop David Edwards. The lovely music was provided by the Revs. Bob and Bonnie LeBlanc, Monte and Annette Price, Blake Kirby, Mary Hay and Judy McAloon.

The bishop was the guest preacher and as usual gave a very interesting sermon. He related how God started work-

ing in him at the tender age of four and continued working throughout his teens and young adult life.

He didn't realize God's plan at the time — preparing him and his wife to make the move from England to Canada, something the bishop said had never occurred to him. This plan eventually led them to New Brunswick and to the calling he is answer-

ing today as bishop.

God calls everyone to follow Jesus because he loves us, said Bishop David.

If you are in our area on Sept. 17 at 6:30 p.m. you are welcome to bring a chair and join us for a wonderful hour of worship and fellowship. The gazebo is located at 4069 Route 620 in Tay Creek.

We look forward to seeing you there.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Blake Kirby and Annette Price were two of the musicians helping with the Sunday night outdoor service at Tay Creek.



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CAMINO BLESSINGS

From May 21 to June 7, the Rev. Steven Scribner, interim priest-in-charge at Trinity Saint John, and his son's father-in-law, David Penty of Ontario, were Camino pilgrims, walking 322 kilometres across northern Spain. Steven's son, David, joined them part way along the pilgrimage. Here is Steven's report from one particular day.

Cruz de Fierro (Iron Cross) is 1,500 metres above sea level along the pilgrimage.

The Iron Cross on top has replaced the original one, whose origins travel back centuries when this site was a Roman altar dedicated to the god Mercury.

Pilgrims bring a stone with them and place it here in prayer. I placed a stone from the

Parish of Saint John (Trinity Church), followed by prayers for the future ministries of the parish.

The overall visual of the mound is less than orderly; however, the place is surely spiritual. No matter young or older, pilgrims, as they approach, are caught by the reverence of this place.

Looking at the mementos surely embraced in prayer, you can feel the sense of hurt, loss and hope that still surrounds their offerings.

The picture captures the beauty of the morning for me with the clouds in the sky providing the curtain backdrop for such a meaningful moment on this Camino trek.

Diocesan Youth Ministry Conference



September 30, 2017
St. Paul's, Sackville, NB
10am-4pm
Cost: \$10 to cover lunch

Camp On The Road

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

What began as a pilot project last year is now a highly sought-after program at several parishes.

Camp Medley's Camp On The Road (COTR) was a mere notion 18 months ago. Last summer it was a two-week experiment. This summer there was a waiting list for the eight weeks of programs.

"I'd say COTR has grown faster this summer than we ever thought," said Allyson Caldwell, COTR director.

This summer, COTR has made stops at the parishes of St. George, Gagetown, Cambridge-Narrows, New Bandon and the Nerepis and St. John (The Rez), the Westside Anglican Mission in Saint John, plus a partnership between the parishes of Central Kings, Upham and Hampton, and another between St. Margaret's and Christ Church (Parish) Church in Fredericton.

Each week, a team arrives, joins local volunteers and puts on a VBS-like program with a distinct camp feel, including an indoor "campfire" in a bucket and camp songs.

"We use the same Bible curriculum as Camp Medley," said Allyson. "We do similar crafts, nature, snacks, sports, campfire songs. It's very typical camp stuff."

This is Allyson's second year running COTR.

"This week is really lovely," she said of the Central Kings, Upham and Hampton partnership taking place in Bloomfield. "The group is smaller compared to what we've been working with. It's more intimate and the kids are having lots of fun."

In St. George, they had 50 kids participate. At both WAM and The Rez, 35-40 kids attended. So a VBS with 17 in Bloomfield was less noisy, more personal.

Allyson and her team of counsellors, Dimitra Bountalas and Adam Young, worked with Archdeacon Rob Marsh, the Rev. Brenda Fowler and Amy Hoyt in Bloomfield.

"Amy Hoyt was the spearhead behind it here," said Rob. "She said 'can we set this up?' and I said yes."

Rob pitched in doing various chores, one of which was drying dishes, although "I look forward to the ice cream break in the afternoons!" he said.



Bringing camp to parishes all over the diocese



ABOVE: Adam Young, centre, supervises a game of tag-tag.

LEFT: Allyson Caldwell has the kids line up before crossing the road to the church hall.

RIGHT: Amy Hoyt, at left of photo, does a craft with the kids, while Archdeacon Rob Marsh and Allyson Caldwell confer at the end of the table.

BELOW: Lunch time with Allyson Caldwell and kids.



"The Camp Medley kids run the whole thing," said Brenda. "We just help where needed. I'm loving it so far. I think it's great seeing the kids so happy."

The partnership between Central Kings, Upham and Hampton came about by acci-

dent. Central Kings and Upham do everything together, but when they applied to COTR, there was a waiting list. In the meantime, St. Paul's in nearby Hampton also applied.

"Then another church dropped out, and they offered us

a combined one," said Amy, who jumped at the chance to have COTR in the parish.

"We haven't had VBS for a couple of years. It's hard to get the help and the funds," she said. "I saw this and applied for it."

Allyson knows the impor-

tance of local volunteers, not only for their help, but for the future.

"The aim is to integrate the church into the community," she said. "It's good to have the volunteers so that if kids come to church in the fall, they already know someone here."

As for the two counsellors, they seemed to be having as much fun as the kids.

"It's better than expected," said Dimitra. "It's cool to come to all these churches and meet all these kids. Also with being at the camp, it's the best of both."

Adam loved going to camp as a child, and now as a counsellor, he's still having a great time.

"It's the most fun I've had," he said. "There's nothing else I'd want to do. We look at each other all the time and say 'we're actually getting paid for this!'"

When Camp Medley director Maren McLean-Persaud developed the summer program, she had three aims: bring a unique ministry program to parishes; take camp to kids who may not be able to go to camp; and give the teenaged leaders-in-training and staff a unique, hands-on learning experience outside of camp. There was also the hope that COTR kids might someday become Camp Medley kids.

That hope has already been realized, said Allyson.

"Some parents have registered their kids who went to COTR last year or even this year," she said.

Maren is pleased with the interest from parishes and the success of the program.

"It's been an exciting summer, but also one full of learning because it was a big jump from two camps on the road to eight in one summer," she said. "But I don't regret just going for it."

"We have gotten a lot of positive feedback from parents and volunteers. We really think that COTR has the power to transform communities. To have camp and all our values leaving our main site in Upper Gagetown and going into other parts of the province is really exciting!"

Maren is hopeful COTR will continue next year.

"There are churches who already want to book next summer's date, but it's dependent on finding the right staff to run it. Our prayer will always be that God will call the right people to the program."

Turnaround Award goes to youth group member

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

Stephanie Brown has done a lot of growing up in the last two years.

“When I first started high school, I wasn’t a nice girl,” said the 18-year-old. “I loved the drama, getting into fights. I was nasty to teachers. I was hanging around with the wrong crowd.”

Alcohol and drugs played a part, but immaturity and not really knowing how to act also led to many difficulties.

“She really didn’t have a problem academically,” said her mom, Cynthia. “She just couldn’t get along with people. She always stuck up for the underdog and that got her in trouble sometimes.”

Cynthia was worried her daughter wouldn’t even graduate from high school because all she wanted was to quit school.

But Stephanie not only graduated from Oromocto High School in June, she also won a district Turnaround Achievement Award sponsored by Kingswood Park.

Turnaround awards are given to students who show a striking improvement in behaviour, attitude and school work, literally turning their lives around through hard work and an attitude change. The motto is Effort • Perseverance • Commitment.

Stephanie is a member of the Anglican Parish of Fredericton Junction Youth Group in Tracy



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Oromocto High School vice principal Maxine McConnell nominated Stephanie Brown for a Turnaround Achievement Award this year after Stephanie made a lot of positive changes to her life. Here they are at the ceremony in Fredericton in June.

and attends church at Village of Hope.

“I have seen such great growth in Stephanie since her first youth group meeting five years ago,” said youth group leader Shara Golden. “Her last year in high

school seemed to be her year to grow into the sweet, determined and focused person she is.

“I see Stephanie doing great things. She has given me, as one of her leaders, a heart full of love for this youth group ministry in

our parish.”

It was in Grade 11 that Stephanie started to realize her behaviour needed to change.

“I started being a nicer person,” she said. “I found out who my real friends are, and I had lots of help from my mom.”

Another instrumental person in Stephanie’s metamorphosis was vice-principal Maxine McConnell.

“Even when I was bad, she always stayed in my corner,” said Stephanie. “She never gave up on me.”

One decision Ms McConnell made was to remove Stephanie from classes that were most troublesome and put her in the Bridge Program, which allowed her to work at her own pace.

“She even gave me her cell number so I could message her,” she said. “She was like an angel floating over me.”

“Stephanie is a young woman who has certainly woven herself into my heart. I am very proud of her,” said Ms McConnell.

It was four years ago that the two met, and Ms McConnell quickly saw that Stephanie liked to be involved in drama of the worst sort.

“If she wasn’t directly involved in it, she was on the fringes,” she said, adding Stephanie never lied or downplayed her involvement.

As Stephanie matured, she and Ms McConnell developed a special trust, with the understanding

that if she misbehaved, she’d hear about it, but her vice-principal would always look out for her.

“In return, she became one of my staunchest supporters around the school,” said Ms McConnell. “Many other students who needed help would make their way to the office to see me based upon Stephanie’s ‘recommendation.’”

Ms McConnell nominated Stephanie for the Turnaround Achievement Award because of the significant changes she’d made to her life.

“The young woman who hated school and only came to get involved in dramatics with other students and cause trouble changed into someone who was helpful to me and the administration team, her teachers, the administrative assistants, and more importantly, her fellow peers,” said Ms McConnell.

“I know Steph will go on to wonderful things in this world and I can only hope she achieves all her dreams and aspirations.”

Stephanie has been accepted into the Child and Youth Care with Addictions Support Worker course at Eastern College.

“I’m pretty excited,” said Stephanie. “I had times when I struggled with drugs — rough times. A lot of friends are struggling too. I have the experience and I want to help people.”

“I knew she had it in her,” said Cynthia. “She’s got a really big heart.”

Episcopal Announcements

The Rev. Paul Rideout, of the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador, was appointed rector of the Parish of Rothesay, effective Oct. 1.

The Rev. Douglas Painter was appointed rector of the Parish of Kingston, effective Sept. 1. He leaves shared ministry in the parishes of Hillsborough-Riverside, St. Andrew, Sunny Brae, St. James and St. Philip.

The Rev. Lidvald Haugen-Strand’s appointment as interim priest-in-charge in the Parish of Westmorland was extended for two years, until July 31, 2019.

The Rev. Wendy Amos-Binks was appointed part-time incumbent in the Parish of St. James, effective Aug. 1.



The Rev. David Turner, rector of the Parish of Hampton, was appointed Regional Dean of the Deanery of Kingston / Kennebecasis for a three-year term ending June 30, 2020.

Rob Montgomery, of the Parish of Rothesay, has been accepted as a postulant in the diocese.

Ann Whiteway Brown was appointed diocesan misconduct officer by Diocesan Council at its June meeting. She replaces Terrence Hutchinson, Q.C., who served this past year on an interim basis.

Clyde Spinney, Q.C., was appointed diocesan representative to the Anglican Foundation of Canada.

Ben Bourque was appointed Personnel and Safe Church Officer effective June 26, and also appointed Diocesan Privacy Officer at the June 22 meeting of Diocesan Council. Ben has been the diocesan finance and administrative assistant for three years.

The Rev. Canon Walter Williams retired from full-time ministry Aug. 31. He continues as incumbent (priest-in-charge)



The Rev. Canon Walter Williams

in the Parish of Oromocto and Maugerville on a part-time basis. He resigned as chaplain at the Chalmers Hospital as of Aug. 31.

James Appleton, of the Parish of New Maryland, was appointed one of two diocesan representatives on the Atlantic School of Theology Board of Governors, effective July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2020.

The Rev. Gordon Thompson was appointed honorary assistant in the Parish of the Nerepis and St. John.

The Rev. Rod Black was appointed rector of the Parish of Richmond, effective Aug. 1. He leaves shared ministry in the parishes of Hillsborough-Riverside, St. Andrew, Sunny Brae, St. James and St. Philip.

James Crighton, of the Parish of St. Andrews and retired from the United Church of Canada, has been accepted as a postulant and candidate for ordination in the diocese.

A service of ordination took place Sunday, June 18 (Nativity of St. John the Baptist transferred) at Christ Church Cathedral in Fredericton. Deacons Kevin McAllister, Daniel McMullen and David Peer were ordained priests; John Galbraith and Dwight Stuart were ordained deacons.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

PARISH EVENTS



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

About 230 diners enjoyed the annual roast beef supper May 6 in the Parish of Upham. Lots of help came from their sister parish, Central Kings, and they put their deacon, the Rev. Brenda Fowler, and their priest, Archdeacon Rob Marsh, to work as well. Above, everyone pitches in with vegetable prep the night before. The two men cutting the roast beef in the top right photo are John Kilpatrick, who recently passed away, and David Bevans. John was always a faithful worker at parish suppers.



The weather co-operated long enough for Christ Church Cathedral to hold an outdoor service on Pentecost Sunday which was enjoyed by the entire congregation. Above, John DosSantos and Diane Nash man the refreshments table, while André Veitinghoff gets a snack. At left, Dean Geoffrey Hall leads worship.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Godly Play changes coming

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

Godly Play training is about to change this fall, with even more changes coming in 2018.

Shawn Redden is a trainer who attended the North American Godly Play Conference in Denver, Col. in June where the changes were outlined.

“The changes are really important to highlight,” said Shawn, a United Church member who lives in Moncton. “What we’re asking people to do is stop using the old stories. There are additional stories done and important revisions to some.”

Volume 2 is revised and expanded and available now, she said. Volume 3, on Advent, Christmas and the parables, will be available sometime in September. And Volume 4, which covers Lent, Easter and Pentecost, is set for release in early 2018.

“One of the reasons I particularly enjoyed this conference was there was a lot of direct application,” she said.

She cited the fact that she and other Canadians had the opportunity to meet with Cheryl Minor, the director of the Centre for the Theology of Childhood at the Godly Play Foundation, who introduced “advanced training”



“Now Godly Play Canada must consider how to introduce this in our context,” she said.

Shawn is the Canadian representative on the International Godly Play Council.

The Denver conference was divided into three parts. Part I was called Where We Started; Part 2 was What We Have and What We Need; Part 3 was called Where We Are Headed.

“That’s where we heard why there is a second edition and an overview of the changes,” said Shawn. “The revisions were outlined and we experienced some of the new stories.”

Godly Play is an innovative method of storytelling, using stories from the bible and our Christian faith, that depends heavily on the imagination and creativity of both the storyteller and the listener. It is a faith-forming practise taking place in churches and locations across Canada and around the world.

Originally developed for children, Godly Play is now being used with a wide range of ages in diverse settings, says the Godly Play Canada website.

Training Dates

Training for Godly Play will take place Friday to Sunday, Sept. 22-24 at the United Church Godly Play Space in Sackville, N.B. There must be 12 participants to hold the session; first come, first served.

Module A: Friday – Sacred Stories & Creating Sacred Environments

Module B: Saturday – Parables & the Spirituality of the Child

Module C: Sunday – Liturgical Action Stories & the Community of Children

You are expected to read *Teaching Godly Play: How to Mentor the Spiritual Development of Children* by Jerome Berryman, before attending training.

The registration fee is \$325, which includes lunch and refreshment breaks. Registration is only guaranteed upon receipt of payment.

For more information, visit this site: godlyplaymaritimes.com or visit [youtube.com/user/GodlyPlayFndn](https://www.youtube.com/user/GodlyPlayFndn) for videos.

OBITUARY

MURRY RICHARD ARNOTT



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Murry Arnot, of the Parish of Woodstock, died in July. He is seen here with his wife, the Rev. M. Jane Arnot.

Murry Richard Arnot of Upper Woodstock, NB passed away at Upper River Valley Hospital in Waterville on Saturday, July 22, at the age of 79.

Murry was born in Belleville, Ontario, Jan. 20, 1938, son of the late Clarence “Pick” and Annie (Burley) Arnot. Murry is survived by his wife, the Rev. M. Jane Arnot; one son, Dr. Rob Arnot of Upper Woodstock, NB; one daughter, Christine Arnot of Port Charlotte, Florida; one brother, Grant (Judi) Arnot of Ottawa, ON.; two grandchildren, Megan Arnot and Connor Arnot; several nieces and nephews.

Besides his parents, Murry was predeceased by one brother,

James Arnot.

Murry was a dedicated and very active member of the Anglican Parish of Woodstock for a number of years, a past member of vestry, past warden, and most recently a member of the Parish Development Team.

He was also an active Lay Reader and faithfully supported all parish events. He will be greatly missed by his parish family.

The funeral service was held July 25 from St. Luke’s Anglican Church. The Rev. Canon Walter Williams officiated. Cremation followed, with interment in Christ Church Cemetery, Lower Woodstock, at a later date.

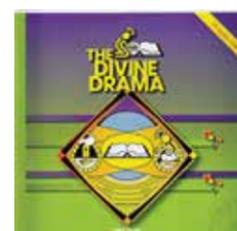


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CONFIRMATION IN NEW DENMARK

Bishop David Edwards confirmed Maci Butler on April 30 at St. Ansgars Anglican Church in New Denmark. Rev. Steven Harnish prepared Maci for this day. From left, Bishop David, Maci, Rev. Harnish and server Emily Harnish.

Coming this fall: The Divine Drama course, which moves on from the biblical narrative covered in See Through The Scriptures to our narrative – themes arising from scripture which help form our faith.



Bishop David will lead this full-day Saturday course, once in Fredericton and once in Miramichi. Watch for confirmed dates and locations.

DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Highlights from Diocesan Council

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

Diocesan Council met June 22 at St. Mary's church in the Parish of Chatham, which recently welcomed the Rev. Perry Cooper as its priest.

The meeting began a bit differently when Perry was "moosed-in" in a ceremony similar to those performed in Newfoundland & Labrador, where Perry is from.

The Rev. Eddie Quann and Archdeacon Cathy Laskey officiated, giving Perry a make-shift outfit of a plaid work shirt, work boots, reflective vest, work gloves and hard hat to "go forth into the woods and bring back the kill."

Then he was given a small serving of fiddleheads and a shot of maple syrup, and, similar to kissing a cod, had to kiss a lobster.

It was all in good fun and Perry was a good sport, enjoying the ceremony.

Bishop David Edwards, in his short homily, noted June 22 is the feast day of St. Alban, Britain's first Christian martyr.

In the reading of Matthew 10:24-39, the bishop noted that Jesus had given up on the religious leaders of the day, and went on to choose his disciples.

"Jesus was saying 'we're now in a divided situation. I had hoped we'd have the Pharisees, the Sadducees on board, but it's proven impossible.' So he's saying, 'if they're calling the master Beelzebul, they'll call you that too, and you will be divided from the people you love.'" said the bishop.

Bishop David talked about the price to pay of following Jesus, as the disciples did, and as Christians in our world do.

"There's a call to us as we sit here in our nice church basement, to our brothers and sisters in Egypt, where Coptic Christians are murdered," he said. "In Afghanistan, Christians can't get into refugee camps because they're Christians. The Syrian Christian church reports the same thing. The cost of following Jesus is high."

"It doesn't strike home to us as much as to our brothers and sisters, but for some, following Jesus is a matter of life and death," he said. "We forget that



MCKNIGHT PHOTOS

Bishop David Edwards holds the cheque for \$80,000 made out to the Anglican Healing Fund. He hand-delivered it to Primate Fred Hiltz while in Toronto for meetings in July. The money represents a rebate from the Residential Schools Settlement Fund. Diocesan Council chose to return the money to help fund continued healing programs rather than keep it.

at our peril."

He urged continued prayer for Christians in dire situations, and to remember and honour the price paid by them, the disciples of Jesus and St. Alban.

Housekeeping

With the resignation of the Rev. Canon Leo Martin as recording secretary of Diocesan Council, the Rev. David Peer expressed interest in the position. A unanimous motion was passed to appoint Peer the new recording secretary.

Council appointed Clyde Spinney, QC, to a one-year appointment as diocesan representative to the Anglican

Foundation.

Council appointed Ann Whiteway Brown, QC, as diocesan misconduct officer for a period of one year, to be reviewed.

Council appointed the Rev. Perry Cooper to the Human Resources Committee, effective immediately.

Council appointed Jim Appleton as diocesan representative on the Atlantic School of Theology board of governors for a term from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2020.

Safe Church/HR report

Diocesan treasurer Irene Adams gave an overview of Safe Church implementa-

tion to date, reporting that 454 people had been trained, including 58 clergy and one bishop. She said sessions for staff would be held at the two diocesan camps.

"The response has been extremely good," she said.

Safe church officer Allan MacLean, hired in April, left in June after receiving another job offer. Council voted unanimously to appoint Ben Bourque, financial and administrative assistant at the synod office, as diocesan privacy officer. Ben will assume the role of Personnel and Safe Church Officer and his former position will be advertised.

Central Saint John Community Ministry

The Rev. Jasmine Chandra was a guest at council and presented an update on the ministry of the Central Saint John Community Ministry, which she runs with her husband, the Rev. Terence Chandra.

Jasmine outlined the first three years of their ministry and how it's been funded. They have focused geographically on Waterloo village, the uptown business area and the south-end peninsula where the child poverty rate has been 48.5 per cent (Ward 3). The newest statistics pushed that number to 70 per cent.

"There's been a lot of resources poured in, but not a lot of change," she told council, adding the couple initially spent a lot of time getting to know the area and finding out what it needed.

They run an informal weekly language program to give immigrants a chance to practice their language skills. They have also partnered with the Inner City Youth Ministry and a church to run a youth program that has seen significant gains — in numbers and even in church attendance.

What they've found though, is an overwhelming desire for friendship among the people they serve.

"There's a hunger for relationships here," she said, adding when she asked a mother what she needed most, the answer was, "I'd like to go to the park with you and your son."

"If we got sick, had an ac-

cident, lost our job, we'd have people surrounding us with love and support," she told council members. "But many people don't have that support, and their friends are in the same situation."

Their ministry goal, she said, is an improved life for the people they serve — "a quality of life and life of faith to evolve for the better."

The three major funders of their mission have been the diocese, Stone Church (Parish of St. Mark) and their own fundraising, which includes donations from parishes and individuals.

After three years of building this ministry, Jasmine asked council for continued support for another five years of ministry. This request will be reviewed when the 2018 budget is developed.

Jasmine and Terence are available to speak to parishes about their ministry.

Canon amendments

Chancellor David Bell outlined several amendments to Canon Five and Regulation 4 which are largely housekeeping matters. The canon amendments will go to Diocesan Synod in November for approval.

His report to council noted that the Act to Amend the Anglican Church Act (coming out of Synod 2016) has passed in the NB Legislature and received Royal Assent. It will come into force on Nov. 15.

Finance Committee report

Chair Gil Carter presented two motions for approval. Council approved the recommendation that the current rate of interest paid on parish investments and diocesan funds in the DCIF remain at 3.5 percent. This is in effect from July to December.

Second, council approved a request from the Parish of the Nerepis and St. John to make an application to the Anglican Foundation for a grant of \$15,000 in support of their indoor playpark project.

Irene noted the Property Committee has visited the site and recommended approval to the Finance Committee.

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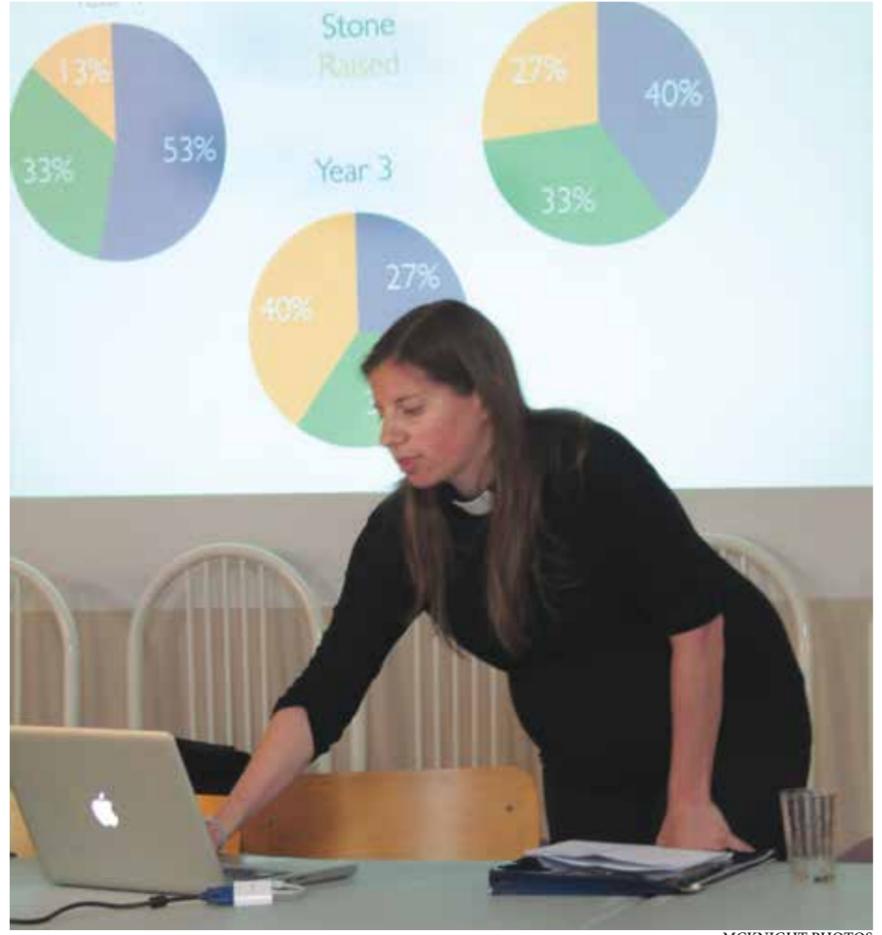
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DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Diocesan Council highlights - continued



The Rev. Perry Cooper was the subject of a “moose-in” ritual now that he is living in New Brunswick, serving in the Parish of Chatham. The Newfoundlander took the hazing in good fun. Here he eats some fiddleheads, while the Rev. Eddie Quann stands by with a shot of maple syrup. Holding Perry’s chair are Dean Geoffrey Hall and Archdeacon Rob Marsh, while the Rev. Bob LeBlanc takes a photo of the shenanigans at far right.



MCKNIGHT PHOTOS

ABOVE: The Rev. Jasmine Chandra was a guest of Diocesan Council in June. She made a presentation on the Central Saint John Community Ministry, which she runs with her husband, the Rev. Terence Chandra. BELOW: Holly Gallant and Gina Quann served a delicious potato salad lunch to Diocesan Council members.

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Fundraising is ongoing.

There was some concern expressed about the current debt load of the parish but it was noted that the parish has advanced its timetable in terms of debt reduction.

The vote passed 9-6 in favour of the Anglican Foundation application.

Annual review

Bishop David’s annual review is complete and the report forwarded to council. Archdeacon Cathy Laskey explained the process and noted that one issue from last year, a shortage of time for the bishop to devote to teaching, had been accomplished.

It was noted that the bishop drove 54,000 kilometres in 13 months on diocesan business.

Bishop David noted that

sometimes a bishop can find him or herself conflicted, because the bishop has an administrative role, particularly with human resources, but is also expected to provide pastoral care.

“That’s a very difficult place to sit. The job has evolved beyond the ordinal,” he said. “The ordinal doesn’t address some issues of today.”

The bishop thanked synod staff for their support and leadership.

There will be a more detailed account of the bishop’s annual review in the October edition of the NB Anglican.

Anglican Fund For Healing & Reconciliation

Council approved the amount of \$80,013.27 to the Anglican Healing Fund. Years ago the diocese and parishes contributed to the Residential

Schools Settlement Fund and the diocese received a rebate in relation to that contribution.

The portion attributable to the diocese could have been used for operational spending, but council chose instead to support ongoing healing programs. The remainder received (approximately \$2,500) will be returned to the contributing parishes.

“Funds should be used for the purpose they were intended,” said Irene, which elicited comments such as “appropriate” and “wonderful” from council members.

Anglican formation

A concern over Anglican formation among youth led to a motion by council member Siobhan Laskey.

Her motion, passed unanimously, asks the Youth & Intergenerational team to



examine the measures taken to ensure Anglican formation is adequately taking place among children in the diocese, particularly summer campers.

She and council members Neville Sloane and the Rev. Canon David Barrett expressed concern about what they see as the loss of some teenagers and young adults to other denominations via youth groups, Sunday schools and summer camps.

Other

Irene noted that the annual Stewardship Conference will

be held early this year, on Saturday, Sept. 9. The theme will be “Sharing In Mission.”

Before dismissal, the bishop expressed appreciation for the contribution of two retiring priests who are also council members — the Rev. Canon Keith Osborne and the Rev. Canon Allen Tapley.

The next Diocesan Council meeting — and the last for this council membership before Diocesan Synod Nov. 4 — will take place Thursday, Sept. 14 in the Parish of St. Mark, Sussex Corner.

INTERGENERATIONAL

'Lord, show me the real Boston'

Mission trip opens eyes, impacts young lives

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

When Kyle McGraw signed up for a mission trip to Boston in May, he never dreamed it would get so personal.

But on the last day before leaving Boston, he found himself clipping and shaving the heads of five men who had come in off the street for \$1 haircuts.

Kyle is not a barber, but he saw that the clothing outreach centre where they were volunteering gave haircuts, and he asked if he could help.

"I'd never shaved anyone before but I said I'd give it a shot," he said.

"The whole week was surreal, but that moment was a highlight," he said. "We did a lot of hands-on work but this was extremely hands-on. It got personal really fast."

Seeing the scars on the men's heads led to personal questions and candid conversations. And doing the job correctly meant cradling their heads to get the angle right.

"I looked over and he had his hands on this guy's head," said Colin McDonald, director of youth and intergenerational ministries in the diocese and one of the leaders on the trip.

"It reminded me of washing someone's feet. It was so intimate. A lot of people don't like to touch homeless people."

The Rev. Dan McMullen had a similar response: "Kyle was putting the most love and care into shaving this guy. He

was doing it with so much care."

It was a pivotal moment in the trip that saw 14 young people and leaders from the diocese pitch in amid the poverty, addiction, mental illness and homelessness the city of Boston deals with daily. In fact, the kids saw things they might never see in New Brunswick.

"We're all small towners," said Jessica Gowan, another leader on the trip. "We don't have a lot of experiences. In Boston every second person walks up to you. Some struggled. We all did, but the point of the trip was to face struggles."

The group spent each day volunteering at agencies that serve the needs of those at the bottom of the socio-economic ladder. And every evening was spent discussing their day.

"Some of my favourite times were when we were debriefing at the end of the day," said Jessica. "Seeing how the day impacted our young people."

"What really moved me was seeing the young people serving hurting people they'd never met and would never meet again," said Dan. "They were treating these people like they were serving Jesus."

On the first day, during a tour of Boston to get their bearings, the prayer on Colton Scott's lips was "Lord, show me the real Boston."

That prayer was answered, and it made Colton, 19, angry. When you want to find them,



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The missionaries at St. Francis House day shelter in Boston. Back row, from left: Emma Ray Coulton, Jesse Galbraith, Colton Scott, Katrina Zinck, Nat Fetter, Dan McMullen, Dylan Nicoll, Gabe Gionet. Front row, from left: Kyle McGraw, Joe Duplisea, Jessie Gowan, Dimitra Bountalas, Kara Gallant and Colin McDonald.

the addicted, poor, sick, homeless and hopeless are hard to miss — and difficult to accept.

"I can't help them," said Colton. "A sister, a nun who runs the Common Art Program (for people off the street to express their creativity), said 'let that anger fuel you. You're right to be angry.' That stuck with me. It drives me to do more."

Colton came back home with a new-found skill he's likely to use, since his summer job is in uptown Saint John.

"I learned how easy it is to approach people," he said. "They're just people... I learned a lot more about myself than I did about Boston."

During the previous six months, Colin worked with the young people to prepare them spiritually, using *Lectio Divina*,

the ancient practice of reading small passages of scripture repeatedly while asking the Holy Spirit to reveal their meaning.

He chose the book of Isaiah, "To answer the question, 'why do we serve?' If we are people who claim to follow Christ, we have to act in a similar fashion to him. Jesus quoted Isaiah a lot — feed the hungry, clothe the naked."

So how did it go?

"We knew these words and we saw them played out during the week," said Colin. "We saw young people step up, be leaders, be engaged in their faith."

Each day, they cleaned, did yard work, pitched in at places that care for the all-but-forgotten of the city, and listened to the stories of despair, and in some cases, redemption —

all of which had a profound impact on the kids.

"It was very emotional for them to leave a site, knowing these same people we spent the day with were probably on the streets sleeping, maybe getting arrested that night."

The next step, he said, is to harness the lessons and emotions of the week and put them to work at home.

"What does it mean here? How do we find opportunities?" he asked. "There's a challenge here for the church. We have this talented group of young people coming up and we have to make room for them."

"They will find a way to serve God, and we have to make a place for them to do that."



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NEWS IN THE DIOCESE

Camp Medley and the Kingdom of Heaven

BY DEBBIE MACKINNON

“Camp Medley is what I hope the Kingdom of Heaven is like,” said Maren McLean Persaud, director of Camp Medley.

Maren used this analogy to emphasize her strong feeling about the camping experience.

As the camping season approached last spring, it was timely for St. Thomas church in the Anglican Parish of Stanley to have Maren talk about Camp Medley, one of two camps in the Diocese of Fredericton.

Maren started her presentation with a video on camp life. It showed the children and staff enjoying a variety of fun, creative, silly, educational, sport and religious activities.

It also gave an overview of buildings and resources of Camp Medley. Parishioners reflected on their camping experiences and the changes that have taken place at Camp Medley.

Maren feels that camping is an experience like no other. She has a wonderful staff.

Most camps are a week-long experience in one of the age groups 6-18. The Parish of Stanley has four returning campers, one Leader-in-Train-



LEFT: Maren McLean Persaud poses with Annie, a former camper, during her visit to the Parish of Stanley.



RIGHT: Madison, who writes about her experiences at Camp Medley and her assurances that she will be back.

ing and one first-time camper participating this year.

“Camping changes lives,” said Maren.

She related some experiences with children that brought

tears to our eyes. Maren herself had been a camper and it was that experience that led her to Camp Medley.

She truly is a blessing and an inspiration and her love for

her job pours from her heart.

First-hand experience at Camp Medley

From Madison, a Parish of Stanley camper:

I attended Camp Medley for the first time last summer for the senior teen week and I had so much fun. I met lots of new people and made friends with them.

We played lots of games and went swimming. We had to dress up funny and go through an obstacle course. Our cabin dressed up like mimes and we had to pretend to do some of the obstacles. We didn't win, but we had fun

and that's all that matters.

We went for walks and had cabin time which is when you can just relax and chill. Each cabin takes turns going to tuck which is where you can get candy.

One night our counsellors took us to the chapel and wrote on mirrors what each of them thought of us. Then we had to do the same — we had to write on a piece of paper what we thought about each girl.

It got very emotional, but that was one of my best nights there. I really look forward to going back for the leader-in-training program (LIT).

Parish nurses meet in Fredericton

BY KATHLEEN SNOW

The Canadian Association for Parish Nurses (CAPNM) national conference was held June 1-4, at the Crowne Plaza in Fredericton. Three members of Christ Church Cathedral's Parish Nursing Team were on the planning committee: Michele LeBlanc, Isabel Cutler and Kathleen Snow.

Dr. Cheryl Gibson and Roz Thompson from Brunswick Street Baptist Church and Anne Wilcox from Faith Baptist Church were also on the committee, which met regularly since July 2016 to plan the conference.

The theme was “Coming Alongside,” and the speakers, panel discussion and worship time focussed on this theme.

About 38 members attended the conference, which was a time of fellowship, sharing,

worship, business meeting sessions, and informative presentations by speakers and guests.

- Mrs. Leith Box presented a workshop on ‘Coming Alongside the Holy Spirit.’
- Dr. Lois Mitchell from the University of St. Stephen spoke on ‘Coming Alongside the Vulnerable.’
- Rev. Shirley DeMerchant spoke on ‘The Theology of Suffering.’
- A panel discussion with Charles Ferris and Julie Coughran was led by Kathleen Snow, and discussed ‘Coming Alongside Those Living with Dementia.’

Another highlight of the conference was a last-minute tour of the Cathedral for about 30 of the attendees given so generously by Verger Hank Williams. Hank's thorough knowledge of the Cathedral's history, as well as his humor-

ous interjections, made for an interesting and enjoyable time.

A walkathon also gave many members an opportunity to walk the beautiful trails around Fredericton and raised over \$1,000.

The worship times were led by Beth Lawson (parish nurse, Stone Church, Saint John) and Myra Murphy (parish nurse, St. John the Baptist Church in Saint John).

Faith director Rev. Ron Bestvater, a Lutheran priest from Saskatoon, assisted in leading the final worship session as well.

Members hailed from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario, Saskatchewan and Alberta. The group welcomed the Rev. Dr. Helen Wordsworth, an ordained Baptist minister and founder-director of Parish Nursing Ministries United Kingdom.

Many denominations were



Members of CAPNM Conference 2017 Planning Committee: Isabel Cutler (Christ Church Cathedral), Anne Wilcox (Faith Baptist Church), Michele LeBlanc (Christ Church Cathedral), Kathleen Snow (Christ Church Cathedral), Roz Thompson (Brunswick Street Baptist Church), Cheryl Gibson (Brunswick Street Baptist Church).

represented — Anglican, Roman Catholic, Baptist, United, Lutheran, Christian Reform, Mennonite and Methodist.

We remarked at the end of

the conference that we never considered our denominations. We considered our ministries, our love for the Lord, and for each other.

DIOCESAN CHOIR SCHOOL

Choir school celebrates 60 years of singing

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

It's been 60 years of success for Diocesan Choir School, but what's the secret?

It could be the fun, the singing, the much-anticipated t-shirt colour for the year, the family-like atmosphere or something as yet indescribable, but whatever it is, if you go once, you're probably going to return for a good many years.

Spencer Belyea has been going off and on for more than 40 years — as both a child chorister and now, as one of its music directors.

Administrative director Rev. Chris Hayes has just finished his 18th year. And counsellor-in-training Jocelyn Donnelly, a mere 17 years old, is in her 8th year.

One family that attended each year moved to Ontario, but came back for several summers, even bringing friends with them. And two choristers still attend though they now live in Ireland.

"The Rev. Peter Campion and his daughter, Cressida, have been singing with us for a number of years," said adult chorister Michael Briggs.

"Peter's father was the chaplain at Rothesay Netherwood many years back. My wife has a photo of him at choir school from 1960 when she attended as a teenager. Peter is now the chaplain at Kings Hospital Secondary in Dublin."

Choir school is a mixture of children from eight to 18, counsellors, musicians, chaplains, a nurse, other leaders, and towards the end of the week, many adults who come back each year to join the choir and the fun.

All in all, they number about 100. It is truly an inter-generational ministry, and for the final concert, all of them are choristers. This year choir school was held July 2-9 at Rothesay Netherwood School.

It was in 1957 that a group of Saint Johners decided to gather people who had a love of singing, and the next summer the first Diocesan Choir School was held.

In the intervening decades, choir music has somewhat



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TOP LEFT: Child and adult choristers wait outside Christ Church Cathedral July 9 before the service. The finale concert of Diocesan Choir School is normally in Saint John, but this year, the 60th anniversary, the decision was made to bring the concert to the cathedral. They did not disappoint the full church.

ABOVE: Spencer Belyea leads the choristers during the Choral Evensong at Christ Church Cathedral.

LEFT: Rehearsal at Rothesay Netherwood School during the week.

waned in popularity, and that is showing in the numbers this year, with two dozen children attending, down from 30-35.

"There's less of an awareness in the diocese, and it's very much related to less choirs and training in the parishes," said Chris, adding there is less music training in schools as well.

"Almost all of the kids will not go back to a choir in their church.

"Parents and parishes might ask why send a child when there's no choir in their church," he said.

"We say choir school is Christian formation and expressing the worship of God. It creates relationships with kids growing up in similar institutions."

There are no choir schools east of Montreal to Chris's knowledge, and few across the country. But for children, and adults, who love to sing choir music, this is the place to be.

The music staff take a group of kids, some of whom cannot even read music, train them over a week, and by the final day, turn them into a choir

that draws — and wows — a full house at Christ Church Cathedral.

The final concert, a Choral Evensong, was held in Fredericton July 9 this year to mark the 60th anniversary, though usually it's held at Trinity Anglican in Saint John. There's also a children-only concert on the Thursday before.

But choir school isn't only about singing. There's also crafts, lessons in Christian culture and Christian education, not to mention silly songs, movies and "punishment" for being caught with your elbows on the dinner table.

The Rev. Albert Snelgrove and his wife, Archdeacon Wandlyn Snelgrove are in their third year as chaplains.

"We were here as choristers too," said Albert. "The singing is just exquisite. The kids are exceptional. They want to learn. Where else do you find a group of children and adults who come to Morning Prayer before breakfast?"

Spencer is a retired music teacher and the music director at Trinity in Saint John. He and

his wife are heavily involved in choir school, and this year, their eight-year-old granddaughter attended for the first time.

"It's a summer church family," he said. "We meet once a year and pick up where we left off. It's hugs and kisses on the first day and tears at the end."

He is grateful for the support that allows children to attend.

"There are a lot of bursaries for kids," he said, adding finances need not be a barrier to attending.

Each year, the planning team of about a dozen seeks out funding for the school.

This year, they are grateful for support from the Diocese of Fredericton; the ACW (diocese and parish chapters); the Wiggins Home; the Crake Foundation; the Segelberg Foundation; the New Brunswick Children's Foundation; the Hall Bursary Fund; St. Paul's Rothesay Endowment Fund; parishes and churches represented by choristers and staff; and the Fulford Trust of the Anglican Foundation.

Spencer's co-director this year was Kevin Parks from the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

The adult clinician was David Buley and the accompanist was Nhat-Viet "Toto" Phi.

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WESTSIDE ANGLICAN MISSION

Bonding on the gym floor

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

Every Wednesday afternoon at 3:15, the Rev. Rob Salloum walks to the end of the driveway at Carleton Kirk United Church and meets the school bus.

This is the Lower West Side of Saint John, a priority neighbourhood where poverty, broken families, crime, neglect and every other social ill make life a challenge.

A dozen or so kids get off the bus, yelling “Hi, Rob” as he leads this rag-tag group to the church. Then for the next 75 minutes, they bond on the gym floor — fourth and fifth graders playing ball hockey.

“We’re helping foster community,” said Rob. “That’s a flowery way to talk, isn’t it? What we’re doing is offering kids a safe place to be together.”

One of his ball hockey helpers, Judy Mae Gallant, lives nearby and she knows ball hockey is a far better pastime than the alternative.

“Here, I know they’re not out getting into trouble,” she said. “It’s a poor neighbourhood, and we’re someone to talk to.”

Almost two ago Rob started reading to Grade 4 students at nearby St. Patrick’s School. That led to chats with the school’s community liaison officer, who told him the kids loved hockey, but there wasn’t enough gym time for everyone.

“That’s when my ears perked up,” said Rob.

So in February 2016, he and some helpers like Judy began the afterschool ball hockey for students from St. Patrick’s.

It’s a perfect fit, perhaps because they have something in common. St. Patrick’s isn’t a real school anymore. It’s housed at Beaconsfield Elementary while they wait for a new school to be built in the area. So for now, they’re sharing space and hanging onto their name.

Their old “home” gone, Rob and his charge, the Westside Anglican Mission, are also sharing space. The past few years have been tumultuous for parishioners on the Lower West Side.

In 2012, the parishes of Victoria (St. Jude church) and Carleton (St. George church) amalgamated to form the Parish of West Saint John. But the



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LEFT: The Rev. Rob Salloum leads a group of students from the bus stop to the church gym for a game of after-school ball hockey.

ABOVE: Rob, with help from Alyson Harrity (left) and Judy Mae Gallant (right), explains the strategy and the rules before the jerseys are passed out and the game begins.

union proved unsustainable and the parish was dissolved in 2015. What was left was a mission, not a parish.

Since then, WAM has shared space with Carleton Kirk United, just up the street from the old church. That’s where they worship, where Rob’s office is, where WAM outreach programs take place. Somewhat like St. Patrick’s, they have a name and a history, but no building.

Evolution of a mission

There is no doubt WAM is sailing in uncharted waters. At Diocesan Synod in 2015, they sent guests, not delegates, because there was no provision in canon law for members of a mission to be voting members of Synod.

That was addressed, and this year WAM delegates are full members.

Change has been their constant, and it continues. Without a building, they met at the Seafarer’s Mission for much of 2015, followed by the move to Carleton Kirk United. Since then they’ve held a Saturday evening contemporary service and traditional 9 a.m. Sunday morning said service.

While their main base of operations will remain at Carleton Kirk, as of June, the Saturday service switched to Sundays at 10:30 where they began — the Seafarers Mission. Time, space and parking were determining factors.

“There’s been good fellow-

ship here,” said Judy of Carleton Kirk. “But it’s hard for seniors to get out after dark, and we wanted to go back to Sunday mornings.”

The space at the Seafarer’s Mission was small and intimate, and the months spent there were special. And with fewer people, they’ll fit quite nicely now.

Yes, WAM has fallen from about 35 to 25 regular worshippers. To some, that’s a red flag. But WAM sees it differently.

“We’re down to our core group,” said Judy. “We enjoy each other’s company. One day at Bible study, I was having a hard time with my mother’s death. We had no bible study that day. They prayed over me instead.”

Rob doesn’t blame anyone for falling away. Most of the 10 are attending elsewhere. These uncharted waters — four homes in three years — aren’t for everyone, and some simply need more structure in their church home, he said.

This core group is responsible for an impressive list of mission activities. Besides ball hockey, they hold a weekly Sunday evening meal for the community called George’s Café, with help from the Church of Good Shepherd and Carleton Kirk United. Judy was confirmed at George’s Café this spring, and her 63-year-old uncle was baptized.

They have a food bank

called Howard’s Pantry, a weekly prayer walk around the neighbourhood, summer barbecues for the community, a nature club at St. Patrick’s School and this summer, they held VBS with Camp on the Road, partnering with and hosting counsellors from Camp Medley.

Their choir can often be found at area nursing homes, and this fall, the bible study group is tackling the Book of Revelations, which Rob figures will take them to next spring. It’s a busy place.

Back to the game:

At the church gym, kids choose a stick and Judy passes out jerseys.

The jerseys, green and white with the Westside Warriors crest on the front, were donated by Castle Funeral Home. Lester’s Trophies designed the crest. It was a community effort.

Alyson Harrity of Carleton Kirk joins them as a helper and player. They divide into teams and the game begins. With each goal comes high-fives, hugs and chest bumps.

“It’s pretty hard-core!” says Rob.

It’s break time, and the kids have earned a rest. They line up at the kitchen for Alyson’s Rice Krispie squares and lots of water. They chat and rest before the final 30 minutes of play. The last half sees Rob in goal for his team, Alyson in goal for hers. Judy is the

referee.

“We get to know the kids,” said Judy. “We don’t push or ask a lot of questions, but now they’re coming to us.”

This may look like a game of ball hockey, but it’s much more.

“There’s a lot of mentoring and parenting,” said Rob. “I can’t tell you how many times a kid has come up and said ‘I’m having a bad day.’ The ball hockey is incidental.

“Good role models are needed, especially good male role models,” he said.

On prayer walk days when there’s no school, both Judy and Rob can expect lots of high fives and a few hugs as well. They’ve gotten to know a lot of children in the community, since each school group rotates out every six weeks to make room for another.

In this neighbourhood, a church with willing hands is needed more than ever, so WAM carries on — serving, nurturing relationships and living out the verses of Matthew 25: “For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you took me in; I was naked and you clothed me; I was sick and you visited me; I was in prison and you came to me.”

“We have sensed the bishop’s support and he has our back,” said Rob. “And we’ve made a buzz in the community.”

PARISH NEWS

A visit from Canon Caleb & Hope

BY HAZEL MACKENZIE

How to capture the presence and personality of our two guests from Uganda — Canon Caleb Twinmatsiko, who is headmaster of the Bishop McAllister College, and his wife, Hope?

Perhaps it's best to describe their May 17 entrance into the hall at St. Michael's, Minto, with Rev. Kevin McAllister: hands out-stretched, wearing big smiles, they walked toward the first group of parishoners to introduce themselves and express their thanks for the invitation. The tone was set.

Twenty people turned out to the potluck meal and to hear Canon Caleb speak.

It was a Maritime feast. They were especially adventurous in the homemade pickles, baked beans, baked ham, meatballs, anything potato, green salads and the desserts — that ranged from fruit salad to decadent blueberry cheese cake.

Canon Caleb gave an inspirational and informative talk, accompanied by photos. He expressed heartfelt thanks for the meal and thanked everyone for coming, and talked about his excitement for the support from our diocese for the school library.

He gave a brief explanation of the history of the school accompanied by a slide presentation. There has been much growth and improvement in the school's relatively short 20-year history.

We saw the primitive beginnings to the now large campus that contains not only dormitories for the boys, but for girls as well. The school even has a computer lab!

We heard about orphan students who are now professionals. We saw the pictures of a lawyer, an accountant, a high

ranking military professional, a journalist and many teachers. The school provides a safe haven for many orphans and children who otherwise would have very precarious childhoods.

Canon Caleb expressed heartfelt thanks for the support our diocese and our parish have given to the school. It was a very moving evening.

I had asked Hope for any strong impressions that she would be taking back home with her. Her dimples deepened and she exclaimed, "Oh yes! You have such abundance here. There is so much water, food, shelter, privacy (houses typically hold 15-20 people in Uganda)."

"It is so quiet. You can think! At home there is always so much noise." Hope said when she entered the dining hall she fixated on the centrepieces — how beautiful and special they were. She just knew that she was coming to a party!

And she loved how the men helped in the kitchen doing the dishes — something that would never happen at home. She has been fascinated by quilting and will be taking some supplies home with her.

The evening drew to an end with hugs and mutual expressions of thanks. We enjoyed a glimpse of a lifestyle completely different from ours and had gained a realization of how blessed we are in our corner of the world.

Perhaps one person's remarks captured many thoughts. She said, "It is so good to hear from someone who can tell us and show pictures of just exactly the difference our donations have made."

God Bless you Canon Caleb and Hope. Please visit us again.



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MINTO LOVES TURKEY POT PIE!

Tuesday, May 23 was proof that the popularity of the turkey pot pie transcends seasons. The goal at St. Michael's and All Angels, Parish of Minto and Chipman was 100 pies made and sold. The goal was reached and orders continue to be received, with workers tiring before the demand ended! Many thanks to everyone who turned out to help. It took everyone to pull off this success! Here Dot Moore, Nancy Brewer, Elaine Thompson tend to preparations.



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BIG CHEQUE, BIG PLANS

A Fredericton bowling tournament March 25 exceeded all expectations and raised \$7,500 to build a library at Bishop McAllister College in Uganda. The cheque was presented to Canon Caleb Twinmatsiko, headmaster, during his visit to New Brunswick with his wife, Hope, at All Saints, Marysville during their spring visit to N.B. From left: Canon Caleb, Bishop David Edwards, the Rev. Kevin McAllister (assistant priest) and lay reader Alan Gillis. Canon Paul Jeffries, originally from New Brunswick, is rector of the college. The college leadership, in planning for the academic year, noted a need to focus on reading and had hoped to build a library before learning of the planned fundraiser here. Construction of the library is well underway.

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AROUND THE DIOCESE

Resource Centre open house draws a crowd

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

A crowd of about 30 turned out for the June 16 open house and reception at the Threshold Ministries Library – Diocesan Resource Centre in Saint John.

“I’m really glad to see so many people here,” said Minna Harjupanula, a volunteer at the centre. “People are really excited about it.”

Janet Edwards is the primary library volunteer and she was more than pleased with the turnout.

“On the dot of 3 p.m. the first person arrived and so it continued until 5.30 p.m.,” she said. “It was a great open house with some faithful supporters coming in to see what new stock was available, and it was a joy to see some new faces.”

“Many thanks must be extended to all those who helped to make this event such a success, from the Threshold and Diocesan staff to those who prepared the reception.”

Edith and Bill Chilton, who worship in the Parish of Lancaster, have a long association with Threshold and were on hand for the event.

“I was here when they opened Church Army,” said Edith. “We did courses and decided to come back today to see the resource centre.”

Paulette Black is one of the resource centre’s biggest fans and clients.

“I’ve borrowed a lot of these books and really enjoy them,” said the parishioner from the Parish of Fundy and the Lakes. “I love libraries. I usually read theology. Right now I’m reading *In the Shadow of the Cross* by Glenn Penner. I got that



MCKNIGHT PHOTO

Shawn Branch, right, of Threshold Ministries, and Bishop David Edwards cut the cake at the open house of the Threshold Ministries Library – Diocesan Resource Centre June 16.

book here.”

Paulette is particularly interested in the online catalogue that allows her to see the titles and whether they are checked out or available.

“I check to see if something’s in, something I’m particularly interested in, like what do they have on prayer, the cross — things like that.”

Paulette is eager to spread the news of the resource centre and all it offers.

“People don’t realize the resources that are here,” she said. “It’s a lovely space, and very comfortable too.”

Mary Alice Brown of the Parish of Moncton came all the way to Saint John for the open house.

“I saw it in the bulletin,” she said. “I was interested. All the Christian bookstores are closed.”

She, too, is using the online catalogue and checked on what was available before coming to the open house.

She did have another reason for attending, though. Her son, Isaac, was about to start work as the summer student and she wanted to see where he would be spending the next two months, “and get a book or two!”

Minna encourages priests to check out the resource centre, “and if you like a certain resource, you can recommend it. Then it’s available to everyone. It’s good to get recommendations from people using them.”

The resource centre is a partnership between Threshold Ministries and the Diocese of Fredericton that came about after the closure of Anglican House on Princess Street in Saint John.

Threshold Ministries always had a library, but with the weeding of their large collection in recent years, they had extra space, and the diocese needed a place to house its resources.

It’s located at 105 Mountain View Drive in east Saint John, off McAllister Drive, and open Mondays from 9:30-noon. On other weekdays it’s open 9:30-4 p.m. for self-checkout. And if those hours are inconvenient, contact them for an appoint-

ment at 642-2210, extension 228.

The collection includes VBS and children’s/youth resources; videos - Veggie Tales, Bible stories for different age groups; films - biographical and fictional; video and study packs; books across all the theological, religious, spirituality, church and culture and youth spheres; and an extensive selection of commentaries.

The online catalog can be found at: anglican.nb.ca/library/opac/. Simply search by title, author, subject, publisher or call number to find what’s on the shelves. If you don’t live in the Saint John area, arrangements can be made for delivery.

Youth conference set for Sackville Sept. 30



The YIG team will be hosting its third annual Diocesan Youth Ministries Conference at St. Paul’s Anglican Church in Sackville, NB on Sept. 30.

This year’s theme is “Connecting... with Families, Youth and Communities.”

Each workshop and speaker is going to touch on these topics and provide parishes with resources, ideas and suggestions on how to connect and interact.

The keynote, Geoff MacLean from Point Church in the Miramichi, will be discussing strategic moves to connect to your community.

YIG chair Jason Smith will lead how to connect with youth in a social media world. The family workshop is to be announced but the focus will be on how parishes connect with families.

Parishes are encouraged to send a representative — either

a youth leader, Sunday school teacher, volunteer, cleric, youth or synod delegate.

The YIG team highly recommends each parish attend the conference.

This is a great time for parishes to interact and share resources regarding youth ministry.

A reminder that just because you may not have a weekly youth group or Sunday school does not mean you do

not have active youth ministry.

Youth ministry is any interaction with youth that shares or develops the disciple of Christ that we all strive to be.

We are not expected to tackle this alone. The YIG team provides support and resources for parishes so they can Connect... with Families, Youth and Community.

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COMMENTARY

Nashotah House conference was a soul retreat

BY COLE HARTIN

Back in the late spring, four friends and I — one of them a priest — piled into a van and drove west to Wisconsin for what was supposed to take 10 hours or so. It ended up taking longer, as we enjoyed a view of the Chicago skyline for a few hours, literally parked on the highway in rush hour traffic.

Conversation flowed freely then, probably because our bladders couldn't, and we needed to pass the time. We talked about the problems of evil, contraception, Burger King's Mac n' Cheetos™ (yikes!) — you know, the things theological students like to hash out in their spare time.

We were on the road that afternoon because we all wanted to attend a conference at Nashotah House Theological Seminary, called *Living Sacrifices*. It was all about repentance, renewal, and reconciliation in the Anglican Communion.

Speakers came from all over the world: Abp. Josiah Idowu-Fearon, the Secretary General of the Anglican Consultative Council; Rev. Dr. Michael Poon of Trinity Theological College, Singapore; Rev. Dr.



Back row from left: Fr. Ajit John (priest, Diocese of Toronto), Orvin Lao (postulant, Diocese of Toronto), David Adkins (PhD candidate, English, University of Toronto). Front row from left: Jeff Boldt (doctoral candidate at Wycliffe, postulant in Toronto), John Sundara (deacon from Diocese of Dallas), Cole Hartin.

Paul Avis, Chaplain to HM the Queen; Rev. Dr. Ephraim Radner, professor at Wycliffe here in Toronto, and Bp. George

Sumne of Dallas, to name a few.

This is to say nothing of our ecumenical friends from the

Roman Catholic Church and Orthodox Church in America.

The keynote addresses were challenging and rich. Highlights were focused on the importance of moving forward toward visible unity in the divided churches, and in the Anglican Communion specifically, and the importance of doing so recognizing all of our churches and structures are broken, that ultimately full unity requires fuller convergence in and to Christ, rather than to a particular church body.

Further, there was clarion call for moving forward with the Anglican Covenant, even if doing so was piecemeal and not compulsory, so that we might work together with integrity in and for the gospel.

Just as rich for me were the many conversations and meetings in between the formal addresses. No matter how well connected one is in a local parish or diocese, sometimes it is easy to forget that we are part of the Church Catholic that spans across vast spaces and even time itself (this I remembered while praying in the beautiful, incense-smelling chapel that shone around with stained glass reminders of the great saints who have gone

before us).

No matter how much progress we make, no matter what challenges we face, we are not alone because God has placed us within his Church, that though it is marred and broken by sin and despair, it remains his — one body, the body of Christ Jesus in the world.

There were some silly moments too: I'd never seen a wild turkey waddle away in hurry, looking like a chubby kindergarten student running to catch the bus. Or almost driving over a snapping turtle, stopping the car, and jumping out to catch it.

All these moments, along with the more meaningful ones — the prayers, the talks, the sermons — all coalesced to create a moment that was touched by grace, at least in my experience.

It's good for the soul to retreat, to pray with like-minded Christians, and then return to the rigorous and all-too-often monotonous stretches of parish life.

These times are crucial to lighten the eyes and strengthen the heart. I'm thankful I was able to be a part of this one.

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Book review: N.T. Wright's "How God Became King"

BY ISAAC BROWN

N.T. Wright's book "How God Became King" has the right message, with the wrong focus.

Wright, like many authors throughout history, over-emphasizes his point in his excitement and zeal for his 'new found' discovery. His discovery, that the primary thrust of the Gospels is that Jesus was instituting God's kingdom and overcoming the earthly kingdoms in a way which only a heavenly kingdom could, is good and needed.

However, his underlying assessment of why this has been lost and how to fix it prove problematic. Wright targets the creeds in a way which, I find, is not helpful or constructive.

Wright assumes that the creeds are to blame for our reading of the Gospels as incarnation/birth, then cruci-



Isaac Brown

fixion, then resurrection, then ascension, while neglecting the teaching of Jesus in those final three years.

Whether or not this is entirely right, his conclusion on how to fix it most certainly is not. His suggestion is to frame

the Gospels as greater than the creeds, which is not the issue as this is true. The issue is that in doing this, he diminishes the creeds rather than advocating for their proper understanding.

Theology, as I've been taught, is mainly reactionary, and the creeds are not exceptions to this. They were made to combat heresies which cropped up, as Wright briefly acknowledges, and were not designed to be holistic teaching by which the entirety of scripture is to be read.

Rather than advocate for positive teaching so these creeds can be properly framed, Wright seems to advocate for their diminishment in the face of the Gospel. This was my biggest issue with how he began and how he ended, even with his obvious respect for the creeds.

Wright's idea, that the Gospels

are primarily about Jesus instituting the kingdom of God and conquering the earthly kingdoms in the way only a heavenly kingdom can, is good but overstated.

The Gospels do have this theme, and Wright very astutely proves this; however, I was left still unconvinced that this was hands-down the main theme.

I'm unsure whether scripture has a main theme which dominates all others; I've always preferred thinking of it as a symphony of themes which combine to show the power, love, and grace of God.

Despite the issues I have with the book, I did enjoy it, and Wright brings up some points which we must consider.

Modern Western Christianity needs to get better at reading the Gospels with the whole Bible in mind, not just with the Old Testament as a

proof text.

Likewise, we should stop ignoring the kingdom of God, and how it is revealed in the Gospels.

As Wright brings you along in such a way as only a master lecturer could, it is doubtless that one must accept some level of God's kingdom coming through the life of Jesus.

This book is worthy of every Christian's attention and consideration, but always be cautious taking everything said at face value and as objective truth.

All opinions expressed are those of the author and do not represent the views of the Diocese or its resource centre.

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COMMENTARY

A Peculiar Odor

BY JASMINE CHANDRA

I can smell him before I see him — the odour of cat urine and stale cigarettes reaches all the way down the stairs. He is always wearing the same leather jacket and black baseball cap.

When he opens his mouth to speak, his yellowing beard reveals a number of missing teeth. His words come out as bursts — as if it's an effort to push his thoughts out into the world.

This outward description probably wouldn't put this gentleman on your list of dinner guests you'd like to have over, and yet, I am honoured to call him a friend.

I wasn't always so sure about him. The first time he came to the Drop-In he announced to the group that he had found his housemate dead two days before. He didn't seem too affected by this experience.

His appearance, gruff speech and nature of conversation were all off-putting, but it was the smell that was especially noticeable. In our second floor space where the windows don't open, it was stifling.

I have to admit that I was not disappointed when he left

after only a short stay. He did come back to have more coffee and eat more muffins. He also came back the week after that, and the week after that, always interspersing his time at Drop-In with panhandling to get a few bucks.

And slowly, week after week, I have come to notice all the details that got missed during my first encounter with him.

It turns out that he has a sweet, almost child-like nature that is rare to see in a 64-year-old man. His eyes twinkle when he speaks, as if in every word he says there is a valuable secret to be earned.

The week of his birthday he could barely sit still, telling us about every encounter with friends or family members bringing their good wishes or gifts of cash.

He is always polite and courteous, noticing details others would walk past. When it's windy out he uses his breaks to check on our sign and prop it back up when it falls. When we're closing things up and I ask someone to take in the sandwich board outside, he runs to complete the task before anyone else can say a word.

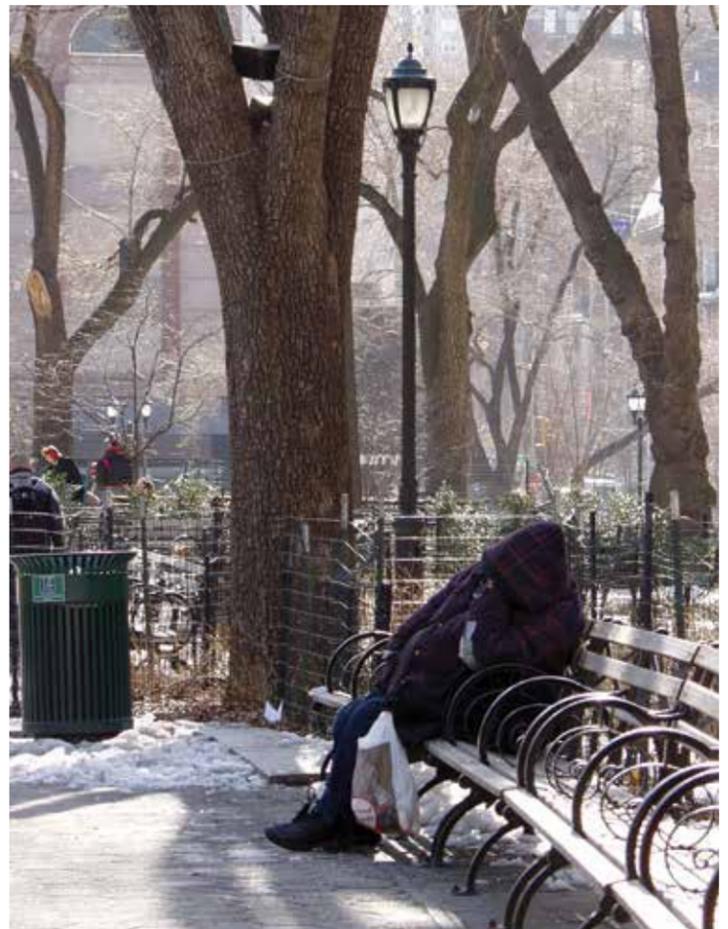
He loves to take part in the trivia games that one of our volunteers creates and organizes — energetically announcing answers no matter how wrong they might be and often showing a hidden brightness that takes everyone by surprise.

A few weeks ago when he promised my son that he would bring him some toy cars, I wasn't sure he would remember. On our way to Drop-In, my son kept saying, "That guy has Hot Wheels for me today."

I had my doubts that bringing toys to my son would be a priority to someone who spends most waking hours walking the streets. But the moment he saw my son, he grinned and jumped up to go get a plastic bag of cars and other toys he had somehow collected over time.

There are days when we wonder if running our small Drop-In is really worth it. We wonder if it is truly fulfilling its purpose and if it is really meeting a need in the community. There are days when we get caught in the trap of looking for success in numbers or in big transformations.

On other days, days like today, I see success as offering



my friend a place to belong, to laugh, and to share. I see success in offering this gentleman a place to be himself, and in a world that is too often built on first impressions, a place to be discovered.

This kind of success does not belong to me or to any one person. It is rather something to keep aiming for as we walk our streets and interact with those around us.

I've learned from my new friend that you can tell you're close when you take a deep breath in and the smell makes you smile.

The Rev. Jasmine Chandra and her husband, the Rev. Terence Chandra, run the Central Saint John Community Ministry. Reprinted with permission from penniesandsparrows.org, the blog of the Central Saint John Community Ministry.

Anglican Foundation celebrates 60 years

It has been a year to rejoice in "wonderful deeds."

These are words embedded in I Will Give Thanks to the Lord, the choral anthem composed in honour of the Anglican Foundation of Canada's 60th anniversary.

The anthem is one of many commemorative projects developed in honour of this milestone in the Foundation's history.

Established in 1957 to ensure a generous flow of funding for infrastructure and ministry projects, the Foundation's legacy of grants and bursaries has proved transformational in the lives of thousands of individuals, parishes and faith communities.

Some of these stories have been brought together in a book: *Imagine That: Dreams, Hopes, and Realities—Cele-*

brating 60 Years of the Anglican Foundation of Canada.

"This book is filled with true stories of hope, imagination, and innovation," says Canon Judy Rois, executive director of the Foundation since 2011.

Indeed, innovation was the driving force behind (IN)FINITE: SPIRITUAL CONVERSATIONS IN CLOTH, the free exhibition at Christ Church Cathedral in Vancouver, featuring a number of Indigenous and other textile artists that coincided with the Foundation's official 60th anniversary launch on May 25 and drew more than 3,000 visitors.

Also part of this 60th anniversary year has been the publication of *Children's Prayers with Hope Bear*, an illustrated book featuring prayers for seminal moments in a child's life.

Never at a loss to imagine more on behalf of the Foundation, Canon Rois envisions a future where more parishes want to invest in ministry innovation through the Foundation because it can be a "powerful resource pool" that grows and deepens alongside a sense of collective responsibility for ministry.

What's next for the Foundation? To continue inspiring generosity and creativity within healthy, vibrant faith communities from coast to coast — generation after generation with the active engagement of all Canadian Anglicans.

For more information or to order copies of any of the Foundation 60th anniversary resources please visit anglicanfoundation.org/60th or call 416-924-9199 ext. 244.

As part of the Anglican Foundation's 60th anniversary year, a book called *Children's Prayers with Hope Bear*, has been published. It and many other items can be purchased at anglicanfoundation.org

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Parish flies a new flag

A new flag featuring the Parish Coat of Arms is flying on All Saints Church in St. Andrews, along with the Canada 150 flag.

It was generously donated by John Williamson, who designed the armorial bearings. Pam Rigby and Rachel Scott assisted in making sure the flag was ready for Canada Day.

Tony Bastow, Adam Scalabrin and John Matheson installed the brackets for the flags.

A history lesson

A coat of arms was granted to "The Corporation of the Anglican Parish of St. Andrews" by the Chief Herald of Canada, an officer of the Governor General's household, in 2006 in response to the petition of the rector and churchwardens on behalf of the corporation.

The Letters Patent granting the Arms, a Flag and a Badge were unveiled in All Saints

Church Nov. 3, 2006.

The Arms reflect the history of the parish, established in 1786, whose first members were the Penobscot Loyalists from Castine in what is now the state of Maine.

The cross of St. George indicates the parish's Church of England origins and carries the Royal Cypher of King George III (GR3) to recall the loyalty of the founders and the benefactions received from the Crown to support the new parish.

The celestial crowns are symbolic of All Saints, the dedication of the parish church. The paschal lamb is a symbol for St. John the Baptist, patron of the chapel-of-ease in Chamcook.

The banner of St. Andrew, carried on the cross staff, recalls the "Church of St. Andrews," the original name of the parish church.

The motto "Fear God, Honour The King" from 1 Peter

2:17 (Authorized Version) appears in the church's memorial window to the Rev. Samuel Andrews, the first rector, a Loyalist refugee from Connecticut.

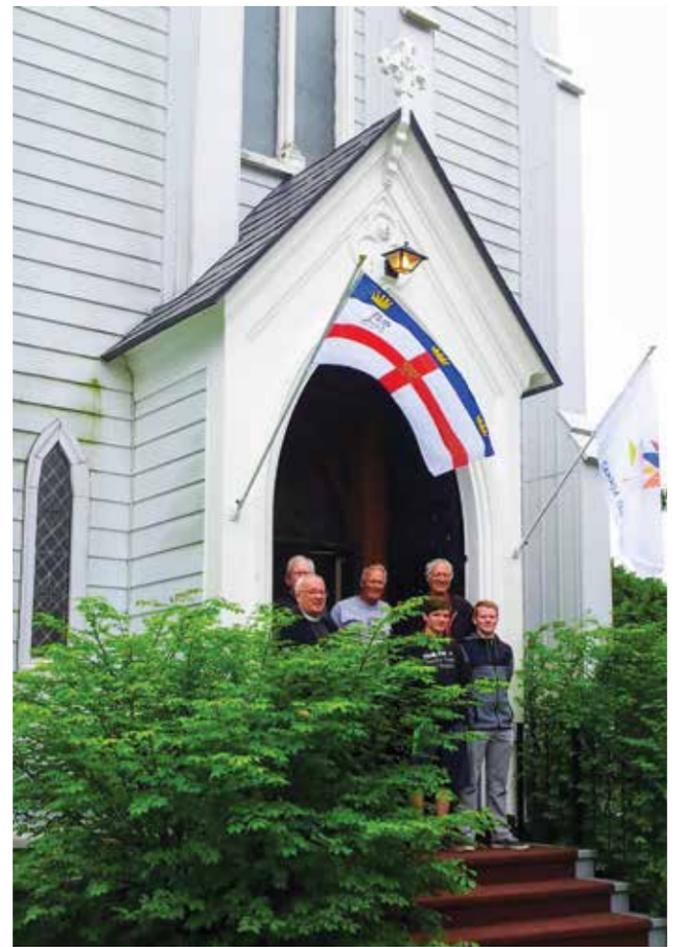
It reflects his sentiments and those of the parish founders and their successors.

The Parish Flag is a banner of the Arms and the Badge and combines the cross of St. Andrew, the cross of St. George and a celestial crown.

The grant of a coat of arms is an honour from the Crown and serves as a unique symbol to identify the grantee.

Since 1988, the granting of arms has been managed by the Canadian Heraldic Authority.

This was formerly done by the College of Arms in London (which granted the arms of the Bishopric of Fredericton back in Archbishop O'Neill's day to a design by Bishop Medley) or the Court of the Lord Lyon in Edinburgh for those of Scots descent.



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Archdeacon John Matheson, John Williamson, Tony Bastow, Bob Cheatley, Adam Scalabrin and Ben Chase, at All Saints Church, St. Andrews, on June 30.



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JONATHAN'S TEA PARTY

About 30 people gathered at the Fredericton home of Florence Potts on June 11 for a tea party with a purpose — to raise money for the amphitheatre project at Camp Medley in memory of Jonathan Young. This small group donated \$1,291 to help with construction. Jonathan, 11, died of a brain tumour in 2014. He had been a camper at Camp Medley and Florence is his grandmother. Here tea party guests include, in the foreground: Susan Connell, Marilyn Yeomans, Joan Englehart and Veronica Chiasson. At the table in the background: Maureen Betts, Cecile Hachey, Dixie Beirsto and the Rev. Ellen Beirsto.

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CAMP BROOKWOOD

Dinner raises funds for camp's 50th anniversary

To celebrate Camp Brookwood's 50th anniversary, it held a very successful fundraising dinner May 6, raising \$1,900.

The Rev. Bob LeBlanc did an excellent job as auctioneer for the desserts auction. Emcee Dwight Phillips thanked all the individuals who were noted on a plaque.

Peggy Martin, one of the early staff and camp board member, spoke. All her children attended Camp Brookwood and some were staff and

board members too. She was the leading force getting the chapel moved to Camp Brookwood.

Other speakers were Emilia Piper (counsellor in training) and Claire Rideout (director) who talked about their time and experience at Camp Brookwood.

Don Adams, a chaplain at the camp, was the chef for the salmon dinner, with help from camp cook Stacy Carmicheal and Rev. Bob.

The serving was done by campers Emilia Piper, Megan and Lauren Schiver, Christian McLean, Grace Elliot and DJ Wolverton. Door greeters were Olivia and Abigail Wolverton.

Thank you to all who contributed to and supported this fundraiser.

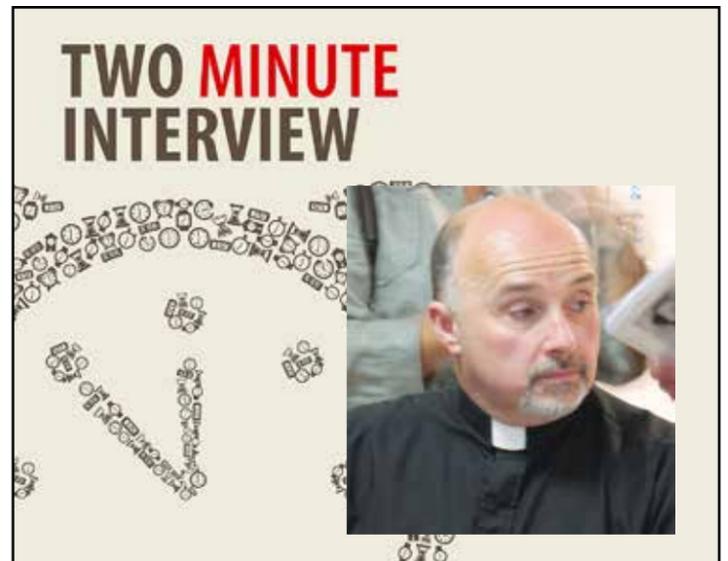
The camp has had a successful fundraising year. The money helped to cut registrations fees in half so that more children could access summer camp.



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

TOP: Servers and greeters included, back row: Christian McLean and Charles Green; middle row: Lauren Schiver, Grace Elliott, Megan Schiver, Ally Green and Emilia Piper; front row: Abigail Wolverton, Olivia Wolverton and DJ Wolverton.

BOTTOM: Diners enjoyed a salmon dinner, a dessert auction and information on Camp Brookwood.



The Rev. Perry Cooper, priest and rector, Parish of Chatham

Favourite book of the Bible - John's gospel

Birthplace - St. John's, NL

What you love most about God - His great grace

Favourite place on Earth - Thoroughfare, NL

Farthest you've been from home - Tanzania

Favourite meal or dessert - pot roast moose with new potatoes

Biggest fear - running out of gas

Hidden talent - Zamboni operator

Favourite movie or book - *Mere Christianity*, by CS Lewis

Your hobby - hunting

Three things always in your fridge - grapes, hot sauce, homemade jam

Favourite sports team - Montreal Canadians

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AROUND THE DIOCESE



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MISCONDUCT TRAINING

Members of the Misconduct and HR committees, along with some diocesan conciliators, participated in two days of training in mid-May on how to conduct an investigation as part of the Safe Church Misconduct process. Trainer Jennifer Smith is seen here leading the group at Christ Church (Parish) Church, Fredericton.



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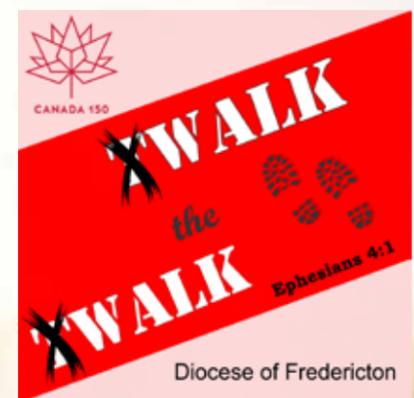
LAYREADERS' DAY

Layreaders' Day with the Bishop was time well spent at St. John the Baptist, Riverview on May 13. Here Bishop David Edwards gestures to make a point during his presentation on gospel and culture.

Greater Chapter Meetings

**Wardens, synod delegates & substitutes:
Plan to attend your meeting, which
will include preparation for the
Nov. 4th Diocesan Synod**

- Fredericton, Oct. 11, 7 p.m. St. Margaret's Church, Fredericton
- Woodstock, Oct. 17, 7 p.m. Good Shepherd Church, Florenceville-Bristol
- Kingston & the Kennebecasis, Oct. 18, 7:30 p.m. St. Paul's Church, Hampton
- Chatham, Oct. 21, 9:30 a.m. St. George's Church, Bathurst
- Saint John, Oct. 23, 6:30 p.m. St. Mary & St. Bartholomew's Church, Saint John
- Moncton, Oct. 24, 7 p.m. St. John the Baptist Church, Riverview
- St. Andrews, Oct. 24, 7 p.m. All Saints Church, St. Andrews



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