



Redroof Church embraces the Quartier des spectacles

Federico Andreoni

Federico Andreoni is the music director at the Church of St. John the Evangelist

A few years ago the Church of St. John the Evangelist found itself catapulted onto the colourful urban stage of Montreal's Quartier des spectacles. At present, the quiet and introspective "Redroof Church" not only flanks the concert halls of Place des Arts but is also witness to the kaleidoscopic variety of outdoor festival activities organized by the Quartier. St. John's is therefore attempting to effectively adapt to its new role as a partner in this exciting and diverse neighborhood. Music, which has long been an important part of St. John's identity, plays a leading role in this process of adaptation, as it bridges the parish's spiritual and liturgical life with its extralitururgical cultural offering and outreach.

As always, St. John's liturgical music program aims to meet the highest performance standards and to preserve its unique choral tradition. Much of its musical reputation depends on its talented and steadily growing semi-professional choir. Some unusual and intriguing musical performances (e.g. the famed *Missa Luba*, and asses by Arvo Pärt and Jehan Alain) are in the works. Starting in the fall of 2013, Ensemble Scholastica, an all-women choir specializing in chant, early polyphony, and medieval-style improvisation will join our music program on a permanent basis, singing during the liturgy every second Sunday of each month. Lead by the talented Rebecca Bain, Ensemble Scholastica is unique in Montreal and absolutely not to be missed!

Evensong services will continue to be an integral part of the St. John's liturgical calendar; however, they will be reduced in number to allow the church to turn them into collaborative events, co-organized with certain Montreal foundations and charity organizations. The liturgical music program will also welcome new collaborations for the organization of a gospel and a jazz mass, the latter inspired by a budding collabo-

ration with Dr. Norman Cornett, whose "dialogic sessions" are now well-known around the city. St. John's was happy to host its first of this type of encounter for the parish on Canada Day of this year, welcoming as guest dialogue partner Grammy-Award winning jazz guru David Murray.

And let's not forget about St. John's extraordinary pipe organ, one of the finest instruments in the city! The church's 2013-2014 concert season will propose the Wolff Organ Series scheduled for November 2013, positioned to celebrate the upcoming restoration of the beautiful Wolff Organ op. 27 (1984); the performers will be Jonathan Oldengarm (St. Andrew and St. Paul), Patrick Wedd (Christ Church Cathedral), Julie Pinsonneault (St. John's), and Yves Préfontaine (Grand Séminaire). In addition to this organ concert series, two other music festivals will take place in Spring 2014, including DIGI-POP, a contemporary indie and digital music festival, highlighting premieres of works commissioned for the festival itself, and ChoralFest St. John's 2014, a choir festival highlighting some choirs from Quebec.

Just like any other church, St. John's also requires human resources and financial support to realize its programming objectives. The music program's fundraising events BACcHanalia! (the ongoing series of the complete organ works of Bach, ending in 2015) and FUNdraising (an evening with the St. John's Choir performing barber shop quartet, film, and other styles of music) will return and hopefully grow in the coming year. Yet, above all else, in order to take hold, grow, and evolve, the program's projects need dedicated love, interest, and talent. As Music program director, I take this opportunity to thank all the dedicated collaborators and supporters of the St. John's music program. Amidst the evolving backdrop of the Quartier des spectacles, the St. John's music program welcomes diverse and effective partnership opportunities, as well as your input and comments, to better share in the unfolding vision of our diocese.



A "DIALOGIC" CONVERSATION between internationally known saxophonist-clarinetist David Murray and freelance Montreal professor Norman Cornett on Canada Day morning at the downtown Church of St. John the Evangelist was among attractions of the Montreal International Jazz Festival. It was only the beginning.

(Photo: Janet Best)

New deacon heading to World Council Assembly in Korea

Nicholas Pang, to be ordained as a deacon in the Diocese of Montreal September 8, is one of three Canadian Anglicans who will take part as delegates in the tenth World Council of Churches (WCC) Assembly Oct. 30-Nov. 8 in Busan, South Korea.

As a full voting member, he will join Rev. Canon John Alfred Steele of Victoria in the diocese of British Columbia and as well as Melissa Green of the Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior of British Columbia.

Canon Steele is the veteran of the delegation. He attended the last WCC Assembly in Porto Alegre, Brazil, and has served on the WCC's central committee since then.

Ms. Green and Canon Steele were elected by the Council of General Synod and Mr. Pang was chosen later to fulfill requirements of the World Council.

Mr. Pang, 27, will also serve serving as moderator of a group at a pre-assembly gathering that focuses on youth and reconciliation. He said the issue of reconciliation is an important topic to Koreans because of the longstanding political tensions between South and North Korea and is also of particular importance in

the Canadian context because of Canadian churches' current participation in the Canadian Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

The assembly is expected to draw about 825 Christian delegates from more than 300 churches. It will begin at the end of October and run through the first week of November. The assembly meets every seven years.

Aside from the three delegates, several other Canadian Anglicans will be present in various capacities. Ven. Bruce Myers of the Diocese of Quebec, the national ecumenical officer, will be participate as advisor to the group. National Indigenous

Anglican Bishop Mark MacDonald will be present as consensus candidate for the WCC North American regional presidency.

Two Canadian Anglicans serve as WCC staff and will attend the assembly: the Rev. Canon Dr. John Gibaut, director of faith and order, and Natasha Klukach, WCC program executive for church and ecumenical relations and North American regional relations. Rev. Canon Dr. Alyson Barnett-Cowan, another Canadian Anglican, will attend as the Anglican Communion's director for Unity, Faith, and Order.

With files from Ali Symons and Nick Pang.



WITH UNCONCEALED JOY, Music Director Federico Andreoni and Rector Keith Schmidt contemplate the future of the Redroof Church in the Quartier des spectacles.

He's back

Bishop Barry Clarke, who left on a "Sabbath leave" in March, returned to his regular duties at the beginning of August – and in the view of his colleagues in the synod office he's looking great. For more, see the Bishop's Message on Page 2.



NICHOLAS PANG, Melissa Green and John Alfred Steele were photographed at an orientation meeting in Toronto in April.

(Photo: Ali Symons)

Sabbath Leave – The Winter of My Discontent

I went on a Sabbath leave in March of this year, because I was physically, emotionally and spiritually exhausted. The demands of the last number of years as Bishop and as caregiver to Leslie caught up with me. I knew I would be of little value to myself or to the Diocese without taking this Sabbath time off. I was restless, irritable and discontent.

I am convinced that this Sabbath was God's intervention into my life, to take time for my own self-care and wellness. This is an important ministry to ourselves which we often ignore. As I sat in the chapel of the Southdown Institute, in Aurora, Ontario, I was focused on the crucifix and I heard the words of Jesus say to me... "Come to me, all you that worry and are carrying heavy burdens and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." (Matthew 11:28)

The invitation I heard from Jesus inspired and challenged me for the next twenty weeks on a journey of wellness of body, mind, soul and spirit. My Spiritual Director invited me to take this time away from the daily routines of my life and see it as a wilderness time, not looking back to my Egypt or looking ahead to my Promised Land. As painful as it is staying in the wilderness experience because of fear, sadness and isolation, the benefits were fruitful.

I had to admit to myself that depression is real, it is frightening and



Bishop's Message

it is paralyzing. Depression spoke to me of the deep and painful sadness I was living with in my life. It speaks of the fear, the isolation and the darkness that was so overwhelming. I am filled with gratitude for the community of professionals I was associated with, who journeyed with me.

Parker Palmer, in his book, "Let Your Life Speak", describes depression: "I could feel nothing except the burden of my own life and the exhaustion, the apparent futility of trying to sustain it". In spite of all the challenges of facing my reality at that moment, I was assured of God's providential care for me.

Nature and the unfolding of spring from winter, creates newness all around. For me, in my many daily walks outside on the wonderful trails, I appreciated the Canada Geese flying overhead in formation. I saw this as a symbol of God reminding me of the importance of community to support, listen and journey alongside me.

I am home now and re-entering into ministry. I am deeply grateful to you, the clergy, laity, and Synod office staff for your support, prayers and love during this Sabbath leave and the many and various ways in which you faithfully embark in God's Mission in the church and the world.

In the Peace and Love of Christ,

+ Barry

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On Saturday, October 19th, 2013
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Theme: Called to Serve!

Registration will open at 7:30 am with refreshments available. A light lunch will be available following the Synod Eucharist. Unwind at the end of the day, when the business is completed. A wine and cheese gathering will provide refreshment for delegates and visitors.

Visitors will include Andrea Mann (Global Partnerships ACC), the Partnership Team from APCI and Montreal Ecumenical Partners.

Building on our visit with African, Lutheran and APCI Diocesan Partners at Synod 2012, we will have time to reflect this year on the meaning of serving in partnership through our Montreal churches and in our mission activities. Lively reports will include General Synod delegates, Youth and MAP presentations.

Registration forms will follow in September, and will also be available on the Diocesan website.

Stewardship about relationships, seminar hears

Part of the message retired Archbishop Douglas Hambridge will bring to a "Stewardship Café October 5 is that stewardship is about relationships, according to a participant in a workshop the archbishop brought to a Diocese of Montreal clergy in June.

Then archbishop, a former metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia, was a hit with all those who attended, said Archdeacon Linda Borden Taylor, incumbent of St. James the Apostle.

"When I heard Archbishop Hambridge speak earlier

this year his words resonated with something within me, something I believe we all know in the depths of our being, something that the archbishop was able to articulate for us.

"Stewardship begins within the context of understanding our call to community. It is about relationships. If you build relationships stewardship will follow."

The Café will take place between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. at St. Barnabas Anglican Church in Pierrefonds. See the announcement on page 3.



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Basic tour price \$2,929 Canadian, double occupancy plus close to \$500 for airport tax and fuel surcharges.

For more information, please contact Archdeacon Janet Griffith at (514) 602-3756 or jgriffith@montreal.anglican.ca

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Reflection

Canterbury Scholars: the Communion at work

Robert Camara

Robert Camara is rector of St. George's Châteauguay

The Archbishop of Canterbury with the staff and clergy of Canterbury Cathedral welcomed clergy in their early years of ministry to a table of discussion, listening, dia-

logue and teaching from June 5 to 20. This year, I was pleased to have been selected as one of two Canadians to join with 32 other clergy in their early years of ministry from 17 different countries from around the Anglican Communion to make the precincts of the Cathedral home for two weeks

We engaged in prayer, dialogue and study together. Using the indaba group process we discussed issues ranging from baptism and communion, to women's ordination, sexuality, secularism, Islam, Christian witness in a multi-religious world and youth ministry, to name a few. And yes, there were moments of tension and passionate discussion, but there was also a real sense of wanting to understand the other's position and context – listening to what the Spirit was saying!

Our meetings were grounded in the daily worship and life of Canterbury Cathedral: morning prayer, the celebration of the Eucharist, Bible study and choral evensong. All this reinforced Archbishop Justin Welby's reminder to us that the most important thing we must remember as clergy, and for that matter as children of God, is to strive to know God – and that through regular and disciplined prayer, worship and study we can grow closer to God.

We had the opportunity to spend some time with the staff at the Anglican Communion Office in London and to learn more about the

work and mission of the ACO. And we also were welcomed into Archbishop Welby's home at Lambeth Palace for continued dialogue and teaching and afternoon tea! Archbishop Justin also took the time to talk to us about what his priorities will be while serving as Archbishop of Canterbury: the renewal of prayer

and religious life; evangelism, and; reconciliation.

As we gather in groups like this, we begin to put into context the faces of the communion, we begin to hear of the work of the Spirit in our diverse Communion and we strengthen the bonds of friendship in the Communion.



REV. CHARLES MWITA of Tanzania presents Robert Camara with a keepsake in Saint Augustine's Chapel.



THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT are in the background.

Anglicans respond to Lac-Mégantic disaster

Bruce Myers

As the residents of Lac-Mégantic pick up the pieces of their community and their lives following July's devastating derailment, Anglicans have been contributing to the effort through prayers, presence, and donations.

Perhaps the most concrete expression so far has been a \$5,000 contribution to a solidarity fund established by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Sherbrooke "to meet the extraordinary pastoral and human needs resulting from the Lac-Mégantic disaster."

The grant comes by way of the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund, the agency through which the Anglican Church of Canada responds to such needs at home and abroad, and was forwarded to the Roman Catholic archdiocese through the Anglican Diocese

of Quebec.

"This contribution is a tangible sign of our solidarity with the people of Lac-Mégantic during this trying time," said the Anglican bishop of Quebec, Dennis Drainville. He visited Lac-Mégantic the day after a runaway freight train laden with crude oil hurtled into the town in the early-morning hours of July 6, triggering a series of catastrophic explosions.

"It is also a symbol of our confidence in our Roman Catholic sisters and brothers, who are able to be much more present on the ground, to determine where help is needed most," the bishop added.

Although there has been an Anglican church in Lac-Mégantic, St. Barnabas, since the late 1800s, there has not been an active congregation in the predominantly French-speaking, Roman Catholic town for years.

Nevertheless, the Anglican diocese has offered what assistance it can. In addition to Bishop Drainville's visit, Archdeacon David Oliver of the Parish of North Hatley has also been to Lac-Mégantic. Archdeacon Oliver said he went in part to offer support to the Roman Catholic priest in the town, Father Steve Lemay, who lives in a rectory beside the parish church just meters from where railway tanker explosions levelled several buildings and killed 47 people.

"I went just to be at his side. He watched this drama unfold from his window," the archdeacon said. "This is a big shock for everyone. The fire is out, but the shock remains."

Archdeacon Oliver represented the Anglican diocese at a special memorial service held at Lac-Mégantic's parish church, Sainte-Agnès, on July 27. About 700 family mem-

bers and friends of the victims sat inside the church while hundreds more gathered outside to watch the service on two large screens.

During the service, which was attended by the prime minister, premier, governor-general, and lieutenant-governor, the names of the 47 victims were read aloud by townswoman Pierrette Turgeon Blanchet.

"To help us grieve, let us recall the words of Isaiah: I'm not forgetting you, says God. I have your name engraved on the palms of my hand," she said, clutching the list of the victims' names to her chest.

In his homily, Father Lemay acknowledged the pain, anger, and confusion felt by many in the town.

"Brothers and sisters, what has happened? What has happened to us

in Lac-Mégantic? It is an incredible drama involving all of us in unspeakable suffering. Our town, with a devastated heart, is weeping for her children," Father Lemay preached.

Yet he suggested Jesus Christ has been present even in the midst of the suffering and devastation.

In another expression of support, the Parish of the Ascension, in the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador, has invited its members to donate one dollar a day for 50 days "in remembrance of those who have died, and in support of this community that has been devastated."

Archdeacon Bruce Myers is editor of *The Gazette* in the Diocese of Quebec.

Veteran loses post in restructuring

In a change described by Executive Archdeacon Janet Griffith as part of a restructuring plan at the synod office, the position held by Marcel de Hêtre, web verger and data base administrator, was eliminated and he was laid off on July 10.

This ends a 12-year career in the office for Mr. de Hêtre, who joined the staff in 2001 as episcopal secretary to Archbishop Andrew Hutchison and remained in the position after Bishop Barry Clarke took over in 2004. He was shifted to his present post, with responsibilities for the diocesan website and other communications, especially electronic, in the fall of 2011.

For the time being inquiries that would have gone to him were being directed to his successor as episcopal secretary, Mary Abate.

Mr. de Hêtre, 48, who first became involved with the diocese as a chorister, remains active on the musical scene.

Archdeacon Griffith said the

office restructuring is an effort "to meet the changing needs of parishes and respond to financial constraints" and there will be a number



MARCEL DE HÊTRE was emcee at 2011 Bishop's Dinner.

(Photo: Harvey Shepherd)

of changes will be happening in the next few months"

"We thank Marcel for his years of service, first as episcopal secretary and then as web verger-data base administrator.

She said the position currently held by Sarah Wilson, human resources co-ordinator, will be evolving into operations co-ordinator.

"This position will include first line responsibility for fielding and responding to questions and needs of parishes in a number of areas including property, human resources, health and safety and synod related tasks. Sarah will be leaving in the near future but for the time being is still available to assist you.

"Other changes will be occurring that will further shape the Synod office with a view to strengthening parishes' ability to serve in God's mission. Although this is a challenging time, it is indeed an exciting time to respond to the work of the Spirit."



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Ordinations September: Seven people of faith...

Alain Brosseau: Sharing the love of God

Not long ago, when Alain Brosseau was studying for the Anglican priesthood at the faculty of divinity in Trinity College, Toronto, it was decided to organize a French-language Eucharist at the college. Rev. Richard Gauthier, a priest of the Diocese of Montreal in Toronto working and studying in Toronto at the time (and now serving in Longueuil and St. Hubert) South Shore, presided and a number of students and others, francophone or with a reasonable command of French, were rounded up to participate. Mr. Brosseau assisted Father Gauthier as “deacon of the mass.”

By then, Mr. Brosseau had attended many Anglican Eucharistic celebrations, but this felt like his first Eucharist in French. (While growing up he had attended quite different French-language commemorations of the Last Supper in the Pentecostal tradition and the occasional mass as a student at French-language Catholic schools).

“It felt like Christ was taking me into his bosom. It was a feeling so deep I could not imagine.”

Mr. Brosseau looks forward to sharing some of that depth of feeling in his home province and some of the time in his first language after he is ordained as a transitional deacon in the Diocese of Montreal September 8 and, if all goes well, as a priest in a year or so. He has already had a warm welcome in his first parish, St,



ALAIN BROSSÉAU:
Back in Quebec

George’s Ste Anne de Bellevue, where he began work as a lay associate in July.

Born 47 years ago in St. Jean sur Richelieu and raised mostly in Terrebonne, just north of east-end Montreal and Laval, he grew up attending Pentecostal churches and developed a sense that he was called to the ministry. However, in that denomination “being gay and being a pastor were not congruent.” His career took several turns, bringing him to Toronto and eventually to the Anglican church and study for the priesthood.

He worked as a programmer-ana-

lyst for a big Quebec printing company, then, in 1989, left Montreal to join the Royal Canadian Air Force (as it is now once more known), where he was an air navigation officer and participated in several humanitarian efforts around the world, especially in Asia and Africa and in conjunction with famine relief missions for the Red Cross and the United Nations.

After the Air Force, he moved on to a 16-year career at the Bank of Montreal, which he combined with studies in science, business administration and eventually theology. He completed a bachelor of science degree at the University of Toronto, earned a master’s in business administration from Dalhousie University in Halifax and went on to divinity studies at Trinity.

He joined the pastoral team at St. John’s Anglican Church in West Toronto while working on his master’s degree at Trinity and later wrote on the parish website that “St John’s and its vibrant community are now part of my spiritual journey....I am ever increasingly mindful of the importance of sharing the love of God with those around me; a love that knows no boundaries. A love that is not affected by faith affiliation, race, language, gender, age, orientation or learning abilities.”

He is married to Peter Wessell, a senior manager and consultant in a financial company.

One woman, six men. An age range from the late 20s to over 60. A new priest and six new deacons – of whom five expect to become priests. Evangelical leanings, Catholic leanings. A university professor. Some widely travelled, others less so. Some with business careers behind them.

The candidates whom Bishop Barry Clarke expects to ordain in Christ Church Cathedral on September 8 are a varied lot. Here are some details.

Robert Callender: Same parish, new dimension

A member of St. Lawrence Church in LaSalle for over 20 years, Robert Callendar, now 58, began the demanding course of theological studies for lay people called Education for Ministry in about 2001. He also qualified as a lay reader and has been serving mainly in his own parish for some years. The idea of becoming a deacon gradually grew on him.

In consultation with Rev. Deacon Peter Huish, Mr. Callender proceeded with further study and discernment about becoming a vocational deacon – not intending to become a priest but participating in the liturgy as a deacon and taking the gospel into service in the world. Mr. Callender, who makes his living as a hospital assistant, also took on volunteer service as a volunteer chaplain in several local prisons. He also participates regularly in the weekly Open Door gatherings of prisoners, former prisoners and volunteers in Fulford Hall.

As a deacon, he will serve St. Lawrence LaSalle in much the way he has for years but with another liturgical dimension.

He is married with two teenage children.



ROBERT CALLENDER

Nick Pang: Where’s Waldo?

Nick Pang gets around.

Back around when he was a steward at the Lambeth 2008, the World Conference of Anglican bishops in England, Nicholas Pang introduced himself on a blog this way:

“My name’s Nick. Hi! I’m a Christian worshipping in the Anglican Church of Canada and I’ve recently begun the discernment process for ordination as an Anglican priest through the diocese of Montreal. I grew up in many diverse church settings, and have been known at varying times, to roam the often strange and spectacular haunts of the United Church, the Pentecostal Church, the Southern Baptist Church and the Wesleyan Church. I’m also a univer-

sity student, finishing up a B.A. effectively concentrating in Buddhist studies.”

His interests?

“Aikido, Aikikai, Anglicanism, Anglicans, Books, Camping, Cooking, Cycling, Ecumenism, Exploring, Forests, Forts, Gardening, Getting Lost, Hearing, Hockey, Household puja, Incense, India, Inter-Religious Dialogue, International Development, Knitting, Labyrinths, Listening, Liturgics, MCC, Meditation, Mennonites, Mitres, Monasticism, Pure Land Soteriology, PWRDF, Sketching, Small Spaces, Smelling, Special Needs, Soccer, Tasting, Theology (Christian, et al.), Traveling, Watching, Writing, Youth – ad

infinitum!”

That was five years ago. Of course he didn’t mention things that had not happened yet, like his activity as a Faith Act Fellow in Montreal in 2009, one of two people in Montreal in a project sponsored by the Tony Blair Faith Foundation and the Canadian Centre for Ecumenism to try to link religious pluralism and social justice.

Also still to come was his summer in 2012 as summer-program coordinator of the Anglicans’ Sorrento Centre in British Columbia or various other travels in the last few years in Canada and the United States as well as Cuba (with fellow students at the Montreal Diocesan Theological College), Scandinavia and Mali.

And amid all this the Ste. Anne de Bellevue native has also been busy closer to home: in Montreal diocesan youth ministry activities, for example, and in youth activities connected with the Anglican-Lutheran

Joint Assembly in Ottawa in July.

And, oh yes, this fall he’ll be off to Busan, South Korea, as one of three Canadian Anglican delegates to the tenth World Council of Churches Assembly Oct. 30-Nov. 8. The assembly, the WCC’s highest governing body, meets every seven years. He will be joining Rev. Canon John Alfred Steele of Victoria, a leading Canadian ecumenist of long standing, and Melissa Green of the Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior in British Columbia.

Ms. Green and Canon Steele were elected by the Council of General Synod and Mr. Pang, an ordinand in the Diocese of Montreal, was chosen later to comply with requirements of the World Council. Several other prominent Canadian Anglicans including Archdeacon Bruce Myers of the Diocese of Quebec and National Indigenous Bishop Mark MacDonald will be on hand in staff or other capacities.

You can see why Nick Pang’s capacity to keep turning up, perhaps combined with his short stature and unassuming manner, inspired a little joke by Rev. Canon Paul Jennings, outgoing director of the Montreal Diocesan Theological College, at the college convocation in May, comparing Mr. Pang, in his late 20s, to the ubiquitous cartoon character Waldo in the popular Where’s Waldo? children’s books.

In addition to the other things he has been up to in recent years, Mr. Pang successfully completed the requirements for a master’s degree in divinity and received his diploma at the convocation. He will be ordained as a deacon on September 8 and has been assigned as an assistant curate to St. George’s Place du Canada, where he has been serving as a lay pastor since June 1.



EMILY CARR, youth co-ordinator of the Diocese of Saskatoon and a former student at the Montreal Diocesan Theological College, and **Nick Pang** of St. George’s Place du Canada, soon to be ordained as a deacon, act as “waterbearers” in a ceremony on Parliament Hill on the last day of the Joint Assembly. The event was led by youth to draw attention to the issues of access to clean drinking water for all people, especially First Nations people.

(Photo: Jesse Dymond/Joint Assembly Communications)



TWO VOLUNTEERS IN MONTREAL who worked with a project of the Tony Blair Faith Foundation to combat malaria and foster interfaith understanding, **Maya Smith**, who is Jewish, and **Nick Pang** posed at the Canadian Centre for Ecumenism at the start of 2010.

(Photo: Harvey Shepherd)



IN THE BRIGHT VEST OF A STEWARD at the Lambeth Conference of the world’s Anglican bishops in 2008, **Nick Pang** of Montreal, poses at Canterbury.

(Photo: ACNS/Sweeny)

... and alot of different other things

Brian Perron: 'Just take a deep breath and let it happen'

"It's amazing what can happen," Brian Perron said, "if you just take a deep breath and let it happen."

Mr. Perron, 58, who has already begun work at St. Peter's Church in the Town of Mount Royal and will presumably be there for at least a year or so after his September 8 ordination as a deacon, took one such breath about five years ago. He left his sales and executive job at the graphics and digital printing company where he had started working 33 years earlier, at age 19 and in the era of hot-metal typesetting, to answer a call to the ministry.

It was a turning point in a career that he thinks has been marked by what he called "God winks" in an article last year in the bulletin of the Montreal Diocesan Theological College – and also compared in a phone conversation to the dots famously described by the late computer entrepreneur Steve Jobs: "You can't connect the dots looking forward; you can only connect them looking backwards."

"Each incident," he wrote in the college bulletin, "is like a milestone

along the way that seems to say: yes, you are on the right road."

His five years of theology and divinity studies, a return to school after failing to finish CÉGEP three decades earlier, included many moments of stress and bewilderment in the first semester, but "I have no regrets and I wouldn't change a thing." (He received an award for his achievement at the recent college graduation.

In some classes taken along with McGill University students in other programs, there were some awkwardly amusing moments related to his age, he recalled in the same article.

"I would arrive early for class to sit up front for a better view and so I could hear each and every word. As the students filed into class they would say good morning sir until the younger professor would enter and cast me a smile of respect, like the respect maturity receives when younger commuters give up their seats."

Among the formative influences on Mr. Perron's life has been then



RENEWING ACQUAINTANCES, Brian Perron is congratulated by Rev. Gwenda Wells, incumbent of St. Barnabas Church in St. Lambert, at the Diocesan College convocation at the parish. Mr. Perron and the parish go back a long way.

(Photo: Harvey Shepherd)

Welcome Hall Mission in the Little Burgundy District of Montreal. A friend, Cyril Morgan, then on the

board of the mission and now its executive director, recruited Mr. Perron to the board about 13 years

ago and he is still there. For about four years, roughly corresponding to his student years at the theological college, he was president of the board.

Afra Saskia Tucker, who interviewed him for the college bulletin, reported that he understood his work at the mission and his studies at the college and McGill to "walk hand in hand; his studies helped him understand better what he was doing at the mission.

Another big influence on his life has been his marriage to Joyce Laduke, with whom he became reacquainted in 2005 when he was active in reorganizing a reunion of former students at Chambly County High School in St. Lambert, which they both had attended some years before. They were married at St. Barnabas Church in St. Lambert in 2007.

Ms. Laduke, a nurse at the Montreal Children's Hospital, has been closely involved in his preparations for the ministry, which began not long after the marriage. They live in Candiac.



LORNE EASON receives an award from Bishop Barry Clarke at the 2011 Diocesan College convocation.

(Photo: Harvey Shepherd)

Donald Boisvert: A very good year

Since his ordination as a deacon in June 2012, Rev. Donald Boisvert has been a curate at his home parish, Christ Church Cathedral. Although his post is "non-stipendiary" – he's not on salaried staff – he has been able to devote quite a bit of time to it since for most of the year he has been on sabbatical leave from his full-time job.

But as he got ready to become a priest, he was also starting to get back into the swing of his teaching duties as an associate professor of religious studies at Concordia University, where he has been teaching in the department of religion since 2003. Prior to that, he occupied a variety of senior administrative positions at Concordia, most notably as dean of students. His three specialties are the history of Christianity, religion in Canada and the

interrelation of gender and sexuality with religion. From 2000 to 2007, he was co-chair of a group on gay men's issues in religion in the American Academy of Religion.

At the Cathedral, "it's been a very busy and a very good year," he said.

Deacon Boisvert, a bilingual francophone, has been devoting a lot of time and energy to the effort to increase and enhance French-language ministry. Initiatives have included a weekly French-language Eucharist at 12:45 p.m. Sundays.

The Cathedral is also inviting people interested in exploring Christianity to attend an Alpha Course to be offered in English and in French Sunday evenings Oct. 20-Dec. 22 between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. in Fulford Hall, 1444 Union Ave., behind the Cathedral. (See the announcement on Page 2.)

Lorne Eason: 'The key is to listen to God'

Lorne Eason is a cradle Anglican and for decades has supported the ministry of his wife, Rev. Michelle Eason, currently minister at St. Michael and All Angels Parish in Pierrefonds.

She suggested from time to time that he enter the ministry, but the decision was a long time coming. Even in 2008 when he left his position in the family railway supplies company where he had worked for 30 years "because I wanted to do something else," he recognized that his faith was his passion in life but wasn't sure he wanted to make a career of it.

However, he did go back to back to school and switch a bachelor's program in commerce that he had begun some time before to a program that brought him a BA in theology. Repeated urging over the years by his friend Rev. Ralph Leavitt, now an archdeacon and incumbent of Holy Trinity Church in Ste.

Agathe, who had himself moved from a business career to the ministry some years before, persuaded Mr. Eason to "let God direct me."

It was only about a year before he began the process of discernment, study and other preparation that will culminate September 8 in his ordination as a deacon, assigned to Christ Church Beaurepaire, where he has been working since June 1.

Even though his call to the ministry came later in life than his wife's, Mr. Eason, 61, said he and his wife – parents of three sons and a daughter and grandparents of two youngsters, a little over 1½ and about 9 months – are looking forward to life as a clergy couple.

He said in a guest sermon at St. John the Baptist Church in Pointe Claire on Theological Education Sunday last year that in his studies at the Montreal Diocesan Theological College and its sister colleges at McGill University it had been "quite

eye-opening for a cradle Anglican like myself to learn that in fact I knew very little about the very church I grew up in."

"The key," he added a few paragraphs later, "is to listen to God, to be receptive to God's initiatives, to be attentive to God's voice, to be open to God's movement in our lives, sometimes in the most unexpected places and sometimes from the most unexpected people...."

"We often have our own ideas about who God is, and how God will respond. And how often do our ideas, our expectations, our perceptions of the God of all creation, hinder our ability to follow the path set before us? How often do we say, but that's now what I understood all these years, that's not the way I was taught, that's not what is familiar to me? And so we stay where we are, and, probably unknowingly, limit the blessings that God wishes to shower on us."

Adrienne Clements: passing through

Adrienne Clements' ordination as a deacon on September 8 will no doubt give her an occasion to renew acquaintances with friends from the Montreal synod office, the Montreal Diocesan Theological College, Christ Church Beaurepaire and elsewhere before moving on to yet another chapter in a well travelled life.

When she came to Montreal from the Toronto area in 2006, Ms. Clements had 17 years' experience in international development. She had travelled widely in Kenya and other African countries as well as Haiti and other parts of the Caribbean, Sri Lanka, Nicaragua and Bolivia in her work with Save the

Children Canada, the Christian Children's Fund and other organizations. With two university degrees already under her belt, a bachelor's degree in anthropology and biology and a master's in environmental science she studied for the ministry at the Montreal Diocesan Theological College.

She also took on a part-time stewardship position on the diocesan staff, with a special focus on fundraising events, in 2009, remaining there until she stepped down in 2011 because of the pressure of studies and family commitments.

Not long after that her husband, Ronald Nielsen, was offered a job in Ohio and the couple made the move

to Cleveland from Montreal with their two sons: Wils and Nicholas, now 14 and 11. She carried on her theological studies at Bexley Hall in Columbus and also had a placement as a seminarian at Trinity Cathedral in Cleveland, entering as a senior.

Now that she has completed her studies she plans to serve in the Toronto area, where she was born and raised and still has family. She has just joined the staff of Trinity Anglican Church in Agincourt, a neighbourhood in the Toronto district of Scarborough. She will become an assistant curate there on her ordination and will probably be ordained as a priest in the Toronto Diocese in a year or so.

Council for Refugees welcomes Supreme Court finding

The Canadian Council for Refugees has welcomed a decision by the Supreme Court of Canada that the council says brings Canada into line with international standards on when people can be excluded from refugee protection.

"We are pleased to see the Supreme Court clarify that people should not be excluded based on guilt by association," said Loly Rico, president of

the council. "Many refugees have been excluded from refugee protection in Canada not because they committed any crimes themselves, but because of a group they were considered to be associated with."

The court was ruling on an appeal by Rachidi Ekanza Ezokola who in 2008 left his post leading the permanent mission of the Democratic Republic of Congo to the United

Nations in New York, fled to Canada and sought refugee status. The Canadian Minister of Immigration sought to exclude him on the grounds that finding he was complicit in crimes against humanity committed by the government of the DRC.

The Supreme Court found that decision makers should not overextend the concept of complicity to

include "mere association or passive acquiescence" and told immigration officials to take a new look at Mr. Ezokola's case on that basis.

The Canadian Council for Refugees says the Ezokola decision corrects Canadian jurisprudence that had overextended the interpretation of exclusion based on war crimes, resulting in innocent people being denied protection and wrongly

labelled "war criminals". It will mean that refugees will no longer be excluded from protection based on simple suspicion of crimes or based on the criminal acts of a group they belong to, without them personally being guilty of any crime.

As a partner in Action Réfugiés Montréal, The Anglican Diocese of Montreal is an indirect supporter of the Canadian Council for Refugees.

The church mouse

Of editors, finances and structures

An occasional column by the editor

It has been a busy and eventful summer for me as editor of *The Montreal Anglican*, highlighted by being the host of the annual convention of the Anglican Editors Association.

The editors of 16 diocesan newspapers - all but a few out of about 20 - as well as *The Anglican Journal* gathered in Montreal to exchange technical tips, enjoy a bit of the jazz festival (in at least a few cases), visit St. Joseph's Oratory and other Mon-

tréal attractions, hear inspiring and witty words from Dean Paul Kennington and others - and contemplate the future.

It was an upbeat occasion. The future for the newspapers and, above all, *The Anglican Journal*, did not

seem as bleak as it did - at least to me - a few months earlier. The appointment some months before of Archdeacon Paul Feheley as the interim editor of the *Journal* and the paper they have been producing since then seem to be evidence that the church is committed to a ministry of print journalism and least for a while yet.

The leaflet that you will find enclosed with this issue for the annual *Anglican Journal* Appeal is another piece of evidence to that effect. The church still thinks enough of the newspapers to permit an appeal for funds for their future to go ahead.

As I do more or less annually, let me take this opportunity that under the current postage and printing arrangements - not to mention cooperation in editorial matters through email, the conference and other means, which, while largely informal, has probably been increasing - the future of the *Journal* and papers like *The Montreal Anglican* are closely linked. To attempt to carry on a diocesan paper without the support of these arrangements would be much more difficult.

This is especially so since dioceses including Montreal area themselves under great financial strain, as I have just been abruptly reminded.

Obviously, while the continuance of the *Journal* appeal is encouraging to me, a generous response to it would be even more so. This is not only because of the much-needed support it would provide for *The Journal*. Results from the appeal are shared and *The Montreal Anglican* receives about half of any donations from this diocese. Please consider a contribution, both as a source of funds and a way of showing the diocesan and Canadian churches that you appreciate our efforts.

Let me go back to our editors' conference for a minute. A considerable share of the credit for its success is due to the great support that I as host received from the Diocese of Montreal. That included an astonishing contribution from volunteers including Susan Winn and Ann Cumyn, along with several others who served as drivers and in other ways.

Staff support well beyond the call of duty came particularly from our program administrator, Nicki Hronjak and I also appreciated the way Executive Archdeacon Janet Griffith and Dean Paul Kennington rallied to the cause.

I was also deeply grateful for the way Marcel de Hêtre put his long experience with arranging hotel accommodation for convention visitors to the diocese and the relation he has cultivated with Le Square Philips Hotel at the disposal of *The Montreal Anglican* and our visitors.

This increased my shock on learning within a few short weeks that the diocese had decided in the face of financial pressures to terminate his services.

I have to take this occasion to express my gratitude not only for his help with the conference but for the many services he, as episcopal secretary and more recently as web vergery, has rendered me and for the way I have benefitted from his technical knowhow and his considerable knowledge of church lore throughout my own service to date as editor.

I can only hope that, perhaps through the involvement with church music that brought him to the diocese 12 years ago, there will be future occasions for contact between us.

Harvey Shepherd

Anglican editors from across Canada gather in Montreal



AMONG THE LIGHTER MOMENTS at the conference of the Anglican Editors Association was a dinner-theatre presentation that took a light-hearted look at the history of Montreal. Several luminaries from the conference were recruited into cameo appearances in the show. In the photo, along with members of the cast, are Tim Christison in the purple cape, editor of *The Sower* in the Diocese of Calgary and incoming president of the association, Simon Chambers of the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund, in the red cape, Bev Murphy, business manager of *The Anglican Journal*, in blue, and, in black, Archdeacon Bruce Myers, who among other things is editor of the *Quebec Diocesan Gazette*.

(Photo: Susan Winn.)

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Handing over the reins



HARVEY SHEPHERD, editor of *The Montreal Anglican*, poses with Rev. Hollis Hiscock, editor of *The Niagara Anglican*, at the close of the annual convention of the Anglican Editors Association, which brought editors of diocesan newspapers across Canada to Montreal June 28-30. *The Niagara Anglican* will be the host paper for next year's conference.

(Photo: Paul Sherwood)

Logifem: helping women move from disappointment to hope

Harvey Shepherd

Logifem still has the commitment to aiding women in difficulty that was the vision of the late Irving (Benny) Benoy when the colourful street preacher and former merchant seaman and a group of fellow parishioners at St. Joseph of Nazareth Church in Brossard founded it a quarter-century ago.

Friends of Logifem celebrated the 25th anniversary of the shelter for women and raised over \$10,000 for its programs at a fundraising supper June 6 at the chic, socially conscious Restaurant Robin des Bois on St. Laurent Boulevard. A service of thanksgiving is planned November 30 at the Peoples Church of Montreal an evangelical church near the McGill University campus.

In addition, the executive director, Sally Richmond will be drawing at least incidentally on close to two years so far in that post when she speaks at the 24th annual AWARE retreat (the initials stand for Anglican Women Alive, Renewed and Enriched) in Pointe Claire September 21.

She said in an interview that she is constantly impressed by the courage and resilience of many of the residents.

"They have faced enormous challenges and found the strength to keep going. We provide structures and support services but we are continually learning, because we are dealing with people.

Like the Little Burgundy area where Logifem opened its doors at the end of 1988, an area where upscale condos and townhouses now exist alongside the low-income households of which there are still

many, Logifem has changed over the years in some ways, including more emphasis on longer-term support.

The shelter for women with its 20 beds has almost finished a change-over from, dorms to individual rooms. A resource centre in a nearby building that opened in 2006 has meeting rooms, a workout room, a vegetable garden and offices. Children have been accepted since 1992 and there are usually about a half-dozen living there with their mothers.

Logifem also supervises seven supervised apartments, one of which can accommodate a mother and child, in partnership with the Montreal municipal housing agency. Women can live for three to five years while working out what to do with their lives (compared with a maximum of one in the main building).

Each resident in the shelter is assigned an intervention worker who helps her work toward goals she sets for herself: perhaps to increase self-confidence, to get a job or to go back to school. There are also such activities as outings, personal-development workshop, crafts, gardening and cooking. Logifem offers some low-key religious programming – Bible study, hymn-singing, the occasional Alpha course or some other program – for those interested.

The challenges faced by the women, mainly francophone and referred by various agencies, other shelters, immigration personnel, therapists and personal contacts, are "very diverse" and include poverty, isolation, mental-health problems, lack of familiarity with Quebec society and previous dependencies on



SALLY RICHMOND shares a light moment with staff member Emmanuelle Kayiganwa in the Logifem kitchen.

(Photo: Harvey Shepherd)

drugs, alcohol or gambling.

Issues of conjugal violence are sometimes present, although not as predominant as at some shelters. The shelter does not publicize its street address but is not, for example, equipped to admit women after hours. Short-term emergency shelter is available, however, and Logifem will, if necessary, accelerate its usual admission procedures, which normally involve a group meeting and staff interview and take several days.

"People come here because something has gone wrong," she said, whether the loss of a job, the breakup of a household, a mental-health crisis or something else.

Ms. Richmond said Logifem is continually striving to find a balance

between offering support to its residents and, on the other hand, trying to help them find their autonomy.

She said about 80 per cent of the Logifem budget comes from then Quebec government and a significant part of the rest from residents, who pay about \$400 a month from their welfare income or in some cases income from employment. But Logifem welcomes financial support from churches, other groups and individuals. It can also accept donations in kind, within limitations, and is always looking for volunteers to support the efforts of multicultural staff of about 25, full- and part-time.

Ms. Richmond arrived in Montreal from England about 7½ years ago after getting a bachelor's degree in English and French from the Uni-

versity of Manchester, taking a brief stab at work in public relations and then working for a couple of years with an organization that supports immigrants and refugees. She has spent some time in France and among the poor in India along the way. The attractions of Montreal included the French language and a friendship with Rev. Chris Barrigar, and his wife, Fiona Crossling. He was starting off as minister of St. Peter's in the Town of Mount Royal.

She worked for about five years as manager of the Dix Mille Villages fair-trade boutique in the N.D.G. district of Montreal before moving to her job at Logifem in April 2011. There, she succeeded Gwen Mohamed, who had had the job for over 12 years, succeeding Claire Muirhead.

Despite her busy career, Ms. Richmond completed the requirements for a master's degree in business administration, which she received this spring from the John Molson School of Business at Concordia University.

Her talks at the AWARE retreat won't be primarily about Logifem but rather more spiritual topics: more specifically, the two disciples' encounter with the risen Christ on the road to Emmaus, as recounted in Luke 14: 13-25. But to her there is a strong connection: like the two disciples, many at least of the women who pass through Logifem manage to move from great disappointment to hope.

For more information on the retreat, see the notice on Page 11. For more on Logifem, visit www.logifem.org or call 514-939-3172.

A day of golf is a blessing

David Sinclair

Rev. Canon David Sinclair offered these thoughts at the closing banquet of the diocesan Mission Works Golf Tournament at the Whitlock Golf and Country Club in Hudson July 8. He's priest-in-charge of the Parish of Arundel and Weir – retired from the Diocese of Ontario and a Canon of St. George's Cathedral Kingston.

Someday I will learn to pay attention during committee meetings. One can find oneself assigned tasks for which one lacks both talent and qualification. However, being given the task to offer some theological reflection after a day of golf, I brought along a Sunday sermon I thought might fit: which I will not use!

There is a line on one of Herbert O'Driscoll's hymns that reminds us that "The Love of Jesus calls us our joyous praise to sing" for "All God's many blessings, unasked, yet still received." Surely a day of golf is a blessing to call forth deeply felt thanksgivings. A day of golf with one's beloved in the company of good friends and colleagues doubles the blessing. A day of golf and a dinner in company with folks who faithfully believe that they should share some of what God has given them in support of such good works of love and mercy as Action Réfugiés, Tyndale St-Georges and the Mile End Mission is indeed more than we can desire or deserve. So, for all of that, thanks be to God!

The time constraint I was given reminded me of one of my older brother's favourite stories (It is his son Gord who very generously



THERE IT GOES! Staff of the Diocese of Montreal's auditing firm, BDO Canada follow with their eyes after one of hits the ball down the fairway. From left to right: Edward Ng, Mina Farinacci, Nishant Sharma and David Pluta.

(Photo: Harvey Shepherd)

donated the Tragically Hip hockey jersey to the Silent Auction – with not a word of apology that it comes in Boston Bruin Colours.) Apparently Jock is late arriving home from kirk one Sabbath, so late that the joint has gone stone cold. Asked by Elspeth, who hadn't felt well in the morning and didn't go to kirk, if there had been a guest preacher that day, Jock answered, "Aye." A further query, "Was the sermon long?" elicited a further, "Aye." Then, when his exasperated spouse asked, "Well what was it about?" Jock offered an in-depth analysis, "He didna say!"

Some here may know that our illustrious team on the course today represented the Laurentians Deanery. Unfortunately we didn't carry in our cart some of the specialized

implements often needed on the courses we have hewn from the rocks and forests of the most beautiful portion of the diocese: a chainsaw and a weed-whacker! We do play with much faith – not presuming to follow our Lord to the extent that we attempt to stroll across the water hazards. I did think that the staff of Moses or the mantle of Elijah might have come in handy to at least part the waters: not to cheat, surely, but I was beginning to run out of golf balls, and I'm sure there might be a few to find at the bottom of those lakes.

A former bishop in the Diocese of Ontario whose roots are here in Montreal, Peter Mason, was wont to take his clergy for the odd round at the Picton Golf Club. If the priest

should beat the bishop, he was chided for neglecting his pastoral work for golf. If instead the bishop prevailed, he would suggest that the priest should take a little more time off! Of course we know that lay folk have different ways to evaluate their clergy: as one is reported to have said of a recent appointee, "Six day each week our vicar is invisible, and on the seventh incomprehensible!"

With our Bishop Barry on a much-deserved Sabbath leave, we have been capably guided in our mutual ministry by Kommissar (I mean Commissary) Janet, who is a great proponent of finding true balance in life in whatever vocation we follow. I suppose I could claim some success at that task, having been blessed to follow a call first heard in my teens, for over half a century, in that I've been made a canon twice. The best definition of that honourable state I ever heard came from a colleague in Niagara, who offered this: A canon is a dignitary who appears at first sight to be an impressive piece of ecclesiastical artillery, but on closer examination turns out to be a smooth old bore! Actually, in another definition of success in the church, I have never come even close: I have never had a vestry with its own washroom!

Nor have I had a curate – as did one senior cleric who grew tired of hearing his lay leaders talk of their wonderful Sunday rounds as reasons for missing church. So one Sunday the rector assigned both services to the curate and headed off to the local course. Observers from on high quickly noted the miscreant

priest, and our Lord says to God, "That's one of my sales force! He should be punished severely!" On the first hole, a 390-yard par-4 with a severe dog-leg left, our cleric blasts off his usual slice to the right, which hits a rock dead on, bounces high and far over a hill, catches the slope, rolls onto the green and into the cup. Jesus then says, "I thought you were going to punish that priest for playing golf on Sunday, and you've given him a hole-in-one!" God replies, "Who do you think he can tell!"

For any who have been expecting, misguidedly, some Biblical exegesis that might even obliquely apply to the game of golf, I would instead assign a bibliography: A Roman Catholic priest by the name of Mike Linder has an excellent little volume on Golf and the Spiritual Life entitled *Play It as It Lies*. One quote will suffice: If hope is an expectation that runs counter to the available evidence, then golf promotes hope more than many other human activities.

If only I can stay healthy for another 10 years, then my age might match the best score I ever shot – in my thirties.

One final theological reflection: on the oft-debated omnipotence, or all-powerfulness, of God. I take it from the senior pro golfer Lee Trevino, who advises when the horn sounds to indicate a threatening thunderstorm to stroll slowly to the clubhouse with a one iron over your head, because as he says, "Not even God can hit a one iron!"

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Anglican-Lutheran Joint Assembly 2013 in Ottawa

'A change for all of us as we continue to work

Susan Winn: So Much to Celebrate at Joint Assembly!

Twelve years ago, in 2001, at the Anglican General Synod in Waterloo, I witnessed two events that have remained firmly in my memory and in my heart. This year I was blessed to be present to witness outcomes of both these historic movements in our church.

The first memory was the Waterloo moment when Bishop Gordon Beardy, bishop of Keewatin, forgave the Anglican Church of Canada for its past dealings with indigenous peoples, especially through the residential schools. This formal acceptance by Bishop Beardy was in response to Primate Michael Peers' apology for the church's involvement in the abuse of aboriginal children in its church-run schools. I remember being part of a powerful healing ceremony during the Synod when Bishop Beardy quietly stepped forward and spoke words of forgiveness. There was not a dry eye in the massive hockey arena where we were meeting. There had been so much disappointment over the slow pace of negotiations with the Federal Government in resolving litigation concerning responsibility for the schools. Suddenly new hope swept over us, and we prayed together and sang and were given gifts by our indigenous brothers and sisters. We were one in the Spirit, one in the

Lord.

The second Waterloo 2001 moment remembered was during a joint worship celebration with Anglicans and Lutherans (ELCIC). Two decades of discussion culminated in a covenant between these two denominations. In this packed Waterloo Recreation Complex, Anglicans and Lutherans voted for a full partnership with one another. There was much rejoicing, and dancing! No one who was there will forget Primate Michael Peers and Lutheran Bishop Telmor Sartison dancing together with their red cloaks flying. There was laughter and music and tears of joy.

I was standing and clapping, surrounded by several indigenous friends. I noticed they were clapping politely, but were quite solemn. One lady turned to me and said, "Do you think there will be a day when they will dance for us?" I did not know how to answer her. I did not understand what this would look like.

This year, Joint Assembly 2013 was an historic meeting of a combined General Synod and ELCIC Convention. Anglicans and Lutherans have learned to share in common ministries and in global partnerships. We heard numerous stories of parishes that have come together in Anglican and Lutheran



SUSAN WINN catches up on the news from British Columbia with Bishop Barbara Andrews of the Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior.

worship and mission. Our Full Partnership is real and growing twelve years after Waterloo.

The most thrilling event for me at Joint Assembly was the unanimous vote to establish a new indigenous,

self-determining diocese in northern Ontario. On the dais was the National Indigenous Anglican bishop, Mark McDonald, the first elected area bishop for northern Ontario, Lydia Mamakwa, and so many fine church leaders who have worked so hard to build indigenous ministries, translate the Bible into their languages and to teach the importance of pastoral elders in their midst who guide the young to value their culture, traditions and beliefs.

When the vote to form the new diocese was passed by the delegates in Ottawa, we all jumped to our feet, and we sang and watched our indigenous friends dance off the stage and around the room, led by the current bishop of Keewatin, Archbishop David Ashdown. Those who have followed the steps taken towards Healing and Reconciliation could not have imagined the thrill of this experience. It was beautiful. It touched us all. It reminded us that this is another significant change for all of us as we continue to work towards healing throughout our church.

To my indigenous sister from Waterloo 2001, wherever you are today: It happened! We danced for you! We danced for joy! Praise be to God!

Robert Camara: Hope abounding

A spirit of hope abounded throughout the first meeting of the Joint Assembly of Canadian Anglicans and Lutherans when we met in Ottawa from July 3-7. Grounded in prayer, the two denominations made history when we met as a combined body to discuss issues of common interest and importance.

Personally, it was an opportunity to discuss diverse and common issues with other Anglicans and Lutherans, to hear different perspectives across denominational boundaries and regions.

Although I personally found that the sessions were intense and compared to previous General Synod gatherings lacked more opportunities to network and meet people, the organizers were still able to cram together several opportunities for discussion, dialogue and networking in the shorter gathering. From our usual nine-day gatherings to a five-day gathering, it was pretty much business, business and more business.

But we still had opportunities to get to know one another and build the bonds of friendship and trust needed to make important decisions when we met over shared meals or during coffee breaks or while networking amongst the various displays.

The church is the people of God and in our informal group dialogues, dinner table discussions and after session drinks, we were able to hear the personal stories of the Spirit working throughout the church!

Many important issues were debated, discussed and voted on which you will have read about in



REV. ROBERT CAMARA, appointed to the national co-ordinating committee of Partners in Mission, chats with Rev. Karen Egan, sporting her nifty new Council of General Synod shirt.

the last issue of both the national and diocesan newspapers.

Now it is time for us as the church to continue the work that the General Synod and the Joint Assembly began.

I was pleased to accept a Primate appointment from Archbishop Fred

Hiltz to serve on the national co-ordinating committee of Partners in Mission with Bishop Peter Fenty as chair. I look forward over the next triennium to representing the diocese and working for the greater church in this work of outreach and mission.

Marion Standish: Concern for rural parishes

I was one of approximately 300 Anglican delegates, joining approximately 300 Evangelical Lutheran delegates; this was my first attendance at General Synod. Never having attended a General Synod, I had no points of comparison, just lots of expectations. I was not disappointed.

My general impressions and some surprises: a no-paper conference, good healthy food, both in quantity and quality, great organization from registering in to check out time the jubilant participation of the youth, both in worship and organizing of events. We gathered on Parliament Hill on the Saturday morning for a prayer event intended to draw attention to the issue of clean water, particularly in aboriginal communities.

We voted on motions and made decisions; one had a special interest for me, a change in number of delegates for General Synod. Currently the number of delegates is determined by the number of licensed clergy in the diocese. A motion was approved for a new formula, based on average attendance at four liturgical celebrations – Easter, Pentecost, Second Sunday of September and Christmas – over two years. I expressed my concern that if numbers of delegates were based on attendance, this could mean less representation for rural-based dioceses, where demographics are shifting. We may have less numbers in our pews, but that does not diminish the value or worth of small, rural parishes. We were eight delegates from the Montreal diocese.

We were taught a simplified way to remember the five marks of Mission, the five 'T's. Using the fingers of one hand, wagging the index finger reminds us to TELL (the good story, I told you so), two fingers to TEACH (needs more than one person), three fingers turned inward as a hoe to TEND (respond to human needs), four fingers to TRANSFORM and the whole hand cradling a TREASURE (to sustain and renew the life of the earth).

Over 45 displays and booths gave us a lot of information on work and projects carried out by both the Anglicans and Lutherans. The joint sessions in the mornings gave both groups an opportunity to learn of the work of the other. Anglican and Lutheran issues were discussed in the afternoons in separate groups.

It was a great opportunity to meet Anglicans and Lutherans from across Canada. I met an Anglican delegate from Toronto who had spent her youth in Rougemont and another lady from Montreal whom I knew under different circumstances; I had no idea she attended a Lutheran church in Montreal.

Next General Synod will be in Toronto in 2016; attempts are being made to reduce costs both in attendance and in the functioning of some of the committees.

We were at times dismissed with a blessing: GET UP (do something) GET OUT (work with people outside of our churches) and GET LOST (in the mission/work you have chosen)! Thank you, Montreal Diocese, for this privilege.

Work towards healing throughout our church'

Antoinette Lynch-Joseph: Reconnecting

My trip to Ottawa as a youth delegate to the Joint Assembly in early July was beyond my expectations. To say that my first experience of a General Synod was interesting and fun would be putting it mildly!

I liked hearing what people had to say and the way they expressed themselves about the different motions on many sessions dealt with during the interesting Anglican sessions. Several times I found myself itching to agree with the points being made!

Being a youth member for this trip enabled me to reconnect with other youth that I met last year in trips to British Columbia and Saskatoon, as well as youth from Newfoundland I had met at the Diocesan Synod in Montreal. It was good to meet so many wonderful young adults from across Canada. I will never forget the connections I made or the things that I was able to learn during the week.

Upon being acclaimed to join the Council of General Synod, I look forward to the meetings that we will be having and to the discussions. I will do my best to do what I am entitled to do as a youth representative for the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada. My goal is that I will continue to learn during this process and use the best of my abilities. In all, I am looking forward to being on CoGS.



ANTOINETTE LYNCH-JOSEPH and Devon Goldie of Edmonton and Victoria join the gathering outside of the Parliament Buildings.

(Photo: Susan Winn)

Neil Mancor: The word is diversity

The word that comes to mind when I think of Joint Assembly is *diversity*.

This was my first experience of a General Synod, in this case a Joint Assembly with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Canada. That framed my first impressions of the whole event: gathering together with Anglicans and Lutherans from across Canada gave an even wider sense of the sheer diversity of our churches.

Our joint sessions were presided over by Primate Fred Hiltz and National Bishop Susan Johnson. I have come to admire them both and feel a sense of connection to both of these godly leaders. The relationship between our two churches is very strong at the national level: we can develop that more at the Diocesan and local levels.

Indigenous people

Another diverse element of this gathering was the presence of many different indigenous people from every part of Canada. The great diversity of cultures, languages and histories was well represented by indigenous members of our synod. It was moving to hear of the translation of the Bible into Inuktitut, a process that took 34 years.

The formal introduction of a new, indigenous diocese replacing the Diocese of Keewatin happened at our gathering.

This was a powerful moment for all involved, as the leadership of God's mission amongst indigenous people was entrusted to indigenous



NEIL MANCOR and Suzanne Rumsey of the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund swap recollections of the time she wheeled to his parish, St. George's Ste Anne de Bellevue, on a long-distance fund-raising bicycle trip.

(Photo: Susan Winn)

people.

Above all, the sheer diversity of ministry and energy all through our Church, represented by the many delegates.

I have come away encouraged by all the stories of the things God is doing amongst us all, and inspired by the leadership of Primate Fred and National Bishop Sue.

Ann Cumyn: Lots of laughter

Together for the love of the world. What an experience that was! It is now anticipated that, understanding the meaning of full communion, we, Anglicans and Lutherans, will be motivated to work together. What was formerly academic knowledge, and probably in many places not truly understood, has now become an inspiration for action.

Those five days in Ottawa were full of action. Anglicans and Lutherans met together each morning and for the initial sessions on Wednesday. Each delegate was assigned to a table. In the joint sessions the tables were mixed, Lutherans and Anglicans. Together we listened to some amazing speakers. The main speaker was the Rev Dr. Christopher Duraisingh who reminded us that mission is the fundamental reason for being a church. Start with mission and the church will follow, not the other way round!

The afternoon and evening sessions were devoted to Synod business and presentations that were pertinent to the work of the Anglican Church.

In these Anglican sessions we were again mixed – clergy, lay and bishops and no two from the same diocese. There was such a lot to learn, especially about our aboriginal people. As for the business, I

think most people left with a sense of accomplishment.

There was lots of laughter, especially in the joint gatherings. At a Q&A focussing on the two groups' relief funding organizations, Adele Finney of the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund mentioned that she was sometimes asked, "Why are we funding apes?"

The benefits of not sitting as a diocese were many. There were so many opportunities to meet and talk to others. I made the most of lunch and dinner by seeking out a table that has just two or three sitting at it. The table often filled up, but I was able to have mealtime conversations with some amazing people, including the wife of the Secretary General of the Anglican Communion who is an art lover and had been enjoying visits to the National Gallery.

The most memorable line, on which our Primate based his talk at the closing Eucharist, was a quote used by the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church. A retired New York Bishop dismissed people at the end of the service with the words "Get up, Get out, Get lost." Get up from your pews. Get out of the church. Get lost among outside community, where we have been mandated to carry out our mission!

Ian Sinclair: Liturgy in both worship and debate

As a first-time delegate to General Synod, I was impressed. "Together for the love of the world": Lutherans and Anglicans were randomly distributed to allow interactions over round-table meals, coffee and discussions. I met Lutheran pastors from Halifax and Waterloo, Lutheran lay people from Calgary and Anglicans from Vancouver to



IAN SINCLAIR makes a point. (Photo: Brian Bukowski)

St. John's. We talked about church responses to floods out west, homeless people in Toronto and indigenous people in Ecuador displaced by mining operations. We were informed and inspired by live presentations and videos – including a youth-led liturgy on Parliament Hill focusing on access to clean water.

We also met in separate Anglican and Lutheran sessions to talk about the business of our respective

churches. Issues varied – a motion on Israeli-Palestinian conflict, another on initiating a future motion to allow marriage of gays and lesbians in church. Some of these debates were difficult, but I was impressed by the order and dignity with which matters were handled. There was strategy, too – with only 1½ minutes allowed, each speaker had to watch time carefully. Amendments were raised and debated, giving new ways to frame unresolved questions. When we voted, by show of hands or electronically, most felt that the matter had been well aired before a decision had to be made. One could say that there was a certain liturgy in both the services of worship and the service of debate – both were work of the people, and service to God and His world.

Two Montrealers serve on CoGS

Two people from the Diocese of Montreal will serve on the Council of General Synod, the governing body of the Anglican Church of Canada between the triennial meetings of the General Synod, until 2016.

Rev. Karen Egan, interim director of pastoral studies at the Montreal Diocesan Theological College and recently incumbent of the Parish of St. Andrew and St. Mark in Dorval, and Antoinette Lynch-Joseph of St. George's Church in Châteauguay, will serve respectively as the clerical

and youth representative from the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, made up of dioceses in Quebec and the Atlantic Provinces and one of four ecclesiastical provinces in the Canadian church.

The other three representatives of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada are Bishop Percy Coffin of Western Newfoundland and two lay representatives, Jennifer Warren from then Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island and James Sweeney from the Diocese of Quebec (in central and eastern Quebec).

One of the lay representatives from the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Newfoundland, Melissa Green, is from the Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior, a grouping that has a partnership agreement with the Diocese of Montreal.

The recent meeting of the General Synod also confirmed the appointment of Susan Winn of St. George's Ste Anne de Bellevue as one of the three members of the communications and information resources committee.

A fantastic Tyndale summer! / Un été Tyndale fantastique!



A SUMMER ART STUDIO animated by artists from La Ruche d'Art and Concordia University was among summer camp activities at the Tyndale St-Georges Community Centre in Little Burgundy. For four weeks the children developed skills in painting, puppetry, collage and more. There was an exhibition of their work July 23.



C'ÉTAIT UN ÉTÉ TYNDALE FANTASTIQUE pour les habitués du centre communautaire. On a commencé la saison avec le barbecue annuel le 14 juin avec en vedette de la musique par "Jam for Justice." Cette année, les enfants du camp d'enfants, jeunesse et familles ont pu faire l'expérience de tant de nouvelles choses – un Studio d'art d'été, une visite au Musée Eco, bowling, camp de football, la natation et encore plus!



Mile End notebook / Bloc-notes de la Mission

To the edge and back

Reflections of an anonymous member of the Mile End Community Mission

I began coming to the Mile End Community Mission in 1998 at age 14 with my mother, who was a very committed volunteer. My mom worked in the clothing bank at the mission for many years and because of her hard work and dedication, the friperie was named "Friperie Joyce" in her memory. Clothing was always expensive when I was growing up, as a single mom, my mother knew it was important for families with limited income to be able to have access to nice, inexpensive clothing.

Throughout high school, I participated in Christmas dinners and programming at the mission. Because of my experiences at the mission, I knew at an early age that I wanted to do for others what I saw people at the mission doing for others. And it was primarily because of these experiences that I later decided to enroll in the Leadership Training program at Dawson College.

In 2008, my mom died. This loss was very difficult for me to deal with. After she passed away, I returned to the mission to help prepare lunches three or four days a week – and I also began drinking very heavily. My drinking made me "a shivering denizen in alcohol's mad kingdom."

From 2008 to 2011, other close and important family members also passed away including my father. It was a dark and difficult time in my life, and by age 26, I already had very

serious health and life problems resulting from my drinking. Drinking had taken away my health and my freedom. When I began to realize that it could also take away my sanity, I said "no more." I decided I was sick and tired of being sick. I had a moment of clarity.

And after all I had been through and all that I had done during those difficult years, the mission took me in, without judgement or prejudice. And I found something more powerful than alcohol, and it was love – a home, a place where I belong and where ideas can be shared, a family which I've missed since my parents have gone.

I recently received my one-year AA chip and have registered for university in the fall.

I continue volunteering in the Mile End Mission's food program where my personal philosophy is: "Leave no man, woman or child behind" – a philosophy of love that echoes throughout the mission.

Mile End missteps

The editor apologizes for some errors in the article about the Mile End Mission in the summer issue. The mission traces its origin to the Church of the Ascension, not Resurrection. Carleen Taylor, kitchen manager and food bank director, functions virtually as a staff member but is a volunteer. And we managed to misspell the name of the former executive director, Rev. Roslyn Macgregor.

Réflexions d'un membre anonyme de la Mission communautaire Mile End

J'ai commencé à fréquenter la Mission communautaire Mile End en 1998, à l'âge de 14 ans, avec ma mère qui était une bénévole très engagée. Ma mère a travaillé à la banque de vêtements de la Mission durant plusieurs années, et en raison de son travail acharné ainsi que son dévouement, la friperie fut nommée "Friperie Joyce". Les vêtements étaient chers quand je grandissais, et en tant que monoparentale ma mère connaissait l'importance pour les familles à faible revenu de pouvoir s'approprier de beaux vêtements à petit prix.

Durant mon secondaire, j'ai participé aux soupers et activités de Noël qui prenaient place à la Mission. Grâce à mon expérience à la Mission, j'ai su dès mon jeune âge que je voulais m'impliquer auprès des autres de la même façon que je voyais les gens de la mission faire. Et c'est principalement grâce à ces expériences que je me suis inscrit au programme de Leadership du Collège Dawson.

En 2008, ma mère est décédée. Il m'a été très difficile de faire face à cette perte. Après son décès, je suis retourné à la Mission pour aider à préparer les dîners 3 à 4 fois par semaine...et j'ai aussi commencé à boire à outrance. Mon problème de boisson a été une descente aux enfers.

De 2008 à 2011, d'autres membres de ma famille proche, incluant mon père, sont décédés. Ce fut une période sombre et difficile de ma vie,

et à l'âge de 26 ans, je me trouvais avec de sérieux problèmes de santé et autres, résultant de ma consommation d'alcool qui m'avait dépourvue de ma santé et de ma liberté. Lorsque j'ai commencé à réaliser que ça pouvait également porter atteinte à ma santé mentale, je me suis dit "c'est assez!" J'ai décidé que j'étais fatigué d'être malade. J'ai eu un moment de clarté.

Et après tout ce que j'avais traversé et tout ce que j'avais fait durant ces années pénibles, la Mission m'a encore accueilli sans jugement ni préjugé... Et j'y ai trouvé quelque chose de plus puissant que l'alcool, et

c'était l'amour... Une maison, un endroit où je me sentais à ma place, à l'aise, où mes idées étaient partagées, une famille de laquelle je m'en nuyais depuis que mes parents étaient décédés.

J'ai récemment reçu mon macaron d'un an des A.A. et me suis inscrit à l'université pour l'automne.

Je continue de faire du bénévolat au Programme d'aide alimentaire de la Mission communautaire du Mile-End, où ma philosophie personnelle est: "Ne laisser aucun homme, femme, enfant, derrière"...une philosophie d'amour qui fait écho à travers la Mission.

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Obituaries

Sister Marion Carey led Montreal retreat centre

Sister Marion Carey, a sister of St. Margaret whose long and varied career included leadership of the Pilgrim House retreat centre in Montreal for about a decade from 1975, died July 19 at the Duxbury Nursing Center in Duxbury, Mass. She was 93.

Daughter of the late Arthur and Annie (Bateman) Carey, Molly Carey taught school for four years before coming to the convent. She arrived at St. Margaret's Convent, Boston, from Marblehead, Mass., in 1946 to enter as a postulant and was professed in 1951.

She worked briefly in Montreal around 1951, then returned in 1975 to become the sister in charge of Pilgrim House, a newly organized retreat house for the Diocese of Montreal in the former rectory of St. Stephen's Church Westmount.

She also preached, taught confirmation classes, and gave addresses in most of the parishes in the Diocese of Montreal.

In particular, she led a confirmation class for clergy sons in Montreal called "le Gang Royal." These boys did not want to be in the confirmation class of their parent's churches so Sr. Marion volunteered to teach them separately. She kept up with these young men for many years, even visiting one who became a priest in Ireland.

The late Bishop Reginald Hollis, then Bishop of Montreal, said, "Sister Marion, by her availability to so many parishes of the diocese, has made Pilgrim House very much a diocesan venture. The sisters have offered hospitality for people to come aside for a day or two to be quiet in the Lord's presence, and to



SISTER MARION CAREY

seek His guidance and renewal."

She was chairperson of the Anglican Religious Communities in Canada, assisted the Advisory Committee on Postulants for Ordination, and was a member of the Order of St. Luke. She kept up a steady visitation to the patients at St. Margaret's Home.

She left Montreal in 1985.

Sister Marion loved children and a great deal of her early life as a sister was spent at camps in New York State, in South Duxbury and in Connecticut.

Before and after service at Pilgrim House, she spent a good deal of time in New York City. Among other things, she worked for several years with teenaged girls in Lower Manhattan did pastoral work at a residence for the elderly and disabled, taught in a church school and was a

parish sister. She also served as a parish sister in Philadelphia.

Between 1962 and 1966 she was in Haiti. She worked at Holy Trinity Cathedral and started a school for illiterate adults and was in charge of a nursing home for the indigent elderly and a camp for women. She returned to Haiti with mission trips in 1975 and 1977.

Fellow sisters remember her as a woman of many skills who will be remembered for her compassion, strength and great sense of humour.

"Her prayer life was her sustenance, her energy was fabulous, her spirit keen, her friends innumerable."

A Eucharist of the Resurrection was celebrated August 10 St. Margaret's Chapel in Duxbury.

John Woodard: choirmaster, chorister over 55 years

A choir of 26 and a congregation of over 100 came together July 27 at The Church of St. John the Baptist Pointe Claire, making a "Joyful noise unto the Lord" in celebration of the life of John Stuart Woodard, who passed away June 20 at the age of 76. Members of the choir came from

churches John had been part of for over 55 years, along with the Lakeshore Light Opera where he sang Gilbert and Sullivan. The service of Holy Eucharist, combined with the service for the Burial of the Dead, came from the Book of Common Prayer. Music included the

hymns *Majestas, Love Divine, Praise My Soul the King of Heaven, God Be in My Head, Dear Lord and Father of Mankind, For All the Saints, and O Praise Ye the Lord*, several with trumpet accompaniment. Psalm 121 was sung to the Walford Davies chant and the choir sang Stanford's *Nunc Dimittis* (in C) at the end of the service.

While John's vocation as Senior Law Clerk at the firm of McLean, Marler, Tees, Watson, Javet, Poitevin and Roberge often saw him involved in notarial work in the diocese, it was his traditional Anglican church music and the BCP that were his passion.

John joined the Boys' Choir at St. Philip's Church, Montreal West at age 8; this resulted in his family's becoming Anglicans. He was "trained" by Lorne West, founder of the Anglican Boys Choir Camp. John was confirmed in his choir robes, only stepping out of the



JOHN WOODARD recently at St. John the Baptist Pointe Claire.

choir stalls for the Laying on of Hands. He left St. Philip's in 1973, after singing all four voice parts and

usually three services a Sunday, to become choirmaster at Church of the Resurrection in Valois where he met and married Kathryn Groome. In 1980, John became choirmaster at St. Mary's Kirkland, where he remained until 1990 when he and Kathy joined the choir at the Church of St. John the Baptist Pointe Claire. While choirmaster, John trained many junior choir members in the levels of chorister set out by the Royal School of Church Music and encouraged them to attend Choir Camp. John always prided himself on never taking a cent for his work as a chorister or choirmaster. He even returned the \$1 he was given as a boy soprano for singing at a wedding. He always felt his music was a gift from God and he could but return it to His glory. Voices were certainly raised to the Glory of God at John's Memorial Service.

Kathryn Woodard



ST. PHILLIPS MONTREAL WEST 1946. John Woodard is about in the centre of the front row, looking down a bit.

Allan Brinson (1958 – 2013) served Christ Church Beaurepaire

Good friend, fellow church member, co-worker, colleague and parish employee at Christ Church Beaurepaire, Allan Brinson died suddenly at Lakeshore General Hospital on July 5 as a result of several medical issues that became critical and compounded each other.

Allan and his family have been members at Christ Church for over 40 years. For many years Allan was both a choir member and a server, and head server. Allan served as the vergier at Christ Church (and lived in the apartment over the offices) for the past 30-plus years, and in recent years also served in the church office as one of the administrative assistants. In many ways, Allan was the public face of Christ Church for many from the wider community who visited or used the facilities.

Predeceased by his mother Margaret, Allan is survived by his father Edgar, who is still a very active member of the Parish, his cousin Susan Thompson and her daughters Jennifer, Cindy and Karen, and several other cousins.

A Requiem Eucharist was held at Thursday July 11 at Christ Church, followed by a reception in the parish hall provided by the parish ACW.



ALLAN ROBERT BRINSON

Interment followed at Mount Royal Cemetery.

Allan will be sadly missed and fondly remembered by family members, friends and Christ Church parishioners.

—Ven. Michael Johnson

Tyndale chair known for pro bono legal cases

Colin Irving, chairman of the board and legal counsel for the Tyndale St-Georges Community Centre, died June 11, nine days before Allan Marjerison, chaplain and long-serving volunteer. Mr. Irving was 78.

A centre newsletter said, "Both men will be remembered for their dedication and commitment to the centre, but more importantly for their big hearts and compassionate natures..."

"Colin, we will miss your dedication to our children, the generous gift of your time to help those with legal issues, your love of music and your desire to share this love with others."

Mr. Irving, a prominent lawyer who argued before the Supreme Court of Canada about 25 times, started a walk-in legal clinic at the Tyndale St-Georges Community Centre in Montreal's Little Burgundy neighbourhood and devoted countless hours to both that clinic and the Mile End Legal Clinic, affiliated with the Mile End Mission.

He was a founder in 1997, when he was 63, of Irving Mitchell Kalichman, a leading Quebec litigation firms and was recognized to be a tower of his profession.

But he was especially known for his pro bono work, some of which



COLIN IRVING

made headlines. In the 1980s he took the case of Janise Marie Gamble, who had been convicted in the death of a Calgary police officer in a botched robbery, all the way to the Supreme Court of Canada. He was successful in securing her release from prison. He was the lead counsel who won the 2004 judgment of the Quebec Court of Appeal in a case that pitted his clients Michael Hendricks and René Leboeuf, partners for 31 years, who wanted to marry, against a Catholic human rights group.

The case legalized gay marriage in Quebec and paved the way for its

legalization in Canada.

A celebration of his life took place June 16 at the Atwater Club in downtown Montreal.

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Rev. Deacon Allan Gordon Marjerison 1914-2013: a eulogy

Rev. Dr. M. Louise Cornell

As reported in the previous issue, Rev. Deacon Allan Gordon Marjerison died June 20. The eulogy at his funeral, at the Church of St. John the Baptist in Pointe Claire, was delivered by Rev. Dr. M. Louise Cornell of Winnipeg and was subsequently made available to The Montreal Anglican.

It is my honour and privilege to be asked to deliver the eulogy for Allan Marjerison, a person whom I have known and admired for over 50 years. I have been among a number of individuals welcomed into their home and regarded as part of their extended family. I'd like to begin by sharing with you briefly the story of the start of his relationship with Mary, the woman he married and loved steadfastly all his life, and then move on to observations on his life in his mature years in Montreal.

At Allan and Mary's fiftieth wedding anniversary, Allan told us of how he had met Mary, in the early 1930s. It was at a church social, and he was waiting in line to be served, when he came to a beautiful young woman who asked him if he wanted ice cream with his apple pie. He looked into her eyes, and said "Yes please!" Later that day, he asked her if he could see her back to her home, and three weeks later, they were engaged, but they had to wait for marriage since it was the Depression, and he needed steady work. By 1937, Allan had his first teaching position, in northern Saskatchewan. In order to court Mary in style and make a good impression on her parents, Allan bought a Model T Ford – a luxury car at the end of the Depression – and drove south to Regina in it to go to see Mary's parents to talk about marrying their daughter. He received a positive response, and they were married in their church in Regina on January 2, 1938, a Sunday afternoon because that was the only day the church board could afford to heat the building. Allan was teaching in a one-room school house, with a small and narrow addition for his living quarters. He informed the school district superintendent that he would need a larger place to stay, because he was going to be getting married that coming January. Although an extension was added to the "teachage" to accommodate Allan and his bride, they stayed in rental quarters in people's homes for a time. Thus began a long and faithful, loving marriage that yielded three generations of descendants.

With Allan already demonstrating, at all of age 23, qualities such as conviction, imagination, determination, style, and class, let me now turn



ALLAN MARJERISON at 2011 diocesan synod

to observations of Allan in his mature years. I think his family and friends would agree that Allan was a Christian gentleman with an active, lively, and inquiring faith. He demonstrated a quality of faithfulness in all parts of his life – faithful to his wife and to his family, devoted to his church, a loyal employee, dedicated in the use of his time and energy in his work for the church, diaconal ministry, the Circles and Squares dance club, and Tyndale St-Georges, honest in his dealings, and generous with his home. He had a fine ability to try to understand where people were coming from, to abide even those who disagreed with him, and to mentor those many of us who sought his counsel. Allan was thoughtful and intelligent, he had a fine sense of humour, and he was sensitive to others' needs. He was absolutely committed to completing the weekly *New York Times* crossword puzzle – and one could often find him in his corner of the kitchen table, with a pile of dictionaries, and the dog at his feet for company. And, Allan was a monarchist! When "The King's Speech" came to town, although he was extremely hard of hearing, he insisted on going to see it, saying that he remembered *hearing* both Edward VIII's and George VI's speeches at the time of the change in monarchs.

I said that Allan was a man of faith. He was a child of God, baptized, confirmed, and ordained into the Church of God, and in many different situations, he responded to God's call in his life. He took to heart Jesus' injunctions to "love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength and to love your neighbour as yourself." I often saw Allan reading Morning Prayer in his office at home. I know he read and studied his Bible, thanked God at meals, and encouraged others, including me, in their own steps of faith. He spent many Sundays helping his wife, who at times had difficulty with the Anglican Church, to find a church where she could feel at

home until she finally was able to return to this parish. He welcomed many of us, myself included, into Anglican liturgy and life.

A toque of garish colours

He was a faithful man in his family life, too. He treated his wife with care, dignity, and love, always greeting her lovingly when he returned from a day's work, spending time with her at the cottage, on trips, at square-dancing, in church, at home, and carefully assisting her during her years of eye trouble. And, he faithfully listened to her, even to the point one year, in a huge snowstorm, of making sure he stopped to buy a toque on his way home, because, as he explained, Mary had said she wouldn't let him in the door if he didn't have a toque on his head! The toque was of garish colours, but it must have spoken to him of his relationship with Mary, for he wore it for what seemed like forever! He was faithful, too, in helping his children and grand-children in their learning and their progress through life. He cared for his extended family, too, and was a wonderful mentor to those who stayed at his home at various times: Hilary, Joy, Joan, Allison, Clare, me. His mentoring was not to open doors to jobs, but to open doors to growth in our lives.

To say Allan was involved with the church is to put it mildly. He served here for many years as a layman, as auditor, treasurer, synod delegate, lay reader, and preacher, and then answered God's call to diaconal ministry. There were things he disagreed with in church life, and major decisions he saw overturned over the years during the course of Anglican Synod meetings, and I know that he and Bruce had many lively discussions, but he was faithful to the parish, the clergy and parishioners, the Bishop, and the BCP liturgy. Allan and I often talked about vocations and avocations, about calling, and about ministry. We became Lay Readers together, and we participated in each other's ordinations.

Allan was loyal and honest in his various workplaces, and even when treated badly by one company, he left quietly and began looking for a new position immediately. He ended his working career at the auditing firm of Touche-Ross, where his boss assigned him to take over some of his off-site work teaching evening courses in data processing management at Concordia and at McGill, and keeping the accounts at Tyndale St-Georges. Upon discovering that he was being paid by both Tyndale and Touche-Ross for the same day's

work, he remonstrated with first one and then the other about the obvious double-dipping, but each declined to take action, saying he was working for them! In the end, Allan simply decided to sign Tyndale's pay cheques back to them.

Allan was dedicated about responsibilities he assumed. He and Mary were co-founders of the Circles and Squares dance club, and partly chose their house on Pointe Claire Avenue to accommodate square dances, beginning with having one square dancing on the second floor, and ultimately with having four squares dancing in their basement. Allan and Mary served in various offices in the club, including as co-presidents, and Allan was also a caller for the club. For many years, his home office was almost over-run with square-dance materials – accounts ledgers, club history, dance step diagrams and music, callers' notes, dance programs, information about national and international competitions. Tyndale-St. George's also claimed over thirty years of his loving attention, support, and interest, and helped him stay young and active with all the children and young people there. Once ordained, he was jointly appointed as a deacon and chaplain at Tyndale, and he continued to go there daily, and then weekly, and conduct services until just a few months ago. Being a deacon also claimed time and responsibility, with courses, training sessions, preaching, and opportunities for service and ministry which he took very seriously. He helped numerous people each year with their income tax, invited people to square dances and to strawberry teas, drove people to church, an endless life of service to all in need of help. He worked hard on his master's thesis, and he toiled endlessly for over a decade on producing *Faith in Action*, his history of Tyndale-St. George's.

A man of seven loves

Allan was a person who treated people respectfully, kindly, and generously. In the earlier years of my time at their home, Allan would invite a new acquaintance at work, someone new to Montreal, to join them for family dinners at Thanksgiving. As their family expanded, this practice came to an end, but one year, at Thanksgiving Dinner in his home with a full complement of family members at the table, the doorbell rang, and there was the cleaning man who used to work at the house for them. Johnny was illiterate, poor, often in ill health and, that day, starving to death. Although

urged to join us at the table, he was just glad to have some food in the kitchen. Allan did his income tax for him each year, and took care of most of his other necessary paperwork and reading needs.

I would describe Allan as a man with seven loves: God, wife and family, work, church and diaconal ministry, the cottage, square dancing, and Tyndale. In these areas of his life, he came across as a quiet and humble giant of a man, a hero in our lives, a monument of faith, and a pillar of the church. His death is a great loss to us, the more so because we had obviously hoped he would reach his centenary year. However, this was not to be. He lived a long life, and the time had come for him to move on to a further experience of God's love.

A dream of salvation

This leads me, finally, to a profound event in Allan's recent years. In the early 1960s, Anglicans, Allan among them, tended to be a very reserved lot, not given to plain-talk about salvation. Many, Allan among them, felt uncomfortable with claiming that God had given them his salvation through their belief in Christ's death and resurrection, feeling that it was presumptuous to claim what God could or should do for them. Sometime just a few years ago, however, Allan told me of a dream he had had, in which he was directed to three pages in the *Book of Alternative Services*, each of which carried references to God's offer of salvation. When he awoke, the dream was so persistent that he looked the pages up, and there, on each, was the message of God's saving grace. Allan told me then that he understood that he could say he had received God's salvation, and when he preached about this dream here at the parish, he was surrounded by parishioners afterward, more than his sermons had ever otherwise attracted.

So I end here, with this picture of a man who modelled for us a great depth of honest and loving understanding, and who was finally able to publicly acknowledge what he had quietly and instinctively been living out all the years I knew him. He has left us because he has once more answered the call of God – to go to be in the presence of God and with Jesus Christ, his Lord and Saviour. Allan's departure from his life here, and our loss, is not the end: he has passed on to the next life, and to his eternal reward in heaven. For those of us here, his impact has been deep, and we will remember him. We are the better for having known him.

'Le loup rouge' 150 years later

Pierre Landry

The 150th anniversary of the death of Wolfred Nelson, Anglican and Quebec "patriote," was marked at ceremonies organized in June by Christ Church Sorel, near his grave in the Anglican cemetery. The commemoration was reported in last month's issue but Rev. John Lee of the parish subsequently supplied The Montreal Anglican with a translation of comments about the ceremony by Pierre Landry, a supporter of the parish and dated June 24, the Feast of Saint John the Baptist, eight days after the commemoration.

On Sunday June 16 I had occasion to attend a special celebration organized by the Anglican mission of Christ Church, Sorel, at which the

pastor, The Reverend Holly Ratcliffe, officiated.

This celebration, under a canvas tent set up in the Anglican cemetery, was intended as a commemoration of the death of Dr. Wolfred Nelson – nicknamed "le loup rouge" – over 150 years ago.

In the course of the liturgy, in place of the traditional homily, a young man playing the role of Dr. Nelson recalled for us his tumultuous life, as a medical doctor by profession, a politician, and a patriot. Following the brief presentation, the pastor invited us to share our comments and reactions, as well as whatever the life of this man might have to teach us.

Being already familiar with some

of the events of Wolfred's life, what struck me personally this time was the audacity, one might say the temerity, he displayed in his commitment to the francophone community of the time. As a distant descendant of the Acadians who experienced such terrible things under the yoke of British rule, my personal cultural heritage has been, understandably, coloured by mistrust of "les Anglais."

A prudent and progressive approach on my part to the francophone mission of Christ Church Sorel has already laid aside of a layer of this prejudice.

All the same, I found in the witness of Wolfred toward oppression, his taking up arms against the iniquitous

treatment reserved to the French community, touched me and has permitted me to distance myself further from my own prejudice. This man, who made common cause with and for "les Patriotes," against his own people, must have represented something deeply shocking to his contemporaries and friends and family.

Yet, at the same time, his behaviour sowed the seed of what we are living out here and now at the Christ Church francophone mission, and possibly constituted the strange way in which the word of Christ works. I also felt that several of those present at the commemoration also learned a lesson from the turbulent but committed life of Wolfred Nelson.

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Books

A psychologist puts in a good word for morality

A review of Jonathan Haidt: *Why Good People Are Divided by Politics and Religion* (Pantheon Books, 2012, 419 pages)
Reviewed by Colin McGregor

Los Angeles, California, May 1, 1992: Over 7,000 buildings are torched by citizens incensed over the Rodney King incident. A truck driver is pulled out of his cab and beaten. Helicopters swarm over the city like so many bees, broadcasting the chaos live into people's living rooms. Sickened, King goes before the cameras to make an appeal: "Can we all get along?"

Maybe we *can't*, argues psychologist Jonathan Haidt. In his best-selling book *The Righteous Mind*, this Professor of Ethical Leadership at New York University's Stern School of Business tries to explain why we don't all see things the same way on the moral plane. He tackles this potentially dry subject in a fact-packed yet extremely entertaining fashion, citing years of research on just how people make moral judgments.

In the field of social psychology, we learn, experiments devised to

elicit people's motives and opinions can be diabolical. In one, Stanford grad student stands on a street corner and asks passers-by questions on morality. Half respond while standing next to a garbage can covered in fart spray; half breathe clean air. Respondents inhaling fart odours invariably make harsher judgments towards their fellow humans.

And one of Haidt's favourite quizzes involves a family cooking and eating its pet dog after the dog has been run over and killed. Nobody is the wiser: is this wrong? Liberal Western city folk generally see no moral transgression committed; the vast majority of the planet's population feel it is very, very wrong. That, Haidt argues, represents the great divide in the human race's moral thinking, one not really picked up on by academics until the 1990s.

A Western, upper-middle-class emphasis on personal autonomy and egalitarianism has dominated religious and ethical thought since the French and American revolutions. But this individualist cant is not shared by the rest of the world – not



JONATHAN HAIDT

even by the working classes of North America a few streets over. Most people on Earth are "sociocentric." They believe, in their gut, in the sanctity of a person's duty to uphold their place in a stratified social hierarchy. Society's principles aren't just conventions, they're moral law. And conservatives grasp this, Haidt says.

They get that "groupishness" is our strongest impulse. It is their edge in electoral campaigns.

Ask people to justify their moral stances and they may or may not come up with sensible explanations. But these reasons, Haidt's research indicates, are post-hoc justifications for internal gut reactions: "Moral reasons are the tail wagged by the intuitive dog." Reason's main function in human evolution is to "come up with reasons why somebody else ought to join us in our judgments."

Haidt does not condemn this reflex as hypocrisy. "Morality," he writes, "is the extraordinary human capacity that makes civilization possible." Without our strong moral sense, which involves revulsion towards unclean things both physical and ethical, "we as a race would never have emerged from the jungle." Deuteronomy's meticulous dietary and clothing restrictions, as ordained by community leaders, are cited as a prime example: mystifying today; a moral health-watch "must" 3,400 years ago. This also helps explain strong conservative instincts to punish and exclude unclean people from the group.

There exist in this world people with no intuitive moral sense who reason but do not feel. They are 1 in 100 men and far fewer women. They are called psychopaths.

Happily for Montreal Anglicans, Haidt observes that traditionally Christian values of fairness, kindness and compassion are in fact part of our intuitive makeup. But these innate moral reflexes are "local, not universal." Haidt sees religion as a "team sport," one that gets people to care about people beyond the horizon – of their own faith. Co-operation between religious denominations, and political parties, can only happen when we drop our Manichean, black-and-white perceptions of the world. Haidt holds out hope that this will one day happen, with the help of social psychologists like himself. We will understand we are part of one big human family, and love each other.

Social psychologists can save us all from destruction. He seems serious when he writes this.

Canada briefs

Rupert's Land publishes protocol for blessing same-sex unions

The bishop and clergy of Rupert's Land have published a protocol for the blessing of same-sex unions on the diocesan website. It states why a same-sex union may be blessed and how it should be done.

The protocol arises out of a vote at the 2012 Rupert's Land diocesan synod. The synod voted to ask the bishop to allow clergy whose conscience permits to bless relationships between same-sex couples whose union has already been civilly registered, in parishes that have decided to offer this pastoral practice.

Rupert's Land News

Quebec cathedral to attract more tourists

The Cathedral of the Holy Trinity is embarking on an ambitious, multi-pronged plan that will open its doors wider to the millions of tourists who come to Quebec City every year, hoping to generate more funds for mission and ministry.

Approximately 4.5M tourists visit the city each year, but only about 145,000 find their way to the 200-year old Anglican cathedral. The plan centres on the creation of a permanent museum exhibit inside the cathedral: "The King's Treasures" will display several gifts given by King George III for the cathedral's dedication in 1804, which have been kept locked away. Tourists for the first time will be asked to pay to visit the cathedral, a common practice in many European cathedrals. Visitors who indicate they are coming to the cathedral to pray will not be asked to pay. Donations left in a large chest near the door currently amount to about \$8,500 annually.

"Our challenge is to make this place known as a church, as a cathedral, and make sure its mission is known," says Guylaine Caron, chair of the cathedral steering committee. "It won't be a revenue-making machine. It's still a cathedral. The dream is to try to combine the two but stay respectful of the mission of this place."

The Gazette

Innovative generosity



WHEN REV. JIM POLLARD of the Parish of King's Cove, Newfoundland, asked the Anglican Foundation's Executive Director, Rev. Canon Judy Rois, if there might be funds available to help purchase an "adapted tricycle" for 16-year-old Joshua Abbott, she responded with a yes. Her 2½ years with the organization have been characterized by such innovative generosity. Joshua, a parishioner at King's Cove, was born with cerebral palsy and has always required a wheelchair. But during his recovery from surgery on his legs last year, therapists recommended an "adapted tricycle" which would allow him more independence. Bishop David Torraville of Central Newfoundland blessed the tricycle in July. From left are Paul Abbott (Joshua's father), Bishop Torraville, Joshua, Colleen Abbott (Joshua's mother and a lay minister), Camryn Baker (Joshua's cousin) and Father Pollard.



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THE STILLNESS WITHIN

A column by Cedric Cobb – where you might find a meditation, a poem, an awareness exercise or an inspiration.



Facing pain and suffering

It is not easy to trust when we have experienced loss

It is not always easy to allow ourselves to be held – physically or emotionally,

It is not always easy, even to express what is going on in our hearts.

But we must try.

We may be surprised by the insights and gifts that arise from our openness.

– Helen Jaeger,
Paths Through Grief

This past summer, our hearts were moved as we saw images and heard stories of the pain, sorrow, and loss at Lac-Mégantic. We also felt our hearts being expanded as we witnessed the many acts of care and concern arising from the ashes of a devastated community.

In the face of tragedy, in the face of pain and suffering, each of us responds differently. Some people react by building psychological walls around themselves so that nothing will ever hurt them again. Others hold on to their suffering, wallowing

in self-pity, asking “What have I done to deserve this?” Still others deny their experience altogether, living their lives as if nothing has happened.

There are still others who work through their pain, allowing it to lead them through a process of healing and transformation. Such a person is Betty Rollin. In *First, You Cry*, she recounts the soul-searching she goes through as she learns she has a malignant tumour in her breast. Her journey towards healing begins when she first acknowledges her deep feelings of anger, loss, and the sense that her body has let her down. Slowly, she goes through a process that leads her to transformation and a new beginning. In the end, she comes to appreciate life in all its richness. As the poet David Whyte says: “Understanding heartbreak helps us to develop...a mind that embraces the hidden riches of life.”

I do not mean to suggest that one should actively seek out pain and suffering for its redemptive values.

Nevertheless, pain, grief, and loss are part of the fabric of life. When we experience any one of them, there are lessons to be learned. There was grief and loss at Lac-Mégantic, but there was also the galvanizing of this community to express their grief in healing and restorative ways.

In *Paths Through Grief*, Helen Jaeger says: “Grief need not be a fearful enemy; instead it can be a benevolent, if strange, visitor. In the vulnerability that grief brought, I came to know the true character of friends and family and the generosity of heart and spirit that real friends unthinkingly offer. I discovered the value of tears and the power of redemption.”

Each one of us has felt individual moments of heartbreak and pain. In collective moments of tragedy we experience how much we are all truly connected with one another. The outpourings of friendship, love, and care at Lac-Mégantic are an example of this. “The things that

matter most in our lives,” says Jack Kornfield, “are not fantastic or grand. They are the moments when we touch one another, when we are there in the most attentive or caring ways. This simple and profound intimacy is the love for which we all long.”

Lac-Mégantic reminds us that we are all connected, and our deepest purpose is expressed in our ability to give and receive love. When we respond in love and compassion, we speed not only healing, but also new beginnings.

Practicing Compassion for Oneself and the World

Here is a suggestion for the next time you experience a painful event, whether in your life or the life of the larger community.

Stop what you are doing.

Centre yourself by taking a few deep breaths.

Allow your thoughts and feelings to be as you open up to the healing divine energy that is all around you

and in you.

Rest for as long as you like in the healing love of God.

After a while, begin to send this same loving and healing energy to the persons that have touched your heart.

Then express your compassion in whatever words come to you, or you can use the following words:

“May you rest in the light of God’s healing love.

May you be free of suffering.

May Christ’s heart of compassion hold you.”

Finish by being open to any guidance you might receive from the Spirit.

You may be prompted to visit a sick person, to write a cheque, or to bring your loving care and compassion to some individual or group in another tangible way.

Until next time,

Blessings and Shalom,

Cedric+

Bishop to lead men’s retreat

Right Rev. Daniel W. Herzog, retired bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Albany, New York, will be the speaker at this year’s 24th annual conference of FLAME – Fellowship and Learning for Anglican Men’s Enrichment – Friday-Sunday Nov. 1-3. His topic: “Sustaining the Flame: Growing in Grace under the Spirit.”

This year’s weekend of spiritual enrichment, refreshment and fellowship for men will take place at Ermitage Ste Croix, 21269 Gouin Blvd. W. in Pierrefonds.

Bishop Dan Herzog was born in 1941 in Ogdensburg, NY 95 km south of Ottawa and was raised as a Roman Catholic. He is a graduate of St. Bonaventure Franciscan Catholic University, St Lawrence University and Nashotah House in Wisconsin, from which he received an honorary doctorate of divinity in 1998.

He and his wife Carol joined the Episcopal Church after they married. They have four sons and a daughter, as well as 14 grandchil-

dren. Between 1967 and 1995 he was director of personnel at a large psychiatric hospital. During that time was he was ordained in 1971 and became involved in charismatic spirituality in 1973.

In 1976 he took over reopened and reactivated a church on the St Lawrence River, opposite Brockville. He and his wife stayed for 19 years. In 1995 he was called to be rector of Christ Church Schenectady, a large inner-city Anglo-Catholic parish. He was elected Bishop of Albany in 1997 and served until 2007. He and his wife rejoined the Catholic church after his retirement but returned to the Episcopal Church three years later.

He is currently chaplain of Christ the King Spiritual Life Center in Greenwich, N.Y., which he established while bishop. For information Roger Spack at 514-684-4356 or roger.spack@sympatico.ca or Andre Hammond at 514-694-9567 or andrehammond@videotron.ca.

Lay Pastoral Visitors’ retreat



DIOCESAN LAY PASTORAL VISITORS held a Retreat at l’Ermitage St. Croix in Pierrefonds Saturday, June 15. Ven. Michael Johnson, pastor to the lay pastoral visitors, used the ‘Lectio Divina’ Bible study method as participants considered to what action God is calling them in their lives.

A Creative Form of Worship

When you hear of Liturgical Dance, what comes to mind? Do you heave a big sigh, and think, oh no, not this again! Or do you let the music and movement take you somewhere you haven’t been before during a service?

The Liturgical Dance Troupe at the Church of the Resurrection, Valois, has been exploring and experimenting with this form of worship for over ten years. We are not trained dancers, but we love to interpret different music through movement and emotion.

We have danced at different festivals throughout the church year including Good Friday, Easter, Pentecost and Advent/Christmas. The music leads us to be contemplative or joyful, and we interpret that emotion sometimes just with movement, and sometimes using candles or ribbons.

We are lucky to have a congregation who has contributed their support and critique. They look forward to our creativity every year.

This past Advent, we invited Johanna Cardinal of the International Christian Dance Fellowship to guide us in our preparations and help us in choreography. We enjoyed her fresh input and have invited her back in September to lead us in a workshop on different aspects of Liturgical Dance.

We invite adults and teens, men and women, who are interested in discovering this special way of praising God to attend this free workshop, which has been made available through a grant from the Mission Committee of the Diocese of Montreal. You do not need particular music or rhythmic skills or to be physically fit to take part in what should be an interesting and exciting day.

The date is Saturday, September 21, from 10am to 2pm, and will include a light lunch. RSVP before Sept. 15 at 514-697-1910 or office@cotres.ca. Come and discover another way to Worship and Praise! *Karen Purcell*



Liturgical Dance Workshop

Discover the Joy of Worship through Music and Movement with Johanna Cardinal of International Christian Dance Fellowship

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10am to 2pm

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This workshop is made available through a grant from the Mission Committee of the Diocese of Montreal. A light lunch is included.

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SALES and EVENTS

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 Randell Hall, 2000 rue de Bourgogne
APPLEFEST
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 Come on out and enjoy a variety of baked goods and lively conversation. Info: Eileen Agley at 450-658-1027 or 450-658-5882

Church of St. John the Baptist
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 Sat. Sept. 21 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
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St. Paul's Greenfield Park
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St. Paul's Greenfield Park
 321 Empire St.
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✂ Diocesan Clippings (and Snapshots) 📷

It started in a Brossard basement

A reunion June 15 of the Sunday school and youth group at the Church of St. Joseph of Nazareth in Brossard was the fulfilment of a dream for Mary Shaw.

Her mother, Connie Bridgeman, started a Sunday School in her basement when Brossard was still a very new development, stimulated by construction of the Champlain Bridge. From this a congregation grew and St. Joseph's was built opened in 1962. Mary and her brother, Richard were naturally part of the first Sunday School.

Mary, when her own children came along, was a Sunday School teacher and now leads a music ministry at St. Joseph's with Dulcy Belle, wife of the rector, Rev. Christopher Belle.

Many came to the reunion.

Throughout the day those present enjoyed slide shows of many Sunday School and Youth Group events through the years. Fortunately, many of the pageants and plays had been videotaped. A parishioner transferred them to DVDs and there was show all day.

The day ended with a short worship service.

Parish communicator Pat Wood reports, "As people were leaving, one of the former Sunday School members, who has been away for years and is now all grown up, said to me and one of the other teachers something along the lines of: 'Don't ever think that coming here to Sunday School didn't make a difference in my life.' That about sums it all up, doesn't it?"



FORMER PUPILS returned in force.

Confirmation in Chomedey, Laval



ARCHBISHOP BRUCE STAVERT, and his wife Diana Stavert, visited St Simon's and St Bartholomew's Church in Laval on June 9th. Assisted by our priest-in-charge, the Rev. Canon Yves-Eugène Joseph, Archbishop Stavert, in place of Bishop Barry B. Clarke who was on sabbatical, performed a lovely ceremony for the church's two candidates for confirmation, Isaiah Lashley-Knoll, and Myles Lloyd-Edmond. Godparents, parents, family, friends and parishioners stood and supported the new candidates as they vowed to support them in their new spiritual lives. The service ended with a musical delight performed by Kaspar Knoll on the saxophone accompanied by Sylvain Mercille on the organ. Following the service all were welcomed for a wonderful feast. From left are Canon Yves-Eugène Joseph, Isaiah Lashley-Knoll, Archbishop Stavert, Myles Lloyd-Edmond, and Vidya Maharaj, Sunday School superintendent. Behind Myles Lloyd-Edmond is Marlow Lloyd, who was the archbishop's chaplain.

(Photo: Marsha Lloyd)

Bittersweet celebration!



THE FINAL EUCHARIST of the pastoral community of St. Ignatius Church in Montreal North took place June 23 after 91 years of worship, life and mission. From left are the rector, Ven. Michael J. Plitts, and Emily Heckman, Rev. Yves-Eugène Joseph, Barbara Humphreys, Audrey Saunders, Ted Humphreys and Regional Archdeacon James Bennett.

Wizardry coming to Kirkland



GOOD WEATHER, GOOD FOLKS AND GOOD FOOD share much of the credit for another successful season of music and science summer day camps at St. Mary's Church in Kirkland, reports Rev. Lorne Tardy. Threatened rain held off for the most part and "our camps are a success because of the team." Next year the theme will be wizardry and magic. There will also be a "Week Three" for former campers now over the age limit for the regular camp. Here's a group shot from Week One this summer.

Six confirmed in N.D.G.



SIX YOUNG PEOPLE were welcomed into the full life at confirmation service at St. Thomas Church N.D.G. on Sunday May 26. From left are Ryan MacDonald, Rev. Karla Holmes (parish priest), Merrick Duranleau, Natalia Thomas, Archbishop Bruce Stavert, who officiated, Anastasia Dyer, Colin Dyer and Adia Holder.

Picnic in Abbotsford



ON A HOT sunny Sunday in July, about 50 people enjoyed a church service followed by a picnic meal in the hall at the historic St. Paul d'Abbotsford church. This event was organized for the three parishes of Granby, St. Paul and Rougemont, with the usual support of the United Church in Abbotsford. Music was provided by Colin Langille on the restored church harmonium. A surprise trio of Canon Terry Blizzard and lay-readers Michel Lalande and Norma McBurney offered a musical selection during the service. Volunteer cooks prepared hamburgers, hot-dogs and corn, supplemented by pot-luck salads and desserts. Kynda Neil organized a treasure hunt with prizes offered by a local antique collector. Tickets were sold on three door prizes with proceeds sent to the Lac-Mégantic Anglican community.

(Photo: Norma Cale)

Summertime is strawberry time



ENJOYING THE SEASON, these happy folk tuck into the speciality of the day at a strawberry social at All Saints Church in Deux Montagnes.