



Dynamic two pick up the torch of Prayer Fellowship

Harvey Shepherd

Stacey Neale “went back to church” in early 2007 after an absence of some years. She began attending the Church of St. Andrew and St. Mark in Dorval and attended a workshop program there that she found particularly helpful in nourishing her rekindled faith.

The topic was different kinds of prayer. The workshop leader was a fellow parishioner and active Anglican, Norma Sklivas, a pastoral visitor and lay reader known in the diocese for her keen interest in theology and spirituality. In 2002, Mrs. Sklivas was also asked by Archbishop Andrew Hutchison to be the Montreal diocesan representative of a network called the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer.

Leading the workshop Ms. Neale attended was among the last things Mrs. Sklivas did in that role. Within

a few months of the workshop, Norma Sklivas died of cancer in the summer of 2007.

The post of diocesan representative of the prayer fellowship became vacant. It remained vacant almost until now.

But it turns out that Valerie I. Bennett, a parishioner of St. Paul’s Greenfield Park on the South Shore, cherished a dream of helping to bring the fellowship back to the diocese as she continued her busy round of Anglican activities, spiritual and practical. When Bishop Barry Clarke approached her about reviving the fellowship in the diocese, “it was an answer to a prayer.”

She seldom ran across anyone who knew much about the Fellowship of Prayer and was surprised and delighted to discover that her friend Stacey was quite interested in the fellowship. The two often found them-



STACEY NEALE AND VALERIE BENNETT disprove any notion that people who pray a lot have to be perpetually solemn.

(Photo: Ardyth Robinson)

selves attending the same diocesan functions and events and the fellowship came up one day when they were chatting on their way out of town to one of them.

One thing led to another. The bishop announced at the March meeting of the Diocesan Council that Valerie Bennett and Stacey Neale are the new diocesan repre-

sentatives of the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer. (The appointments actually took effect late last year but the two kept a low profile, although Mrs. Bennett, especially, made contact with the modest Canadian leadership structure.)

“As Montreal co-chairs they will try to introduce the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer into the life of the

diocese,” the bishop said. “As a diocese, we are called to be a people of prayer but sometimes I get the feeling that prayer is the last resort we reach out to. We want to remind ourselves that our foundation is Jesus Christ.”

For more on the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer, see Page 10.

Richard Lord: ‘Such a great person and friend’

Harvey Shepherd

Richard Lord’s life was one of achievement – in sports, his career, social concern, the black community, the provincial and federal Liberal parties, and other fields – particularly his faith.

He was a lifelong member and a pillar of St. George’s Church Place du Canada, where his funeral service took place March 15, following his death March 9. (He was 84.) Among other things, he served as a lay reader, people’s warden and a director of the Canadian Bible Society, a post he held at the time of his death.

But people seem to take particular pleasure in recalling his career in athletics, both for his own groundbreaking achievements as a young athlete and for his support to other

young athletes.

For his sister, Gwen Lord, his efforts to organize sports teams and rustle up equipment for them as a teenager in Lower Westmount – or, as he sometimes said, Upper St. Henri – were among her cherished memories – along with the fact that he in large part put her through nursing school at Sir George Williams University in Montreal in the 1950s. She also recalled his unprecedented admission to Michigan State University on a hockey scholarship.

Delivering a eulogy on behalf of the family to a near-capacity congregation including Bishop Barry Clarke, she said that throughout Mr. Lord’s life St. George’s played a central part in his life and that of other



THE BLACK MONTREALER who arrived on a hockey scholarship and said he wanted to play hockey surprised officials of the University of Michigan at first, but before long it was his performance on the ice that impressed them.

members of his family.

“This is our church.”

She said her brother’s faith supported him through his life and in his death.

“He is truly a believer. You don’t have to be sorry for him.”

Of the many tributes that came in after Mr. Lord’s death, the rector of St. George’s, Ven. Bill Gray, selected one from a friend and fellow hockey player to share with the congregation. Norm Lupovitch of Toronto, in California at the time of the funeral, sent another lifetime friend a message that was passed along to Archdeacon Gray. It said in part:

“Ritchie was one of my best friends at high school and, yes, later in life. We played on the Westmount High School football and hockey teams together. We were co-captains of both. At college we both had hockey scholarships. He went to

Michigan and I went to Denver and we played against each other.

“I remember him giving me a solid bodycheck against the boards and, when I got up, we hugged.

“...I will take the time...to sit solemnly in my respect and love for such a great person and friend.”

Richard Lord was the beloved husband of Carol Spence, still a leading member of St. George’s and the diocese in her own right. The brother of Gwen and Frederick, he was predeceased by his parents, James Levi Lord and Susan Kathleen Daley, brothers Robert and Reginald and his sister Louise. He leaves behind many nieces and nephews.

The family suggested that well-wisher could send donations to the Atwater Library or the Canadian Bible Society of Montreal.

For more on Richard Lord, see Page 5.

Historic moment in Anglican photojournalism



FOLLOWING THE ORDINATION March 30 of four new priests in the Diocese of Montreal, they and their many well-wishers moved to the sanctuary of Christ Church Cathedral for the usual session of picture-taking. One of the ordinands, Rev. Brian Perron got into the spirit of things by holding his up-to-date cell phone at arm’s length and taking this picture of Rev. Alain Brosseau, Perron himself, Bishop Barry Clarke, Rev. Lorne Eason and Rev. Nicholas Pang. We think this is the first selfie ever published in *The Montreal Anglican*. For more on the ordinations, see Page 7.

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St. James the Apostle celebrates 150 years

It was on May 1st, 1864 that the first public worship was held in St. James the Apostle Anglican Church in what is now downtown Montreal. Events May 1, 3 and 4 will mark the sesquicentennial.

A candlelight service and reception Thursday, May 1, at 7 p.m. will mark the exact anniversary. A wine-and-cheese reception in Shatford Hall will follow.

There will be a gala dinner Saturday, May 3, at Club Atwater. However, the deadline to buy tickets was April 15.

Bishop Barry B. Clarke of Montreal, will officiate at a special 150th-Anniversary sung Eucharist Sunday, May 4, at 11 a.m. The service will feature a 150th-Anniversary Motet written by Rupert Lang of Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver. The service will be followed by light refreshments.

The church is at 1439 St. Catherine St. W., at the corner of Bishop Street.

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Sunday, May 11th is Mother's Day. May is also known as the month of Mary, the mother of our Lord. In this message to you, I invite you to think about maternal and child health.

The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF) in a joint program with the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) plans to focus on maternal and child health in 59 villages in Burundi, Mozambique and Tanzania.

PWRDF strives to be part of the outreach ministry of every Canadian Anglican parish and an expression for all Anglicans of their baptismal covenant to strive for justice and peace and to respect the dignity of every human being.

The PWRDF has the vision of "a truly just, healthy and peaceful world."

The Maternal and Child Health Initiative is an important part of this vision.

"Through this five-year joint program PWRDF and African partners will deepen and extend the impact of work already accomplished with CIDA funding in 2009-2011," said Adele Finney, Executive Director of the PWRDF. "With the help of Anglicans across Canada, PWRDF has committed itself to putting half a million dollars a year into this program, knowing that governments in the three countries have acknowledged the value of our partners' work and want it expanded. We also expect PWRDF/CIDA partners will have much to share within the Anglican Communion through the capacity-building work of the Anglican Alliance: Relief, Development, Advocacy. The churches' grassroots presence in communities strengthens development effectiveness and sustainability. This is an exciting opportunity."



The Bishop's Message



The program will reach about 1.5 million people through awareness-raising about health issues and nutrition. It will work with local governments to address cultural practices that negatively impact women's health and participation and will seek to ensure better access to health care for pregnant women, mothers, and children. Close to 1,700 community health workers, HIV and AIDS educators and caregivers will be trained in the villages, one hundred bicycle ambulances will help remote villagers to reach clinics and hospitals, and new clinics will be built where they are most needed.



Seventy per cent of the people in the 59 villages affected do not have easy access to clean water or regular access to enough food. Farmers will improve their skills and wells will be dug or rehabilitated to increase access to nutritious food and clean water throughout the targeted areas. Model farms will be created to assist in improving agricultural techniques.

The executive director said, "PWRDF is proud of its 40 year working relationship with CIDA, and looks forward to continuing to work together with partners including the Anglican Diocese of Bujumbura in Burundi, the Anglican Diocese of Masasi in Tanzania, and the Association of Community Health (EHALE) in Mozambique to improve the lives of mothers and children throughout the region."

In closing, I encourage us to support PWRDF as part of our outreach in the Diocese to support maternal and child health-care.

Pax,

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Document seeks to codify anti-harassment policy

Harvey Shepherd

Designated “safe-church co-ordinators” in parishes would be among those responsible for receiving complaints and working with those making them under a new Diocese of Montreal anti-harassment policy considered recently by the Diocesan Council.

But they would also have to consult those accused of harassing employees, parishioners and volunteers under the policy, which would also seek to discourage false or malicious complaints.

Presenting a 22-page draft – 51 pages, including an appendix of forms and procedures – to the March meeting of the Diocesan Council, Sophie Bertrand, human resources co-ordinator, said she expects there will be a training session (or several regional ones) in June for wardens, clergy, and others who might be responsible for the program. Parishes are already supposed to have designated safe-church co-ordinators – in many cases one of the wardens – but will be reminded to designate one if necessary.

At the meeting or in subsequent conversation, she said the new policy will complement the provisions on sexual misconduct in “vexatious behaviour” clauses of the existing Canon 34 of the diocese. Both would be parts of the diocese’s “safe-church policy,” along with several other

documents.

Archdeacon Bill Gray, chair of the diocesan human resources committee, described the policy as an effort to formalize policies that already exist informally. He said harassment can take many forms, of which gossip is among the worst.

The policy statement was expected to be discussed further and perhaps modified at the April meeting of the Diocesan Council, which took place after this issue of *The Montreal Anglican* went to press.

A note in the draft anti-harassment policy says that it “deals with harassment that is not of a sexual nature” and that policy on sexual misconduct is found in Canon 34.

“If at any point in the investigative process contained (in the anti-harassment policy) it is determined that it is a sexual misconduct situation, this process will be stopped and the process described for investigations of sexual misconduct will be instituted.”

(Canon 34, in turn, stipulates that the complaint resolution procedure it provides will generally be terminated if the complainant takes the matter to the civil courts.)

However, much of the language in the anti-harassment policy document refers to sexual matters. The policy also includes what Bishop Barry Clarke described in conversation as a reminder of an existing pol-

icy calling on him to revoke the licence of any cleric found guilty in a criminal proceeding of sexually assaulting a child, youth or “vulnerable adult.” There is a similar provision for lay employees or volunteers convicted of such a sexual assault.

Dealing with complaints of alleged harassment is not the only aim of the policy and probably not the most important. Ms Bertrand said the policy is designed to protect the diocese, which has legal obligations as an employer, as well as the people involved with it.

The draft document itself lists three purposes of the policy, of which only the third refers to the complaint process.

The purposes of the policy:

- “To be educational, in that its existence will increase awareness of, and sensitivity to, the negative impact of harassment and an understanding of how it contravenes Jesus’ teachings.
- “To prevent harassment by indicating the seriousness with which the Diocese of Montreal views this issue.
- “To provide fair procedures for handling complaints when they do occur.”

An introduction says, “Harassment, whether sexual, racial, based on a personal characteristic or through the abuse of authority, is more prevalent in our society. Christ

has taught us that we are all created equal, we are all to treat others as we would like to be treated. But harassment is also against the Quebec and Canadian laws. It has a negative effect on employees, parishioners and volunteers.

“The Church occupies a unique position in society as a place for sanctuary and spirituality. The Church bases its principles on the Gospels. In order to live out the Gospels, it is necessary to ensure that people feel safe, respected and cared for while on Church property or participating in church events or dealing with those who represent the Church.

“Therefore, harassment will not be tolerated in the Diocese of Montreal – in individual parishes, congregations, parish events on Church property or off, or at non-Church programs held on Church property. Immediate steps will be taken to end any instances of harassment of which the Church becomes aware.”

The draft policy makes a distinction between “psychological harassment” based on race, sex, sexual orientation or various other specific grounds, which is covered by human rights legislation, and disrespectful behaviour or “personal harassment,” not covered by legislation.

“As followers of Christ, we choose to include personal harassment in our harassment policy.”

Policy proposes graduated responses

The draft Diocese of Montreal policy on harassment sets up a graduated series of responses to allegations.

- Direct action. “Sometimes it is possible to stop harassment just by speaking up or by writing to the harasser.”
- The next stage, informal procedure, also does not involve an investigation or report. Someone may raise a matter with a rector, another priest, an archdeacon, a warden or the diocesan human resources department and they may decide to enlist the help of a safe-church co-ordinator, who may seek to resolve the matter in any of numerous ways.
- In some cases where the alleged harassment is not severe, the complainant and the alleged harasser can voluntarily have recourse to a neutral mediator.
- There is a formal complaint procedure, to which a complainant can have recourse with or without trying the other options first. This involves filling out forms, investigation, decision making and providing remedies for the victim and corrective action for the harasser.

The policy says that, within 21 days of receiving an investigation report, the bishop or his designate has to make a decision on whether a complaint is substantiated, or else refer the matter to mediation. The bishop can dismiss the complaint or impose a penalty, which may range from a reprimand to dismissal from a clerical, staff or volunteer position and could include “full-scope training on both the sexual misconduct policy and the safe-church regulation.

There is an appeal procedure. The policy also says that someone found to have filed a false or malicious complaint may be penalized.

Christ Church Cathedral goes porous

Rhonda Waters

Rev. Rhonda Waters is assistant curate at Christ Church Cathedral

A number of years ago, I either invented or discovered an image for the church of the future that has stayed with me to this day. The church of the future – indeed, the church of our present – needs to have porous edges.

People are no longer familiar with churches and what goes on in them, quite the opposite in fact. As a result, we need to create edges that allow

people to peek inside, to slip in and out at their own pace, to test our spaces and our communities without an invitation and without a commitment. Hosting concerts, sharing space with community groups, holding outdoor liturgies, welcoming people who don’t attend services into small groups – all of these things create porous edges and are good for our churches and our communities.

Last month, Christ Church Cathedral held a screening of the NFB film *My Prairie Home*, a porous-edge

event designed not only to create an opportunity for people to check us out but maybe to surprise them as well. *My Prairie Home* is a musical documentary about Rae Spoon, a transgender indie singer who grew up in a fundamentalist Christian home on the Canadian prairie.

That the Cathedral would screen such a film in the church might not surprise many of the regular readers of *The Montreal Anglican*; it did not fit with the preconceived notions many downtown Montrealers held about the big stone church above the

mall. At 9:30 pm on Saturday, April 26, their curiosity piqued, people came through our doors and discovered a beautiful space and a faithful community of Christians who are also lovers of independent art, passionate about justice, and who celebrate diversity as a gift from God.

That may be the only time we see some of the people who joined us that night but that’s okay. We made ourselves available on their terms – the rest is up to God.

Schools use church program to protect kids

In 2012, All Saints Anglican Church, Toronto, piloted a program to teach school children about the dangers of commercial sexual exploitation. Now, two years later, with financial support from the diocese, the program is widely used in schools across Toronto.

Jolene Heida, a social worker at All Saints, and a woman who has been in the sex trade run the program. They visit schools and train guidance counsellors, teachers and others. There has several components, including understanding the culture of the sex trade, becoming aware of the risks factors for young people and learning the four stages of exploitation – luring, grooming, exploitation and coercion.

Once the training is completed, Heida and her partner visit the schools – usually speaking to Grade 8 students, since the target age for prostitution is 12 to 14. They show a video that features four young people who have experienced sexual exploitation and tell their stories in an age-appropriate way.

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Kenneth and Karen Near head for Detroit: 'We want to be part of the conversation'

Harvey Shepherd

You might not think that Detroit, known these days for industrial, economic and population decline, racial tension and crime, where the city government filed for bankruptcy last year, would be the retirement destination of choice for the rector of St. Matthias' Church in Westmount.

But a modest house in the Detroit suburban area of Grosse Pointe is where Rev. Kenneth Near, 62, and his wife Karen will be heading after he conducts his last service on Pentecost Sunday, June 8, as rector of St. Matthias', where he has served for six years.

"My time in Montreal has been wonderful."

The reasons for leaving St. Matthias', a parish they have come to love, are complex.

He insisted in a conversation (shortly before the recent Quebec election) that the prospects of a Quebec referendum and a "Charter of Quebec Values," while discouraging, were secondary.

Their reasons for heading for Detroit are remarkably positive, and are not limited to the fact that they are U.S. citizens with strong ties to the United States, Detroit and Grosse Pointe, where they lived until about 40 years ago. (Their close per-



KAREN AND KENNETH NEAR at the installation service in St. Matthias'.

sonal and family ties to Canada also go back a long way.)

"We want to be part of the conversation," he said.

So far as he is concerned, the news about Detroit is not all bad. The decline has been in the core. While the City of Detroit now has a population something like 500,000, around a third of what it was when he was a kid, the metropolitan area at 4.5 million is up by a million or so. While Detroit is "in a world of hurt and a tragic state," he thinks much of the vitality that manufacturing centres have and that he associates with Mo-

town, Aretha Franklin, Stevie Wonder and the Detroit Institute of the Arts is still there.

"We are feeling called to be in a community that is interesting at this point."

How they will participate in that community - whether they will be involved in parish work or community work, for example - is not clear, although there will certainly be writing, reflection and conversation. Officially and until further notice, he will remain on the rolls of the Diocese of Montreal as a retired priest in good standing.

Anglican Church Women discuss reaching out

"I had something in me that was a force stronger than me," said Barbara Smith of Christ Church Cathedral, describing challenges she faced as a nurse caring for new mothers.

She was one of the participants in a Lenten Day of Reflection organized by the Montreal branch of the Anglican Church Women. Referring to Bible passages, Rev. Shirley Smith of St. Stephen's Lachine encouraged those present to draw on their lives for examples of "God's love through our hands." Discussion ranged from helping the physically handicapped to teaching special-needs and other kids in the same classroom and - to whether it's OK to bring store-bought cookies rather than homemade cake for coffee hour. (The consensus seemed to be yes.)

"You just take that leap of faith and go forward with what your calling is," ACW president Gloria Augustus said. "But don't leave the Lord out; remember to pray."

The theme of the annual Women's Day of Celebration organized by the ACW Thursday, May 8, in Christ Church Cathedral will be similar: "Reaching out to others." Rev. Shirley Smith will be celebrant at a eucharist at 10:30 a.m. and the homilist will be Rev. Francie Nadeau-Keats, currently in an interim post at the Parish of St. Andrew and St. Mark in Dorval. She will no doubt draw on her experiences growing up and later as a priest on Quebec's Lower North Shore.

There will also be a lunch and program from 11:30 a.m. in Fulford

Hall. The speaker will be Caitlin Murphy, who works with itinerants, often in the Métro, as project director at St. Michael's Mission.



REV. SHIRLEY SMITH makes a point (Photo: Harvey Shepherd)

Volunteers visit North Shore prison

For the second time in the 15-year history of the Montreal-Southwest Community Ministries, volunteers with MSCM, which works with prisoners, former prisoners and prisoners on leave, travelled to Port Cartier on the Lower North Shore to visit with one of the most isolated prison populations in Canada at the Port Cartier Maximum Security Institution. Chaplain Peter Huish (an Anglican deacon) and five volunteers drove 12 hours along the forested north shore of the St. Lawrence to spend what he described as too little time with English-speaking inmates who rarely get other visits or even English programming.

"We would have liked to have promised these inmates that we'd be back soon, but with the uncertain status of the Port Cartier Chaplaincy and MSCM's funding, hard work will be required to create the next opportunity to make the long trip to Canada's hinterland prison, Canon Huish said. "Hard work never bothered MSCM."

'We are moving on - in faith'

Kenneth Near

Here are extracts from Rev. Kenneth Near's report to the vestry of St. Matthias' Church March 9.

This is now the sixth report that I have presented to the Vestry as your rector. I love being the rector of this parish. It has been an honour and a privilege for me to preside over the beautiful liturgy of this church week by week, month by month, season by season, and year by year. It has been an honour for me to be your pastor during times of celebration and during times of profound sadness and loss. There are many signs of health and vitality that are present here - and I am truly grateful to serve in this corner of the vineyard. I hasten to add that I also feel deeply connected with my colleagues in the Diocese of Montreal and especially with Barry, our bishop.

Before my arrival here, in November 2008, I was the rector of St. Paul's Church in Englewood, New Jersey. During my last year there - as my time was clearly drawing to its close after 16 years of service - I went through a period of deep reflection. A dear colleague spent many hours with me as I tried to discern what God was calling me to in the next phase of my life. Week by week, early on Friday mornings, we met in the Chapel of that parish and she began each time by offering a prayer written by that great 20th century monk, Thomas Merton. The prayer went like this:

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think that I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road though I may know nothing about it. Therefore will I trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

Each Friday morning I came to a profound sense of peace as the words of that prayer entered deeper and deeper into my heart. It felt to me that God became the very centre

of my life and I finally felt free enough to let everything else in my life go in peace. I did not have to have certainty about anything. Rather, I was called to live in faith - without the illusions of human certainty. And so it was, at this point, that I finally felt free to return to Canada and to be your rector - joyfully.

It wasn't long after we moved here that Karen and I believed that we could finally see the road ahead of us clearly. After living in church-owned housing for most of our life together we began an earnest process of searching for a home for ourselves. This was to be a place for our eventual retirement - here in Canada. Alas, these plans of ours were not to be. The reasons for this are really not important to discuss here. However, there was an initial period of deep sadness in our lives during this time. The unexpected grace that emerged in this was found once again, in Merton's prayer:

The lesson I had to learn once again was the necessity to separate my desire from what I hope (or have faith) is God's ultimate purpose. In the end there is no certainty in any of this. At this point Karen and I felt tasked to discern where the road was leading us. A few months later we made a decision that will affect us here.

Some additional background: In August 1975 Karen and I moved from our apartment in Detroit to Toronto, so that I could pursue a Master of Divinity degree program at Trinity College. We have not lived in the Detroit area since then and until this past autumn it never seriously occurred to us to return there. However, after much reflection, by the late autumn we purchased a charming small home in Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan. On 21 January I met with Bishop Barry, in his office, and informed him that it was my intention to announce my retirement. Bishop Barry and I then prayed together. He gave me his blessing. I left his office - in peace.

In closing let me just add that everyone here knows that the city of Detroit is in a deeply tragic state. Though Karen and I do NOT have ultimate clarity about what we called to do - we do feel called to be a part of the conversation and so we are moving on - in faith...

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'He feasts in Paradise with God'

Bill Gray

Here is a slightly edited text of the homily by Archdeacon Bill Gray, rector, at Richard Lord's funeral at St. George's Church, Place du Canada, March 15.

As you have heard, Richard's youth was spent with his family in Westmount where their income was modest; they lived as a minority, and had limited access to the services, organizations, programs and benefits of the majority. Nevertheless, these deprivations did not prevent Richard from faith in his God, his family and himself. His life is a testimony to the belief that he had all he needed to succeed and his confidence grew in his own ability to succeed and accomplish. This success inspired him in the same belief in others and he spent much of his life inspiring and enabling others to succeed as well, especially those who faced similar circumstances to those he did.

Richard's family was at the time the only black children attending Westmount High School, where many of the country's leaders have been educated. Being good in sports enabled Richard and other youth to find a way to belong and become an accepted part of the community. Noting that many youth like him did not have access to existing organized sports, Richard proceeded to organize his own teams for youth like himself and they competed with league teams and won merit.

Personal achievement and enabling others to find their own success became a life long pattern for Richard. Richard's confidence enabled him to have the ability and the course and mark requirements to attend university.

Higher education

Richard was the first black hockey player to be awarded an American college scholarship. He attended Michigan State University, where he graduated as a chemical engineer. He subsequently attended law school at McGill for a year. Richard credited his vast array of experiences at university for his subsequent life's determination. As he reflected on this time of his life he wrote that as a result:



RICHARD LORD: August 11, 1929-March 9, 2014

"I was able to walk into just about any situation and be able to immediately determine the task at hand; this has been my source of strength in the workplace. This has led me to run for political office against incredible odds and has allowed me to accept defeats in life which were not truly defeats but just a reflection of the prevailing attitudes and customs of the society. However, I must underline that this strength has had to be fed along the way. I have continued to attend the church where I was christened for all these years; I have been nurtured there and feel that spiritual support from family and community has also made a tremendous contribution to my life and the development of my inner strength."

He continued throughout his life to network with alumni and students as an act of encouraging others and keeping the flame lit in his own

torch. He encouraged many youth through his continued involvement at Westmount High and the community to seek scholarships and to attend university.

Employment

Richard was an engineer for Dominion Tar and Chemicals and then



THE SISTER AND THE WIFE of Richard Lord, Gwen Lord and Carol Spence Lord, at the funeral.

(Photo: Tony Hadley)

for the City of Montreal. Through his work for the city he was very involved in Communications for Expo 67 when Montreal hosted the World's Exposition during Canada's Centennial celebrations. He was an assistant to the president of the engineering firm F.C. Hume and Co. Ltd.

Later on he would serve as research consultant and community liaison officer, for a Special Senate Committee on Poverty. This gave him the opportunity to travel the country on behalf of the government and recommend policy. Afterwards, he was executive assistant to the secretary general and then administrator, of the Vanier Institute of the Family and then a member of the Immigration Appeal Board and a member of the Refugee Board. He completed his working career by establishing his own office as an immigration consultant, helping immigrants with their paperwork and in navigating Canadian immigration laws. In all these enterprises he found opportunities to assist minorities and immigrants to establish and better themselves in this country. He knew first-hand the discrimination and challenges that they faced and he helped as one who had experienced and understood their journey.

Black community

Richard was a co-founder or participant in many community organizations intended to assist the black community in Montreal. He served as director of the Negro Community Centre, founder of the Unity Boys Club; founder and past Member of the Montreal Association of Black Business and Professional Persons and president of the Black Community Council on Aging.

Politics, other dignities

Richard was a long-time member of the both the Quebec and Federal Liberal parties. His extensive political involvement included service as president of young Liberal riding associations, as English-speaking vice-president of the Young Liberals of Quebec and as vice-president and president of the Parti Libéral du Québec. Richard ran for the federal Liberal nomination in Notre Dame de Grâce but was defeated by the well known Warren Allmand.

His civic commitment was further expressed through his time as President of the Royal Commonwealth

Society, Montreal branch, where among other things he attended international Commonwealth events in Barbados and New Zealand, meeting the Queen, Princess Margaret and other members of the Royal Family.

Community involvement

Richard's father immigrated from Barbados after working on the Panama Canal in order to join the Canadian Armed Forces during World War One. Consequently Richard annually attended Cenotaph Ceremonies on Remembrance Day, where he read *In Flanders Fields*.

It is impossible to list all of the 30-something community organizations Richard belonged to or sat on the board of in his beloved Westmount such as high school alumni, library, and lawn bowling. He frequently attended ceremonies and was often asked to present awards. He recently had a biology lab named after him at Westmount High School.

Church


Richard's faith was life long and heartfelt and this church of St. George's was a cornerstone of his life. His served as Lay Reader, People's Warden, Bishop's chaplain, server, director of Maison Cross Roads, director of the Canadian Bible Society, Montreal, where he remained as a board member until now. He regularly attended worship services and parish events including our mid-week service and parish and home bible studies.

Marriage

We know in our hearts, after all is said and done, that the greatest achievement for Richard was his marriage to Carol Spence, a native of Jamaica and a Montreal high school biology teacher. On her deathbed, Richard's mother instructed Richard that he should marry Carol. Carol has been a wonderful and beloved companion.


May I conclude with Richard's favourite prayer? At most Wednesday lunches he would offer his favourite grace before we ate: "Be present at our table Lord, be here and everywhere adored, and by Thy mercies grant that we, may feast in Paradise with Thee."

This day his lifelong prayer his fulfilled, and he feasts in paradise with God.



PWRDF's Annual Dinner

Thursday, June 12, at 5:30pm
Fulford Hall, 1444 Union Ave, Montreal



With Sheilagh McGlynn,
facilitator of justgeneration.ca
the youth initiative
of PWRDF

\$15 (only \$5 for those under 30)
Please join us! To RSVP call Ardyth or Nicki at 514-843-6577
or email arobinson@montreal.anglican.ca



THE CONGREGATION nearly filled the pews.

(Photo: Harvey Shepherd)

Refugee advocates seek to change hearts and minds

Harvey Shepherd

Activists in Montreal and across Canada working for refugees hope to put more emphasis on making their fellow citizens better aware of the positive contributions refugees often make to their new country if they have a chance.

"They make an incredible contribution to the community," Colleen French of the Canadian Council for Refugees said at a Montreal gathering organized by Action Réfugiés

Montréal in the hall of St. James the Apostle Church to mark Refugee Rights Day April 3. "They want to be self-sufficient, creating businesses, raising families."

But she and others who spoke at the gathering said that's not the message that's coming from some other people, some of them in the current federal government.

Ms French said the Canadian Council has launched a campaign with the slogan "Proud to Protect



COLEEN FRENCH



PIA ZAMBELLI



KANDEL WALEED, who made his way from Egypt to Canada last fall and is trying to avoid being deported, poses with paintings he has created since his arrival.

(Photo: Harvey Shepherd)

Refugees" to try to change the conversation and offset myths and misconceptions. The council has prepared a range of informative and promotional materials for the campaign and is organizing a Canada-wide "walk with refugees for a stronger Canada" June 16-22. (Participants won't actually walk across the country but local marches will be tabulated.)

Action Réfugiés, which this year is marking the 20th anniversary of its creation in Montreal with support from Anglican, Presbyterian and other sources, is co-operating in a major event being planned for the Olympic Stadium around June 20 by the Montreal office of the United

Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to mark World Refugee Day.

Pia Zambelli of Montreal, a leading refugee lawyer, said important Canadian legal precedents to the effect that refugees have many of the same rights as other residents of Canada are now being undermined and "garbled" by the current federal government through rhetoric about "bogus" refugees and by restrictions and clampdowns.

Action Réfugiés works both with refugees who make their own way to Canada and then seek recognition of their refugee status and with recognized refugees brought to Canada under international agreements. Paul Clarke, executive director, said even though the numbers of some kinds of refugees reaching Canada is dwindling because of federal government policies, Action Réfugiés is as busy as ever because of other developments.



PAUL CLARKE, executive director of Action Réfugiés Montréal speaks. Beside him is one of several paintings by Kandel Waleed.

Mile End Notebook

Mentalist does his stuff for mission

A magician, hypnotist and mentalist will be featured at a benefit to raise funds for the Mile End Community Mission on Monday, May 26, and the head of fund-raising at the mission says it is looking for more volunteers, especially to help fund-raising.

Spidey, (aka Bedros Akkelian), seen by over six millions spectators and viewers at the Just for Laughs festival, the Canada's Got Talent reality TV series and the Guzzo Magic series, will be onstage at the Rialto Theatre a Montreal landmark at 5723 Park Avenue, a few blocks from the mission, to present a show that combines leg-erdemain with his knowledge of psychology and sociology to create what he calls "social magic."

"Don't miss this amazing show and wonderful opportunity to sup-

port us!" says Linda (Lou) Hachey, director of the mission. "We're looking forward to seeing you there!"

Andrew Sarrasin, chair of fund-raising for the mission and vice-chair of support, added that "the little mission with the big heart" hopes to broaden in base of support in other ways.

I agree wholeheartedly with our director when she says in her annual report, "This is an inspired community - a community of dreamers, of people who think outside the box, of people who achieve great things together," he said.

"As a long time board member for the Mile End Community Mission I have seen first-hand how much the community cares for and supports the valuable work of the Mission. I want to thank everyone on behalf of

the Mission for all you have done and continue to do for the Mission, for without your spiritual, moral and financial support we would not be able to carry on providing for those we are privileged to serve.

"We are always on the lookout for people to complement our amazing team and if you are interested in volunteering with our vibrant fundraising team we would love to hear from you. Now is a great time to start!"

The evening at the Rialto begins with cocktails at 7 p.m. and the show starts at 8. Tickets can be purchased on the Théâtre Rialto website at <http://www.theatrerialto.ca/en/programmation/variety/6-431-spidey-magic-mentalist-hypnotist.html> or by contacting the mission at: 514-274-3401 orgeneral@mileendmission.org.

Synod seeks statistics

This is the time of year when parishes are asked to submit a broad range of information to the diocesan office, following the annual vestry meetings that should have taken place by February.

Jennifer James-Phillips in the synod financial office, now responsible for receiving and collating this information (financial and other) notes that this information is important, some of it more so than previously, and should be prompt and accurate. Some of it is now overdue if it has not yet been submitted by a parish; it will all be due by June 1.

Generally, the forms for these "vestry papers" - now comparatively paperless for many parishes - can be downloaded from the synod website, completed and returned by email. But the synod will accept printouts completed by hand and returned by ordinary mail and will supply forms on paper by request.

The returns needed are:

- "Parochial returns" - such information as the names of churchwardens, lay delegates to the diocesan synod and other officers. These returns were due in mid-March.
- Parish financial information as at the end of last year. Among other things, this information is needed by the synod office to calculate

diocesan assessments on the individual parishes. This was due April 10.

- Parochial statistics. These details of total numbers on parish rolls, attendance and a range of other statistics may be somewhat cumbersome to compile but is important to help the bishop; and other staff take the statistical pulse of the diocese. This information will be due June 1.

- Along with the parochial statistics, parishes are also being asked, this year for the first time, to submit attendance figures for four occasions in 2013: Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, the Easter Vigil or Easter Day service (or the total of the two Easter services), Pentecost and the second Sunday in September. Following a decision by the General Synod of the national church this year, this information will be used in determining how many delegates the Montreal Diocese and others will be entitled to at the 2016 synod.

Anyone who needs help in obtaining or filling out these forms should not hesitate to contact Jennifer James-Phillips at 514-843-6577, #249 or by email at jphillips@montreal.anglican.ca.

New priests urged to see God at work among the despised



HERE'S THE EDITOR'S VERSION, sort of, of the photo on Page One. (Photo: Harvey Shepherd)

Harvey Shepherd

Four new priests in the Diocese of Montreal were urged at their ordination in Christ Church Cathedral to see God at work among the despised and rejected and to encourage their congregations to do the same.

Preaching at the ordination of Rev. Alain Brosseau, Rev. Lorne Eason, Rev. Nicholas Pang and Rev. Brian Perron March 30, Rev. Neil Mancor of St. George's Church in Ste. Anne de Bellevue called on them to "see God at work in upholding people whom society rejects and suspicion excludes."

"God will work in those in whom God will work, whether we see it or not," Dr. Mancor said. "Never forget that we see in Jesus this work of the spirit."

Preaching on John 9:1-12, in which Jesus heals a man blind from birth by rubbing his eyes with mud made from dust and Jesus' spittle, Dr. Mancor said the passage, more farcical than apparently miraculous in its details, "still challenges us to see God at work in his people."

Fear, prejudice, inertia and spiritual part on the part of local people to whom the man presented himself just after his healing prevented them from seeing the miracle before their eyes: a man born blind and now seeing.

As priests, he said to the four men being ordained, "a lot of what we do is mud and spit and dust and ashes" but much of this involves the blessing of God.

"It is your job to be people who

see."

Until further notice, the four new priests are continuing to serve as assistant curates in the parishes where they have been as deacons since September and as lay assistants for a few months before that: Father Brosseau in St. George's Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Father Eason in Christ Church Beaufort (also on the West Island), Father Pang in St. George's Place du Canada downtown and Father Perron in St. Peter's TMR in the Town of Mount Royal.

Rev. Adrienne Clements, previously active in the Diocese of Montreal and ordained as a deacon in the Cathedral last September at the same time as the four men, was ordained as a priest in the Diocese of Toronto April 6.



ORDINANDS AND BISHOP BARRY kneel before the altar. (Photo: Harvey Shepherd)



THE OPPORTUNITY to take photos of the new priests and others after the service brought an enthusiastic response. (Photo: Harvey Shepherd)

Bishop notes objection

As has happened at several recent previous ordinations of candidates with same-sex partners, Bishop Barry Clarke noted briefly at the March 30 ordination that he had received an objection to the ordination of one of the candidates but was proceeding in the light of his own reflections and decisions of the diocesan synod.

The announcement was greeted by applause from a number of those at the well attended ordination service. The objection was to the ordination of Rev. Alain Brosseau (whose partner, Peter Wessel, read the lesson, Peter 5:1-4, at the ordination service).

The objection, not read out at the service, was also similar to ones filed on earlier occasions. It was signed by Rev. Nick Brotherhood on behalf of three other clergy and seven lay people. (Previous objections were signed by six clergy.)

It says in part: "We, the undersigned laity and clergy, understand that one of the candidates for ordination to the presbyterate on March 30th is in a sexually-active, same-

gender relationship. We believe such relationships to be incompatible with scripture, and, when they are also Civil Marriages, with our Marriage Canon, which defines marriage as being between a man and a woman. We believe such relationships are also inconsistent with the received tradition of the Church Catholic, as well as resolution 1.10 of the 1998 Lambeth Conference. Proceeding with such ordinations would not respect the previous Archbishop of Canterbury's request for gracious restraint in these matters for the sake of the unity of the whole Church.

"For these reasons we believe the manner of life of the candidate so described to be unsuitable for the exercise of this ministry, and respectfully ask you not to proceed with his ordination."

The letter was signed by Nick Brotherhood on behalf of Linda Faith Chalk, John and Diane Degrace, Bruce Glencross, Marilyn Miles, Stan and Joan Pepler, Roger Spack, Susan Wallet and Tim Wiebe.



"MUD AND DUST AND SPIT AND ASHES" will often be the priest's lot, Rev Neil Mancor tells the new priests. (Photo: Harvey Shepherd)



FRAMED BY CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL and a numerous congregation, the ordinands face Bishop Barry Clarke. (Photo: Tony Hadley)

Reaching out to young adults



"JESUS ISN'T A PRODUCT to be consumed, he's a movement to be called into," Irish blogger and youth minister Scott Evans, 31, said at the March meeting of the Diocesan Council. The self-styled author, blogger, speaker and hobo, who lived in Bangladesh between ages 7 and 15, has extensive experience in youth ministry and was beginning a 10-week visit to the Diocese of Montreal, his second, visit to carry out a project called ROOTS aimed at bridging the gap between the stated values of parishes regarding young adults and the experience of young adults at parish level. Scott is also the main speaker at this summer's C.L.A.Y. (Canadian Lutheran and Anglican Youth event) in Kamloops.

(Photo: Harvey Shepherd)

MTL Youth Notes

Back to basics at a Châteauguay retreat

Elizabeth Robertson
Elizabeth Robertson is MTL Youth program co-ordinator for the Diocese of Montreal.

It's a quiet spot, just far enough from the city to feel like you're truly away. The Manoir d'Youville sits on a small peninsula in Châteauguay. The only things around it are ice, the roaring water under the ice, and a small nature preserve. It's a perfect spot to get away and reset your brain.

And that's exactly what we did during the Youthwork 101 training weekend organized by MTL Youth. Youth workers from the Dioceses of Montreal and Ottawa got together to take a closer look at how we do youth ministry. We also contemplated an even more important question... *why* do we do it?

It's tempting, when working with young people, to get caught up in a whirlwind of planning and programming and projects. It makes sense; these are tangible, measurable ways of spending time with our youth. We can put them on a calendar and list them in the parish bulletin and say, "look, we have a youth program!" And there's nothing wrong with activities in and of themselves. They can be a lot of fun. But surely youth ministry is more than just another extra-curricular activity. So if we take away all the bells and



SCOTT EVANS delivers the homily March 30 at the Church of the Epiphany Verdun.

whistles, what's left?

Scott Evans (the Irish guy with the beard who's been roaming around the diocese, preaching and listening) suggested that instead of starting with programming, we start with values. We looked at the values Jesus models in the Gospels and it turns out there aren't a lot of bowling parties or spaghetti dinners. Jesus spends a lot of time just sitting with people, talking, teaching, and listening. We spoke about the ideas of living with authenticity, of building community, of trusting God, and letting go of external measures of achievement - ideals that are a challenge not just for young people, but for all of us.

At one point in the weekend, Scott asked us to talk about the youth minister (or other adult) who had the biggest impact on us when we were growing up. Interestingly, it wasn't the people who organized the best activities. Rather it was the people who listened to us and accepted us, the people who modelled a way of living we could admire. It was less about what they did, and more about who they were.

Focusing on values rather than organizing lots of activities seems like a simpler way of ministering to young people. And in some ways, it is. However a youth ministry based on values is much more difficult to

measure than one based on programming. It takes courage to trust that what you're building is important. You have to be able to withstand the internal and external pressure to be *doing* something all the time. Which is why it felt so good to get away for a quiet weekend together to share, reflect and pray.

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Some thoughts from the participants:

"I've noticed this in my own ministry, that I can have fun games and big activities and it's hit or miss if people come out. But if I'm intentionally going out for coffee with people, there's so much power in sitting and talking with people, relaxed.

We've tried to program the heck out of youth ministry instead of actually caring about the people we're ministering to. Even outside of youth ministry, that's permeated into so many other areas of the church. We've tried to program it and perfect it instead of getting to know the people and ministering to the people on the most basic levels."

- Zack Ingles, Youth and Young Adults Minister, St. Alban's Church, Ottawa

"We're giving of ourselves and how we're experiencing God, but we're also receiving that from others. I'm more interested in how we can break ourselves open and remain open to what we're hearing from others than what cool spaces we can create.

It's about having conversations that are meaningful to everyone who's sharing the conversation."

- Afra Saskia-Tucker, Young Adult Emerging Ministry Facilitator, Church of the Epiphany, Verdun

"My vision for youth ministry? That there be some sort of community coming together to support kids and to give them a spirituality they might not be able to find elsewhere. And that the kids who develop a sense of a relationship with God will be able to support other kids. A place to be able to talk with each other, discover more about each other, more about God. A place to get away from the stresses and talk it out and help each other."

- Ian Sinclair, Youth Group Leader, Parish of Vaudreuil



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Day Camps: lots afoot but Montreal lags

Valerie Taylor

Although Spring seems slow in coming this year, everyone on the Crosstalk Ministries Day Camp Committee is very busy working on our 2014 Summer Program "Follow the Leader." This year we have a brand new core component, a locally produced Slide Show of which we are very proud.

Our teams have already been invited to serve in churches from Alberta to New Brunswick. Host communities range from the Armed Forces Base in Borden Ontario to the Red Earth First Nation in Saskatchewan, from downtown Toronto, to the Atlantic Coast town of Shediac.

Sadly, very few churches in the Diocese of Montreal seem interested in signing up, despite the fact that

the majority of our Travelling Team Members do come from this area. Day Camps is an excellent opportunity for grassroots Outreach and Mission in the wider community.

We still have a few spaces for local churches and are always happy to receive applications from prospective Team Members.

Want to know more about CTM Day Camps? Please call (514-484-1414) or email the Crosstalk office office@crosstalkministries.ca or check out the Day Camp Blog lambondaycamps.blogspot.ca

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Valerie Taylor is day camp director of Crosstalk Ministries

Equipping the Saints

'The most steadfast community'

Cate Anthony

This is the third of a series of columns by students, alumni and friends of the Montreal Diocesan Theological College. In this issue, a graduating McGill University student describes what happened when she moved into the former Diocesan College residence, now part of the McGill residence network.

I knew about Dio before I even knew I would be moving to Montreal.

It's true. When I was first applying to McGill and perusing the university's student housing website, I marked the Diocesan College residence (known at McGill as University Hall) as my first choice. The building alone made the residence attractive: all that red brick and a bell tower! Beyond that, though, as a church geek and hopeful ordinand, the idea of living in a residence with a church downstairs was too good to be true. When I got my notification email that I'd been placed in Dio for my first year dorm, I did a happy dance in my driveway.

I moved into Dio in August of 2010. Ten days later, on my first day of classes, I made my first university friend: Nicholas Pang, whom some of you may know. He was very kind, starting out his Bachelor Theology degree, as was I. We sympathized over New Testament Studies essays that first term, and he patiently, kindly, wisely offered advice as I adjusted to university life. Nicholas is now the Reverend Nicholas Pang, ordained priest on March 30th and working at St. George's Place du Canada but to me he's still just Nick, a dear friend in Christ.



CATE ANTHONY

It was Nick who first invited me to the Wednesday lunches at the Diocesan College. I remember feeling a bit nervous the first time I actually went to the 11:30 a.m. service; I think I was intimidated by all the priests and people who (like me) wanted to be priests and were actually in the process of making that happen. The service, too, was different than the Eucharistic service of the Episcopal Church in the States (I hail from Delaware, originally). I re-

member watching the students ringing hand bells as we sang the Psalm and being deeply moved by the clang of each note.

I kept going to the Wednesday services, and eventually John Simons, the principal of the College, asked me if I wanted to be considered an official associate there. I don't think I've ever told him this, but that offer was the thing that made Montreal really feel like home. You see, for me, home is all about

community, and Dio has been the most steadfast community of my time here. With John's offer of "association" came a chance to be involved in Wednesday Eucharistic services as an assistant and intercessor and to lead Daily Offices, things I still do today. I got to preach, on two early Friday mornings my first and second year. I even got to take part in the annual Christmas skits (the year my fellow students impersonated certain faculty members will always be my favourite). Easily and without hesitation, the community at Dio invited me in and made me part of the gang. Now, I look back at that first Wednesday service and wonder how I ever could have been nervous.

Fast-forward a few more years, and soon I will graduate from McGill. My last Wednesday service is fast approaching. In the time since I first walked into Saint Luke's Chapel, every student that I met my first day at the College has been ordained—some more recently than others (congratulations to Brian, Lorne, and Nick!). I've had the distinct pleasure of watching and par-

ticipating in Rhonda Waters' and Donald Boisvert's first years of ministry at the Cathedral, and they have played no small part in making that place a home to me, too. The networks of relationship and community that Dio gave me in my first days here in Montreal last even to this day. I have no doubt that this community will continue on long after I leave. Who knows—maybe each of these people will be at my own ordination, laying on hands and continuing the tradition we all love and uphold.

As I said, I'm leaving Montreal soon. I graduate on June 3rd and then will head back home for the summer before moving to Chicago to join the Episcopal Service Corps for a year. After that, God willing, I'll go to seminary somewhere in the States and, one day, be ordained. As I set my face toward all these oncoming experiences of Christian community, I feel so grateful for what I've learned of community through my time at Dio. You know, most priests have one seminary they call their own. I will have two. And oh! What a blessing that is.

Grace notes

L'OASIS MUSICALE

Christ Church Cathedral
635 St. Catherine St. W. (Métro McGill)
Saturdays, usually 4:30 p.m./le samedi, souvent 16:30 p.m. Freewill offering to support the artists/contribution volontaire pour soutenir les artistes

- Saturday May 3, 2. p.m./samedi 3 mai, 14h.
- Composers around Clara Schumann / Autour de Clara Schumann. Hato Duo of Tomoko Inui and Haruyo Yoshino-Platt, piano
- Saturday May 3, 4:30 p.m./samedi 3 mai, 16h30
- The Voices of Youth / Les Voix de la Jeunesse. Choral works for young voices. The Girls Choir of College Villa Maria, Alfred Lagrenade conductor
- Saturday May 10, 4:30 p.m./samedi 10 mai, 16h30
- The Poetic Piano. Linda Brady, piano
- Saturday May 17, 4:30 p.m./samedi 17 mai, 16h30
- Women's Voices / Voix de femmes. Ingrid Boussaroque, voice, nay, mandoline, kantele, will interpret the *Hodie aperuit* by Hildegard of Bingen and works from the folk repertoires of several nations.
- Saturday May 24, 4:30 p.m./samedi 24 mai, 16h30
- Le Livre d'Orgue, by Olivier Messiaen. Adrian Foster, organ
- Saturday May 31, 4:30 p.m./samedi 31 mai, 16h30
- La Sonate Romantique. Katherine Petersen, piano and Charlene Kluegel, violin.

Information: 514 843 6577 x236 or email: loasismusicale@gmail.com or www.oasismusicale.blogspot.ca or on Facebook or www.montrealcathedral.ca



INGRID BOUSSAROQUE

SPIRITUAL CALENDAR

PAWS & PRAY

Christ Church Beaurepaire
455 Church St., Beaconsfield

Sunday, May 4, at 1 p.m.

This will be the last Paws & Pray service of the season—a service of the Holy Eucharist where canine companions and their guardians are always welcome. These services have been offered in collaboration with the Companion Animal Adoption Centers of Quebec a non-profit organization dedicated to animal welfare.

MEDITATION CIRCLES

Still Presence Spirituality Centre
Christ Church Beaurepaire, 455 Church St., Beaconsfield

Mondays through June 9, except May 19, at 7 p.m. Everyone gathers in the chapel for this time of quiet and reflection. To learn more visit www.stillpresence.com or contact the Christ Church office at 514-697-2204.

BOUNDARIES COURSE: TAKING CONTROL OF YOUR LIFE. WHEN TO SAY YES, HOW TO SAY NO

St. George's Ste. Anne de Bellevue
23 Perrault Ave.

Beginning Tuesday, May 5, at 7 p.m.

Christians often focus so much on being loving and unselfish that they forget their own limits and limitations. This course gives us the freedom to walk as the loving, giving and fulfilled individuals God created us to be. The Boundaries Course is presented on video in eight segments. Following each segment there is time in a small group for discussion on any issues or questions that have been raised or relate to understanding personal boundaries. Please pre-register; there is a fee of \$25 for course materials. Please contact our office to register at 514-457-6934 or by email at st_georges@bellnet.ca

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455 Church St., Beaconsfield
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Wednesday morning worship – Holy Eucharist at 10 a.m. – through May.

Summer Worship, June 20 – Sept. 14: Christ Church Beaurepaire will hold one Sunday service of Holy Eucharist at 9:30 a.m.

ECUMENICAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, June 22 at 10 a.m.
Outdoors on the grounds of the Baie d'Urfé Town Hall, 20410 Lakeshore Road.

The rain location is Union Church, 24 Maple St., Ste. Anne de Bellevue.

Information: 514-697-2204 or email christchurch@ac.aibn.com.

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Every Wednesday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

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SILENT RETREAT

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Christ Church Beaurepaire

Sat., Aug. 23, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

The Centre plans a silent retreat in Hudson. For details visit www.stillpresence.com or contact the Christ Church Beaurepaire office at 514-697-2204.

Two prayer representatives: Some differences, a lot in common

Harvey Shepherd

In some ways, the two new Diocese of Montreal representatives of the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer might seem an unlikely pair.

Stacey Neale, 47 and single, who returned to active church participation in 2007, is 24 years younger than Valerie Bennett, who is married and has a son, a daughter and three grandsons. The younger woman has a background in theatre, two degrees in art history and a master's degree in Canadian art from Concordia University in Montreal. Valerie Bennett, who migrated to New York in 1963, graduated from Washington Business Institute in that city in 1965, moved to Montreal in 1966, married Charles F. Bennett in 1970. She worked for the Canadian Pacific Railway from 1966 to 1988.

Both women attended Sunday school and Mrs. Bennett has been busy in the church since she began a personal relationship with Christ in 1954. That's the year she was confirmed at the age of about 11 in her native St. Kitts in the West Indies. At St. Paul's Church Greenfield Park, which she has attended since 1983, she carries on wide range of activities – not least as a member of the prayer chain and ministry-of-prayer team. She has been a delegate to the diocesan and eastern Canada synods and will be at the diocesan synod this fall, and served on numerous other committees.

She received a bishop's award for service last year and back in 2004 "I had the honour of presenting Bishop Barry with the pectoral cross at his ordination. I still pray for him that he will know himself sustained by the power of the Lord." She has had a ministry to, largely, hospital patients as a lay pastoral visitor since 1998.

Both she and Ms. Neale have also participated enthusiastically in activities the diocese offers to lay people who want to improve their theological awareness. Both have been through the rigorous Education for Ministry course – Mrs. Bennett was in the first Montreal graduating class in 1999 and Ms Neale graduated last year. Both have taken the training program for lay readers, although Ms. Neale has not yet been commissioned (her friend was in 2004).

Stacey Neale, who along the way has picked up couple of degrees in fine arts and a Concordia University master's degree in Canadian art, has in recent years been a practitioner of Christian meditation, which traces its origins to the Desert Fathers of the early church and was revived in the 1970s by the Benedictine monk the late John Main, who established a centre in Montreal. She is a member of the Meditatio group at her

home parish, St. Andrew and St. Mark's in Dorval, and also keeps in touch with the meditative and other activities of the Still Presence Spirituality Centre based at Christ Church Beaurepaire in Beaconsfield, where she is a part-time office administrator.

The two women think there is a lot of work to in raising the profile of the Fellowship in the diocese, encouraging parishes and others to make more use of the booklets, website and other resources it offers and fostering better understanding of prayer – personal and corporate, private and public, meditative and intercessory. (As members of the Fellowship, they are committed to a discipline of daily prayer at noon hour, including specific prayer for the ministry of the Fellowship.

They do not expect to take the diocese by storm and do not suppose they are starting from scratch.

"Our motto is, Start slow and start with the parishes," Ms. Neale said.

"We'd like to build a network of parish contacts and find out more about what's already going on. We want to see what's out there and let people know what different parishes are doing."

"There is probably a lot going on in the parishes," Mrs. Bennett added, "and we are hoping those involved will want to join us so we can hear what they're about."

"It is important that Valerie and I acknowledge that we know that there are already many established prayer groups in the Diocese of Montreal," Ms. Neale said. "However, the aim of establishing the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer – Canada here is to enhance and empower the work already being done. It is a way of making everyone understand that there are higher heights in prayer to achieve. We do not want people to think that we are here to teach them about prayer or tell them what to do. The AFP-C is here to support and to uplift all the current prayer initiatives in the diocese and to help and to encourage new ones to grow wherever the spirit leads us.

"We would also like to reach out to everyone in the diocese who is currently a member of the AFP-C or was one in the past to get a sense as to how active this organization is here. While we feel we might be starting from scratch, we suspect that there is a lot of prayer going on out there and we want to bring it all together. People can contact us and share their stories at valstacey@bell.net."

During the Diocesan Synod on October 18, the two representatives and the others will have a prayer corner nearby to pray for delegates.



STACEY NEALE and VALERIE BENNETT

'Effective communication with God'

Here are three "frequently asked questions" and the responses from the website of the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer (Canada) at www.anglicanprayer.org:

What is Prayer?

Prayer is effective communication with God: effective because it involves the release of energy and because it gets something done; communication because while it makes use of words it is more than words, and because it is not a monologue but a dialogue.

God not only supplies the energy which makes the entire process possible, but also is the party at the other end of the line.

Why should we pray?

Because we are told to (I Thess. 5:17)! Because human experience teaches us that prayer is a source of understanding and strength, a unifying force and a means of growth. Because by it we can help others (II Cor. 1:6), and because it is a way to the healing of minds, bodies, human relationships and the inner self. In prayer the center of living is shifted from ourselves to God.

How do we know that our prayers are being heard?

A certain way of knowing that our prayers are being heard is by their results. The results of prayer include not only what God may do by way of

His personalized, compassionate response, but also direct influence related to the outreach of prayer-power, and not infrequently new attitudes and understanding on the part of the one who prays. In other words, the results of prayer fall into three categories: they are 'heard' when God intervenes, 'productive' as the release of mental energy (a physically measurable phenomenon) affects situations, and 'therapeutic' as change occurs within ourselves. We should remember that God's concern is never less than our own (Matt. 6:8) and that, whatever may happen, we are never beyond the reach of God's personal love (Matt. 6:26).

News in brief

Annual Bishop's Dinner: mark thy calendar

Bishop Barry Clarke's Annual Bishop's Dinner: will take place Thursday November 27 at the University Club of Montreal, 2047 Mansfield St. Stay tuned for details.

Eileen Steele was well travelled

Apologies to Rev. Eileen Steele. A report in the April issue on her efforts on behalf of veterans indicated wrongly that her own career in armed forces between 1980 and 1994 was entirely at CFB Gagetown in New Brunswick. In fact, she served in a number of places in Canada and Germany.

Bishop to co-chair Edmonton poverty task force

A task force on eliminating poverty in Edmonton will be co-chaired by Bishop Jane Alexander of the diocese of Edmonton.

The 15-member task force, includes business, faith and experts from various sectors.

– The Messenger

AFP (Canada)

The Anglican Fellowship of Prayer (Canada) is a part of the International Anglican Fellowship of Prayer. Its motto is "Prayer Unites."

One of its purposes is to "bring people into a full redeeming, sanctifying communion with God through Jesus Christ, emphasizing to the parish church this is the main function from which all other work of the church in the world is derived." According to its website (at www.anglicanprayer.org), AFP (Canada) "is inclusive of all forms of expressions of Christian church life, whether they be lay or clerical, catholic or evangelical, monastic or secular, formal or informal."

Membership in AFP (Canada), open to all "praying people," entitles a person to receive the Canadian Newsletter three times a year and other prayer-related information from time to time. A donation of \$35 or more a year entitles a person or organization such as a parish or prayer group to be a member. Diocesan representatives are appointed by the diocesan bishop in consultation with the national director and they may be clergy or laity. The Fellowship website recently listed representatives in 17 Canadian dioceses, five of them lay people. Thirteen dioceses including Montreal were described as vacant.

The Fellowship grew out of a prayer group that began meeting in New York City in the 1950s and is active in the United States, the Bahamas, Bermuda and Canada. The organization began officially in Canada in 1982.

The 17th Annual
Semaine du Vivre Ensemble

The Council on
Palliative Care

Le 17^e anniversaire
semaine du Vivre Ensemble

Le Conseil des
soins palliatifs

présenté / présenté

A free public lecture in English / une conférence gratuite de la soirée

'Lessons in Living from the Dying'

A Life and Death Situation

Robin Marantz Henig

Author of *The Girl on the Train*
and *The Girl on the Train*



Sue Smith

Host of
CBC Radio One's
Interfaith



In Conversation with / En conversation avec

A reception to follow / Une réception suivra

Tuesday,
May 6, 2014, 5:30 pm

Moyse Hall
McGill University Campus
853 Sherbrooke Street West
(enter through Sherbrooke Street gates)

Mardi
6 mai 2014 à 17h30

Salle Moyse
Campus de l'Université McGill
853, rue Sherbrooke ouest
(entrée par la rue Sherbrooke)

Live streaming and archived recording of this lecture will be available on our website: www.mcgill.ca/council-on-palliative-care Information: mpg.2012@mcgill.ca

Conférence en direct et enregistrement en archive de cette conférence seront disponibles sur notre site web: www.mcgill.ca/conseil-des-soins-palliatifs Renseignements: mpg.2012@mcgill.ca

SALES and EVENTS

St. John the Baptist Pointe Claire
233 Ste Claire Ave.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

Sat., May 3, 9 a.m.-12 noon

Clothing for the whole family! Also books, linens, small electronics, craft and household items. Be first to find the Treasure of the Day!

St. Philip's Anglican Church

7505 Sherbrooke St. W. (corner Connaught Bus #51 (Snowdon), #105 (Vendome), #162 (Villa-Maria) or #123 to Elmhurst bus terminal at Montreal West train station.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Sat., May 3, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Great bargains at over 25 tables! Toys, clothing, appliances, collectables, electronics and much more! Proceeds from BBQ and St. Philip's table to support the N.D.G. Food Depot. Info: St. Philip's office, 514-481-4871.

St. Stephen's with St. James Chambly
Randell Hall, 2000 Bourgogne St.

BOOK SALE

Sat. May 3, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Enjoy browsing through books and magazines. Enjoy a soup, sandwich, and a dessert with some old and new friends. Info or if you have books, magazines, CDs or DVDs to donate, call Dorothy 514-748-7748 ext. 1198 or Betty 450-658-4939.

St. Lawrence LaSalle

520 – 73rd Ave.,

PARISH SUPPER

Sat., May 3, 5:30 P.M.

Sponsored by the Anglican Church Women of St. Lawrence Church. Tickets: adults \$20, children \$15. Info: 514-366-4652 or st-lawrence520@gmail.com

Church of the Resurrection Pte Claire
99 Mount Pleasant Ave.

GARAGE SALE & RENT-A-TABLE

Sat., May 3, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

To rent a table call 514-697-1229.

St. George's Châteauguay

162 St. Francis Blvd.

SPRING FAIR

Sat., May 3, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

The ACW's big fundraiser of the year. Tables will include: baking, books, jewelry, nearly new clothes, plants, treasure chest, toys, white elephant. The tea room will be serving a sandwich/sweet plate. Info: Beth Massel 450-691-3618 or Debbie Hofer 450-692-2351.

St. Paul's Côte des Neiges

(Banquet at Schofield Hall, 90 Roosevelt Ave., Town of Mount Royal)

APPRECIATION BANQUET & BALL

Sat. May 3, cocktails 6 p.m., dinner 7 p.m.

Marking the 82nd anniversary of the parish, this celebration will honour Ven. J.W. Bennett, who has been the rector for the past 30 years, Osborne and Rhona Allen, president and vice-president of the Côte-des-Neiges Child Care Centre, for services to the church and the community, Arthur Collins, parish treasurer, and his wife Ruby Collins, past warden of the church. Admission \$75. For tickets/info: 450-681-5057.

St. Matthias Westmount

131 Côte St. Antoine Road (Metcalf Ave., served by Buses 24, 138 and 104.)

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

Sat., May 10, 10 a.m. -1 p.m.

Good selection of clothing for the family, housewares, books, linens and toys

St. James Rosemere

328 Pine St.

SPRING BOOK FAIR

Sat., May 10, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Hot dog lunch available. Info: 450-621-6466.

St. Barnabas Pierrefonds

12301 Colin St.

GIANT GARAGE SALE

Sat., May 17, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Lots of hidden treasures! A fundraiser for the

St. Barnabas building fund. Ten per cent of proceeds will be donated to the West Island Food Assistance Fund. Donations may be dropped off at the church Sundays or during office hours – 8-11 a.m. and noon-3 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays. Info: Kathleen 514-684-7367 or kathleendavies@aol.com or the church 514-684-4460 or office @st-barnabas.qc.ca or www.st-barnabas.qc.ca.

St. John the Baptist Pointe Claire

233 Ste Claire Ave.

GARDEN PLANT SALE

Sat., May 24, 9 a.m.-12 noon

Starting a new garden? Looking for that elusive plant? We will have perennial plants of all sizes and prices.

St. Andrew and St. Mark Dorval

865 Lakeshore Drive (west of Dorval Ave.)

PARISH GARAGE SALE, BAKE TABLE, BOOKS AND BBQ

Sat., May 24, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Rain or shine! Featuring a variety of household items, bake table, barbeque and used books. Info: 514-631-3601 / saintmarks@bellnet.ca or www.andrewmark.org

St. James Rosemere

328 Pine St.

GREEN THUMB, GARAGE AND BAKE SALE

Sat., May 24, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Lunch of soup and sandwich.

Information: 450-621-6466

Church of the Epiphany Verdun

4322 Wellington St.

ROAST PORK DINNER AND PENNY FAIR

Sat., May 24 at 6 p.m.

Tickets \$12. Bring your own wine. To order tickets call 514-363-0825. Info: 514-769-5373 or www.epiphanyverdun.com

St. Stephen's with St. James Chambly
Randell Hall, 2000 Bourgogne St.

PLANT AND BAKE SALE

Sat. May 31, 10 a.m.-noon

Info: Eileen Agle 450-658-1027 or 450-658-5882.

St. Paul's Greenfield Park

321 Empire St.

GARDEN PARTY

Sat., May 31, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Browse for some special plant that you can purchase for your garden. There will also be garden supplies, other garden items, raffles and door prizes. One serving for lunch at noon sharp, with fancy sandwiches, cheeses, vegetables, fruits and a surprise dessert. It will be an authentic garden luncheon. \$10/adult. Info: 450-671-6000 or 450-678-2460.

Trinity Morin Heights

757 Rue Village

HISTORICAL CHURCH TOUR

Sat., May 31, 1-5 p.m.

Trinity Church has been invited to participate in a tour of Laurentian churches being organized by the MRC des Pays-d'en-Haut. All are invited to join in. Info: 450-226-3845.

St. Thomas' N.D.G.

6897 Somerled Ave., (corner Rosedale)

CARIBBEAN DINNER

Sat., May 31 at 5:30 p.m.

Enjoy fine Caribbean cuisine and Island hospitality! All are welcome. Cost: \$20 for adults, \$12 children ages 6-12. Info: 514-484-2750 or stthomas.ndg@gmail.com

Wizardry at St. Mary's summer camps!

St. Mary's Anglican Church
75 Kirkland Blvd., Kirkland

Music camp June 30-July 3.

Science camp July 7-11

Children aged 4-11 years are welcome (they are divided according to age into four groups for activities). Those 12 and over can inquire about the leadership teams.

This year's themes: Week 1: Music Camp (June 30 – July 4) – With

Wizardry as our theme we will learn lots of great songs, rhythmic activities, boomwhacker creations, body percussion, art projects, musical games and more!

Week 2: Science Camp (July 7-11) – Using a hands-on approach we'll engage in all-new activities and experiments that explore the amazing world around us and how the mysteries of science can appear as amazing feats of wizardry!

What do we do each day? Following 15 years of summer camp success, the format will be the same for both weeks; some time will be spent as a large group but for most of the day the kids are split into four age groups as they do a round-robin at four stations: Week 1: listening and responding to music; making music with percussion instruments and voice; really cool instrument-type crafts; outdoor games to blow-off

steam! Week 2: nature walks and dig-in-the-dirt type stuff; chemistry experiments; the physical forces of nature; and (because camp is camp!) Energetic outdoor games!

When do you come? The day runs from 9:30 a.m. To 2:30 p.m. A special presentation will be put on by the campers on the Friday at 3 p.m. To which parents, family and friends are welcome!

For information and a registration form contact Marie Landry at 514 630 1400 or at stmarysmusiccamp@live.com. Space is limited so please register as soon as possible!

Cost: \$110 a child a week includes participation in the program, a camp T-shirt, and a daily snack. Lunch is to be sent from home.



2014 Country Homes Tour
Thursday, June 5, 2014
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Highlighting Hudson & Area Homes
Presented by St. James' Church Women, Hudson

TOUR TICKETS \$49.95 - ON SALE MAY 17

AT

Source: Alameda Street, 140 Main St., Hudson (189) 788-7577
Devoe & Thomas Secondary, 57 Lacombe, Hudson (457) 533-7270
Knoxville, 1000 Main St., Hudson (457) 533-7270
Hudson, 1000 Main St., Hudson (457) 533-7270

St. James' Church Hall
462 Main Street, Hudson
Tickets: \$49.95
Free Snacks: 10:30 and 1:00 p.m.
These prices include lunch tickets in addition to the above ticket price.

St. Mary's Church Hall
281 Main Street, Hudson
Tickets: \$49.95
Free Snacks: 10:30 and 1:00 p.m.
These prices include lunch tickets in addition to the above ticket price.



St. Lawrence Anglican Church
520 – 75th Avenue LaSalle, Qc H8R 2P5
Tel.: 514-366-4652

Parish Supper

Sponsored by the
Anglican Church Women of St. Lawrence Church

Saturday, May 3, 2014 at 5:30 PM

Admission
Adult Tickets: \$20.00
Children Tickets: \$12.00

For more information, please contact:
The church: 514-366-4652 or stlawrence520@gmail.com

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St. Barnabas Anglican Church

GIANT GARAGE SALE
Saturday MAY 17, 2014
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Lots of hidden TREASURES!

A fundraiser for the **St. Barnabas Building Fund**
(10% of proceeds: donated to the West Island Food Assistance Fund)

Contact: Kathleen at 514-684-7367 or email
kathleendavies@aol.com

Items may be dropped off on Sunday morning or during office hours:
Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursdays, 8:00-11:00 a.m. & 12:00-3:00 p.m.

St. Barnabas Anglican Church
12301 Colin St., Pierrefonds, QC, H9A 1C3
(left at 1st light on Pierrefonds Blvd. west of Sources Blvd.)
514-684-4460
office@st-barnabas.qc.ca
www.st-barnabas.qc.ca

✂ Diocesan Clippings (and Snapshots) 📷

Holy Trinity Iron Hill celebrates 150 years

Celebrations of 150 years of Anglicanism in Iron Hill will get under way with a beef and pork barbecue Saturday, May 24. Serendipitously, the weekend coincides exactly with the anniversary of the church, now, now part of the Parish of Brome in the Eastern Townships. There will be a cash bar from 5 p.m. and the meal is served at 6.

Festivities will culminate in a celebration of the Eucharist presided over by Right Rev. Barry B Clarke at 2 p.m. on Sunday May 25th. Former clergy have been invited. For information call Doug Hall at 450-263-2579 or Eric Sanborn at 450-263-2589.

Ice damages Morris window

FALLING ICE over the winter damaged one of the William Morris stained glass windows of Christ Church Cathedral. It was scheduled for restoration in any case and is boarded up until later in the summer when it will be repaired along with other windows being restored with the help of a received a grant of \$170,000 from the Quebec Heritage Foundation.

St. Barnabas St. Lambert spruces up 'diaconal' hall

The Diocesan Council endorsed a request by St. Barnabas Church in St. Lambert to the Anglican Foundation of Canada for a \$15,000 grant toward the estimated \$90,000 cost of restoring its Memorial Hall. Built in the 1950s, the hall requires a new roof, work on the window frames and sills, repairs to the exterior wall surfaces and other work. Rev. Gwenda Wells said the hall is a hub for a wide range of church and community activities including Sunday school, the choral society, day camps, Meals on Wheels, a literacy program and groups and families looking for meeting space. "We consider it our diaconal space," she said, and hope that the refurbishing will enable even more interaction with the community. The church, built in 1929, is being extensively renovated with help from the Quebec government's Fonds du Patrimoine Religieux but the hall is not eligible for heritage grants.

Scarf on a pole

Children and youth of St. Stephen-on-the-Mount Church, in Hamilton, Ont., have taken inspiration from a group of knitters in Ottawa who have kept people warm this winter. Members of this group knit scarves and tie them to poles and trees around the city, with a note that reads: "I am Not Lost. If you're stuck out in the cold, take this scarf to keep warm."

In one Sunday school class, the children learned how to knit and were encouraged to make a scarf and donate it the following Sunday. Ten of them completed the task and the scarves were tied outside the church. The scarves were all gone the following day.

When word of their good deeds spread, parishioners began donating scarves that were then tied to poles around Hamilton.

– Niagara Anglican

Ontario Anglicans step up advocacy

With a provincial election expected in 2014, Anglicans in Ontario are increasing efforts to ensure that poverty-related issues receive the attention they deserve.

'Love in motion'



THERE'S A NEW MINISTRY WITH CHILDREN at St. CHL in the Rosemont district. The first monthly gathering of "Love in Motion." was March 30th, an intergenerational Sunday School with 13 children and a good turnout of adults. "We made communion bread, sang and danced to lively music, shared communion (with the bread we had baked) and then had lunch around the same tables in the hall," reports Rev. Ros Macgregor. "It was a little chaotic, creative, fun, and very touching. We hope to provide an environment in which the children (and the rest of us) will grow together in love and faith and to realize we can make a difference in ourselves and the world. Each of the children took home a PWRDF "mite box" to collect for Apeti pou aprann, the school lunch program in Haiti. In one photo, Max, Emma, and Sharissa work on the bread; in the other they are joined by Skyler, Ridgy, Paige and Rev. Ros.

A motion for vestry meetings calls for an increase in Ontario's minimum wage from \$11 per hour to \$14.50 by 2015. The motion acknowledges the government's recent increase to \$11 but notes that the new rate still leaves full-time minimum wage workers living below the poverty line.

Anglican churches will also be placing signs on their property that say, "Let's Vote to End Poverty." The signs are part of a non-partisan campaign by the Interfaith Social Assistance Reform Coalition, which includes the Anglican church.

The Anglican

St. Paul's welcomes artist-in-residence

St. Paul's Anglican Church on the Grand Parade in Halifax has welcomed Ian McKinnon as its first artist-in-residence.

McKinnon is an instructor at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design University, and was integral to the recent success of the exhibit "Perceptions and Perspectives: St. Paul's seen anew through the drawings of NSCADU Foundation Students" and a key part of the "Christmas on the Grand Parade" event.

The artist-in-residence program was established to support and invigorate the historic role of St. Paul's in Halifax and to return the church to the centre of the city's "art conversation." St. Paul's is the oldest protestant church in Canada.

The Diocesan Times

A family affair



REV. DEACON JEAN WILLCOCKS baptized Taran William Willcocks Giroux on Saturday, March 22nd, at the Church of the Epiphany Verdun. What made it extra special is that Taran is her grandson, the son of her daughter Shannon and son-in-law Pierre and the great-grandson of Gertrude Clancy.

A special Sunday



BISHOP BARRY CLARKE was the celebrant and preacher at the Church of the Epiphany Verdun on Sunday, March 23. He confirmed Deshawn Eugene, third from right, and presented Peoples' Warden Gail Gollan, second from right, with a Bishop's Award in recognition of her work for the parish and the diocese. In the photo, a group anticipates the traditional cake after the service.

Charles Morris moves to Prince Edward County



TWO CARS FULL OF PARISHIONERS from the Church of the Resurrection Pointe Claire made the trip to Picton March 30 for the installation of Rev. Charles Morris as the new incumbent of St. Mary Magdalene Church. For the past 17 years, Father Charles served the Resurrection parish as an honorary assistant. At the reception following the service, one of the wardens of the Church of the Resurrection, Gladys Randal, presented Father Charles with a gift from the parish, a beautiful white chasuble and matching stole.



VERY REV. MARY IRWIN-GIBSON, dean of St. George's Cathedral in Kingston and formerly of the Diocese of Montreal, preached at the installation of Rev. Charles Morris as the new incumbent of St. Mary Magdalene Church in Picton in Prince Edward County, west of Kingston, March 30. From left are Rev. David Smith, who served as bishop's chaplain, Bishop Michael Oulton of the Diocese of Ontario (in and around Kingston), Father Charles and the dean.



EILEEN HUSSEY of the Church of the Resurrection Pointe Claire looks on as Father Charles opens a gift from that parish.