

The Greater Parish of Gaspé celebrates Gracie Seamer Annett

By Sharon Howell

On Sunday, August 21st, 2016 the Greater Parish of Gaspé celebrated with Gracie Seamer Annett on the event of her retirement as Lay Reader. The parish came together at St. Andrew's, York for a Eucharist service that was officiated by the Rt. Reverend Dennis Drainville, the Reverend Cynthia Patterson, and the Reverend Douglas Johnson.



Gracie with Bishop Dennis

Bishop Drainville thanked Gracie for her years of dedication to the church which has spanned approximately 58 years. During that time her various duties and offices included: choir member; organist; active membership of the Anglican Church Women's organization; Synod Delegate at Diocesan, Provincial, and General Synods; Secretary-Treasurer for St. Andrew's, York; as well as Lay Reader for 25 years.

The hymns selected for the service included: Will You Come and Follow Me, When Long Before Time, Here I Am Lord, and My Life Flows On in Endless Song. These were some of her favourites but she reminded us that they were but a few of them, because had the choir and congregation sung all her favourites we would still be there.

Following the service, a lovely reception was held at

the York Community Hall including a delicious meal that was catered by Albert Patterson and his team. Two delicious cakes were baked and beautifully decorated by Marjorie Patterson. Bishop Drainville blessed the food and all in attendance.

After the meal, a number of people honoured Gracie with reminiscences, thanks, and gifts for her years of dedication. Tom Matthews, Lay Reader from North Hatley, QC and part time summer resident in Gaspé read a letter from Graham Jackson, Retired Warden of Lay Readers of Quebec that he had given him for the occasion. Mr. Jackson extended to Gracie his heartfelt thanks and reminded her that she is far too young to retire and that "once a Lay Reader, always a Lay Reader." He also reminded her that she is held in very high regard for her dedication in the care of others, especially by the Gaspé congregation. Reverend Cynthia Patterson also thanked Gracie for the as-



Rhonda Stewart, Gracie and her husband Ben

sistance she has given her over the years. Cynthia shared a few details of Gracie's support during the early years when she was first a Lay Reader in Malbay. At that time she had no means of transportation to attend meetings in Gaspé and a few times she stayed over at Gracie's due to winter storms. Cynthia thanked Ben, Gracie's husband, for his unwavering support given to Gracie dur-



Gracie cuts her cake All photographs by Elaine Coull

ing her years of service in the church.

In recognition and thanks for her many years of dedication, Rhonda Stewart presented Gracie with a gift of white gold earrings from the York ACW. Gracie has been a member of the organization 58 years and she holds a lifetime membership pin. During these years she served as President and Secretary/Treasurer several times. Currently she serves on the Diocesan ACW Board and is the Representative for Gaspé. Gracie led the committee that organized the ACW Biennial Meeting that was held in Gaspé this past May.

In honour of all her years of devoted service to the Greater Parish of Gaspé, Elizabeth Baird, Warden for the Greater Parish of Gaspé presented Gracie with a gift of a gold chain with a cross and matching bracelet. Since the celebration Gracie has also received numerous gifts and "thank yous" from many people and organizations in the community.

When I contacted Gracie to ask for some details on her years of service for this article, I was amazed to find that she has generously given of her time and energies to the community and the church for approximately 58 years. In addition to her volunteering on church committees and organizations she was also a Brownies and Girl Guides Leader for more than 25 years. Also, Gracie has been a member of the Women's Institute for 58 years and she holds a lifetime membership pin with the organization.

However, it was at the consecration of Bishop Bruce Stavert in the spring of 1991 during the singing of Here I Am Lord that she was told (He had called her a number of times already and she didn't listen) through a voice to become a Lay Reader. That same year, in August 1991, she was inducted as Lay Reader by Bishop Matthews.

Gracie has always been available to lead services as required and/or requested.

During the times when the Greater Parish of Gaspé has been without an incumbent Gracie has consistently and unwaveringly answered the call to serve. Her services have always been well prepared and her sermons/lectures have been well researched, poignant, and well presented.

The Greater Parish of Gaspé has been very fortunate to have Gracie Seamer Annett as their Lay Reader. We wish her and Ben a blessed and happy retirement.



Albert Patterson catered the congregational meal

FROM THE BISHOP

My Dear Friends:

The summer was as usual a busy time despite my intention to restrict my activities. But being in the salubrious climes of the Gaspésie was enjoyable if not restful.

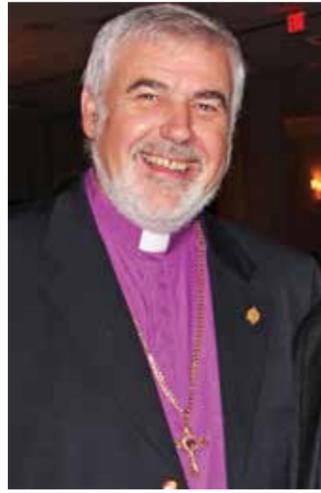
Much continues to happen in the life of our diocesan family. The ACW met for the biennial in June. I have said throughout my 35 years of ministry that the glue that has kept our church family together has been the commitment and devotion shown by members of the ACW in parishes throughout the Canadian Church.

This year at the biennial I challenged the members of the ACW to begin a process of reviewing their mandate and mission. Like all of our communities, the ACW is facing declining numbers in membership, difficulty in renewing leadership and scarcity in resources. I made a pledge to them to help to find resources that could help them through a process of renewal. They will begin to speak about this at their October meeting.

Bruce Myers our Coadjutor Bishop has been travelling from place to place getting to know the Diocesan Family. He spent a week in Kawa and has visited many parish communities. As I write this he is on his way to the North Shore to visit the communities along the St Lawrence River to Labrador. It is not surprising that he has been received with kindness, enthusiasm and wonderful hospitality everywhere he has visited.

As usual the Fall is a time of regrouping and preparing for the more active life of the Christian community. Restructuring of ministry is happening in every region of the Diocese of Québec. And we are happy to receive the Reverend Giuseppe Gagliano to our Diocese in the New Year.

May God continue to bless you all.

Mes chers amis,

Malgré mon intention de garder mes activités au minimum, mon été a été fort occupé. Mais le séjour sous le climat revigorant de la Gaspésie a été très agréable, à défaut d'être reposant.

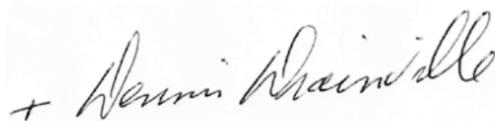
Bien des choses continuent de se passer au sein de notre famille diocésaine. La Guilde des femmes anglicanes (ACW) se rencontrait en juin pour son « congrès » biennal. Au cours de mes 35 ans de ministère, j'ai affirmé et je continue d'affirmer que la « colle » qui assure depuis toujours la solidité de notre famille religieuse provient de l'engagement et de la dévotion démontrés par les membres des ACW dans les diverses paroisses situées dans toute l'Église canadienne.

Au cours de la biennale de cette année, j'ai mis les membres de l'ACW au défi d'amorcer un processus de révision de leur mandat et de leur mission. À l'instar de toutes nos communautés, l'ACW fait face à la baisse de son membership, à des difficultés à renouveler son leadership et à une pénurie de ressources. Je me suis engagé à les aider à trouver des ressources qui pourraient les assister dans ce processus de renouvellement. Elles vont mettre le processus en branle à compter de leur prochaine rencontre cet octobre.

Notre évêque co-adjuteur, Bruce Myers, a passé la majeure partie de l'été à voyager de communauté en communauté, afin de rencontrer et de mieux connaître notre famille diocésaine. Il a passé une semaine à Kawa et s'est rendu dans plusieurs paroisses. Au moment où j'écris ces lignes, il est en route vers la Côte-Nord pour y rencontrer les communautés vivant le long du Saint-Laurent jusqu'au Labrador. Et vous ne serez pas surpris d'apprendre que partout où il s'est rendu, il a été reçu avec gentillesse, enthousiasme et une hospitalité sans bornes.

Et bien sûr, l'arrivée de l'automne signale le début de rencontres et de préparatifs en prévision d'une période plus active au sein de notre communauté chrétienne. Notre ministère est en restructuration dans toutes les régions du diocèse de Québec. Et notre diocèse aura le bonheur d'accueillir le Révérend Giuseppe Gagliano au début de la prochaine année.

Que Dieu maintienne sa bénédiction sur vous tous.



New priest appointed to St. Francis Regional Ministry

Dear friends in Christ,

In consultation with Bishop Dennis, I am delighted to announce the appointment of the Rev. Giuseppe Gagliano as a priest of the St. Francis Regional Ministry.

Raised on a farm in southwestern Ontario, Father Gagliano brings with him an affection for rural ministry and a passion for Christian education and discipleship. His many gifts are well suited for the new regional ministry model emerging in the Deanery of St. Francis. He

will help lead and equip an existing team of clergy and lay leaders serving Anglicans in more than a dozen communities across the Eastern Townships. He will also bring much to the life and work of our diocesan church.

Ordained a priest in 2013, Fr Gagliano is currently serving St. Paul's Church, Sydenham, in the Diocese of Ontario, where he is also warden of the diocesan Lay Readers' Association and a member of the diocese's Training and Development Committee. He is a gradu-

ate of Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, and Yale Divinity School.

Fr Gagliano's appointment follows the unanimous recommendation of representatives of congregations participating in the St. Francis Regional Ministry and of the Diocesan Executive Council. He will begin serving in the Diocese of Quebec on January 1, 2017. A celebration of this new ministry will be announced closer to the date of his arrival.

I am confident you will enjoy getting to know Fr Gagliano as much as I have in the past few months, and that you will find in him the same gifts for ministry so many others have. I pray that



together you will grow still more into the full stature of Christ and reveal still more of the kingdom of God in our midst.

Yours in Christ,

The Rt. Rev. Bruce Myers
OGS
Bishop Coadjutor

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The cemetery that was almost sold, a cautionary tale

By James Sweeny

Life as the diocesan property manager can sometimes bring interesting phone calls. Late last spring I had a call from a gentleman who told me he was buying a piece of property on which to build his new house. He was calling me to ask “what about the grave stones that were located there”? He didn’t want to disturb them but he also did not want to have people trampling over his back yard to visit the stones.

I arranged to visit the lot in question and we walked well back from the road to a clearing where there was an obvious grave yard nicely situated on the banks of the river.

The diocese knew it was there, it was the cemetery for Trinity Church, Saint-Gilles Lotbiniere. The church was active from the middle part of the 1800s until the last service in July

of 1911. The cemetery had surrounded the church and the last burial was in the 1940s even though the church had been demolished by then. The MRC of Lotbiniere had even put up a plaque on the site so you can understand my confusion when I was told he was buying it and that the real estate agent claimed it was no longer a cemetery.

The claim may have been due to a lack of understanding between our normal Anglican practice of keeping cemeteries in perpetuity versus that of the Roman Catholics who close or reuse a grave if annual support fees are not paid. This was further muddled by the fact that when the local land surveyors undertook the government’s new cadastral numbering system they had failed to make the cemetery a separate lot.

A quick study of the deeds of sale for the

original lot, which included the church and cemetery property as well as other lands, showed that in every case the church property was not only clearly defined and excluded from any sales and that we retained a right of way to our property.

Application was made to the government department in charge to make a correction and three months later, after a new survey, we received notice that the property is now registered as a separate lot in the name of the Lord Bishop.

There is a warning to us all in this tale as if the gentleman had not called asking about the stones, we might not have known that the property was being sold. A less caring individual might have just removed the stones and enjoyed the property. For more than twenty years the government has been slowly redoing the cadastral (land property) map of the province. The work is not yet

complete and it is important for wardens and members of congregations to be aware when the work is being done in your area. Notices are sent to property owners by the land sureyors as they begin to work in a region. However in most cases they do not know where to send them for churches or cemeteries and so the office is often unaware of the proposed changes.

In the past few years I have been to the meetings held in the areas where I know this new numbering is taking place. I attend to verify the size and ownership of the church’s property. It is my experience that in seventy-five to eighty percent of cases there is an error, often small, but in some cases quite major.

The current cadastral maps date from the mid to late 1800s and with the number of sales of land since then there are sometimes surprises when the deeds are re-examined. In one case the total acreage of the old large

lot was less than the sum of the parcels the current owners said they owned. We were not there to defend our rights and that resulted in our losing title to part of what had been church land.

In the case of St Gilles it worked out but next time we might not be so lucky.



This cross stands in the cemetery and marks the placement of the back wall of the church. You can see through the cross to the pathway that leads to the highway.

The Anglican Fellowship of Prayer and the Society of St. John the Evangelist invite you to pray this fall

When the disciples asked “Lord, teach us to pray,” they were not hoping to develop a new skill. Rather, they were working to enhance their ongoing and daily communication with God, with hopes to better align their lives with the will of the divine.

Jesus’ response was the perfect invitation for all of his followers throughout the ages. He invites us to enter into that mystical dance with the Holy One, through the simple and poignant act of prayer.

This fall, the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer (AFP) has joined with the Society of St. John the Evangelist in CANADA PRAYS, a project encouraging us all to delve deeper into the shared mystery of that prayerful experience. Using the seven models of prayer (thanksgiving, petition, penitence, oblation, intercession, praise, and adoration), we are all being invited to participate in the daily exercise of prayer at prayersofthepeople.org.

For seven weeks, starting at Thanksgiving and leading up to Advent, we will focus on one model of prayer each week, highlighted in a blog on The Community (thecommunity.anglican.ca). In Advent we will return to one model per day. Prayers will be welcomed through social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) by use of a double-hashtag (i.e. #prayersof #thanksgiving).

Commenting on the project Archdeacon Paul Feheley, the National Director of AFP said, “This project is an exciting step forward for AFP as we work to develop new and exciting prayer resources for all Christians. These prayers are truly the prayers of the people, reflecting the truth of God active in our lives from the depths of our being. As more people participate, the richness will increase.”

These prayers will remain on the prayersofthepeople.org website, and we encourage intercessors to consider including them for use in common worship.

Pray with us at: <http://prayersofthepeople.org> and use #prayersof on social media
Like us on Facebook and write on our page: <https://www.facebook.com/prayersof/>
Visit the AFP website: anglicanprayer.org

CANADA PRAYS

October 9th:	#prayersof	#Thanksgiving	God of grace, I give thanks
October 16th:	#prayersof	#Petition	God of the ages, I ask your help
October 23th:	#prayersof	#Penitence	God of forgiveness, I am sorry
October 30th:	#prayersof	#Oblation	God of vision, I offer to you
November 6th:	#prayersof	#Intercession	God of compassion, I pray for
November 13th:	#prayersof	#Praise	God of glory, I praise you
November 20th:	#prayersof	#Adoration	God of love, I adore you



The Coadjutor Bishop goes a travelling

In June it was off to “Bishop’s school



The freshman class at this year’s “Living Our Vows” program for new bishops of the Episcopal Church and The Anglican Church of Canada (left to right): Mary Irwin-Gibson (Montreal), Moises Quezada Mota (coadjutor, Dominican Republic), Peter Eaton (South-east Florida), Bruce Myers (coadjutor, Quebec), Russell Kendrick (Central Gulf Coast), Mark VanKoeving (assistant, West Virginia), George Sumner (Dallas), Pat Bell (Eastern Oregon), Audrey Scanlan (Central Pennsylvania)

Toronto in July for General Synod



An early August garden party in Quebec City



Anne Chapman, Rural dean, hosted a BBQ at her home in August, for Deanery members and their families. It was a chance to welcome Coadjutor Bishop Bruce back from his extensive travels

To Australia for the OGS professed members and companions 2016 General Chapter & Retreat, followed by a visit to New Zealand



With some much needed vacation time as well



Off to the Deanery of the North Shore



Photo from left to right: Jody Lessard, Executive Director NSCA, Stephen Kohner, Lay Incumbent - Baie-Comeau, Debbie Laurie, NSCA Chair, Bishop Bruce Myers, Linda Stubbert, Lay Incumbent - Sept-Iles

Article and photo submitted by S. Kohner

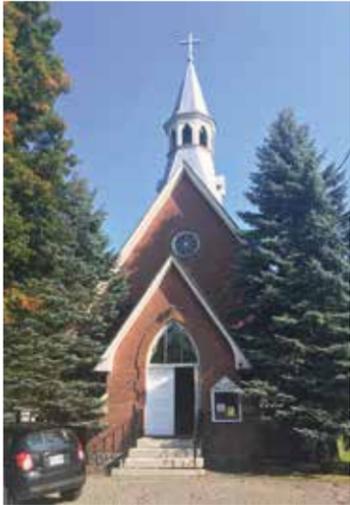
On his third day of a visitation to the North Shore and Lower North Shore, Bishop Bruce Myers spoke to members of the North Shore Community Association (NSCA) as they met for their 16th annual general meeting in Sept-Iles on September 10th. As guest speaker, Bishop Bruce spoke for the need and the capacity for the Anglican church to work in close collaboration and partnership with the NSCA and the multitude of community organizations that are linked to it.

He noted that the NSCA’s mission statement of “building a vital, informed and strong community” is mirrors in part the need of the church to respond to the needs of its communities presently facing challenges related to economy, demographics, out-migration of its youth and the needs of seniors.

The visit has connected him with not only the NSCA but with the concept and goals of the Community Learning Centres (CLCs) that are an integrative part of many schools/communities within the diocesan territory. There are no less than 19 of these centres that help provide life-long learning opportunities in a spirit of cooperation and collaboration with community partners. It is imperative that the church actively engages and participates in these networks that are based in the English schools.

This initial visit, talks and informal discussions with key community players will undoubtedly provide inspiration and a network form which the church can be actively engage in helping to sustain our communities.

Visited with the people of St. Paul, Bury, and St. Peter, Cookshire, two of the lovely churches in the St. Francis Regional Ministry in the Eastern Townships



Shared post-communion fellowship with some of the saints of All Saints, Sept-Iles



The Order of the Diocese of Quebec presented to Lloyd Ransom



Bishop Bruce said “It was my privilege to present the Order of the Diocese of Quebec to Lloyd Ransom, who has faithfully served as a churchwarden of Christ Church, Harrington Harbour, for 36 years. To his right is Wayne Foreman, who is succeeding him as churchwarden. The order recognizes laypeople who have made a significant and enduring contribution to the life and work of the Anglican church in our diocese.”

It is always good to get back home to Quebec City where they know you. Bishop who?



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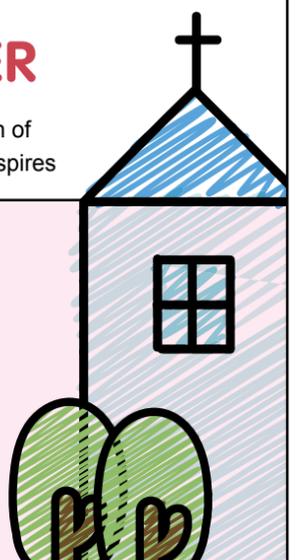
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Summer events across the diocese

Sweet rewards on Entry Island



All Saints Gardens on Entry island had its very first honey harvest!! They harvested approximately 40 cups (10 litres) which was just enough to share with every household on Entry Island. A very special thanks to Darlene, Robin, Thelma, Brittany, Troy, Emile and Maxime. Many hands make light work

Thanks to the Anglican Foundation of Canada for its support of this great project, which gives expression to the fifth Mark of Mission: “to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.”



Concert at Corner of the Beach



On Wednesday, July 27th, Zoé Jean-Deslauriers, an eighteen year old student of the Vincent d'Indy School of Music in Montreal, entertained in concert at the Corner of the Beach Cultural Museum (former Anglican church).

The very talented Zoé who plays piano, guitar and ukulélé and has a clear and charming voice sang played

and thoroughly won the hearts of her audience of forty-seven. Thoroughly bilingual, Zoé was able to sing as well as explain each selection in both English and French which was greatly appreciated by the mixed Anglo-Francophone group in attendance. This is the second year that Zoé has shared her talents at the museum and we look forward to her return in 2017.

Over the summer there was a series of three concerts held on consecutive Sunday afternoons in St James the Apostle church in Cacouna. These were well attended and supported by the wider community. Part of the funding for this came from a grant from the Deanery of Quebec.

With permission and thanks, we are publishing an article that appeared in the most recent edition of the *Journal Epik* which is the news magazine for the village. The photos were taken by Yvan Roy, editor of the *Epik*.

Un succès pour la première édition de Cacouna en concerts

par Yvan Roy

Cacouna, le 10 août 2016 – Les organisateurs de Cacouna en concerts déposent un bilan plus que satisfaisant pour la première édition de l'événement qui se déroulait entre le 24 juillet et le 7 août dernier à l'église anglicane St. James the Apostle de Cacouna.

Ce sont près de quatre cents personnes qui ont assisté à l'un ou l'autre des concerts. Huit musiciens se sont partagé la scène au cours de l'événement et ils ont offert au public des prestations inspirées de haut niveau.

L'événement, soutenu par plusieurs partenaires de la région, était offert gratuitement et le public était invité à contribuer financièrement de manière volontaire.

Le coordonnateur de la série, le violoniste Frédéric St-Pierre, se dit très heureux du résultat et planche déjà sur la programmation de la prochaine édition qui aura lieu l'été prochain.



Rappelons que MaTV présentera les concerts du 31 juillet et 7 août au cours de l'automne lors de l'émission L'Intégrale.



175th anniversary of St. Bartholemew's Church in Riviere-du-Loup

By Helen Meredith

How many churches in the Diocese of Quebec can claim a former Canadian Prime Minister as a congregant? St. Bartholemew's Church in Riviere-du-Loup, for one. Sir John A. Macdonald and his family worshiped there when they spent their summers in St. Patrick on the banks of the St. Lawrence River. The church is nestled in the heart of le Vieux Riviere-du-Loup and its 175th anniversary was celebrated there this summer.

Built in 1841 for the town's then English-speaking community its role has slowly evolved from one of worship to witness. While regular services ceased in the late 1970s (with congregants now attending the summer parish of St. James the Apostle in Cacouna) the Conseil du Patrimoine Religieux supported the restoration of the church in the 1990s, the work was finished in 1999 and the building was reopened with much fanfare. Since then it has been open to the public every summer, drawing in particular people who visit the historic family home of the Fraser family – members of which worshiped there.

City officials are enthusiastic allies for St. Bartholemew's and led the charge to mark its 175th birthday. On August 6, the roughly 60 people took in some or all of a 3-part celebration which included a presentation on the history of the church by Melanie Girard (Executive Director of the Musee du Bas St. Laurent), Evensong led by the Rev. William Terry Blizzard (the last full-time priest at St. Bartholemew's) and tea party (catered by the staff of the Manoir Seigneurial Fraser) on the lawn of the church.



Even Sir John A Macdonald was there to take in the festivities!



Part of the Evensong congregation with Rev. Blizzard on the left and a Sir John A. look alike from the Manoir Fraser on the extreme right

Our diocese covers a large territory with vast spaces between our congregations. Please send in your stories, photos of events and interesting news from your part of the diocese to share via the *Quebec Diocesan Gazette* with the rest of us. Deadlines are October 5 for the November paper and November 1st for the December one.

E-mail stories and photos to editor@quebec.anglican.ca



Postulant Gene Ross, Ven. Dean E. Ross, Bishop Bruce, crucifer Dayna Alexandre, the Rev. Lynn Ross, and the Ven. Edward Simonton

Happy 150th birthday St. George's!

Article and photo by John Hoblyn

On Sunday August 28, Georgeville held a celebration to give thanks for the extensive renovations, and for an amazing 150 (continuous?) years of worship in St. George's Anglican Church, Georgeville. What a joyous occasion it was!

We were so happy to have Bishop Bruce Myers, the Coadjutor Bishop of Quebec, his first time officiating in our church. He replaced the Primate who, unfortunately, had to officiate at a friend's funeral service in Calgary. Bishop Bruce Myers was supported by the Ven. Dean E. Ross, our incumbent, his brother Rev. Lynn Ross, the Ven. Edward Simonton, Archdeacon of the St. Francis Deanery and the Postulant Gene Ross. Sarah Hoblyn directed 20 members of the Georgeville Occasional Choir, from the organ. Perhaps the highlight being the appropriate 'Old Time Religion Medley' by Mark Hayes, sung during the offertory, when the 150+ congregation

could not resist joining in the rhythmic clapping!

The Bishop, in his sermon opened with a quote from the Psalm chosen for the occasion 'How lovely is your dwelling place' and reminded us that the people of Georgeville originally formed an Anglican mission, meeting in the School House (still standing next door to the church) and by the lake before building their church. He congratulated us that St. George's had been built in just 2 years unlike Solomon's Temple which took 20 years! Reminding us that it is the people, not the building, that are The Church.

Following the service all were welcomed to the Murray Memorial Hall for a time of fellowship, sumptuous refreshments being provided by the Anglican Church Women.

Pierre Reid, the MNA for Orford, addressed us and reminded us that the renova-

tions were generously supported by the government of Quebec, through the Quebec Religious Heritage Council who provided some 70% of the costs.

He then read a letter of congratulations from the Premier of Quebec. We were very much entertained by a short video, prepared by Louise Abbott, of a recent talk given by Dr. Valerie Pasztor on the history of St. George's including many historical photos and also recent ones showing various stages of the renovation.

A presentation was made to the architect Claire Moore, Toby Rochester and John Hoblyn in recognition of their extensive work on the whole project.

With the support of our generous donors and the grants, we are happy to be able to leave our beautiful church in good shape for our congregations and the people of Georgeville for many years to come.



On July 30, 2016, Linda Stubbert, lay Incumbent of All Saints Sept-Iles, celebrated the marriage of Frankie Monger and Jorina Chislett. Photo by Corinne Bobbitt

The summer may be over but the fun goes on!!

You are all invited to Trinity Ste-Foy where the A.C.W. will be having an Armistice Day tea and sale on Saturday, Nov. 5th., at 2 p.m. There will be a bake table, knitting and crafts, plants and books, and a nearly new table to shop at. All are welcome. Trinity Church will be celebrating their 191st. Anniversary on Nov. 27th at their regular 11:30 a.m., Sunday morning Service. Bishop Bruce Myers, Presiding.

Gleanings

Gleanings is a monthly column by Meb Reisner Wright, the diocesan historian, who delves in to the back issues of the Quebec Diocesan Gazette to present us with interesting nuggets of our past.

The W.A. [Women's Auxiliary], predecessor of the ACW, was particularly active during World War I, bringing women together to make clothing and augment basic medical supplies, such as lint and bandages for the troops overseas, and in heartening those among them with sons, husbands, sweethearts and other loved ones in the conflict abroad.

In the Diocese of Quebec, parish W.A.s were organized by Deanery with a Diocesan meeting of the W.A. Board held in the Quebec City area each month.

"The October meeting of the Diocesan Board," an article in the November issue of the Diocesan Gazette reported, "began with a Service of Intercession in the Cathedral. The address was given by the Dean [the Very Revd Richmond Shreve] who welcomed the members at the opening of the autumn term of work."

It is quite clear from the article how firmly the War was viewed, in some quarters at least, not as a political or an economic struggle, but solely as an ideological and moral one: "In the course of his address," the author reports, "the Dean referred to the war as a great struggle between those who acknowledge only the might of temporal power and those who cared for right and honour and acknowledged the force of moral obligations." He did acknowledge, however, that the will to power and the forces of materialism were not only to be found among the Central Powers—Germany and Austria-Hungary—but latent in us all. "The materialistic spirit was not confined to the Central Powers, he said, but was to be met with throughout the world, and all those who were working to combat the spirit, all those who took time, even from patriotic work, to give expression to their belief in the pre-eminence of the spiritual and moral, and by example, work and prayer were trying to raise the moral standard in their own and in other parts of the world, were helping to shorten the duration of the war."

"At the meeting in the [Cathedral] Hall ... the Minutes of the June meeting at Bergerville [obviously St Michael's, Sillery] were read and confirmed. The roll of parishes showed a representation of 21 out-of-town branches out of 27 and a good attendance of members."

"Correspondence included a letter from Rupert's Land W.A., asking how expenses to the Annual Meeting were met ..."

"The Deanery Secretary [Miss Pope] said that she hoped to visit four Deaneries [Coaticook, Cookshire, Sherbrooke and Richmond—all of which unite in St Francis Deanery today] and to hold a meeting in each after the Central Board Meeting. A most cordial invitation is extended to all Church women and girls to attend these meetings, whether they are W.A. Members or not. Every parish and mission should be represented at the meeting held in its deanery. It is particularly hoped that women and girls will come from parishes where there is no branch of the W.A."

From the beginning, organizing members well understood how important it was to encourage those of the fringes who could not venture very far from their homes but who would benefit greatly from feeling they were part of a larger, vigorous and contributing organization.

"Members who are seldom able to attend the Annual Meetings in Quebec, " the article concludes, "should welcome this opportunity of meeting one of the Diocesan Officers and receiving encouragement and inspiration which comes from contact with others who are working for the same great objects under difficulties similar to their own."

On the Lighter Side

The following was sent in by Mark Franklin a lay reader in our diocese. The late Rev. Canon John Franklin was priest in our diocese from 1948 to 1971 and who then retired to assist in the diocese of Toronto. This memo was found in Canon Franklin's papers

MEMORANDUM

To: Jesus, Son of Joseph
Woodcrafter Carpenter Shop, Nazareth

From: Jordon Management Consultants

Dear Sir,

Thank you for submitting the resumes of the twelve men you have picked for management positions in your new organisation. All of them have now taken our battery of tests. We have not only run the results through our computer, but have also arranged personal interviews for each of them with our psychologist and vocational aptitude consultant.

It is the staff opinion that most of your nominees are lacking in background, education, and vocational aptitude for the type of enterprise you are undertaking. They do not have the team concept. We would recommend that you continue your search for persons of experience in managerial ability and proven capability.

Simon Peter is emotionally unstable and given to fits of temper. Andrew has absolutely no qualities of leadership. The two brothers, James and John, the sons of Zeberdee, place personal interest above company loyalty. Thomas demonstrates a questioning attitude that would tend to undermine morale. We feel that it is our duty to tell you that Matthew has been blacklisted by the Greater Jerusalem Better Business Bureau. James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus definitely have radical leanings. They both registered a high score on the manic-depressive scale.

One of the candidates, however, shows great potential. He is a man of ability and resourcefulness, meets people well, has a keen business mind and has contacts in high places. He is highly motivated, ambitious, and responsible. We recommend Judas Iscariot as your controller and right-hand man. All other profiles are self explanatory.

Sincerely yours,

Jordan Management Consultants

YOUNG PEOPLE

HOW TO STOP THEM LEAVING THE CHURCH



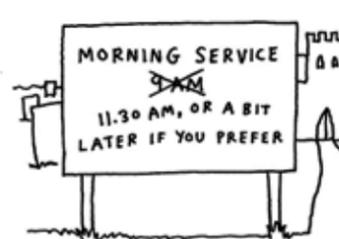
GET THEM INVOLVED



LET THEM LEAD THE SERVICE



ENCOURAGE THE CONGREGATION TO BE MORE YOUTH-FRIENDLY



ADJUST THE SERVICE TIME



SEND THEM ON A LIFE-CHANGING TRIP



LOCK THE DOORS