

St James the Apostle Cacouna celebrates 150 years

By Andrew Reeve

By 1862 the Cacouna summer community was already thriving. Tired of having to hold church services in meeting rooms at the local hotels, or in private residences, the Protestant communities decided to build a church that they would share. In 1865 the church was built and began its purpose.

By 1870 various groups decided to build their own churches and the church was dedicated to St James the Apostle in the Anglican Church of Canada, in the Diocese of Quebec. 2015 thus marks the 150th anniversary of this building.

By happy coincidence 2015 also marks the 250th anniversary of the creation of the

Beginning with our usual service at 11am we enjoyed the following calendar:

* A concert by local singers the Beaulieu Family with their friends

* A vin d'honneur to celebrate the unveiling of a plaque to mark the event, featuring Charles-Antoine Frandelion playing traditional accordion music

* A méchoui dinner, which was sold out well ahead of the date

* A classical concert in the evening featuring the music of Mozart, Beethoven and others, played by Andrée-Anne Caron, piano, and Frédéric St-Pierre, violin

A tired but happy group finally called it a day at 10pm. Thanks are due to those in the



Rev. Terry Blizzard as Lord Bishop Jacob Mountain, first bishop of Quebec, unveils the plaque. With him is Georges Pelletier, local historian.

Photo by Yvan Roy

church has successfully applied for funding from the Conseil du patrimoine religieux du Québec and is starting their funding campaign to move ahead for the next 150 years. Work is required for both the church and the parsonage.

The Conseil funds 70% of the cost of these works, with the church responsible for the remaining 30%. We would encourage anyone with a Cacouna history to consider supporting this campaign. A donation of \$300 for example, will provide \$1000 worth of

renovations and still offer a tax receipt.

Donations may be sent to our Treasurer: Mr Trevor Arkell, 15 Tamarisk St, Whitby, ON L1R 1N5.



Photo by Yvan Roy

Long time friend of the church, Yvan Roy, in period dress with parishioner Patricia Reeve. To the right is Yvan's daughter Melanie.

hamlet of Cacouna. Therefore a joint celebration was planned for both the summer community and those local inhabitants who brave the winters in the lower St Lawrence.

photographs and to our performers as well as Ann Arkell, Christine Belliveau, Karine Boutin, and Linda Dionne.

In other Cacouna news, the

St James the Less Compton sold

St James the Less church in Compton had been unusable for a number of years and had been deconsecrated. Members from St James now travel down the road to St John's Waterville.

The congregation and the diocese have been trying to sell the church for over three years. At the same time the church and diocese were working with a local group to find an alternative use for the building but with no success. The building and land were sold, less a number of heritage items to a local business man who may try to save the building.

Though viewed by some as a part of Compton's heritage, the church is not cited as such by any level of government. The building once had a tall spire which was removed decades ago, and more worry-

ing is the fact that northern foundation wall is leaning outward about 20 degrees! The church had a long association with King's Hall girls



The window erected in memory of Suzanne MacPherson who died at aged 15 while a pupil at King's Hall

school in Compton. The girls marched two by two along Cochrane Road to the church each Sunday for the 11 am service. King's Hall closed in 1992 and joined with the

boys' school, Bishop's College School (BCS), to create the current co-educational one. As the St James cannot be restored for less than \$250,000 the diocese has made an agreement with BCS to preserve some the church's heritage at the school. The bell, the pews and six of the stained glass windows, including the one pictured at the left, will be removed and the plan is to have some of these placed in a prominent place on the BCS campus.

This is a win-win-win situation. The congregation and diocese are not on the hook for the estimated \$26,000 to demolish the building, BCS and its King's Hall alumni will now have a link on the new campus to their old school and the town of Compton will now collect taxes from the new owner of the property.



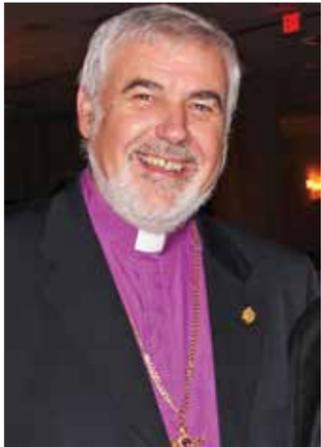
What are these guys doing? Find out on page 4.



Turn to page 3 to see who has earned EfM certification from University.

FROM THE BISHOP

La vocation de travailler pour Dieu A call to work for the Lord



Mes chers amis:

Le diocèse de Québec a un besoin criant de prêtres et de célébrants laïcs. La réduction du nombre de nos fidèles enregistrée au cours des 10 dernières années a résulté en une sérieuse diminution du nombre de nos prêtres rémunérés. Mais nous nous retrouvons aujourd'hui dans une situation où il sera bientôt presque impossible de fournir les services les plus essentiels tels l'administration des sacrements et l'exercice du culte dans certaines régions. Ce n'est pas la première fois que je plaide pour que les anglicans de tous les coins du diocèse participent à l'identification de ceux et celles qui seraient susceptibles d'exercer un ministère. L'appel que je vous lance aujourd'hui est un cri d'alarme : nos besoins sont de plus en plus pressants et urgents.

Au cours des années 2002 et 2003, alors que j'étais curé de la Grande Paroisse de Gaspé, nous avons créé un processus de développement de pasteurs laïcs qui pourraient agir au titre de lecteurs laïcs (lay readers) ou donner un coup de main dans l'exercice du ministère pastoral et visiter les malades et les personnes ne pouvant plus quitter leur résidence. Nous tentions aussi alors de développer des pasteurs qui pourraient être ordonnés à la prêtrise. Le processus que nous avons utilisé était basé sur l'enseignement et la prière pendant 3 ou 4 mois aux cours desquels nous engagions des discussions concernant le ministère en général et où nous expliquions ce en quoi consistent le ministère laïc et la prêtrise. À la fin de cette période, tout comme les membres des congrégations ancestrales, nous avons voté et/ou mis en nomination les personnes qui nous semblaient appelées par Dieu à exercer un ministère paroissial. Les fidèles de plusieurs églises m'ont aidé à

effectuer la compilation des votes et nominations. L'exercice a permis d'identifier 30 paroissiens mis en nomination pour un ministère laïc et 8 personnes pour la prêtrise. Mon rôle était maintenant d'entrer en contact avec chaque personne et de lui demander si elle acceptait cette nomination et se sentait prête à exercer un tel ministère. Je ne me rappelle plus très bien combien de personnes ont accepté de relever le défi, mais il me semble qu'environ un tiers des personnes que j'ai contactées ont répondu par l'affirmative.

Quant aux personnes qui étaient pressenties pour la prêtrise, 5 d'entre elles se sont montrées intéressées et deux d'entre elles ont été ordonnées, Cynthia Patterson et Douglas Johnson.

Il s'agit là d'un exemple de démarche; il doit y en avoir bien d'autres... Nous devons dès maintenant amorcer la recherche de la prochaine génération de pasteurs et de prêtres. Ce défi n'est pas celui « de l'Évêque »; c'est un défi pour tout le peuple de Dieu. Si vous connaissez des hommes et des femmes de grande foi qui ont naturellement tendance à aider leur prochain, je vous demanderais de leur parler de notre nécessité. Si vous aimez notre Église et voulez participer à la mission de Dieu, alors portez-vous volontaire ou devenez une personne qui cherche activement à découvrir ceux et celles qui nous guideront dans le futur. Il serait vraiment regrettable que nous ne puissions continuer à vivre dans la Foi et accomplir notre ministère parce que certaines personnes, n'ayant jamais vu leurs talents reconnus, n'osent pas tenter la chance ou croient ne pas avoir les capacités requises.

Si vous voulez discuter de cette possibilité pour vous-même ou si vous connaissez quelqu'un qui pourrait être pasteur, parlez-en à votre curé, à l'archidiacre ou contactez-moi directement. Notre avenir dépend de votre implication active dans ce processus.

Merci, et que Dieu vous bénisse toujours,

+ *Norman Macmillan*

Dear Friends:

We are in great need of lay and ordained ministers in the Diocese of Quebec. As we have reduced in size over the last ten years we have, perforce reduced our numbers of stipendiary clergy. But we are now in a situation in some regions where we are perilously close to not being able to provide the basics of administration of the sacraments and regular worship. I have spoken many times before about the need for Anglicans throughout the diocese to discern those who might respond to the call to minister. The call I am making now is both pressing and urgent.

Back in the year 2002 and 2003, when I was the Incumbent of the Greater Parish of Gaspé, we went through a process of raising –up lay ministers who could be lay readers or who could help in pastoral ministry and visiting the sick and shut-ins. We also sought to raise up ordained ministers. The process was one of focused education and prayer over a three to four month period where we spoke about ministry in general and what lay ministry and ordained ministry were all about. At the end of that period, like the members of the early church we voted/nominated individuals who we believed God was calling to parish ministry. I was helped in the counting of the votes/nominations by people from a number of churches. Out of that process over thirty parishioners were nominated for lay ministry and eight people were nominated for ordained ministry. It was my task to ask the individuals if they accepted the vote/nomination and would they join us in ministry. I can't recall precisely how many accepted the call to lay ministry but it was, I believe about a third of those I spoke with..

Of the individuals voted or nominated for ordained ministry five expressed an interest; and two, Cynthia Patterson and Douglas Johnson have been ordained.

That was one approach there must be others. We need to engage now in the process of finding a new generation of ministers. This challenge is not "the bishop's." It is a challenge to the whole people of God.

If you know of individuals who have a deep Faith and are by nature inclined to serve others, I would ask you to speak to them of our need. If you love our church and want it to continue in God's Mission then volunteer yourself or be someone who actively seeks for those who will lead us into the future. It would be sad indeed if we were not able to live out our Faith and ministry because individuals were unwilling or thought that they could not take up the challenge because no one had ever affirmed their gifts. If you would like to discuss this possibility or if you know of someone with the potential to become a minister, speak to your local parish priest, archdeacon or to me. Our future depends on your active engagement in this process.

Thank you and May God continue to bless you.

+ *Norman Macmillan*

We want your input, this is the paper for the whole diocese

The **Quebec Diocesan Gazette** wants news and photos from around the diocese, please send them to us.

The deadline is the 1st of the month prior to publication. For example the deadline for the January paper is December 1st.

Photos should be high resolution (300 dpi) Submit articles and photos to editor@quebec.anglican.ca

Next month's issue will include information of proposed changes to the constitution and canons of the diocese which are to come before the Synod at the end of November.

Wondering about who is nominated for the position of coadjutor bishop? As soon as the list is made public in early November it will be posted to the diocesan web site and to the diocesan Facebook page.

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TENDING THE GARDEN

By Marie-Sol Gaudreau, Executive Director

As you may have heard, our next Diocesan Synod will be held November 26 to 29, 2015. Even though I'm a bit early this year, I do want to talk about the importance of Synod. Preparations for Synod have already started. The Canons committee has met and their recommendations have been presented to DEC. The budget, the important responsibility of the finance team, is also being prepared for the next two years. Work has already started on the various aspects from salaries for our Bishop and future Co-adjutor Bishop to the various deanery budgets. One aspect that facilitates the preparation of the 2016 budget is that by this time we've received 95% of annual reports from the parishes, meaning that we can determine fair share more accurately for our budget.

Parishes have also been preparing for Synod; delegates were elected at the annual vestry meeting. Statements of accounts have been received detailing if a Parish is in "Good standing" or not. I am sure some of you are wondering what is 'Good standing'. A parish is in 'Good Standing' when they have paid their Fair Share up and including the month of December 2015. Each parish receives an invoice at the beginning of the year with their Fair Share, and the amount is spread over twelve months. This year, since Synod is held at the end of the November, all 12 months must be paid for your delegate to have a vote at Synod.

If, for whatever reason, it looks like your parish will have difficulty catching up in time for Synod, it is very important for you to get in touch with me as soon as possible. Various arrangements have been made in the past to deal with specific congregational situations. I feel very strongly about your presence at Synod, and will do everything I can to work with you so that your delegate attends.

Should your congregation not be in Good standing your delegate will not be able to vote at Synod or have their expenses reimbursed. The consequences being that your congregation will not be represented at Synod.

What is Synod exactly? Synod is the highest decision making body of our diocese. It is at this meeting that each of you has a chance to help shape the decisions that are being made and participate in the present and future of the diocese. This Synod is especially important as we will be electing out next bishop.

I'm looking forward to hearing from you before Synod to answer any of your questions that you may have.

The ACW Monthly Worship: The Way of Love 1 Corinthians 13: 1-7, 13

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers and understand all mysteries and all knowledge and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have and if I deliver my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

So faith, hope, love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

(1) What things sometime pass as love?

(2) How is love explained in this passage?

(3) This is a very familiar passage read at weddings. Why is this a good passage for a young couple?

Prayer: Almighty and most merciful Father, who hast given us a new commandment that we should love one another, give us also grace that we may fulfil it. Direct our lives so that we may look each to the good of the other in word and deed. And hallow all our friendships by the blessing of thy spirit. Amen

Supplied by Greta Nish the Diocesan ACW Worship leader

PHOTO NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE



Members of the Tuesday morning Education for Ministry program gather to celebrate their recent graduates: Roy Stinson, Marilyn Mastine, Kay Hartwell, Ruth Sheeran, Jane Bishop, and Fred Richardson. EfM is a four year program of theological study for lay ministry. The third year group which currently meets in the Deanery of St Francis will be accepting new first year members in the fall of 2016. Please contact Lynn Dillabough to register: lynn.dillabough@gmail.com



Linda Stubbert, Lay Incumbent of Sept-Iles Quebec, baptized twin boys Evan and Emryck Cox on December 21st, 2014. The proud parents of the boys are Emilie Bastien and Jamie Cox. "I've baptized approximately 50 children since I've had my license but this is the first time baptizing twins." What a great honour!" said Stubbert. Photo credit: Emilie Bastien



Youth Retreat

From May 29th - 31st the teenagers of St Anne's, Richmond and St Michael's, Sillery came together for a retreat in Danville.

The days were filled with worship and activities on the themes of God's good creation and food security. Visits were made to three local farms and the food eaten was all local and lovingly prepared. Lots of fun was had and plans are in the works for another gathering this fall.

Please contact Lynn Dillabough if you have a youth group who would like to participate

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.

In the first week of October 1915, M. Wiley, a young Gaspeian, put pen to paper in a British army camp in the south of England. The letter was directed to “Mr and Mrs Vibert” of Shigawake—the Revd Arthur John Vibert and his wife Stella who had served that parish since 1912. Full of first-hand news of the front and, at this stage, enthusiasm for the war effort (and thus, one might cynically observe, fostering recruitment at home) the letter made its way eventually to the Diocesan Gazette where it appeared the following January.

“I have just returned from six weeks at the firing line,” Wiley begins, “and as we are not rushed with work I decided to drop a line to some of my friends. We have been recalled from the Western front and ordered abroad again somewhere east of the Suez Canal (sealed orders) but it looks like the Persian Gulf ... I’d like very much to see all those old historic places. ... We will now have to outfit with sun helmets and canvas clothing for the hot climates; they are getting 120 in the shade out there now.”

There was, of course, censorship of the mail so that neither thoughtlessly loose lips at home nor intercepted correspondence could aid the enemy, but this description was perhaps deemed sufficiently vague to pass.

Wiley soon recurs to past experiences: “We left the Trenches on Tuesday at 10 a.m. and were in England at 12 o’clock the same night, reached Longmoor Camp [Hampshire] at 5 a.m. Wednesday morning” where he was still stationed.

“Well, we had quite a trip to Belgium,” he continues chattily, “landed at Calais and entrained for the front, got off the train with a battle going on in the air overhead between two aeroplanes and the air full of bursting shells.” Warfare in the air was in its infancy in World War I and these planes, one must remember, would have been framed in wood and covered with fabric, though none the less deadly to those involved.

“We were billeted in a town five miles behind the firing line, five or six regiments of us, they all get four days in the trenches and four days’ rest in their billets.” At this stage



photo: Canadian Great War Project web site

Mail from Canada arriving at the front.

the misery of long drawn out trench warfare and constant bombardment had not yet begun, confirmed by Wiley’s statement that “the Germans used to get hostile once a week and get after us with a ‘Jack Johnson’ [a heavy 15 cm German artillery shell] in our billet.” Later on he mentions the wide variety of armament they faced—and heard—“We had all the German shells named by their size, they all make a different noise coming through the air, the ‘Jack Johnson’, ‘Screeching Lizzie’, ‘Western Express’ and ‘Whiz Bangs’, some of them are four feet long, the ‘Whiz Bangs’ are the smallest, about 6 inches in diameter and eighteen inches long. We used to dig one up once in a while that didn’t explode.”

Although the town nearest his billet “was pretty well smashed up” he noted that the local inhabitants attempted to carry on their lives and labours as best they could. “The

people around there pay no attention to the war, keep on farming, plowing and stacking grain within six or seven hundred yards of the German trenches, in between the Belgian lines and barbed wire entanglements.”

His fellow soldiers, too, he noted, made the same adjustment. “We built several bridges across the Canals for taking guns and ammunition over ... most of it was done under shell fire, some of it only 300 yards from the German trenches. We soon get accustomed to the shell fire and paid no attention to it. It’s wonderful the way the guns are concealed with green branches and sods and grass, at ten feet distant they can’t be seen. They paint all the waggons to resemble trees or grass so that the aeroplanes won’t spot them easy.”

Back in England, his morale was high, but he was obviously nostalgic for home. “We are having a swell time here

in Eng[land], which won’t be long. I wish it was Canada for a few days, for I tell you these English, French and Belgian girls are all very pretty and nice but they can’t compare with our Canadian girls. So roll on peace conference until I get back again. ... Are there many boys from around home enlisting? I can’t see what keeps them back ... If they ever got to France and saw those vans of wounded go by from the trenches, 1500 to one hospital in an hour, they would wonder why they didn’t enlist months ago. ... Kitchener wants thirty thousand recruits a week to keep the Empire afloat. I’m no warrior myself, but I studied the matter out and I’m satisfied and happy to be here. Here is the place of every man capable of carrying a service rifle. Well I must close.”

The final passage in the letter sounds somewhat wistful, and one wonders if Wiley had any family or anyone anxiously awaiting his return. “If ever you get the time or inclination,” he concludes, “drop a line to an old friend as it does a man good in a wet old trench soaked to the skin to get a bit of news.

I remain your friend in khaki,

M. Wiley

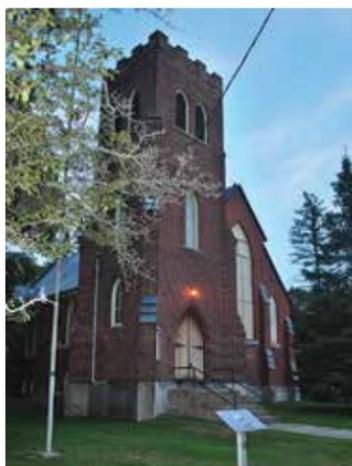
Lance Corporal, Company 2, Platoon 6, Can. Overseas Ry Cons. Corps, Can. Expd Force, via England.”

Plaque placed outside St Anne’s Church



By Don Nixon

Last month a new plaque was installed outside St Anne’s Church Richmond giving the history of the building. These plaques are part of a number being placed along the *Route des cantons* to highlight significant buildings. These are funded by various levels of government and local historical societies.



Next Justice Camp to take place in Cuba

Twenty-five Canadians over the age of 18 will be chosen to participate

The first-ever international Justice Camp will bring together a diverse group of Anglicans in Cuba next May to explore the concept of the common good with an eye towards furthering God’s justice and loving purposes.

Through a week-long program of directed immersion experiences, biblical reflection, worship, and relationship building, participants form friendships and develop skills to become effective social justice leaders within their own local communities. Issues related to food security, economic justice and civic engagement will be featured throughout the camp.

“The camps are a tangible expression of our baptismal promises, especially as they better equip us to strive for

justice and uphold the dignity of every human being,” said the Reverend Bill Mous, one of the camp’s organizers. “This camp will also foster Cuban-Canadian relationships and explore what it means to be the Body of Christ at an international level.”

Twenty-five Canadians over the age of 18 will be chosen to participate in the camp alongside 25 Cuban participants. In keeping with the justice camp ethos, efforts will be made to ensure participants reflect the Anglican Church of Canada’s diversity. Those interested in learning more about the camp or desiring to submit an online application can visit www.justicecamp.ca.

There have been seven Justice Camps since the first was hosted in Winnipeg in 2005.

This Justice Camp is an innovative joint initiative of the Diocese of Niagara and the Diocese of Cuba which are in a companion diocese relationship, along with The Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund and the Anglican Church of Canada.

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