



## Connecting with Youth

Find out about MTL Youth's new projects with a focus on building networks for youth leaders. See page 11.



## Finders Keepers

You never know what you'll find at one of the many parish Fall Fairs and Christmas Bazaars! See list on page 12.

### Five key values for Messy Church:

**Christ-centred:** Messy Church is a church, not a craft club, which helps people encounter Jesus Christ.

**Inclusive:** It is for adults and children to enjoy together - every element should be relevant and accessible to all ages.

**Creative:** It uses hands-on activities to explore Bible stories, to reflect a God of creativity and to give people a chance to play together.

**Welcoming:** It reflects a God of unconditional love and is a church for people outside church, providing an oasis of welcome and a safe space in which to thrive. Messy Church is about hospitality, expressed most evidently by eating together - whether it's a plate of sandwiches to share, spaghetti dinner or other prepared meal.

**Celebratory:** It reflects a God of joy who wants his people to have life in all its fullness.

## From Dressy to MESSY

The beauty of messy church



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NEIL MANCOR

*The Reverend Neil Mancor was recently appointed Quebec's Regional Coordinator for Messy Church Canada. He is Incumbent of St George, Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue and Regional Dean of Ste-Anne/Pointe-Claire.*

Would you believe that the point of hosting Messy Church is not about getting more people to fill the pews on Sundays?

The Sunday service is our inherited tradition, and for those who love it that is important: I love it, for I have always been Anglican and will always love traditional services.

Rather, the point of Messy Church is that it forms its own community with people for whom Sunday morning worship is just not what they do, for whom traditional Church seems alien, and who do not know the stories and teachings of our faith.

Of course, Messy Church is Christ-centered. But it is also about creativity, celebration and hospitality. For many, it is the first time they feel truly comfortable in church.

Since 2015, Messy Church has become a major source of inspiration and new energy at our Church (Ste Anne-de-Bellevue), as it leads us as a community in new directions. Other Messy Churches have begun to grow at other churches around the Diocese. In fact, it is among the fastest

growing movements of the fresh expressions of church and a major instrument for renewal of the church. What an exciting development for us all!

If you are not willing to engage in leading people to faith, then Messy Church is not for you. If all you want to do is repopulate your Sunday morning service then you will be frustrated. But if you are willing to create community and build disciples, then Messy Church can be an effective missional tool.

For me, one of the most powerful parts of it all is the community that is built. One of the reasons many people do not come to Church is because they have no experience of the joy of Christian community. This they discover in abundance at Messy Church.

Within the context of this new community, we are able to teach people about Christ and gently lead them towards Him. It is that work of disciple-making that Messy Church does.

At St George's we are working on our first Messy Church confirmation and are excited to see what that might look like. It is certainly not going to look like traditional confirmation. Yet we are very excited to bring a group of young (and not so young!) people together for confirmation whom we might have never met before. People who previously

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## We Gather Today; Looking for Hope

### Reflections on Synod 2017

BRIAN PERRON

*The Rev Brian Perron is a member of the Synod Planning Committee and Standing Committee on Mission. He is the Incumbent of Church of the Epiphany, Verdun.*

Kwe. Skén:nen (Hello, peace.) Monsignor; Most Reverend Christian Lépine, Archbishop of Montreal brought hope and clarity to why we do what we do and why we have gathered here today; a Saturday to assemble together in search of hope and reconciliation. "In this world we live in, the people don't want a saviour, however they are looking for hope in what we do. Unknowingly they are looking for hope in Jesus Christ."

In just a few strategic words we have our calling, our mandate and our agenda. Flowing from the Bishops charge we assemble and continue with our annual general meeting, SYNOD Montréal 2017. The words of Bishop Mary begin our day with thanks, a blessing and our mandate to reconcile within ourselves, within

our churches and from within to beyond our communities, all the time seeking hope from a morsel of bread and a cup of deliverance.

The Rev. Andrew Wesley stood up to the effect of the bread and wine. How a drop of wine on the host can change a person's life as they receive hope in the body and blood of Christ. How in this, Andrew continues in the struggles to hope; a hope that does not forget the past but finds peace in what he now does, remembering Christianity. A peace that comes from dealing with his personal struggles and reconciliation before going nationally. And in this his gift of peace is realized.

His peace also comes from sharing in everything he does with his caring and loving wife Ester who visibly supports him in word, thought and love. They are at peace in their oneness in all they do, side by side, at one in Christ. It was compelling to experience how caring and supportive Ester was in encouraging Andrew with his notes before he spoke to us. How her deep love

could nurture him and allow him to come among us in peace, sent with a gentle nudge or push.

Ahh *the push*, that all important moment in all of our lives that becomes the turning point, the catalyst that initiates our beginning to the future in all of our lives. Who pushed you? Who among you do you trust to push; send, force, poke, nudge and elbow you into where you have been called? That decisive moment when we realize that we have been pushed to fulfill an others' need. It is in this we walk with our calling to begin the journey emanating from an inner reconciliation of our purpose and resolve fulfilled.

Andrew told us the story of a man who ended up in the water to save a child who had fallen overboard. Later when he delivered a speech the hero asked, "Who Pushed Me?" A humorous story illustrating how we can all become a hero for Christ but there comes a time for action, a time to be in a place where we can be pushed head first into to a ministry

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The Rev Andrew Wesley performs an aboriginal blessing of the altar at the Synod Eucharist. Photo by Janet Best.

# Bishop's Message



On September 14th, 1760, Holy Cross Day, the first Anglican worship service in Montreal was conducted by the Rev. John Ogilvie, chaplain to the British military personnel. The service was to give thanks to God for recent successes. John Ogilvie went on to stay and minister in Montreal for four years. He had already served in Albany and Fort Hunter in the 1750s, and had translated the Anglican prayer book into Mohawk. The entry under his name in The Dictionary of Canadian Biography says that he tried to introduce the prayer book in their language to the Roman Catholic Mohawks in the Montreal area, but without much success. Growing the mission of the church and living it out was difficult then, as it is now (especially when we were competing with our fellow Christians, which we are now trying to avoid doing!).

In June we commissioned and sent off another military chaplain, The Rev. Alain Brosseau to serve God and God's people in the Royal Canadian Armed Forces. I ask your prayers for all military chaplains as they minister, often under difficult, dangerous and lonely circumstances. Alain will be sending us news as he is able.

The Rev. Dr. Jesse Zink has just arrived at the Montreal Diocesan Theological College to be the new Principal. We welcome him and his wife Debbie and their son Aidan and thank them for coming to enrich our Diocese and College. It's important to pray for those who are studying toward ordination as well as for those who teach them. Theirs is

not an easy task either.

One of the initiatives which many congregations are undertaking is Messy Church. This is a ministry which reaches out to families for whom Sunday services don't work. It also works well for church leaders who want to try it out but are busy on Sunday morning! I hear fun and encouraging news from many of you. For those who wonder if it could be a resource in your setting, there is a web site. A training conference is also coming up in October.

A few congregations have been live streaming their services on the Internet and Lee Ann Matthews and Mark Dunwoody have a weekly "Mtlyouth Montreal" Facebook Live show with guests on Tuesdays at 10am. This autumn, a Missional Leadership Course (see p.11) is being offered for leaders who want to learn more. It's important to keep exploring new ways to reach people with the love of God and the joy of following Jesus. What new ways are you trying?

We will soon be having visitors from the wider church, reminding us that there are Anglicans all around the world. In September, Archbishop Albert Chama of The Council of Anglican Provinces in Africa is coming to Canada and making a stop in Montreal to learn more about our work, including at the Diocesan College. In October, Archbishop Suheil Dawani, the bishop of Jerusalem is coming to visit us with a delegation of the Companions of Jerusalem, including our Primate Fred Hiltz. On October 21st in Fulford Hall there will be a

breakfast meeting for anyone interested in learning more and we hope that you will consider joining us. [www.anglican.ca/gr/provinces/jerusalem/companions](http://www.anglican.ca/gr/provinces/jerusalem/companions) (p. 5).

Some of us are taking part in a Water Walk to raise awareness and funds for the PWRDF project to get clean water into homes in Pikangikum, a remote First Nations community (p. 5). On the same day, others of us will bicycle to support Action Réfugiés (p. 9). If you can't walk or bicycle, perhaps you will consider donating to these important causes.

When we follow Jesus, we will often be challenged to step outside of our comfort zones. For some of us it will involve more change or even sacrifice than we would choose. It is important to remember the words of Jesus, at the end of Matthew, as he commissioned his followers to make disciples of all, to baptize and teach them: "Be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

+ Mary

## Note from the editor

"This is a hard time and yet also a hopeful time." The Bishop's Charge to Synod was indeed full of some tough realities, tempered with the comforting spirit of God and, ultimately, hope for a reinvigorated church.

The Truth & Reconciliation Report was, for the 2nd consecutive year, the theme of this year's annual Synod. The bishop reflected on her personal experience and response to the report and was honoured to welcome Rev. Andrew Wesley as this year's guest speaker. Rev Wesley, an ordained Anglican priest, is a Cree from Fort Albany in northern Ontario, who attended a residential school for 11 years. He works with the homeless and the aboriginal community at the diocese of Toronto's Urban Native Ministry. (Please see The Rev Brian Perron's synopsis of Synod, and Rev Wesley's address, p. 1).

In her Charge, Bishop Mary also summarized the many changes that have transpired in the Diocese over the last year; various clergy members' transitions into new roles, parishes merging, buildings being sold and the ordinations of new priests and deacons. Along with these changes are emerging fresh expressions of church given life throughout the diocese; along with the successful church plant at St Jax, both Messy Church and Godly Play are allowing parishes to reach communities beyond their traditional services.

If you have not heard or read the



Photo of Nicki by Wanda Malfara

Bishop's Charge in its entirety, I would encourage you to do so. It is available in English and French at [www.montreal.anglican.ca/synod](http://www.montreal.anglican.ca/synod).

### Notable

Saturday, November 18, 2017  
9:30 am – 3:30 pm

#### Lay Readers' Study Day and Commissioning Service

Church of St. John the Baptist,  
233 Ste. Claire Avenue,  
Pointe Claire

Guest Speaker:  
Bishop Bruce Myers,  
Diocese of Quebec

## Best's photo selected for cover of Canadian Church Calendar

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Diocesan photographer and St John the Evangelist parishioner Janet Best has been honoured to have one of her photos selected to appear as the cover for the Canadian Church's 2018 Calendar (above). The photo will also appear on the March page of the calendar. The selected image is of Carl Garner during a Palm Sunday procession at St John the Evangelist. To order the calendar, please see details in the ad above. Copies are also available at the front desk of the Diocesan Office.

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# Liturgical Lexicon

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**Bishop's Chair/Throne:** You may call me "Captain Obvious" when I tell you that the Bishop's chair (or throne) is the place where the Bishop sits; although it is a little more complicated than that.

As you will know from your own churches, the Bishop's Chair is typically the most stately or officious of all the church's furnishings - often towering above other chairs in the sanctuary - and it is usually surmounted by (or embellished with) a mitre - the crowning symbol of the Bishop's authority. In other words, the Bishop's throne is typically "the best seat in the house," so to speak, in both its stature and grandeur.

There is a sense in which this is entirely justified, not due to some misplaced notion of the importance of the article itself, but because it is from that seat that the Bishop celebrates sacramental acts, such as confirmation and ordination. Moreover, in the early church it was from the throne that the Bishop not only preached but also declared what was



Bishop's Throne in The Church of Saint Gregory Palamas, Metropolitan Church of the Orthodox. Sedile. Photo: Wikipedia Commons

normative for the church's worship and belief. Thus, in every sense, the Bishop's throne was the *seat* of his authority - for only males were bishops in those days.

These days, the Bishop's chair has become such a ubiquitous fixture of contemporary parishes that it is hardly possible to visit a church that does *not* have one gracing its chancel or sanctuary. However, this was not always the case.

In the early church, there was only one Bishop's throne - called the *cathedra* - which was found in the cathedral, the seat of the Bishop's spiritual (and temporal) authority within a diocese. However, as the church began to expand, both numerically and geographically, it became difficult for all the faithful to make their pilgrimage to the (often distant) cathedral.

To resolve this dilemma, the Bishop brought the *cathedra* to them. However, since the Bishop's throne was of sufficient size and opulence to make frequent transport impractical, a portable, folding, chair, called a "faldstool," was employed. In this way, the Bishop literally toted the seat of his authority with him from parish to parish as he carried out his episcopal ministry.

Consequently, the many Bishop's Chairs that one finds in most churches are the offspring of the union between *cathedra* and *faldstool*. For, rather than moving the throne from place to place, the church developed the practice of having a Bishop's chair in each parish. It was considered a little less trouble and a little more decorous than toting a *faldstool* everywhere - as though the Bishop were lugging an episcopal lawn-chair from hither to yon.

Aside from its origins, what is equally interesting about the Bishop's Chair is who may sit there. Most would agree that, in the cathedral, the Bishop's Chair is for the Diocesan Bishop alone.

As far as the Bishop's Chairs in parish churches go, some would suggest that they, too, should never be sat in by anyone but the Bishop. For example, in many churches, well intentioned laity and clergy would never deign to sit in the Bishop's chair, despite his/her absence, even if it were "the last seat in the house." However, in other parishes the Bishop's chair is often used, when no other seat is available.

Since there are no canons or constitutions governing this issue,



The Rev. Canon Steven Mackison.

I leave it to the reader to ponder: is the Bishop's chair only to be graced by the episcopal bottom, or - in the absence of the Bishop - is the chair, just a chair?

\*As an interesting aside, the Bishop's chair was called the *cathedra*, deriving from the Latin word for "seat" which is the origin of the terms "cathedral", mentioned above, and "ex cathedra" - i.e., the phrase used, to this day, to describe those official pronouncements made by the Bishop by the authority vested in his/her status as a successor of the Apostles. As an illustration of the weight carried by such proclamations, in the Roman Catholic Church statements made by the Pope, *ex cathedra*, i.e., from "the chair of St. Peter, the Prince of the Apostles" are considered infallible. Imagine that!

## The Anglican Foundation of Canada - Imagine What's Possible

BY CAMILLE ISAACS MORELL (CISAACSMORELL@VIDEOTRON.CA) AND AFRA SASKIA TUCKER (AFRATUCKER@DIO-MDTC.CA)

Imagine this - you are part of a crowd that is listening to Jesus' teachings.

He starts off with the parable of the talents. The master is pleased with the servants who double the talents they are given but displeased with the one who chooses the status quo, doing nothing with the talents he received.

Then Jesus goes on to teach another parable about the sheep and the goats. Unlike the goats, the sheep find favour with the King and are blessed. The King tells the sheep that when He was hungry, they gave him food, when He was thirsty, they gave him drink and when He was a stranger they welcomed Him. Neither the goats nor the sheep recognized the King in the hungry, thirsty or foreign people they met. But the King says to both the goats and the sheep, "As you did it to one of the least of my brethren you did it to me."

You realize that Jesus' parables teach His followers to fulfill His mission of serving others. Mission starts with stewardship of material blessings, and that the status quo is not an option. You understand that God's material blessings, when used wisely, multiply for the purpose of serving other people.

### Suspend your imagination while you visit the Diocese of Montreal.

You go into a renovated building that houses the Mile End Mission. There you see over 500 homeless people being welcomed. They receive free meals, affordable clothing, telephone and internet access and legal advice.



No one judges them and they have a feeling of belonging.

Then you go to the South Shore community of Brossard. You are in a café and you overhear people talking about the St. Barnabas Anglican Church Hall that serves as a hub for community activities. It's a place for everyone - seniors exercise classes, youth band practices, an office for Our Harbour the non-profit residence for adults living with mental illness, a drop-off point for a local farm, lunches and receptions are held there as well as life-skills seminars for special-needs youth transitioning into adulthood.

Mile End Mission and St. Barnabas Anglican Church are able to continue their work in renovated buildings through funding from The Anglican Foundation.

### The Anglican Foundation supports mission and ministry

The Anglican Foundation was created in 1957 by our General Synod to support and inspire our church ministries across the nation. The Foundation encourages churches to imagine ways in which they

can make a difference in their communities through innovative ministries in fulfillment of our God-given mission to be good stewards of our material assets.

The Foundation realizes that today, as ever, people coming to church are in search of an organization that is relevant in the way it serves God in our society. People nurture the hope and desire that the church will be present in our communities. For this to happen, the church requires a functional infrastructure that not only serves to gather people in worship but also to rally and mobilize people into action to serve others.

Whether it is outreach, evangelism, accessibility, roofs or washrooms, the Anglican Foundation provides financial assistance to encourage people to imagine more and do more in fulfillment of Jesus' mission through projects that expand and strengthen ministries across Canada.

The generosity of your Foundation is made possible by the generosity of donor parishes, dioceses and individuals. To learn more, please visit the website ([anglicanfoundation.org](http://anglicanfoundation.org)) or contact the authors of this article, who are members of our Diocese currently serving on the Foundation's Board of Directors.

### Notable

Have you registered for the Clergy Conference?

If not, you better hurry! The deadline to register is September 3.

Email [clergyconferencereg@montreal.anglican.ca](mailto:clergyconferencereg@montreal.anglican.ca) or call 514-843-6577 and ask for Sandra Koukou.

## Anglican Foundation of Canada Celebrates 60 Years

BY MICHELLE HAUSER

It has been a year to rejoice in six decades of "wonderful deeds." These are words embedded in *I Will Give Thanks to the Lord*, the choral anthem composed in honour of the Anglican Foundation of Canada's 60th anniversary.

The anthem is one of many commemorative projects developed in honour of this milestone in the Foundation's history. Established in 1957 to ensure a generous flow of funding for infrastructure and ministry projects, the Foundation's growing legacy of grants and bursaries have proved transformational in the lives of thousands of individuals, parishes, and faith communities.

Some of these stories have been brought together in a book: *Imagine That: Dreams, Hopes, and Realities - Celebrating 60 Years of the Anglican Foundation of Canada*. "If you want to know how Canadian Anglicans have overcome challenges in pursuit of their dreams," says Canon Judy Rois, Executive Director of the Foundation since 2011, "this book is filled with true stories of hope, imagination, and innovation."

Indeed innovation, particularly the need for artistic exploration and the sharing of new perspectives, was the driving force behind *(in)finite: spiritual conversations in cloth*, the free exhibition at Christ Church Cathedral in Vancouver, featuring a number of Indigenous and other textile artists and their explorations into the realm of the sacred.

The special exhibition coincided with the Foundation's official 60th anniversary launch on May 25 and drew more than 3,000 visitors. It also reinforced the present-day reality that the Foundation is about much more than "steeple and roofs" and

is "branching out in support of really interesting things."

Also part of this 60th anniversary year has been the publication of *Children's Prayers with Hope Bear*, an illustrated book featuring prayers for seminal moments in a child's life, everything from starting school to dealing with grief and loss. Canon Rois says "helping children find words for their prayers" is an important next step in the Hope Bear ministry, which has gained in popularity as part of the Foundation's *Kids Helping Kids* initiative. And there's more! Click on Anniversary on the website and you'll find a short video that highlights the diversity of ministries the Foundation supports across the country. There's also now a beautiful neck tie and silk scarf available through the AFC store.

Canon Rois wants parishes and individuals to see the Foundation as a "powerful resource pool" that grows and deepens alongside a sense of collective responsibility for ministry. "The best way to make a big difference from coast to coast is for every parish to give something to the Foundation every year."

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

It's safe to say that helping to bring more ministry dreams to life will be job No. 1 for the Foundation for the foreseeable future - for the next sixty years at least.

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

# On Our Doorstep

Where the Great Spirit leads us...

BRIAN PERRON

Last August my heart was moved while participating in a community event in Epiphany's courtyard. It had been organized by a city councillor. One of the events was led by indigenous dancer and activist Al Harrington.

I thought, "How can I work to understand, to come to a reconciliation that is reciprocal and not from one side?" I heard about Mohawk classes of language and culture and signed up.

After a few months I wondered where this would lead and just at that moment of, "this is taking too long", I received a phone call to use our space for a Round Dance in a few short weeks.

The hall was available, almost like it had been planned in spite of

ourselves. The full-to-capacity evening was a time of celebration, all ages giving thanks to the creator; a community among communities.

And in this "jumping into the waters", with the nudge, the push of the heart, this same group organized and served at one of our community lunches, an Indigenous Feast to our community. It was a wonderful time of reconciliation in the experience of listening and hearing the stories of our brothers and sisters as they reconciled with a feast of love for one another, no barriers, no fears, just love.

Be open, be receptive and invite the will and spirit to reconcile your community among the communities you have been called to serve in love. Who knows where the Great Spirit will lead us all in this way of reconciliation.



Al Harrington with his daughter Nation gather for a traditional dance at an arts and culture exhibit in espace verte | EPIPHANY. Photo by Brian Perron



Monsignor, Most Reverend Christian Lépine, Archbishop of Montreal addresses the audience at Diocesan Synod, June 17. Photo by Janet Best.

## Reflections on Synod...

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of active reconciliation. A reconciliation that does not necessarily emerge from who we are or how great or how small we might be, but a motivation that comes from deep within the heart. A motivation and determination to help humanity with the gift it needs. A loving determination of propitiation that rests from deep within our hearts.

Andrew says, "Reconciliation comes from forgiveness. Myself first and then everyone else; teachers, supervisors, the government. And then the church and then the victimizer. It means coming to terms with the people. It means leaning to speak again."

Andrew stirred within us a desire to find to a place of understanding with both groups with authority. He questioned whether we can honestly say I understand on a personal level what it is we are to forgive and what

it is we are to do. Our call to action begins with you; each and every one of us. We have been heartened away from our fears, to not be afraid to get involved with aboriginal peoples.

Andrew rallies us to seek an understanding of the heart to come to know and what they have experienced. To allow each to share in the story and their story, because in this we allow the understanding of the heart to bring reconciliation and the peace we are called, we are pushed, to lift from the turbulent waters of fear and anxiousness between our peoples.

Vault the guard rail, the barrier that is often just our fear, plunge in and get personal, become one with our aboriginal peoples. Come to know and share in what others have experienced; experience together the past but walk side by side, shoulder to shoulder, into our future, helping one another with the gift of peace.

## 2017 Bishop's Award Recipients

BISHOP MARY IRWIN GIBSON

The Bishop's Award was instituted in 1989 by Bishop Reginald Hollis as a way to recognize the Christian witness of lay people who have made an outstanding contribution over several years to the life and work of their Parish and the Diocese at large. This year, the awards were given to:



• **St. Clair Codrington**, Parish of St. Barnabas, Pierrefonds, Archdeaconry of St. Lawrence  
St. Clair has been the Parish Treasurer for over 30 years, and has been involved in his parish in every way imaginable, including as Sexton, Warden, Chalice assistant, Chapel Prayer Companion on Sunday mornings, Christmas Basket co-ordinator, PWRDF rep and Synod delegate. He and his wife also host a weekly Bible Study in their home.

Établissement Cowansville, a federal prison for men, joining with the chaplain in visiting inmates, and participating in weekly bible study with great insight, wit and compassion for the human condition. She also volunteers weekly at the BMP Hospital, pushing the candy cart and visiting with patients and family members.



• **The late Bruce Keller**, St. Simon's and St. Bartholomew's Church, Chomedey, Archdeaconry of Montreal

Bruce Keller was the People's Warden since 2010, taking on anything that needed doing in order to serve the only Anglican Church in Laval and to keep it clean and safe and accessible. When I visited the church for Confirmation, we spoke about ideas for growing the church and for welcoming newcomers. Bruce died very unexpectedly this spring and is sorely missed. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

in Lakefield. He became a licenced Diocesan Lay Reader in 2006 and was at the core of structuring a new Parish of the Lower Laurentians, helping to model for others how four small churches (Lakefield, Mille Isles, Louisa and Dunany) could work together to survive and thrive. With the formation of the Laurentian Regional Ministry, Hugh has been serving as a member of its Management Committee.



• **Pamela Dillon**, Parish of St. James the Apostle, Regional Ministry of Bedford and Stanbridge East, Archdeaconry of South Shore and Bedford  
For over 16 years, Pamela Dillon has been a weekly volunteer at

• **Hugh Mitchell**, Holy Trinity Church, Lakefield, Parish of the Lower Laurentians, Laurentian Regional Ministry, Archdeaconry of St. Andrews  
Hugh Mitchell joined Holy Trinity, Lakefield in the 1990s, quickly sharing his leadership ability with them on the corporation and as a treasurer. Hugh was part of the movement to offer bilingual services

### Notable

The Rt. Rev. Ronald W. Cutler, bishop of the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island has been elected as the next Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, succeeding Archbishop Percy Coffin.

The vote for the Metropolitan was taken electronically from May 2 to 6, 2017 by the Electoral Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada with Archbishop-elect Cutler receiving the required majority in the Houses of Laity, Clergy, and Bishops. The date of the Installation of the Archbishop-elect will be announced in the near future.

# The Diocese Welcomes Important Visitors this Fall

ROBERT CAMARA AND PATRICIA KIRKPATRICK

• From September 26-27, the Diocese of Montreal will welcome a delegation from the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa (CAPA). CAPA is a regional Faith Based Organization that was established in 1979 in Chilema, Malawi, to coordinate and articulate issues affecting the Church and communities across the region. The Council operates in 12 Anglican Provinces and in 25 African countries where the Church has its presence.

CAPA's strategic program priorities include Economic Empowerment, Church life and Interfaith Relations, Environmental stewardship and Food security, and Peace and Nation Building.

The CAPA delegation includes Archbishop Albert Chama (chairperson), Canon Grace Kaiso (General Secretary) and Ms. Elizabeth Wanjiku (CAPA staff). The Rev'd Dr. Isaac Kawuki Mukasa from our National Office will accompany them as they continue to learn about our



The Primate of the Middle East and Jerusalem, Archbishop Suheil Dawani.

ministry and witness. More information will be communicated as details of the visit are finalized. • From October 19-21 the Diocese of Montreal will host the Primate of the Middle East and Jerusalem, Archbishop Suheil Dawani and Shafeeka Dawani as part of an initiative undertaken by Dr. Andrea Mann Director of the

Global Relations office of the Canadian Anglican Church.

Global Relations supports the work of the Canadian Companions of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem; this Diocese is a Companion of Jerusalem, and The Rev. Professor P.G. Kirkpatrick is Chair of the Advisory Board of the Companions. Archbishop Dawani will spend time with the theological students at the Montreal School of Theology, and at McGill University on October 20 he will deliver a talk on the subject of "What makes the Holy land Holy?"

There will be a more informal opportunity to meet with the Archbishop on the morning of the 21st at Cathedral Place when the Partnership Committee will host a breakfast for members of the Diocese who want to meet him. The Archbishop will talk about the work being undertaken by a Diocese that includes, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Israel and Palestine.

More details will follow in the Diocesan e-newsletter.



## Join us for the Collation of the Ven Robert Camara

September 17th at 4pm, Christ Church Cathedral, the Feast of the Holy Cross. We invite you to attend a Eucharist and the Collation of the Ven Robert Camara, Vicar General. Reception to follow.

## New Electoral Process Approved by Synod

NICKI HRONJAK

The proposed Canonical Change to Canon 1 affecting the way the Synod elects a new bishop, was approved by Synod – with an amendment – on June 17th. The motion and amendment to the motion were debated by both Lay and Clergy, but in the end were voted upon and carried in both houses.

The approved change, a modified version of the Provincial Canon to elect a bishop, was moved by the Rev James Pratt and seconded by Mrs Ann Cumyn and can be found in its entirety in the Convening Circular at

www.montreal.anglican.ca/synod). The amendment to section 5.1 was proposed by the Rev Jennifer Bourque and read "determine which of the persons proposed pursuant to clause (b) in the opinion of the Committee meet the canonical requirements for election, and the qualifications and the Safe Church requirements of the Diocese."

As summarized by Rev Robert Camara, the benefits of the Canonical Change and amendment is that the process allows a Search Committee more time to actively seek, procure information on and properly vet candidates for the office of Bishop.

## Walk with us for Pikangikum

What is a Water Walk? It's an event to raise awareness about what we all can do to take care of our precious resource - water. It is acknowledging that this life-giving resource is only effective when it is clean and free from pollution. Clean water is to be treasured and readily available to all.

The Montreal Unit of PWRDF has organised a Diocesan Water Walk for September 30 to shed light on the lack of clean water in many First Nations communities. Our particular focus is on Pikangikum, located in a remote area of northern Ontario, where most of the homes don't have water or waste water services; together, we are trying to change that.

The walk will follow the footpath

along the St Lawrence River that runs through LaSalle and Verdun. You can walk at your own pace, from either starting point, or anywhere along the way. So, lace up your running shoes and join us!

The walk begins at 10am on Saturday, September 30 with a brief opening ceremony held simultaneously in two places:

- Near the footpath by the intersection of Crawford and LaSalle Blvd and proceeding westerly, and
- In the parking lot of St Lawrence Church, LaSalle and proceeding easterly.

The closing ceremony, which will be held at noon near the intersection of Bishop Power and LaSalle Blvd, will involve First Nations people.

We are not asking the participants

to be sponsored, but there will be an opportunity following the closing ceremony for those who wish to donate to do so. The donations will be sent to PWRDF to help fund the provision of clean water in Pikangikum.

Detailed information will be sent to all the churches at the beginning of September.

Final plans will be addressed at the September meeting of our PWRDF, September 14, noon in the Fulford Hall, 1444 Union Ave.

If you would like to help in any way, please contact Ann Cumyn, acumyn@sympatico.ca or Nicki Hronjak, programme.office@montreal.anglican.ca or come to the September meeting.



## Keep the Conversation Going

For decades, the Anglican Montreal and the Anglican Journal have been a vital communications link between parishes, dioceses and the national Church. Together, we have shared stories, ideas and opinions from a faith perspective in a way that has helped us put that faith into action. Whether encouraging a response to human need, educating about the care of creation, or helping readers discover new ways to reach out and grow the Church, the Anglican

Montreal and the Anglican Journal spark compassionate conversations in an increasingly secularized world. Please give generously to the Anglican Journal Appeal this year. With your help we can keep the conversation going! Please fill out and return the enclosed postage paid donor reply card or call 416-924-9199, ext 259. Alternatively, you can email mross@national.anglican.ca or go to www.canadahelps.org to make your gift today. Thank you.

**H<sub>2</sub>O**  
Hands to Others  
**Water Walk**  
Saturday  
September 30th  
10am - 1pm

**Let's raise awareness of the need for clean water in Pikangikum!**

Come walk with us alongside the St Lawrence in LaSalle and Verdun. Join us at any point along the way or just for the closing ceremony.

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For information go to [www.montreal.anglican.ca/pwrdf](http://www.montreal.anglican.ca/pwrdf)

## Notable

### Catch the Spirit Café

at the Parish of Vaudreuil on the fourth Sunday each month

**St. Mary's Hall, 273 Main Rd., Hudson, QC**

The Café is an informal gathering which includes a presentation, meditation and a light supper. No charge, but donations to cover costs and the Hudson food bank are much appreciated. Everyone welcome!

**Sunday, October 22nd:**

Jamie Nicholls "Quest for spirit of the Viviry River: Evolution of a cultural landscape brings to us an exploration of the evolution of the cultural landscape of the Viviry Valley and the idea of experiential wonder.

**Sunday, November 26th:**

please join us for a potluck gathering to end our season!

Check out the Parish website for more details.

[www.parishofvaudreuil.com/joinus/catch-the-spirit-cafe](http://www.parishofvaudreuil.com/joinus/catch-the-spirit-cafe)

# Around the Diocese



The Episcopal Council met in June and held a farewell lunch for Archdeacon Bill Gray. Seated (l-r): Bishop Mary, former Executive Archdeacon Bill Gray and the Rev Robert Camara, who will be the next Vicar General. Standing (l-r): Archdeacons Jim Bennett, Pamela Yarrow, Tim Smart, Linda Borden-Taylor and Michael Robson.



Elizabeth Shama from St George, Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue, participates in Godly Play Core Training, June 1. *Photo by Janet Best.*



Madeline Mackison, Gabriel Oopong and James Mackison, June 4. *Photo by Janet Best.*



St Lawrence Summerfest, Saturday June 17th.



Neil Mancor, Wendy Telfer and Eileen Steele at the Ordination on June 17. *Photo by Janet Best.*



In June, the South Shore Clericus clergy gathered for a celebratory lunch to thank the Rev'd Eileen Steele for her ministry as Regional Dean and as a priest on the South Shore and to wish her well as she begins a new chapter in the Diocese of Toronto. Seated (l-r): The Rev'd Linda Faith Chalk, The Ven. Tim Smart, The Rev. Bruce Graham. Standing (l-r): The Rev'd's, Robert Camara, Eileen Steele, Chris Belle, Gwenda Wells.



On June 3rd St Cuthbert, St Hilda, St Luke celebrated the 25th anniversary of Ros Macgregor's ordination. Alan Evans preached. The church was packed and then some!



On June 4th, The Rev. Canon Steven Mackison was installed as a Canon of the Cathedral after the recent ordinations. He is pictured with his children James and Madeline. (Obscured from sight is Gabriel Oopong). Donald Boisvert is to Steven's left. *Photo by Janet Best.*



On Pentecost Sunday, June 4th, the Reverends Jean-Daniel Williams and Stanley Brooks were ordained priest and the Rev. Jane Bell was ordained deacon. *Photo by Janet Best.*



Bishop Mary poses with Ashely Crouch and Nina Hermes following their confirmation on June 17. *Photo by Janet Best.*



MTL Youth goes to Paris Ontario for Skylight festival (Katerin Juretic (Kuki), Lee-Ann Matthews and Mark Dunwoody)



EFM Sutton group finished their year in June and are looking forward to returning together this fall. Pictured here are: (back row) Cynthia Pagé, Randy Gates, Valerie Horne, Paula Maundcote, Maureen Jolley, Tim Smart. (Front row) Sandra Fortier, Madeleine Berard, Lucie Langlois, and Gail Booth.

# News from our Deacons



**Congratulations Deacon Robert Coolidge on 50 years of Ordination!** On July 11, 2017, fellow Vocational Deacons met at Place Kensington to celebrate with Deacon Robert Coolidge on his 50 years of ordination to the Diaconate. A “pot-luck” lunch was enjoyed by all. Best wishes were given to Robert from all the deacons. Deacon Coolidge was also honoured at the 10:00 Eucharist at Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday 23 July, the Feast of Mary Magdalene. Pictured : Walter Marjola, Peter Huish, Robert Coolidge (in front), Merlyne Howard, Mary Pickup.



June 13, 2017. Vocational Deacons met in Hudson for a one-day mini retreat to review and discuss the Iona Report; a Task Force on the Diaconate produced by the Anglican Church of Canada. A lively question and answer debate was led by Jessica Bickford followed by lunch. Pictured (l-r) Robert Callendar, Jessica Bickford, Vivianne LaRiviere (discerner), Patricia Halford (in Deacon discernment process), Jean Willcocks, Merlyne Howard, Peter Huish. Photo by Mary Pickup

## Exploration of New Ministry

JUDITH BALL

This summer The Rev. Deacon Judith Ball and the Ven. Lynn Ross of St. Paul's Anglican Church in Mansonville explored a new model of ministry by volunteering as tour guides for bus groups of pilgrims

visiting Abbaye-St-Benoit-du-Lac, located in their parish area.

This was the first summer of guided tours to this historic religious site which is now visited by some 200,000 persons each year. In their first week conducting four tours they met over two hundred persons from

Ontario and the United States. Not only an opportunity to meet new people, this was an ecumenical ministry which introduced pilgrims to the spirituality of the Benedictines community of the Abbaye as well as the beauty of the Eastern Townships.

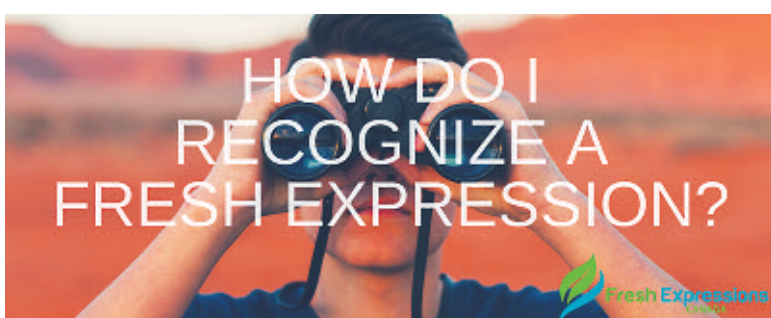
# How do I Recognize a Fresh Expression of Church?

## 10 parameters for Fresh Expression of the church:

- 1 It is a Christian intuitive that is new, rather than part of a modified existing group.
- 2 It is focused on The Dones (those who have given up on church and decided they are better off without it) and The Nones (those who are unaffiliated with any organized religion).
- 3 The community must meet at least once a month to build community, and incorporate discipleship practices.
- 4 It ideally should have a name that gives it a unique identity.
- 5 There is an intention in developing its own rhythm of community, evangelism, and worship.
- 6 There must be an authorization or partnership with an existing church.
- 7 There should be a clear form of leadership structure.
- 8 The majority of members should see it as their main expression of being church.
- 9 There is an aspiration of the four creedal marks of a church: 'up/holy, in/out, out/apostolic, of/christian'.
- 10 There is an intention to become 'three-self' (self-financing, self-governing and self-reproducing).

## The most common types of Fresh Expressions:

- ◇ Messy Church: Café church: a safe gathering place for conversation and discussion, with emphasis on being community, not providing worship.
- ◇ Child-focused church: focused on the primary school age group, with content to engage both parents and children.
- ◇ Church plant: focuses on informal worship style and forming community (e.g. starting a church in new housing development area).
- ◇ Special interest group: a Christian worshipping community based around, and with a specific mission to, a specific sub-culture (e.g. the arts, goths, workplace, LGBT groups, addicts, people with learning difficulties).
- ◇ Café Church: a safe gathering place for conversation and discussion, with emphasis on being a community, not providing worship.
- ◇ All age worship: takes a thematic approach, using different learning styles.
- ◇ Multiple Sunday congregation: part of an existing church, offering a different style of worship and music, with a distinctive sense of identity, membership and ownership.
- ◇ Community development plant: in communities with high proportions of non-churched. Discerns and discovers, with local people and leadership, suitable forms of worship and Christian social engagement.
- ◇ Network church: a group of people not defined by a geographic or parish area, who gather for a common purpose (e.g. outreach to a specific group), or because of a shared life (e.g. at work, school, stage of life).
- ◇ Alternative worship: uses a variety of media to explore Christian faith and discipleship.
- ◇ Church based on under 5's: focused on the pre-school age group, but embraces parents, grandparents, care-givers; takes the spirituality of the child seriously.
- ◇ Youth church: churches that grow out of making connections with non-churched young people, focusing on cultural change and identity.
- ◇ Cluster based church: mid-sized communities, each with a specific mission focus, in complementary relationship, and sometimes worship, with a larger church.
- ◇ Older peoples church: includes pastoral contact, ongoing discipleship, and encouragement to older people to exercise ministries in their own right.



As more parishes take up the challenge laid out in our 2020vision plan, new ways of being the church are quickly emerging across our diocese. These include many Fresh Expressions of church. Any questions?

Contact Mark Dunwoody, Missioner, Anglican Diocese of Montreal, +1 514 238 6477, [markdunwoody.org](http://markdunwoody.org)



# Finally feeling at home in Canada – World Refugee Day Walk



Over 40 volunteers helped the Refugee Day Walk run smoothly.

Photo by Orian Boyer.



Many participants carried colourful signs at the event.

Photo by Orian Boyer.

PAUL CLARKE

*Paul Clarke is the Executive Director of Action Réfugiés Montréal*

Saturday June 17 was a bright, beautiful and sunny day! Action Réfugiés Montréal partnered with several local organizations which support refugees to organize the third annual

World Refugee Day Walk. We started at the YMCA Residence where many asylum seekers spend their first days in Montreal and walked along Sainte-Catherine Street to St Jax Montreal for a festival! We had over 200 people come out for our walk: refugees, friends, people from other organizations, and others.

While the main objective was to sensitize the public about refugee rights, the large number of refugees themselves who participated had the serendipitous result of an awesome event of inclusion for newcomers. Two people spoke to us of the event being the first time they felt home in Canada. A number of volunteers

(and we had 40+ in total) told us they thought it was a top-notch volunteer experience; one said it was 'magical'!

One of the speakers at the event is a client of Action Réfugiés. He had been detained at the Immigration Holding Centre, where we met him. He was able to be interviewed by

various media outlets and speak transparently about his desire to start a new life in Canada.

Our thanks to the diocese for its continual support, the support of Saint Jax where we have our offices and hold our events, and to so many parishes and individual members of the diocese.

## Mile End Mission: A portal to a community within a community

LOU HACHEY

*Lou Hachey is the executive director of the Mile End Mission.*

Since my first week working at the Mile End Mission, I've often found myself transported back in time to memories of life in Park Extension as a kid and young adult. While Park Ex., as we called it, has been identified over the years as among one of Canada's poorest and most densely populated neighbourhoods, it always represented so much more to me. In fact, my experience of life there reminds me of the Mission in so many ways.

Despite the poverty, I remember Park Ex. as a wonderful community bordering Mile End that felt more like a friendly little town than a poor neighbourhood in a large urban city. It was a place where everyone knew everyone. A place where balcony and laneway gatherings as well as chats over clotheslines across backyard fences were a wonderful part of everyday life in the spring and summer months. And there were

always lots of community activities going on at the numerous churches in the neighbourhood including Saint Cuthbert's Anglican Church, the local Legion Hall or in the parks.

Of course life was also filled with many problems, challenges, difficult situations and characters reflecting the daily struggle with poverty. But through it all, there was a high level of tolerance and understanding of difference and adversity amongst the people who lived there. Neighbours helped neighbours when and how they could, and the stress of the lack of money and other resources seemed to be lessened by an overall sense of belonging, inclusion, and community.

Sadly, the quality of life in poor urban communities has changed dramatically over the past 35 years due to gentrification and intensely rising apartment rental costs. Along the way, this has resulted in many displaced individuals and families who scattered wherever they could in order to find more affordable housing. In the process, however, numer-

ous inter-generational networks of support that once existed within these communities also dispersed, and in some cases disappeared.

The Mission was launched as a store-front community centre just around the time that condo development and rising apartment costs were starting to become a reality in the Mile End area. Since then, the Mission has and continues to evolve as a safe and welcoming community that nourishes and supports people living in cycles of poverty stemming from very difficult life-challenges and circumstances including: chronic physical, mental and/or emotional health problems, educational and/or life-skills challenges, and many other related problems such as addiction, homelessness, violence and abuse.

Much like Park Ex., the Mission comprises a very diverse, accepting and tolerant group of people who bring interesting stories, experiences, talents, abilities and wisdom to our growing community. To date, our community includes disadvantaged individuals and families from Mile



When donations show up, everyone helps to unload the truck.

End and bordering areas including: le Plateau, Park Ex., Little Italy, Villeray, Rosemount, and Outremont. In addition to the wonderful qualities our members bring, they also play a significant role in working with the Mission team in helping to prepare for and run many of our daily programs and activities. The active involvement of our members is what truly makes our Mission a

community of the people, all under one roof!

As we continue to strive to keep the Mission running from year to year and be able to meet the increasing needs of our members, please know that your precious support means so very much to so many who desperately need a space to connect, re-connect, support one another and reunite again as community.

### Soirée Mission Possible: September 25th, 2017

For the third consecutive year, Marc Cohen- chef/ co-owner of the highly popular Mile End restaurant Lawrence as well as Boucherie Lawrence and Larrys – will be soliciting the help of Montreal's restaurant community to organize a collaborative dinner to raise much needed funds for the Mile End Community Mission.

This event, to be held September 25th at 6 pm at the beautiful Rialto Theatre, promises once again to be a unique and wonderful experience.

The evening will begin with oysters and bubbles, pianist Jeff Louch, and performances from local artists Shaina & Pompey as well as a headline act for whom confirmation is pending. A banquet dinner will follow with courses from some of Montreal's finest including Joe Beef, Candide, Le Diplomate, Barbounya, Marconi, Lawrence, Nora Gray, Tuck Shop, Park, Dalla Rose, Pâtisserie Rhubarbe, Hof Kelsten, and Loïc. Wine pairings and beer are offered by the city's most renowned private importers.

Tickets for the event are \$325 per person (\$225 of which there is a tax receipt offered) and are available at: [mileendmission.org/soireemissionpossible2017](http://mileendmission.org/soireemissionpossible2017). A full table of 12 is also available for the price of 10 tickets. You can also check this link to get the latest on the headline performer for the event.

For any questions, please email: [missionpossibledinner@outlook.com](mailto:missionpossibledinner@outlook.com). We hope to see you there!



On September 30th 2017, the Mile End Community Mission will participate in the Ride for Refuge, a super-fun, family-friendly fundraiser supporting charities who provide refuge and hope for displaced, vulnerable + exploited people everywhere. We are looking for participants to walk or ride, and fundraise in support of the Mission. Our registered riders are also looking for help meeting their fundraising goals. Please contact Trevor at the Mission (514) 274-3401 if you are interested, or check our website at [www.mileendmission.org](http://www.mileendmission.org) for more information.

# Christ Church Cathedral Fundraising Campaign Officially Underway

ELIZABETH HIRST

Christ Church Cathedral's major fundraising campaign was officially launched on May 30 in Montreal, with a distinguished roster of speakers.

Campaign Chair Bruce McNiven announced that the cathedral had already received contributions and pledges of \$1,423,429 from the private sector, as well as a generous \$1.7M from the Conseil du patrimoine religieux du Québec (CPRQ). The CPRQ, represented by its head, Jocelyn Groulx, has promised to consider further grants as the project evolves.

The bulk of the campaign donations will go to restore the cathedral's iconic spire, which is in danger of collapsing. Other substantial chunks of money will be devoted to repairing masonry and updating the aging pews, floors and electrical system.

Project leader Julia Gersovitz, of ÉVOQ Architecture, explained how the work would be carried out. She also emphasized the building's significance to the city: "The tower is heroic; a testament to the history, culture and values of Montreal."

Honorary Chair Sheila Goldbloom, referring to her long career in social work, focussed on the church's social service role.

"I am supporting this campaign," she said, "because I believe it is an example of what it means to live in a

city where people of different faiths and approaches to life can work together to support the wider community."

Picking up on this theme, Bishop Mary evoked the image of the cathedral's big, red doors, open to people of all faiths, whatever help they seek. "To all, we offer an oasis of spiritual peace in the heart of Montreal."

A special treat for guests was the return of Dean Emeritus Paul Kennington, who flew back from the U.K. for the occasion. He and Interim Priest-in-Charge Donald Boisvert spoke inspiringly – and bilingually – of the vision that set the campaign on its rails and of their hopes for the future.

Montreal Mayor Denis Coderre sent a message, remarking that "your efforts to restore our city's built heritage, to make culture accessible to ordinary people, to support social causes, and to serving those in need, will benefit all Montrealers."

The MC at the ceremony was Katie Malloch, the popular former CBC host, whose parents were active in the cathedral for many years. She underlined how active congregation members still are by noting that, in addition to the volunteers and staff who had organized the event, some 28 members had turned out to help on site, as guides, greeters and servers.



Pictured in front of the campaign banner are (from right) its creator, graphic designer Stéphane Jutras, Nadine Landry, a professional event organizer who donated her time and talents to the launch; Vivian Lewin, a member of the cathedral's spiritual team, who shares her experience on fundraising communications; and Elizabeth Hirst, Chair of the Communications Committee for the campaign.

Photo by Janet Best

## We're Trying Things a Little Bit Differently at CCB!

ANGELINA LEGGO

Christ Church Beaufort in Beconsfield is experimenting with new forms of worship and worship leadership. Recently, Angelina Leggo was hired to broaden our outreach and experiment with new ways to celebrate Christ. Our Pentecost Sunday service was the first worship service that celebrated this experimentation and reached out to the general public in a new way for our congregation.

Preparation for Pentecost began three weeks in advance of the service

with a call for prayers from the congregation and through social media. Each prayer was written on a piece of origami paper and turned into an origami dove. Over 100 of these doves decorated our church, welcoming worshippers as they walked into the church on Pentecost Sunday morning.

Our worship was a prayer service that was organized and officiated by Angelina. Liturgically, it used poems as prayers, modern translations of Bible readings, and projected an informal and child-friendly atmosphere as the Sunday school children were free to dance, sing, eat, and play in the worship space. The climax of the service came during the sermon, when a choreographed prayer was performed to the highly popular Pink song "Just Like Fire," with a corresponding Powerpoint presentation explaining its relevance to Pentecost.

Altogether, it was a great success and the creative elements that made this service so different and comfortable will definitely be repeated in the future. Further, the choreographed prayer is the beginning of a new group in our congregation called "Live and Move: Choreographing Prayer and Hearing God on the Radio" that will be officially starting in September. The order of service for Pentecost can be found on our Facebook page, @CCB!



As Pentecost is the birthday of the church, frey cupcakes were enjoyed with coffee following our service.



PARKS CANADA PLAQUE RECOGNIZED NATIONAL HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE OF CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, MONTREAL On May 30, Parks Canada unveiled the plaque at a special ceremony where members of the cathedral choir sang the national anthem and Parks Canada Representative Nicole Racette spoke about the cathedral's history and value to Canada. The plaque will be secured to the cathedral's outside walls during the forthcoming restoration project. Pictured are Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson, Daniel Beaudin of Parks Canada, and Dinu Bumbu, of Heritage Montreal.

Photo by Janet Best

## Messy to dressy...

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did not come to church very often, but who now consider Messy Church to be their Church.

I am thrilled to be the new Quebec Regional Co-ordinator for Messy Church. We already have a growing number of Messy Churches in the Montreal area and elsewhere. In taking up this role, I hope to encourage those already doing Messy Church, to assist those thinking about starting Messy Church, and to get practitioners together to share ideas and wisdom.

Wouldn't it be wonderful to grow more Christ-centred community in this model? There is room for plenty more all over the place. Ask your Church if you could start one of your own. The main ingredients you need to have are a passion to reach the unchurched or de-churched with loving Christian community, a willingness

to engage in discipleship and lots of *joie de vivre!*

Messy Church can work with a small congregation if everyone is willing to band together and make it happen. It can work in rural, suburban and urban areas. It can be in French, English or both. If you as a congregation are wondering how you can reach out to local children, families and young people, then think about Messy Church.

It takes energy and planning, a lot of commitment and it will divert energy from other things you might be doing. At St George's, we rarely put on parish lunches and dinners anymore, because once a month we all put on a dinner for 80 at Messy Church. But that's OK, because now instead of entertaining ourselves alone, we are making many new friends who are starting to call our church their home. So think about

what you might want to give up that you might take on Messy Church and welcome new people to your community.

If you would like to try Messy Church in your parish, Messy Church Canada provides all the material you need. We ask that if you call your event *Messy Church* and use the famous *Messy Church* "splat" in your advertising and that you do every part of the *Messy Church* programme. All of it is important.

I am passionate about Messy Church not because I'm any good at crafting! It is because as a missional paradigm Messy Church is a powerful way to bring new people into the Christian community who were once on the outside, it makes regular worshippers of those who rarely came, and it injects new energy and life into existing congregations. Think about it!

# What's Up MTL Youth?

MTL Youth is excited to begin another new calendar year brimming with new projects and new ways of connecting to youth and leaders from far and wide.

Our goal is to create a host of meaningful opportunities to come together through a variety of plat-

forms such as trainings, retreats and supper clubs peppered with informal meetings, gatherings and random cups of coffee / tea. Our hope is that our efforts allow leaders to find a place of safety and a network of friends that are a valuable resource to their ministry.

This year we will be blessed by the expertise of veteran youth ministry colleague Judy Steers for our annual November training.

We are delighted to announce that we will be hosting a special event to celebrate the youth in our Diocese... **The Bishop's Confirmation**

Day on Saturday February 24th from 10am – 4 pm at Fulford Hall (1444 Union Ave).

Check out our new **Calendar of Events** for the 2017 /18 year and let us know if you would like to be on our mailing list.

Don't forget to hang out with us

every Tuesday morning at 10 am for our weekly **MTL Youth Facebook Live** show. Thank you!

Contact Lee-Ann or Mark anytime [mtlyouth@montreal.anglican.ca](mailto:mtlyouth@montreal.anglican.ca).

## MTL Youth Calendar 2017 /18

**September:** Supper Club / Godly Play Network meeting / wine and cheese  
**October:** Supper Club theme: Art as a spiritual practice / Godly Play Network meeting / MTL Youth Visioning Session / "Nones and Dones" Pre-Conference Event 10/24/17

**November:** Supper Club: special guest Judy Steers ([trailblazing.anglican.ca](http://trailblazing.anglican.ca)) Godly Play Network

Annual Montreal / Ottawa **Annual CYM Training** / Missional Leadership Cohort Event 11/10/17

**December:** **MTL Youth Annual Christmas Party 12/05/17**

**January:** Supper Club / Godly Play Network

**February:** Supper Club/ Godly Play Network / MTL Youth Visioning Session

**Bishop's Confirmation Day (#BCD) 02/24/18**

**March:** Supper Club / Godly Play Network

**April:** Supper Club ([trailblazing.anglican.ca](http://trailblazing.anglican.ca)) / Godly Play Network

**May:** Supper Club theme: Self care "We must allow ourselves to be blessed in order to be a blessing to others" / Godly Play Network

Montreal / Ottawa **Annual Leader's Retreat**

**June:** Supper Club: PARTY / End of year Celebration / Godly Play Network

MTL Youth Visioning Session

MTL Youth Pilgrimage to the Laurentians

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2018**

# BISHOP'S CONFIRMATION DAY

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"FOR ME AS A PRACTITIONER WHO IS PASSIONATE ABOUT LEADING THE PEOPLE OF GOD INTO THE MISSION OF GOD, THIS TRAINING OPPORTUNITY COULD NOT COME SOON ENOUGH. IF YOU'RE ASKING THE QUESTIONS: WHAT DO WE DO NOW - THEN LOOK NO FURTHER..."

REV. DR. NEIL MANCOR, RD  
ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST GEORGE, STE ANNE-DE-BELLEVUE, QC

## Introducing: The Missional Leadership Cohort

Do you have the heart for Jesus-centered, kingdom-inspired communities-in-mission?

Do you want to imagine and explore new forms of Christian community, to help an existing congregation experiment with fresh expressions of church, or to plant a new missional/worshiping community? If so, this program is designed for you!

In the ever-changing world around us, church leaders must be able to adapt to an increasingly multicultural, secular and global context. The Missional Leadership Cohort offers affordable and non-residential training that enable leaders to study while remaining in the context of their current ministry.

This course is offered as a one-year training program that involves three, two-day training sessions,

with six modules in the areas of: Exploring the Call of Missional Leaders, Introduction to New Contextual Church, The Mission of God, Understanding Context, Developing & Multiplying Disciples, and Engaging the World. Those who complete the program will receive a Certificate in Missional Leadership. Credits may also be transferable to a master's degree program.

For more details contact Mark Dunwoody. +1 514 238 6477 or [markdunwoody.org](http://markdunwoody.org).

Tune in and learn more at Facebook Live: Tuesday, September 12th @ 10 am.

## Notable

### Upcoming events at St. Paul's Church

321 Empire, Greenfield Park

**Family Movie Night** on September 15 starting at 7pm. Come and enjoy a great recent movie while enjoying popcorn, juice, and lots of other treat. A free will offering is appreciated. Movie to be announced.

For information, see our web page [stpaulgpk.org](http://stpaulgpk.org) or call 450-678-2460 or 450-671-6000.

**Men's Group** will be hosting our 2nd Annual Gala Evening – Benefit Concert offering an Intercultural Musical Experience on Saturday - October 7 at 7:30 - tickets \$15/person. Beverages will be available and light refreshments will be provided.

For information or to reserve tickets, see our web page [stpaulgpk.org](http://stpaulgpk.org) or call Alan 514-497-2441 or Paul 450-466-5952.

**Sensational – Cafe Worship** will be held on the following dates: September 24, October 22, November 12 and December 10. Come and enjoy a different kind of Sunday service starting at 10:30, while enjoying some beautiful spiritual music, some great coffee, and lots of fellowship.

For information call 450-671-6000 or see our webpage [stpaulgpk.org](http://stpaulgpk.org)

Hope to see you there!

## Food for Heart and Soul

Supper Club is back and we have a new look and feel! Our gatherings continue to nurture and value community while learning, sharing and exploring emerging ministry themes all with a more modern worship feel. Please join us on Tuesday, September 26th in Fulford Hall at 6pm.

This is an inclusive event – everyone is welcome regardless of denomination, orientation. In other words, Supper Club is for YOU! Come as you are.

Bring a friend!  
Contact Lee-Ann for more info [mtlyouth@montreal.anglican.ca](mailto:mtlyouth@montreal.anglican.ca).

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# Fall Fairs

## Saturday September 23rd:

Fall Garage Sale/Book Section/ Bake Table & BBQ! Rain or shine! Household treasures, used books, delicious bake table and barbecue from 9am – 1pm at the **Parish of St Andrew and St Mark**, 865 Lakeshore Drive, Dorval... just west of Dorval Avenue. For more information: 514-631-3601 or [www.andrewmark.org](http://www.andrewmark.org).

## Saturday, October 14th:

**St. Paul's** (321 Empire, Greenfield Park) will hold a Craft Sale from 9am – 3pm. Table rentals are \$25/each. Come and look for some great Christmas gifts. While there, enjoy a great lunch with friends... For more information or would like to rent a table call 450-678-2460 or 450-671-6000.

## Saturday, October 14th:

Fall Rummage Sale at Church of **St. John the Baptist**, 233 Ste. Claire Ave, Pointe-Claire. Household goods, clothing for the whole family, books and more. For more information, email [stjtheb@videotron.ca](mailto:stjtheb@videotron.ca).

## Saturday, October 14th:

Garage Sale and rent-a-table from 9:30am – 2:30pm at **Church of the Resurrection**, 99 Mount Pleasant (corner Queen's road) in Pointe Claire. Light lunch served. To rent a table call Gladys Randle (514) 697-1229.

## Saturday, October 14th:

Book Fair at **St. James Anglican Church Rosemere**, 328 Pine St. Rosemere. At 10am. Come and browse a wide collection of used books for the entire family. CD's, games and raffle table as well. Hot dogs will be sold. For information, call 450-621-6466 or email [info@stjamesrosemere.ca](mailto:info@stjamesrosemere.ca).

## Saturday October 14th:

Fall Rummage Sale from 10am – 1pm at **St. Matthias'**, Westmount. Entrance at 131 Cote-St-Antoine Road, corner Metcalfe. Clothing for the entire family, suits, coats, linens, dishware, houseware & more... For information, call 514-933-4295 or email [www.st-matthias.ca](http://www.st-matthias.ca).

## Saturday, October 28th:

Fall Bazaar at **St. Simon & St. Bartholomew Anglican Church**, 3544 du Souvenir Road, Laval. From 10am – 2pm. Bake Table, Books, Nearly New items. Good Lunch: Homemade Apple Pie Delicious Zucchini Loaf. Come to enjoy the fellowship. For information, call 450-681-9696 or email [stsimonchurch@yahoo.ca](mailto:stsimonchurch@yahoo.ca).

## Saturday, October 28th:

Bake Sale and Tea with a mini book sale at **St Barnabas Church**, 95 Lorne Ave, St. Lambert. From 1pm – 3pm. Home baked goods, tea & home baked loafs and mini book sale. For more information, call 450-672-5560, or email [barnabas@bellnet.ca](mailto:barnabas@bellnet.ca), or go to [www.st-barnabaschurch.com](http://www.st-barnabaschurch.com).

## Friday, November 3rd, and Saturday, November 4th:

15th Annual Craft Fair from 6pm-9pm on Friday and from 9am-4pm Saturday. At **All Saints Church**, 248-18th Ave. Deux Montagnes. A wide range of hand-crafted items for sale, including jewelry, knit items, wood working, bake table and raffle. Friday dinner and Saturday lunch served. Table rentals \$30. For more information, please call 450-473-9541 or email [info@allsaintsdeuxmontagnes](mailto:info@allsaintsdeuxmontagnes).



**Saturday, November 4th:** Christmas Bazaar at **St. Barnabas Anglican Church**, 12301 Colin St., Pierrefonds from 9am – 3pm. Enjoy lunch at our café and explore a selection of books, knitting, baked goods, and a variety of treasures. Christmas gifts galore! Something for everyone, and a Ho-Ho-whole lot of fun. For more information, call 514-684-4460.

## Saturday, November 4th:

Fall Fair at **St Thomas, NDG**, 6897 Somerled Ave, corner Rosedale. From 9:30am – 2:30pm. Home baking, preserves and pickles, knitting, antiques and more. Also, gently used books, jewelry and winter clothing. Lunch, \$8. For more information call 514-484-2750.

## Saturday, November 4th:

**Grace Church Sutton** Bake Sale, books and Christmas Tea, from 2-4 pm. For more information, go to [www.gracechurchsutton.org](http://www.gracechurchsutton.org).

## Saturday, November 4th:

**Holy Trinity in Iron Hill**, Parish Hall Bake Sale, Christmas crafts and Tea. From 2pm – 4pm.

## Friday, November 10th &

**Saturday, November 11th:** Church of the Ascension in West Brome Craft Sale, Bake Sale & Soup Luncheon 9am – 3pm each day.

## Saturday, November 11th:

Christmas Bazaar and Lunch at **St Philip's, Montreal West** from 10 am – 2pm. 7505 Sherbrooke St. W. corner Connaught Ave. (Take Bus #51 (Snowdon), #105 (Vendome), #162 (Villa-Maria) or #123 to Elmhurst bus terminal at Montreal West train station) Home Baking, Used Books, Knitted Items, Linens, Collectibles, Home furnishings, Jams & Preserves, Jewelry, Candy, Attic Treasures, Potpourri, CD's, Games, and DVD's. Free coffee, friendly smiles and much more. Delicious lunch served 11:15am – 1:30pm.

## Saturday, November 11th:

Country Christmas Sale at **St. Paul's**, 321 Empire, Greenfield Park at 10:00. Crafts, baked goods, Country Kitchen & preserves, candies, frozen food, Christmas decorations, U-Pick Raffle, door prizes and much more. Enjoy a hot soup lunch with a drink and delicious dessert – all for only \$10/adult and \$5/children under 10 years old. Keep your ticket for a choice of our many door prizes. For more information, please call 450-678-2460 or 450-671-6000 or go to our webpage at [stpaulsgpk.org](http://stpaulsgpk.org).

## Saturday, November 11th:

**St Philip's, Montreal West.** Christmas Bazaar and Lunch. 10am – 2pm. Home baking, used books, knitted items, linens, collectibles, home furnishings, jams & preserves, jewelry, candy, attic treasures, potpourri, CD's, games, and DVD's. Free coffee, friendly smiles and much more. Delicious lunch served 11:15am – 1:30pm. 7505 Sherbrooke St. W. corner Connaught Ave. Take Bus #51 (Snowdon), #105 (Vendome), #162 (Villa-Maria) or #123 to Elmhurst bus terminal at Montreal West train station

## Saturday, November 25th:

Christmas Bazaar from 9:30-2pm at **Church of St. John the Baptist**, 233 Ste. Claire Ave, Pointe-Claire. Baking, Antique dishes, jewelry, handcrafts, Christmas items, Gift Baskets. Lunch available. For more information, email [stjtheb@videotron.ca](mailto:stjtheb@videotron.ca)

## Saturday, November 25th:

**St. James' Church** Christmas Bazaar. 642 Main Road, Hudson. From 10am – 1pm. Handmade wreaths and evergreen sprays, Christmas Boutique featuring handmade decorations, Bake Table, Treasures from the Attic, Tea Room. For more information, call 450-458-5127 or go to [www.parishofvaudreuil.com](http://www.parishofvaudreuil.com).

# 2nd Annual Jazz Mass at the Red Roof



Artist Martine Fourcand, singer-songwriter Dawn Tyler Watson, Soloist Rane Lee and Prof. Norman Cornett.  
Photo by Myer Randolph

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The Church of St John the Evangelist's historic Red Roof was the setting for an exceptional multimedia celebration of faith and art this summer, featuring some of Canada's finest talents. Some 160 people turned out to the second annual Jazz Mass on July 2. The event was buoyed by the success of last year's inaugural Jazz Mass, which developed out of conversations in the parish about how to engage with the thousands of visitors to our neighbourhood during the summer festival season.

This year's Jazz Mass was held in conjunction with several events on a jazz theme. An exhibit of paintings by artist Martine Fourcand entitled "The Spirit of Jazz in Living Colour" was curated by Prof. Norman Cornett and presented during late June and July in the nave of the church.

This year's celebration of the *fête nationale* was especially significant. Bishop Mary celebrated as we welcomed Zoë Stonyk, a member of the Jazz Mass planning team, through baptism. The bishop confirmed her along with Janet Best, the official parish and diocesan photographer, whose videography would ensure the Jazz Mass is recorded for posterity.

At the same time, we said farewell to Fr Alain Brosseau, our associate priest, who took the initiative in organizing the first Jazz Mass. Bishop Mary led us in commissioning him for his new ministry as a chaplain at BFC Valcartier outside Quebec City. In a moving conclusion, all present were invited to join her in laying hands on him. Along with the soft launch of the exhibit,

the day was a fitting prelude to the Jazz Mass the following weekend.

Thanks to Prof. Cornett, who is well connected in the arts communities, we were honoured to welcome two award-winning Montreal artists to the Jazz Mass itself. Soloist Rane Lee sang "Beautiful Love" and "You Must Believe in Spring" during the offertory and communion. During the homily, singer-songwriter Dawn Tyler Watson related her thoughts on God as love and church as community to the epistle from St John's first letter.

Our celebrant for the day was Mother Wendy Telfer, herself an avid jazz fan. A hearty reception was served by our own indomitable Sheila Fletcher Garner, during which parishioners and visitors enjoyed the Fourcand exhibit. The third annual Jazz Mass is set for July 1, 2018. Come and join us!

## Notable

### Men's Fellowship Breakfast

The Men's Fellowship of St. Lawrence Anglican Church will be hosting their Annual Fall Breakfast on Saturday September 9 from 8am to 11am at the church, located at

520 – 75th Avenue in LaSalle. Admission for adults \$15 and entry for children \$7.

### Thirty-fourth Annual International Night Dinner

St. Lawrence Anglican Church will be hosting their 34th Annual International Night Dinner on Saturday, October 28 at the church, located at

520 – 75th Avenue in LaSalle. Cocktails will be served at 5:30pm and dinner will be served at 7:00pm. Admission for adults \$35 and entry for children under 15-years-old \$15.

For more information  
514-366-4652 or  
[stlawrence520@gmail.com](mailto:stlawrence520@gmail.com)

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