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ARCHDEACON CATHY LASKEY, RIGHT, reads the instrument of appointment while Bishop David Edwards and Dean Geoffrey Hall conduct the service of collation for Sandy MacPherson on Oct. 21 at Christ Church Cathedral.

Sandy MacPherson to lead Archdeaconry of Chatham

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

The Rev. Sandy MacPherson, rector in the Parish of Bathurst, is now Archdeacon Sandy MacPherson after a service of installation and collation Oct. 21. Sandy oversees the Archdeaconry of Chatham.

A large busload of parishioners from the Bathurst area was on hand for the Choral Evensong, as were Sandy and Brenda's three sons.

Bishop David Edwards began his sermon by recalling the many times he and Janet attended British automobile shows, "to look at every car and truck ever made," he said.

The one vehicle for him that

made it all worthwhile was the Morgan car.

"Every year I would go and look at the Morgan stand," he said.

"To me, it was better than the Ferrari Testarossa. If there was a pearl of great price, it was a Morgan," he said, referencing the second lesson from Matthew 13.

Then his friend, Cliff, bought a Morgan and invited David for a ride.

"This thing can go 185 miles an hour in a straight line," he said, adding that Cliff offered him the wheel.

"It took the whole of my being to say no," he said. "With so much power, I'd probably crash it, so I passed up the opportunity.

"It's that kind of passion we just heard about," he said, noting the second lesson from Matthew 13, which begins "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field..."

All of us can understand that there is something just beyond our reach, he said. For him it was a Morgan.

"We must truly understand what it is to be followers of Jesus," he said. "It's worth giving everything."

As a young man, his heart's desire was to be a lawyer, and if he were a lawyer, he could have afforded a Morgan, "but God had different plans and said,

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"SHARING HOPE & HELP"

JANET EDWARDS

1953-2018

Capt. Janet Grace Edwards, wife of the Rt. Rev. David Edwards, Bishop of Fredericton, died on Nov. 7 after a brief illness. She was 65.

Born in London, UK, she was a daughter of J. Kenneth Claxton and the late Grace Cooper.

Janet worked as a high school teacher in the UK before emigrating to Canada in 1998. She then served in the Church Army and at the Coverdale Centre in Saint John.

Janet is survived by her loving husband, David; her brothers Paul and Michael; sister Sarah; aunts Beryl and Pamela, as well as many cousins in the



United Kingdom. Janet is also survived by her stepmother Elizabeth Claxton and her stepfather Derek Martin.

Donations in Janet's memory may be made to Threshold Ministries (Church Army), Christ the King Anglican Church, Stone Church, or to a charity of the donor's choice.



Local member elected to Mothers' Union worldwide board of trustees

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

Mothers' Union has been making history this fall, both internationally and right here in our diocese. The changes stem from elections held this summer, the results of which were announced in October.

First, MU has elected its first worldwide president from outside the British Isles — Sheran Harper of Guyana. It also elected its first man as one of 12 trustees, which function like a board of directors for Mothers' Union. Paul Tindle was elected to represent Scotland.

And finally, the trustee to

represent Zone B (South America, Central America, North America and the Caribbean) is Kathleen Snow, a Christ Church Cathedral member and also its parish nurse.

"I don't know how this happened!" said Kathleen. "But for me, Mothers' Union is a way of life. I have a passion for it, and that's where my faith has grown — through Mothers' Union."

It was 30 years ago, when Kathleen was a young mother of three children under five, that she, Donna Crowe and a few

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DIOCESAN SYNOD NEWS

Bishop prays God's many blessings on MacPhersons

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'walk this way.'

"What are we willing to give God to know the full generosity of God?" he asked. "The wisest thing we can have is a relationship with God. I will 'walk this way' no matter what."

But even today, we think we must give up all our possessions to follow God and live some crazy life, "but God says 'No. You are to use what I've given you.'"

"God has never blessed me with vast amounts of money,"



THE MACPHERSON FAMILY: SONS MATTHEW and Jeremy; Sandy and Brenda; son Jason and grandson Kieran.

he told those gathered. "What? I wouldn't blow it! I'd keep it to myself. You'd need a wrench..."

He told the story of Outflow Ministry and its leader Jayme Hall. As the group was setting

up the men's shelter in Saint John a few years ago, a man came to him and asked what was needed. After a bit of back and forth, Jaime said the mortgage was \$96,000.

The man took out his cheque book and wrote the amount to pay the mortgage.

'God has given me the tremendous talent of making money,' he told Jaime. 'And he's also given me the desire to help good projects come to completion.'

"He has a pearl of great price," said the bishop. "I'd not have written that cheque."

What do we put under the authority of God in order that God can use it and that others can see it, he asked.

"Today we celebrate with Sandy," said the bishop. "Each of us is called to 'walk in the way' — to follow wherever he leads."

The bishop thanked Sandy and Brenda for their faith and willingness. He prayed God's blessing on them as they take this next step.

To be collated an archdeacon, you must first be installed as a canon of the Cathedral. The Ven. Cathy Laskey read the instrument of appointment. After Sandy declared his willingness to faithfully discharge the duties of a canon, Bishop David and Dean Geoffrey Hall led Sandy to his respective seat in the Chancel and declared him a canon.

Virtually the same process then took place to collate Sandy as an archdeacon. The final element of the ceremony was him donning his new cope.

After the service, Sandy and his family posed for photos and everyone enjoyed refreshments at the back of the Cathedral.

Archbishop of Canterbury will commission new officers

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others responded to Dean John Wright's request that they start a branch of MU.

"Over the years I ended up in various positions — diocesan president, branch leader, Canadian president," she said.

Kathleen has steadily taken on more responsibility with MU. Three years ago she was elected as a representative member of the MU Worldwide Council and a member of the Central Fundraising & Communications Committee. During that time, the committee produced the Dear Lord Prayer Book. Over 11,000 prayer books have been sold since February 2018 and £31,000 raised to date.

Kathleen has been heavily involved in MU's parenting program, becoming one of its two worldwide trainers.

And now she is taking over for Sheran, who, until October, was the Zone B representative on the board of trustees. The trustees represent geographic regions of the world where MU operates — 12 people representing four million members in 84 countries.

Sheran is no stranger to MU members in the diocese. She has visited Canada three times. The most recent trip was in April when she attended the annual MU rally held in Sussex, and a visioning retreat at Villa Madonna with members from the Americas and Caribbean.

Sheran gave up her profession as a physiotherapist to volunteer with MU. She became a worldwide parenting program trainer, visiting 26 countries.

"She is a master trainer and



MCKNIGHT FILE PHOTO

SHERAN HARPER, LEFT, IS THE PRESIDENT of Mothers' Union worldwide. Kathleen Snow, of Fredericton, seen at right, is a trustee for Zone B, the Americas.

a strong woman of faith," said Kathleen, adding that the first time Sheran trained Kathleen, "I remember thinking, 'I want to be just like her!'"

Appointments to MU are voluntary. Kathleen's appointment is for a three-year term, which is renewable.

"My role is representing my zone," she said. "Sheran's been a communicator, bringing together provincial presidents as a way to share information. They have a Facebook group and other avenues. She's really fostered that."

"I hope to continue that and bring back trustee issues to the provinces. It will be busy, but that's OK."

Kathleen will travel to Britain in January for the commissioning of the newly elected members, which will be officiated by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Mothers' Union was founded

by Mary Sumner in 1876. Its website says, "She wanted to create an organization for women that brought together rich and poor to build a network that would support mothers of all kinds as they brought up their children in Christian faith."

To read more about Mothers' Union, visit mothersunion.org.

MU's worldwide zones: Canterbury, York, Scotland, Wales, Ireland; Zone A (Korea, Myanmar, North India, South India, Sri Lanka); Zone B (Brazil, Canada, South America, USA, West Indies);

Zone C (Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia, Australia, Melanesia, Papua New Guinea); Zone D (Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Jerusalem and The Middle East); Zone E (Central Africa, Nigeria, South Sudan, Sudan, Southern Africa); and Zone F (Burundi, Congo, Indian Ocean, Rwanda, West Africa).

NOTICE

The Diocesan Council Executive held an emergency meeting on Oct. 30 and discerned unanimously that the meeting of the Diocesan Synod would not be held on Saturday, Nov. 3.

It was felt that the members of Diocesan Synod wouldn't be in a suitable frame of mind to engage in a meeting, due to the sudden, serious illness of Janet Edwards, wife of Bishop David Edwards.



DEADLINE for news and photos for the January edition of the New Brunswick Anglican is Dec. 1. Send submissions to gmcknight@diofton.ca

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THE BISHOP'S PAGE



*May the peace and joy of
Christmas remain with you
throughout the year.
From the staff of the Anglican
Diocese of Fredericton.*

PHOTO BY GARETH HARPER ON UNSPLASH

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**Advent Talks
with retired
Bishop
Bill Hockin
& friends**

**This year's theme:
A Better
Bucket List Christmas**

Monday, November 26
"Lonely No More" with
the Rev. Canon
Albert Snelgrove

Monday, December 3
"The Charlie Brown Club"
with Bishop Bill Hockin

Monday, December 10
"A Grace With
Great Benefits"
with Dr. Barry Craig

12:15 - 1 p.m.
**Crowne Plaza Hotel
Fredericton**

December is a time to reflect and make changes



December brings a new year for the church as the liturgical year begins on Advent 1 and we celebrate the birth of the Christ child on Dec. 25.

For some families the new year begins in September when children begin grade school, move onto high school or begin university or college.

For others Jan. 1 is the new year and the time to make changes to our lifestyle with resolutions that we may, or more likely, may not keep up.

In all these events, family circumstances change, as they do while we all grow and age.

As part of these changes in family circumstances, have

you considered reviewing your will — assuming you have one? Whenever family circumstances change, a review of your will is a good idea.

Other than changes I have listed above, this is a time when the boomer generation is going to see their parents age and die.

For some, this may mean an inheritance of some sort which could change your finances as you move forward, and that is also a reason to review your financial plans and wills. My parents are both deceased, as are my wife's.

My wife and I recently reviewed our own wills and have made some major changes after we reflected on our own circumstances and those of our immediate family, as neither of us have a living parent or children.

I know I prayed a lot before suggesting some of the changes to my wife. We met with our lawyer and estate planner and we signed our new wills just before leaving on vacation to visit my family on Jersey.

Some of our estate will go to different charities, including our own parish, but the bulk is going into a trust where the income will help relatives and friends that have special needs.

On their death the trust will be wound up and go to charities. This may be 50 years down the road.

Now I am not suggesting you all follow our path. Every person has different priorities and that is understandable. What I am asking is that you think about the needs of others and review your own circumstances.

Before the winter keeps us all indoors, take time to stop, think and pray, and if you have a partner, talk with them and see if the wills you have now meet your current wishes and circumstances.

If you do not have a will (actually you do, but it is one the provincial government has written for you), take the first step to making your own personalized will.

In all of these deliberations

please take time to think about remembering the Church in your will, as this way your donations to the church will live on.

The Church lives on the generosity of its congregations and we have seen examples of this with Dorothy Wilkes and her Uncle, George Bartlett.

It was 50 years after his death that the Diocese started receiving the income from the trust that George set up.

This enables the Diocese to continue with all the good we do to further God's message of love and forgiveness to all who believe and follow Him.

I am available to speak to parishes. All you need to do is contact me. I am not in Fredericton that often so the best way to reach me is email to < mikegbj@gmail.com > or call (506) 866-7318.

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

WHEN YOU ... listen with all your heart • HONOUR YOUR ELDERS • encourage young people to take over the church often and loudly • choose good over evil • welcome the stranger • write the government about the issues that matter • INVITE A CO-WORKER TO CHURCH • help your dad do housework • get messy with your Sunday school kids • SAY "THANK YOU LORD" AND MEAN IT • Tweet your blessings one by one • introduce your grandchildren to nature • READ AND SHARE GOD'S WORD • ...THEN YOU ARE LIVING THE MARKS OF MISSION www.anglican.ca/marks

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THE PLACE OF RELIGION



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DR. ALAN SEARS AT HIS LECTURES. Top left shows the lecture at UNB, which the above two photos were taken during the lecture at Christ Church (Parish) Church.

Let's talk about — religion and politics!

Mission & Outreach Team and UNB present lectures on religion in the public square

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

About 35 people came out on Oct. 10 for a noon-hour talk called Having Faith in Citizenship: The Place of Religion in the Public Square.

It was held at Christ Church (Parish) Church, organized by the Mission & Outreach Team of the Anglican Diocese of Fredericton in partnership with the University of New Brunswick's Faculty of Education.

A second similar presentation was held the evening of Oct. 10 at UNB. Both were given by Dr. Alan Sears, professor of social studies at UNB, and member of Christ Church Cathedral.

Dr. Sears began by saying he is a practicing Christian.

"I mean that in two senses of the word," he said. "First, I practice the rituals and traditions of the Anglican Church. The other is that I'm not very good at it so I need practice.

"I'm also here because my world is falling apart," he said, noting the increasing hostility around the world for democracy

and Christianity, both of which are pre-Trump phenomena, he said.

Dr. Sears gave many examples of what he calls the intersection of church and state: the student employment form attestation required by the federal government; religious groups leading the way in sponsoring Syrian refugees; public funding for Catholic schools; the Anglican Church's apology for its role in residential schools; and just weeks ago, the election in Quebec of a government that wants to ban religious symbols like the hijab from being worn by the civil service.

"We have God in our constitution and in our national anthem," he said, adding that the separation of church and state was invented by Christians to protect the church from the state.

Years later, "We live in a 'secular age' that largely sees religion as an anachronism and/or a problem."

Thinkers of past decades thought that as we moved

toward a secular, modern age, we would give up on religion, he said. The fact that has not quite happened was noted by our own Governor-General, Julie Payette, who, in a speech to scientists Nov. 1, 2017, mocked those who believe in God.

Instead, it appears society has settled for neutrality as the norm, said Dr. Sears, "this idea that secularism is neutral and natural," though it's not, he said.

This norm backs up the agenda of Quebec's new government of seeing no religious symbols in its buildings or on its civil servants.

"It's no accident that the laws against religious dress in Europe began in France — and continue in Quebec," said Dr. Sears. "The church had a terrible history and it did in Quebec, too."

However, excluding symbols is much different than excluding people.

"I would argue that excluding religious people from the public square is unjust," he said.

He explained that doing such a thing infantilizes the non-reli-

gious, "like we're going to dupe them all."

Instead of squelching voices, we need people who think differently, he said, quoting Jean Vanier, a Canadian philosopher, founder of L'Arche, and the son of Major-General Georges Vanier, 19th governor general of Canada:

"We need to be vigilant in any situation where it is necessary to obey blindly. Rigidity, a demand for ideological conformity within the group, is rarely necessary; it is not, I think, the sign of a healthy group."

Dr. Sears encouraged those gathered that the way forward should include civic empathy — finding points of commonality to make connections in the secular world. As an example, he cited the Apostle Paul's visit to Athens, where he reasoned with people, earned an invitation to speak to those who had much different views, showed respect, and importantly, he studied

the culture, with its mythology, poetry and love of art.

"He paid attention to the context," said Dr. Sears. "He quoted their poets. There was every reason for Paul to be offended and start his sermons by saying, 'you pagans!' Athens would have been a shock to a Pharisee like Paul."

Instead, "He said what he had to say honestly and forthrightly — convincing some, intriguing several, and not swaying others."

After the lecture, Dr. Sears took questions from the audience.

While the noon-hour audience was mainly Christian, Anglican and older, the evening audience at UNB included students, people of faith and people of no faith.

Dr. Sears' evening lecture is available for viewing on UNB's YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=et_U-cBZUm4

Episcopal Announcements



The Rev. Dr. Sean Davidson has been appointed rector of the Parishes of Waterford and St. Mark, effective June 1, 2019. He has been serving as assistant curate at the Church of the Resurrection in Toronto.

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The Rev. Kevin Borthwick has

been appointed priest-in-charge of the Parish of Campobello, with mission duties in the Deanery of St. Andrews, effective Nov. 1. He leaves the Parish of Shediac.

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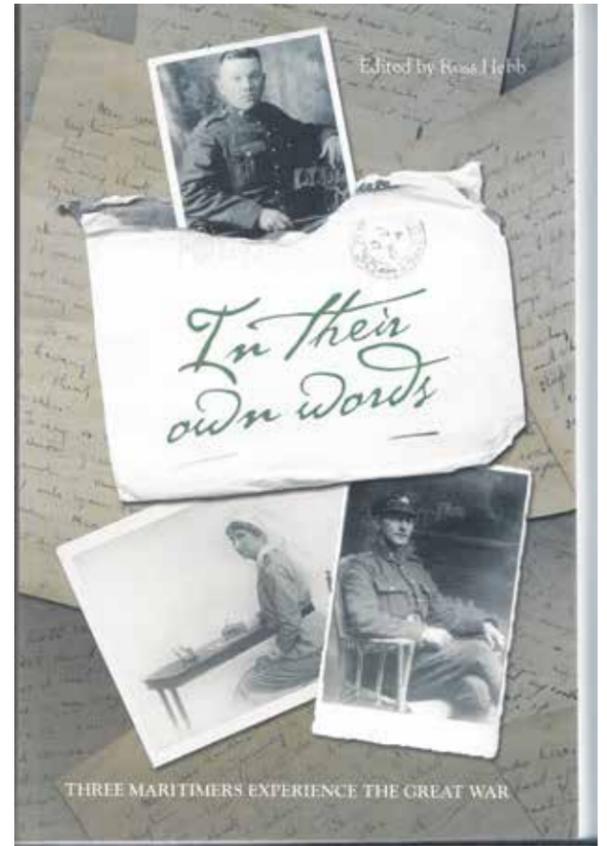
Jonathan Hallewell has been appointed to the Parish of

Renforth as layreader-in-charge, effective Nov. 5. He will be ordained to the diaconate in the near future. Jonathan has several years' experience as a pastor in the UK and Canada, and as a lay minister in Anglican churches in the UK.

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Q & A

Q&A with the Rev. Dr. Ross Hebb, author



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In Their Own Words: Three Maritimers Experience the Great War, by Ross Hebb, published by Nimbus of Halifax

NB Anglican: Is this not your second book of Great War letters? How did an Anglican minister get involved in such a topic?

RH: Back in 2011 I was on sabbatical leave in England. After I spent five weeks immersed in Cathedral life at Norwich, my wife and son joined me for a trip to France.

Among other sites, we visited Juno Beach, Vimy Ridge and Ypres in Belgium. We actually stood where John McCrae penned "In Flanders Fields."

As part of this visit, I looked up the grave of the son of the rector of St. Peter's during the Great War, Lawrence T. Wilkinson. Young Lawrence studied for the ministry at King's College just as I had, but upon graduating was too young to be made a deacon so he joined the army.

He died of wounds just over a year later in October 1917 and is buried at Nine Elms British Cemetery.

Walking among all those tombstones made an impact. Indeed, I think it is impossible to see and experience such places without coming away altered.

I was humbled and impressed by the scale of the sacrifices made by my fellow Maritimers. I wanted to do something to share this history with those

who have not been so fortunate as I to have traveled there.

I came up with the idea of finding and publishing the letters these young men and women wrote home during the War.

NBA: How did you get so many different letters?

RH: In short, the generosity of fellow Maritimers. I made appeals to Maritimers directly, and once the word was out through newspapers and radio interviews, folks started contacting me. Ironically, the present book is mostly the result of letters I received once the first book was out.

NBA: Is this book another collection of various letters like the first one?

RH: No, definitely not. "Letters Home" was a collection of individual letters from about 20 people on various topics. It provided "snap shots" of their war experience at various points of their journey through the conflict.

"In Their Own Words" is different. It is a continuous "video" of three Maritimers' entire Great War experience from start to finish of their correspondence.

NBA: How did you select these people?

RH: I chose three distinct individuals from the three Maritime provinces whose unique stories stand out for one reason or another.

NBA: Who are they and why do they stand out?

RH: Eugene A. Poole of

ROSS HEBB, ABOVE, AND HIS RECENTLY published book, *In Their Own Words: Three Maritimers Experience the Great War*

Bridgetown, N.S. is the striking story of a man who joined up in August 1914, served the entire war at the front, was wounded and survived the experience. He returned home in 1919 married to an English girl he met during leave in England.

Having the entire collection of letters from a man who served and fought throughout the entire war is something special in itself. Following the ups and downs of his war time experiences is truly interesting.

The second person is Pauline D. Balloch, a nurse from Centreville N.B. Pauline was a graduate nurse and an experienced professional employed in Toronto. She joined the CAMC (Canadian Army Medical Corps) in May of 1917.

Visiting her parents at their general store in Centreville on her way to Halifax and overseas, she tried to reassure them that she would be safe. It was a message she had to repeat often in her letters as she travelled to

England and then to France. In the end, Pauline did return home safely.

As it turned out, her parents' fears were not unfounded. The hospital ship on which she returned was sunk by a German U-boat a few months later and her good friend and fellow nurse was killed by German bombing at the hospital she had served at in France.

Over 3,500 Canadian women served as nurses in the CAMC and 45 perished. Very few collections of nurses' letters, let alone women's correspondence, have survived. Having Pauline's letters is a special privilege.

The last person in the book might be a surprise to some, Harry Heckbert, a fisherman from P.E.I. Harry did not volunteer but was conscripted in late 1917.

By the time of Vimy Ridge, Canada's casualty rate had been higher than anyone could have expected. Volunteers were no longer coming forth in sufficient

numbers. Men were desperately needed overseas.

After an exceedingly vicious and divisive election, conscription came in to effect. Harry Heckbert reluctantly had to go to war. Before he left, he married his sweetheart and the series of letters from Harry are a heart-rending tale of loneliness and longing.

To add to his anxiety, his new wife was pregnant and Harry longed to be home with his newborn son.

As the months and his training progressed, Harry embraced the need to go to France to fight, but actually did not arrive until two weeks after the Armistice. In March 1919 Harry returned home to his sweetheart and to the child he had dubbed "the little fisherman."

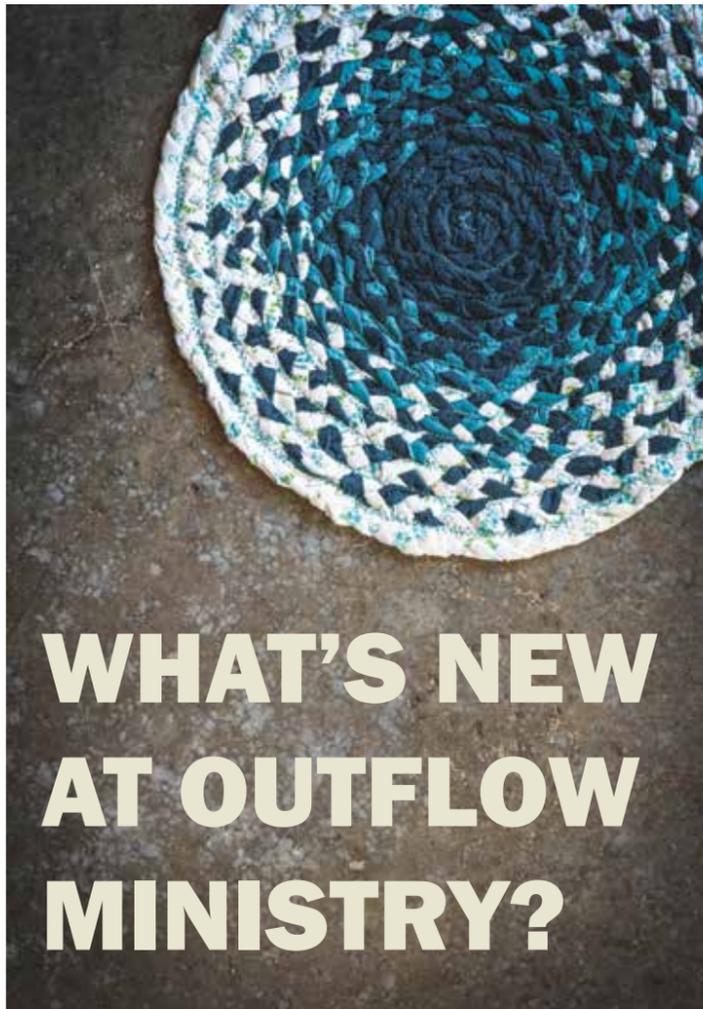
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The Rev. Dr. Hebb is rector of St. Peter's in Fredericton. He is willing to travel to parishes to do Book Talks if there is any interest.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

THE CONGREGATION OF ST. LUKE'S Anglican Church of the Parish of Gondola Point continued to celebrate its 30 years as a parish by having a community corn boil and barbecue on Sept. 9 after the Sunday morning service. It was held at the Parish Hall with good food, games and fellowship.

OUTFLOW MINISTRY



WHAT'S NEW AT OUTFLOW MINISTRY?

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

Five years ago, Outflow Ministry Inc. of Saint John had a board of directors, one half-time employee and about \$60 in the bank. It offered community meals and some other forms of outreach.

Much has changed in the last half-decade. It has three locations and more than 30 employees. And now it's a partner in a \$2.7 million federal investment in the city called UYES (Urban Youth Employment Skills) that trains young people for job-readiness.

Outflow is Christian and non-denominational, but has a lot of Anglican ties. Bishop David Edwards has his Saint John office in its men's shelter. Colin McDonald, the half-time diocesan director of youth and intergenerational ministries, also works half-time at Outflow.

Outflow has a marketplace ministry called Catapult Industry, a construction business launched in 2016 with a \$10,000 donation from the diocese, paid for by Dorothy Wilkes bequeath earnings. It employs many who are in need of a second chance.

And Anglicans will be well acquainted with the building at 116 Princess Street — Anglican House, the former Synod Office and bishop's office.

It's being leased to Outflow for \$1 a year, and by the end

of November, it will debut as Catapult Coffee & Studio — a coffee shop and marketplace in a beautiful, historic building completely upgraded by — yes! — Catapult Industry.

Miriam Westin, daughter of Carolyn and the Rev. Dr. John Paul Westin, rector at Stone Church, will manage the coffee shop. It will employ people who have not found it easy to find or keep a job in the past — newcomers to Canada, the recently homeless and chronically poor.

100 Waterloo

Early in 2018, Steve and Bill MacMackin, owners of Brennan's Funeral Home, decided their building at 100 Waterloo St., the former Fitzpatrick's Funeral Home, was surplus.

"They wanted to do some good with the building," said Colin, adding that Stephen is a member of St. Paul's in Hampton.

Bishop David pointed them towards Outflow, and the Catapult Training and Employment building, which Colin manages, was born.

"It's the social enterprise wing of Outflow," said Colin. "Not to be confused with Catapult Industry, the construction company."

It's a large building with four floors, including the basement, and it's just up the street from the Outflow men's shelter.

The building, with a huge workshop in the basement, is



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ABOVE: THE CATAPULT INDUSTRY CREW at 116 Princess.

LEFT: A sample of the products for sale at Catapult Creative.

the centre for training under the UYES program, where young men and women are learning the construction industry. A \$40,000 grant from the Saint John Community Foundation supplied the tools.

The UYES program is a joint project with Outflow, the Human Development Council, the Teen Resource Centre, the Learning Exchange and the Saint John Community Loan Fund.

"The idea is to help make at-risk youth more employable," said Colin. "For our part, if they are interested in learning trades, construction skills, they get referred to our program — woodworking, demolition, framing."

They run classes four days a week with two instructors. Catapult Industry, the construction company, has just hired its first employee who came through the UYES program.

Upstairs at the Catapult Training and Employment building, the funeral chapel has been upgraded and is now leased to Cornerstone Baptist Church, which traded the burden of a building for worship space, a Sunday school room and offices.

Down the hall, a grief counsellor rents space for his practice. Another room operates as a classroom.

"Every Tuesday in this room we do driver training," said Colin. "When I was a teenager, my dad taught me to drive. These guys never had that."

The instructors are a former driver trainer and a police

officer.

"It's awesome," said Colin. "They're all terrified, but doing it together is great. They're loving it!"

116 Princess

The building is also the temporary home of Catapult Creative, which will soon move to 116 Princess Street.

This enterprise makes all sorts of items — beeswax wraps designed to replace plastic sandwich bags, and upcycled mats, sewing, knitting and more. Their crafts will be for sale next to welding art and wooden items constructed by Catapult Industry — cutting boards, coffee tables, other furniture.

"This is the creating of businesses that employ people who wouldn't necessarily get the chance otherwise," said Colin. "And the Princess Street building is a phenomenal space with a ton of potential."

"We have the ability to renovate it and the diocese has the building. Together we can turn this into something beautiful, and I mean more than just aesthetics. It's life changing."

Mission philosophy

With so many charities, sustainability is a problem. But at Outflow, the aim is to generate money to put back into the operation, ensuring the men's shelter can continue, while employing and empowering those deemed unemployable by some.

The philosophy is to go beyond compassion-style ministry — a bed for the night and a meal — and offer the tools to become self-sufficient

while making sure the mission is as well.

Jayme Hall, Outflow's original employee and now its executive director, is gracious in his appreciation for diocesan involvement.

"You guys really kicked us off in the early days with Catapult Industry," he said. "And now with Princess Street — being able to revitalize it and reclaiming that space for mission. It's certainly a partnership."

"But beyond that, the bishop is a mentor to me personally. He's a good guy in my books."

When the construction company was starting up, the diocese offered its mentor carpenter a free place to live — the rectory of St. Jude's. It was another helping hand to get the company off the ground, and one Jayme is thankful for.

The foundation for Outflow's mission is Matthew 25 — helping the orphan, the widow, those who were in prison, the sick.

"But in this ministry, if we stop standing in awe of God — if all of a sudden we get so busy we don't see God's providence, his ministry, the surprises of God — if we lose that, we lose ministry, because this all becomes just a job."

"That's what we want to hang onto — the belief that God still does the miracles that are completely out of our power."

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OUTFLOW MINISTRY



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Outflow's philosophy is to go beyond compassion-style ministry

LEFT: COLIN MCDONALD POINTS OUT the features of Catapult Coffee & Studio, which was slated to open in November. Its location is 116 Princess St., the former Synod Office.

RIGHT: TRENT, OF THE CATAPULT INDUSTRY crew, works on moulding at 116 Princess Street.

BELOW LEFT: THE EXTERIOR OF THE CATAPULT TRAINING and Employment building, which houses, among other things, a construction training program and drivers ed.

BELOW CENTRE: SAINT JOHN MP WAYNE LONG makes the \$2.7 million UYES announcement.

BELOW RIGHT: THE EXTERIOR AND ALLEY at 116 Princess.



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"They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither." [Psalm 13]

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1. AT LEFT ARE RANDAL GOODFELLOW, and Robert Pajot of the National Trust, who began the workshop at the Cenotaph in downtown Fredericton.

2. BISHOP DAVID EDWARDS POINTS out the many lovely features of Bishop's Court.

3. FREDERICTON ENGINEER TOM MORRISON points out degraded sandstone, noting 170 years of sun, weather and wear on the Cathedral.

4. RANDAL GOODFELLOW POINTS out Odell House, the traditional deanery on the corner of Church and Brunswick.

5. RANDAL GOODFELLOW LEADS discussion on the small group reports in the Cathedral.

Workshop delves into the future of diocesan, Cathedral buildings

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

About 40 people gathered on Oct. 18 for an investigative tour and thinking session as part of the National Trust's annual conference, held in Fredericton this year.

The National Trust is a registered charity established in 1973 by the Government of Canada, dedicated to promoting the conservation, understanding and appreciation of our nation's heritage buildings, historic places and cultural landscapes.

The tour explored the buildings owned by Christ Church Cathedral and the Diocese of Fredericton, and what the future could hold for them. With building issues in the Synod Office, an empty Bishop's Court and a cathedral hall that does not meet current needs, there was much to see and talk about.

The tour began at the Cenotaph, led by Robert Pajot of the National Trust and Randal Goodfellow, an Anglican

from the Ottawa area and a national leader in church property regeneration. You may remember him as the keynote speaker at the 2014 Stewardship Day workshop on church buildings.

"Look behind you. What do you see?" Randal directed the members of the group. "A city park? No. It's cathedral property."

He pointed out The Green and its historic ownership by the church and the cluster of Anglican-owned buildings adjacent to the river.

The next stops were the Synod Office and Bishop's Court, with Bishop David Edwards taking the lead. He noted the office came into Anglican hands in the 1980s, but the former home is not an efficient use of space. He also explained the many building failures in the past two years — the back wall of the kitchen and the plumbing replaced; the recent removal of asbestos from the basement and bat guano from the attic and the

removal of the chimney.

"Is part of our mission to sustain buildings, or is it our mission to help people, especially those on the margins?" the bishop said.

Adding to the challenge is the fact that both buildings are designated historic, limiting what can be done, particularly on the exterior.

From Bishop's Court, the group viewed the plaque on Odell house, the traditional home of the dean of the Cathedral, and visited Cathedral Memorial Hall.

Randal explained that this diocese experienced the same bulge of attendance after the Second World War that most churches did in Canada, and large buildings became necessary.

"Now today, attendance is below where it was when it was good," he said. "A lot of these buildings were built for 300-400 kids. Now there's a handful."

Dean Geoffrey Hall gave an overview of the facility and its challenges — space

that does not meet the needs of the Cathedral, asbestos, inaccessibility and its distance from the church.

"While this space is great for many things, it's not the best for our uses now. The overall design is not optimal," he said, noting the lack of laundry and shower facilities as examples.

Randal noted there are seven Anglican churches in the city, along with several United churches, lots of Baptists and some Presbyterians, to name a few — too many churches for 58,000 people.

From the hall, the group continued on to the Cathedral, where Fredericton engineer Dr. Tom Morrison (of Heritage Standing Inc.) gave a technical talk on exterior and interior aspects of the Gothic Revival building. But first he noted its uniqueness, particularly with regard to placement.

"Having this open expanse of green, having the river nearby — a lot of what it is how it's situated," he said. "It was

very large scale for the time.

"This is why Fredericton is a city," he said, pointing to the Cathedral. "The monarch wanted a cathedral here. No one in Fredericton can imagine it not being here."

But there are issues: as the building has settled, the ground now slopes toward it, creating moisture problems. Mistakes have been made in stone repairs. Steel in stone is a bad idea, since steel corrodes and destroys the stone. The roof needs repairs. Sun damage of 170 years is showing, and so on. New construction products don't work on historic buildings, he said.

Inside the Cathedral, Geoffrey spoke about how the building is used. "We're very aware it's a unique treasure," he said. "In many respects, it's invaluable."

He spoke of the precarious finances, noting that 15 per cent of parishioners fund 80 per cent of the budget, and those

most vocal about what happens, doesn't happen or should happen, are among those who contribute the least. The largest sector of givers are elderly, he said.

"The Cathedral was designed for one purpose — worship. But a more flexible space might be an answer to the needs we have, or may have in the future," he said.

The final exercise of the day was discussion in small groups. The participants chose one of three groups: those who felt the cathedral should keep its footprint and make change from within in the building; those who felt that replacing the hall with an addition to the cathedral would work best; and those looking for more extreme options.

Some of the feedback from the groups included running Bishop's Court as an Airbnb; landswapping, perhaps with the city, to achieve goals; incorporating a social housing project; partnering with the Fredericton Convention Centre to create an inspiring, beautiful space in which to

meet; having a large and serious planning conversation with stakeholders, including the city; constructing a glass addition, using Norwich Cathedral as inspiration and an example of what can be done; inviting a college of masons to do stonework; incorporating a day care in the cathedral; seeking corporate sponsors; holding Tedx presentations; using outside space for advertising, as Scottish churches do to help pay for maintenance; having festival activities in the Cathedral; the inflexibility that pews present for finding new uses; and making sure that whatever plan might be chosen, it's a 100-year plan.

The National Trust conference continued into Saturday, with a panel discussion called Rising to the Challenges of Revitalizing Historic Places of Faith. The speakers, all of whom attended the Thursday workshop, were:

• Claire Forward (M.Sc. Architectural Conservation Candidate, University of

Edinburgh, UK) – The Adaptive Reuse of Church Buildings of the United Kingdom: Best Practices to Apply in Canada

• Kendra Fry (Regeneration Works Advisor, Faith & The Common Good, Toronto) – Faith Spaces as Creative Places – How Arts Partnerships Strengthen Faith Buildings

• The Right Reverend David Edwards (Bishop of Fredericton) – The Revitalization of the Fredericton Anglican Cathedral Precinct

• The Rev. Graham Singh (Executive Director, Trinity Centres Foundation, Montréal, QC) – Recrafting Urban Historic Churches Into Community Hubs

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To learn more about Norwich Cathedral's additions, visit <https://www.hopkins.co.uk/projects/1/99/> and <https://www.hopkins.co.uk/projects/1/139>

OUTREACH

Fall update from the Central Saint John Community Ministry

BY THE REVS. TERENCE & JASMINE CHANDRA

NEW AND ONGOING VENTURES

The Art of Prayer

Before going on maternity leave, Jasmine had run a couple of prayer programs at Sophia House (a recovery centre for women). She was asked to come back this fall and is now in the fourth week of an Art of Prayer program that teaches practical methods of prayer.

Through this program, Jasmine has the privilege of meeting with an incredible group of women who are all eager to learn to pray and grow closer to God.

In addition to discussing general topics of prayer and spirituality, those in the program get to practice praying using beads, their creative art skills, going on prayer walks, journaling, and listening to music.

ESL Bible Study

Through his English classes at the Multicultural Association, Terence met a number of newcomers who expressed an interest in learning the Bible while improving their English as well.

So Terence and his friend Steve Owen (also an English teacher) now offer an English Language Bible Study where participants study a passage of scripture, practice their conversation skills, increase their vocabulary and expand their use of grammar.

The evening always concludes with a time of group prayer. This group has become a meaningful time for all those who attend— especially Terence.

Special thanks go out to Steve Owens for all his help in getting this ministry launched!

Youth Discipleship Group

Over the course of the past year, Terence has been preparing a group of young people for the rite of confirmation. The confirmation finally took place in early September at a beautiful and meaningful service held at Stone Church.

However, those who were confirmed wanted to continue meeting. So the confirmation class has now transitioned into what we call a Youth Discipleship Group — a group that meets once a week for scripture study and fun activities.

We are thankful for Corey Fairbrother, a father of one of the youth, who has been helping out.



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ENGLISH LANGUAGE BIBLE STUDY FOR NEWCOMERS is one of several ventures the Chandras are leading in Saint John. For more information on their ministry, visit penniesandsparrows.org

The Emmaus Way - No One Walks Alone

We are currently overseeing two support groups which we've created to assist some of our friends who are currently going through a rough time.

Our first group has been

helping a woman suffering from a disease related to Parkinson's. They are caring for her and making regular visits to the hospital as she awaits placement in a nursing home.

Our second group formed over the summer to assist a young mom who recently gave

birth to her fourth child. We feel that there are many people in our community who could benefit from some extra care and support. After seeing the effectiveness of this program, we are considering others who may be involved in such a group.

Meet your Diocesan Council members

Diocesan Council members were asked to answer the following questions: What is your background and/or career, and how has that prepared you for your work on DC? Why did you decide to become involved with DC? Who is Jesus to you? What is your hope for the diocese?

Archdeacon Rob Marsh

1. After high school I started work as a landscape architect and later worked in the woods as a scaler for the paper mill where I lived in Newfoundland.

Knowing I wanted to do more with my life I became a Church Army Officer, ministering in Alberta and New Brunswick for 20 years before ordination.

2. As an archdeacon, I automatically become involved

with Diocesan Council but I am glad to do so as I feel it's a vital part of the work of our church between synods.

It helps me understand the ministry in different parts of our diocese and how we can work together to spread the Good News.

3. I serve in the parishes of Central Kings and Upham.

4. Jesus is my saviour, my redeemer, and my hope.

5. My hope is that through the ministry of the diocese and its people, others come to find and know Jesus in the nearer and dearer way.

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Coralie Losier

1. My background is in health care, particularly diagnostic imaging (x-ray and ultrasound). I have always worked

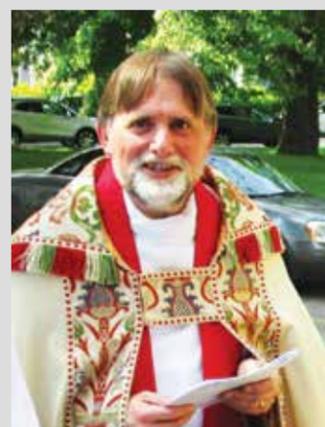
as part of a team, both with my co-workers and in the broader picture of a team-based approach to health care.

2. Serving on an archdeaconry commission opened my eyes to the need for change in our diocese. While I don't have the skills to facilitate that, I do believe I can contribute as part of a team.

3. I worship in the Parish of St. Mark, Saint John (Stone Church).

4. Although raised in the Anglican Church, as a young adult I rarely attended church. After a crisis in my life I came to a place where I was stressed and tired from trying to manage on my own. This was about 25 years ago.

Looking for answers I read "The Helper" by Catherine Marshall during Lent. I heard Jesus say "Come to me." It



Rob Marsh

changed my life.

I learned that I could trust him in any and every circumstance, even though the outcome might not necessarily be what I desired.

Scripture tells us that nothing can separate us from the love of Christ and that "God works for the good of those who love him, who are called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28)

I believe this to be true.



Coralie Losier

I believe Jesus wants us to know him and to trust him to lead and care for us (no matter how things may look to us) and that is what I try to do.

5. My hope is that we will be a united, thriving and missional diocese, showing the love of Christ to others and growing always in the "fruit of the Spirit," both in our corporate and personal lives.

DEPLOYMENT

An Anglican in Latvia

BY CAPT. JASON PARSONS

Over the past year I had the opportunity to deploy to Latvia as part of NATO's Enhanced Forward Presence Battle Groups stationed throughout the Baltics and Poland. While it meant being absent from family and friends for seven months, the time was filled with many unique opportunities.

One such opportunity was my ability to worship with a small group of Canadian and American Protestants at the base chapel at Camp Adazi, under the leadership of the Rev. Captain Kent Horsman, Padre of the Canadian contingent and member of the United Church of Canada.

Our small congregation was made up of an Anglican (myself), a Presbyterian, four Evangelicals, the Padre, and three Americans from a neighbouring base who were from a Baptist background.

Services were generally interrupted by the incoming Altar Guild (or whatever the Orthodox version is) part way through our services as they prepared for their services.

However, I suspect they were generally there early due to the Padre's guitar and vocal abilities.

The chapel is a very nice facility, and before our arrival, was home to local Evangelical Lutheran and Russian Orthodox congregations. With the

arrival of NATO soldiers in Latvia, two additional services were added — a Roman Catholic service and our own.

The Roman Catholics came from Italy, Spain, Poland, Slovenia and Albania and were led by a Polish military chaplain. This service was always well-attended and often filled the small chapel.

A symbol of Christian ecumenism occurred amongst both congregations over Easter as we joined together for a prayer walk — an example of Christian faith and solidarity.

As Easter approached, many of us began to think of our home congregations and the fact we were missing such an important celebration within our own traditions, and although we were happy to celebrate together, we were looking for an opportunity to worship within a larger Christian community.

I was aware of St. Saviour's Anglican Church in Riga that held weekly services in English and offered this as a possible solution to the Padre. St. Saviour's is part of the Church of England in Europe Diocese and is led by the Rt. Rev. Jāna Jēruma-Grīnberga a former Lutheran Bishop from Great Britain.

St. Saviour's has an interesting history. It was consecrated in 1857, but the congregation had existed since 1822, and Anglican mission work in Riga had been occurring since 1806.



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INSIDE ST. SAVIOUR'S ANGLICAN CHURCH IN RIGA, LATVIA on Good Friday, 2018. From left: PSP Instructor Adeline, Cpl. Meshtag, Capt. Jason Parsons, Maj. Pearson, and MCpl. Heal.

When you have had your freedom to worship and your church property stripped away from you for generations, the ability to worship freely and openly takes on a whole new meaning.

During construction, ship loads of soil and brick were brought from Britain to offer more of a physical connection to the Church of England.

Like many churches in Latvia, St. Saviour's was closed during the Soviet occupation and became a student club, but with the fall of communism in 1991, the church reopened for worship.

On Good Friday five of us were given permission to travel to Riga for worship. The service was sombre as one might expect, and we were treated to wonderful music from a

stringed quartet and an organ.

Many had never been to a Good Friday service like this and remarked how the solemnity gave them a better appreciation of what the day was meant to observe.

Helping us to remember that we live in a small world, we were greeted after the service by one of the readers who happened to be a retired naval officer from Kingston, Ontario.

He had married his Latvian wife soon after graduating from the Royal Military College, and since his retirement from the Navy, they have split their time between Canada and Latvia.

As we left the church and spent a few moments at a coffee shop, we came out to see and hear a large crowd making their way throughout the capital for their own ecumenical prayer walk.

Hundreds of people from Roman Catholic, Orthodox, Lutheran, Anglican, Baptist and other churches had joined to walk throughout their city to pray together. It was an impressive sight to behold.

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meaning.

As I reflect back on my time in Latvia, I am thankful for the opportunity to have attended a church service most every Sunday, an opportunity not always enjoyed by those of faith deployed on international operations.

Not only was I able to worship regularly and to act as a reader, but the Padre knew I was a part-time theology student and offered up the opportunity to deliver a sermon during the Easter Season.

In closing, please remember to uphold in prayer the Military Chaplaincy, the Anglican Military Ordinariate and those from within your congregations who deploy, or who have family members deployed as part of the Canadian Armed Forces.

View St. Saviour's website here: <https://anglicanriga.lv/>

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RADVO CONFERENCE

A renewing experience in Texas

BY BONNIE LEBLANC

Editor's Note: The Rev. Bonnie LeBlanc, the Rev. Ann Fairweather and the Ven. Cathy Laskey participated in RADVO, held at the Church of the Incarnation in Dallas, Texas in September. This "Discerning a 21st Century Call to the Ancient Order of Priesthood" conference featured special guests the Most Rev. Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; the Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, primate of the Episcopal Church in the USA; Dr. Stanley Hauerwas; the Rt. Rev. Dr. N.T. Wright; and the Rev. Dr. Oliver O'Donovan. The aim was to learn about future ministry and training, and for Bonnie, a chance to reignite her own passion for the priesthood.

The Radical Vocation Conference was a life-giving, renewing experience. From the moment we entered the venue, there was a sense of being with family; children of the triune God. "The Lord is present in the praises of His people!"

The Spirit of the Lord enveloped that place; the Living Word leapt off the pages; speakers were inspired and hearts were prepared. It was boldly challenging and faithfully encouraging. We were reminded of the church's mission in the 21st century, and our responsibility as faithful, spirit-filled leaders in these days of persecution of the Christian Church.

The Lord restored the zeal in my priestly ministry through the worship, sermons, seminars, breakout sessions, hospitality, information booths, conversations and collegiality!

Breakout Session with the Rev. Dr. Samira Izadi Page. Topic: The Priest and World Redemption.

Samira was raised Muslim in Iran during the Iran Iraq War. At age six, she had a vision of the Virgin Mary; at age nine, after viewing "The Song of Bernadette," Samira wanted to be a nun.

Married at age 21, working on a PhD, she, her husband and their two children were forced to escape Iran. Samira led us through a



RADVO PHOTO

TOP: BONNIE LEBLANC, ANN FAIRWEATHER and Cathy Laskey take in the opening Evensong. Can you spot them near the bottom left corner? RIGHT: Cathy Laskey, Bonnie LeBlanc and Ann Fairweather during the conference.

series of events where God broke through in miraculous ways. "We need to be radical. Go. Baptize. Teach." The mission field is here.

"We have the largest mass migration in human history." We are to stand in the gap for those who don't have a voice and for those who don't know Christ. Pray on their behalf.

"If your heart breaks for people who do not know Christ, then you are meant for priesthood."

Mobilize the Church; care for and serve refugees. "Our priesthood is about the redemption of the world."

Samira now loves her enemy. "Seeing your persecutors face to face can bring a lot of healing." She is the founder of Gateway of Grace, an outreach ministry to refugees in Texas.

Breakout Session with the Rev. Nate Jung-Chul Lee. At the Grave We Make Our Song

Nate is a younger priest with a passion for ministry and mission. Using humour and illustration, he connected exceptionally with young seekers, and the entire audience.

He spoke highly of his mentor, renowned professor Dr. Stanley Hauerwas, whom he quoted throughout the session.

Consecrated: set apart. We are consecrated a priest; always a priest, in every moment of life. "Going into priestly ministry, our soul needs to truly find itself and serve others."

One of the reasons the church today is dying is "institutional maintenance" — trying to keep a failing institution from closing its doors; keeping the power brokers happy. Trust God. Take time. Be patient. Be

present. Be gentle with others and with ourselves.

"To be prophetic is to be pastoral; to be pastoral is to be prophetic." To be a priest/prophet in this world is to believe that Christ is really present with all people.

Over 10 per cent of spending goes to crisis care at the end of life. "My job as priest is to help my people to learn to face and accept death."

There is great peace in knowing that God will never leave them. The priest (prophet and pastor) has a (sacred) mo-

ment with someone while they die. "The resurrection is our hope. Death is the assumption of the resurrection." God will not abandon His loved ones to the grave.

The Rev. Nate Jung-Chul Lee has served as the associate rector at All Saints Chevy Chase, Maryland since 2015. He is completing work toward his Ph.D. at Baylor University, having graduated from Duke Divinity School.

The Rev. Canon Bonnie LeBlanc is the incumbent in the Parish of Stanley.



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FARRALINE PLACE

Have you considered Farraline Place?

BY SHARON SIMMS

Farraline Place, a seniors' residence in the heart of downtown Fredericton, has a long and pleasant Anglican heritage.

The home was opened by the New Brunswick branch of the King's Daughters and Sons and dedicated by Bishop Richardson in 1927. In 1988, the Anglican Church Women of the diocese of Fredericton, with governance of an independent board of directors, assumed care and responsibility for the home.

Without reservation, we believe the Church and the ACW can be justifiably proud of this ministry to seniors in the region.

Through the years, many ACW groups have taken an active interest — in offering financial support, in planned visits and in writing cards to residents to encourage them and brighten their days.

The Anglican heritage has been substantially responsible for many who live at Farraline today. Many chose to live there as a result of positive stories passed around their own church and we are pleased to say, they haven't been disappointed.

Marjorie Grant, a resident for nine years, says "there's no place I'd rather be." Marjorie, who attended the Parish Church in Fredericton, "always knew" this is where she wanted to live in her senior years.

She says her daughter who lives in Nova Scotia "knows I'm safe."

There is also Jean Robert-



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AS THIS FILE PHOTO FROM 2016 SHOWS, the summer garden party each August is a very popular afternoon spent on the lush grounds of Farraline Place in downtown Fredericton.

son, with only three months in residence, who tells us "I couldn't be in a better place. It's like being surrounded by relatives," (we assume the good kind!).

One of the great things about Farraline is wonderful, home-cooked meals and the desserts. As we get older and our world becomes smaller, it's not surprising that the food and the meal-time experience become an important part of the day.

It's also a comfort to our residents (and their families) to know our employee tenure is very stable. The average experience of our full-time staff is six years.

Judy O'Donnell, our ad-

ministrator, has been in her position since 2002. Judy is rightfully proud of her staff and says, "this would be where I'd bring my mum or dad." She refers to Farraline as "a genuine home away from home."

Talking with Kellie and Wendy, two of the longest serving staff, it's easy to see competence at work. Both have worked in personal care all their working lives, and with more than 20 years of combined service, they leave you just knowing that mum or dad is in good hands.

Donna, the newest staff member says, "I liked what I saw in my interview. My husband is amazed that I go to work happy and I return home

happy. It's a great place to work and I love it."

A past mayor has said on several occasions Farraline Place is the "best kept secret in Fredericton." We believe we are a "hidden gem" in the world of senior living through the intimacy, caring and genuine concern we offer to those in our care.

This is accomplished both by a caring staff and a very "hands on" working board of directors where most know the residents through visits, fundraising efforts and on-site board meetings which take place in the parlour.

Our fundraising efforts aim to keep our operating costs at a level where we can present

an affordable alternative to seniors who may not be otherwise able to consider such care in the twilight of their lives.

Farraline operates as a registered charity and we are hopeful that greater awareness of our home will encourage you to consider us as an option for your givings.

We also hope you may one day consider Farraline as home for you, your mum, dad or grandparents. It would be our pleasure to know about you so we can stay in touch.

There is considerable information available on our website www.farralineplace.com if you would like to know more.

Of course we are always happy to offer tours upon request. Judy can be reached at 506-455-6443.

As president of the board of directors, my heart is full as I reflect on what we as an Anglican community have been able to undertake.

We have welcomed residents, both men and women from all over New Brunswick, particularly focused on people with low or modest incomes.

I've been privileged to hear many stories of happiness and how residents feel at home and like part of a family.

Not only do the residents comment on the care and attention they receive, but many daughters and sons are quick to express their pleasure knowing mum or dad is safe and well cared for.

Sharon Simms is president and board chair of Farraline Place.

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- *Bishop's Pilgrimage* May 29 - June 12 in the Archdeaconries of Saint John and Kingston & Kennebecasis

- *Deep Roots Diocesan Gathering* June 14 - 15 @ UNB Fredericton

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COMMENTARY

The future of Christ Church Cathedral

'It is not broken, so don't fix it,' says Nicholas Tracy

COMMENTARY BY
DR. NICHOLAS TRACY

The National Trust for Canada held its convention in Fredericton Oct. 18-20 and, under the leadership of Robert Pajot, regeneration project leader, addressed the question of the future of churches in a secular age.

Two of its speakers, Claire Forward, M.Sc. University of Edinburgh, and Kendra Fry who is regeneration works advisor with Faith & The Common Good, Toronto, talked about projects which preserved church buildings by fundamentally transforming them into arts facilities.

A third, Graham Singh (executive director, Trinity Centres Foundation, Montréal, Que.) talked in a more general way about "Recrafting Urban Historic Churches Into Community Hubs."

The Bishop of Fredericton, the Right Rev. David Edwards, also presented his impression of the sort of development needed for "The Revitalization of the Fredericton Anglican Cathedral Precinct."

Singh was unapologetic about his belief that Fredericton's Christ Church Cathedral could only survive if it served



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Cathedral member Nicholas Tracy contends that while the building needs to be maintained, it needs no repurposing. He is seen here (centre left, white beard), next to Tom Morrison, far left, an engineer who led a tour on the positives and negatives of the 170-year-old building Oct. 18.

the secular world, and accommodate the prejudices of that world. The secular community, he insisted, would be unwilling to make use of a space that gave its priority to religion.

As someone who has been a church warden, and has lived in Fredericton since 1980, I have to ask whether these ideas have any potential for the future of Fredericton's religious life.

I doubt that investment in developing the Cathedral into a performing arts centre would prove profitable, as Fredericton already has an arts centre, and is committed to rebuilding its theatre with an additional concert space five minutes from the Cathedral.

Five of Fredericton's down-

town churches, some of which have better acoustics, already make space available for "secular" arts events.

But why is the attention being given to "repurposing" the Cathedral? Not a large church, it is half full for three services on Sundays and filled to capacity perhaps as many as 20 times in the year, depending on the number of funerals, not to mention royal visits.

It is not broken, so don't fix it.

Its role in the secular community is not as a building, but as a symbol valued even if only half consciously by those who retain a hope that there is more than "getting and spending."

The church has made many mistakes in its first 3,000 years,

to make use of the provocative title of Diarmaid MacCulloch's history of the Christian church, and it does need to address the intellectual gap that has opened between it and the world of secular philosophy.

But "heritage" is not just the exterior of old buildings; it is the noumenal life experienced inside great churches, focussing the spiritual needs of belonging, purpose and continuity.

At the same time as the National Trust conference was meeting, there was a presentation at the Beaverbrook Art Gallery in Fredericton by Peter Coffman about his pilgrimage on the Camino to Santiago de Compostela, which he frankly described as a spiritual experi-

ence.

It developed that half of the audience of about 60 had themselves been on the pilgrimage. Far from the cathedral seeking to become more secular, it would appear that it needs to better address the spiritual instincts of the people.

If the spiritual role of the Cathedral could be enhanced by removing the pews, favoured by the bishop and the visiting experts, so be it, but don't do it so that the old building can become part of a conference centre.

As with any heritage building, provision needs to be made for ongoing structural maintenance, but the financial implications should be seen in the context of the wider picture of the resources available to the Cathedral, which also owns a substantial hall used for much of its outreach, and a fine historic deanery.

Across the street are diocesan buildings: an empty house the bishop does not use, and offices in an historic house. To reduce costs and make provision for the future, some or all of the redundant buildings could be sold, with the proceeds invested.

The 1960s Memorial Hall is structurally strong, has recently been reroofed, and has excess capacity that could be renovated to better serve the community.

Moving the bishop in could reduce the diocesan levy on the parishes and provide an income for the Cathedral. The first requirement of fiscal responsibility is to stop wasting resources.

Dr. Nicholas Tracy worships at Christ Church Cathedral.



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CARVING CREW

PUMPKIN CARVING HAS BEEN A TRADITION at the Church of the Ascension in Apohaqui (Parish of Upper Kennebecasis) for at least a decade. Before church on Sunday, Oct. 28, the kids, led by the Rev. Dan MacMullin, got busy with their pumpkins. Treats were provided by ACW. It was a fun time for both young and old.

MUSIC COLUMN

Choral, pop worship albums for Advent & Christmas

Something different is happening this year. The usual plethora of artists releasing new, somewhat cheesy Advent/Christmas albums is not happening to nearly the same degree this year as in the past.

This is potentially exciting! There have been rumbling in the industry for some time now, likely in board and budget meetings, that such releases do not bring in the “big holiday bucks” (Sally, in *A Charlie Brown Christmas*), that record labels have traditionally enjoyed and expected.

This might mean that what new releases do come out are projects of significant effort and interest, though time will tell.

For your feasting ears this season, I present to you two albums, in two genres, for two seasons — Advent and Christmas. This might be the only time Matt Maher and the Choir from St. John’s College, Cambridge, ever appear in the same article!

Matt Maher is becoming a real strength of pop worship and contemporary music in Christian writing these days. He has a number of well-received albums, and everyone seems to want to work with him.

He has just released his



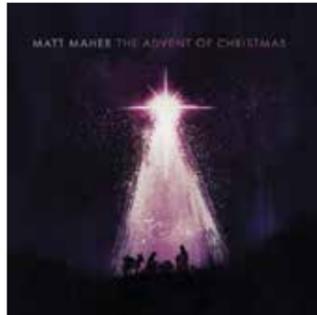
first full-length project for this season, aptly titled, *The Advent of Christmas*.

While the track listing may indicate more Christmas than Advent, I find it very noteworthy that the songs he chose speak the themes of hope, peace, love, and joy that are the themes of Advent.

On this album are a number of strong original works, along with some traditional carols and Christmas songs. Most of them are very good (with the exception, I feel, of his jazzy version of *Jingle Bells* — not sure if he was trying for Peanuts, Bing Crosby, or Grand Ole Opry on that one). But don’t let that one turn you away.

A standout track that might be on the lips of many this year is “*Hope For Everyone*,” which speaks of the hope that Christ’s birth announcement brings.

It is a powerful gospel/pop track that will raise the hairs on your arms, and likely get your feet moving. The song just works.



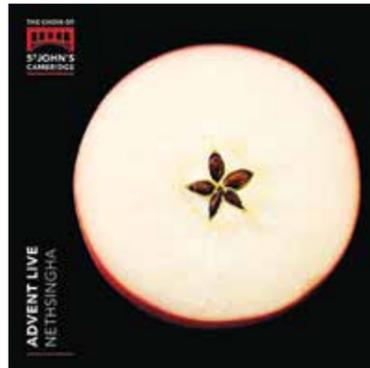
This album, somehow with its blend of traditional and new, yet-to-come and already here, and a few different styles, still evokes that sense of “Christmas-ness” without resorting to the usual orchestral bells, sleigh bells and so on.

For those who like some current music along with their traditional, this album is a great addition to your library.

The Choir of St. John’s College at Cambridge is a men and boys choir, and they have done something rather brave. They have released a live recording, fittingly called *Advent Live*.

A live recording is especially tricky for choirs which usually record in large, cavernous, cathedral-like buildings.

While not brand new recordings, this album comprises tracks from four different live Advent Carols services recorded by the BBC over the



years.

Like our earlier selection, this album includes traditional favourites as well as new compositions (an annual project of the choir).

These new pieces come from choral alumnus such as James Burton, Stephen Cleobury, Tim Watts, and even William Wordsworth (yes, that William Wordsworth, who matriculated from the choir in 1787).

This is a thrilling recording! The blend of contemporary carols, folk songs, and even motets provides a wide scope to understanding the coming entry of God into the world.

The music is strictly advent — calls to repent, prepare, and of course, hope, peace, love, and joy that the coming Messiah will bring.

Burton’s arrangement of “*Tomorrow Shall Be My Danc-*

ing Day” is a standout track, as is Malcolm Archer’s “*The Linden Tree Carol*.” Composers of the past 75 years mix well with those of hundreds of years past.

Technically, this is a superb recording of a live choir. The men and boys blend well together, without trying for that quasi-angelic “pure” tone so often sought after in boys’ choirs.

It is more natural sounding, too! The large sense of space does not reverberate too much; the presence of a congregation during these live recordings “warms” up the sound very well.

Last, but certainly not least, the energy and excitement that come from a live performance is well worth any “loss” that might result from a studio recording.

This is a great collection for the coming Advent and Christmas seasons!

Enjoy these two selections. If you wish, let me know what your reactions are: chris.hayes@anglican.nb.ca.

A blessed Advent to you all, and Merry Christmas too!

The Rev. Chris Hayes is a musician as well as a priest serving in the Parish of Salisbury and Havelock.



Dr. Alan Sears, UNB professor of social studies, Christ Church Cathedral member, presenter of the recent lecture called *Having Faith in Citizenship: The Place of Religion in the Public Square*

- Favourite book of the Bible** - Daniel
- Birthplace** - Hamilton, Ontario
- What you love most about God** – That despite it all, he loves me.
- Favourite place on Earth** - In the Grand Lake Marshes in my kayak.
- Farthest you’ve been from home** - Melbourne, Australia
- Favourite meal or dessert** - Carrot cake
- Biggest fear** – Public failure
- Hidden talent** – Making award winning chili
- Favourite movie or book** – Movie - *The Mission*; Book - *My Name is Asher Lev* by Chaim Potok
- Your hobby** – Cross country skiing and kayaking
- Three things always in your fridge** – Milk, Diet Coke and eggs
- Favourite sports team** - Chicago Black Hawks



DAVID EDWARDS PHOTO

WELCOME! JOANNE AND CARL NICKUM AND their son, Craig Hills, were received into the Anglican Church on Sunday, Oct. 14 in the Parish of Bathurst. With them is Archdeacon Sandy MacPherson.

A D V E N T

ADVENT ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	 B	 E	 L	 L	 S	1 Read Luke 21:25-36
2 HOPE Pray, be always on the watch	3 Encourage someone with kind words	4 Invite someone to share coffee & conversation today	5 Listen for God's voice in music today	6 Re-read and study the Gospels this month	7 Invite someone to discover part of God's beautiful Earth with you	8 Read Luke 3:1-6
9 LOVE How can you prepare the way?	10 Do a secret act of kindness today	11 Bring lunch to someone who doesn't get out much	12 Set aside a time and place to listen to the Holy Spirit	13 Study the life of Jesus written by scholars	14 Fight for a cause that Jesus would support	15 Read Luke 3:7-18
16 JOY Share the good news of the Messiah's coming	17 Give a small gift to someone	18 Bake muffins or cookies and share them with co-workers	19 Use a centreing prayer to hear God's voice	20 Watch a film version of the Gospels	21 Reconcile with someone you've been estranged from	22 Read Luke 1:39-45
23 PEACE Take heart! The Lord will fulfill his promises	24 Read Luke 2:1-20	25 Share your Christmas feast with someone!	26	27	28	29 BELLS is based on the book "Surprise the World" by Michael Frost



ALLYSON CALDWELL PHOTOS

PUMPKIN FUN

In late October some of the Camp Medley Staff traveled to St. Mary & St. Bartholomew in Saint John, and St. Paul, Hampton to hang out and carve pumpkins as part of their kids programs.

There was a great turnout at both parishes, painting and carving pumpkins, sharing some Halloween treats, and teaching them a little bit about Camp Medley.

After finishing their pumpkins, the kids at SMSB traveled to a second room for an indoor campfire, which was enjoyed by the kids — and even the parents!

In Hampton, camp staff saw many familiar faces, as well as a few new ones. Pumpkin painting was a big hit there, especially among the little ones! Medley staff enjoyed sharing snack with the kids and joining in to hear what they have been learning in their kids program this fall.

These events are part of the 'Medley Meet-Up' program. It's a great way to introduce kids to the idea of camp, and get to know parish families.

Thank you to both parishes for hosting! If you would like to schedule a Medley Meet-Up, contact Allyson at director@campmedley.ca

