

# The St. Paul's Chronicle

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Star of Bethlehem

by Sir Edward Coley Burne-Jones, 1st Baronet, (1833 – 1898)

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#### Our Memorial to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II April 21, 1926 – September 8, 2022



This memorial tribute was prepared by Mimi Price for display at the chancel steps during the official mourning period: September 8 to September 19, 2022.



King Charles III at his mother's coffin.



Queen Elizabeth appoints Liz Truss as PM at Balmoral Castle, September 6, 2022

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#### WHO TO CALL AT ST. PAUL'S

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# EDITOR'S MESSAGE by George D. Timpson

Dear St Paulians,

This is the thirteenth edition of *The St. Paul's Chronicle* and it deals with the upcoming months of the remainder of December, 2022, January and February, 2023. It also records the various special events since June, 2022. I hope you enjoy reading it and take note of the events which are happening in our church life.

I would like to thank Rev. Debbie, Marilyn Hutchison, Mark and Kathy Hall, and my wife, Ann, for their contribution of photographs. The pictures add a lot of lightness to a newsletter.

In this issue we mark the passing of our late Queen, Her Majesty Elizabeth II, on the inside cover. We also have notes from our Incumbent, Rev. Debbie, regarding the vacation trip with her husband, Scott, to the United Kingdom and just happening to be there in London at the time of the Queen's death.

As well, we have photos from our October 1<sup>st</sup> congregation dinner and the Messy Church held on October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

As I have tried to stress before, if you would like to write something for this newsletter, then please let me know. You can send it to me as an email attachment to georgetimpson@rogers.com or pin it to the "You've got mail" section of the bulletin board outside the church office as a handwritten note and I will type it out for you.

I realize that many of you prefer to receive your copy of *The Chronicle* by electronic means. If you are a person who would prefer to receive a printed copy, please sign the appropriate list in the church foyer. It is wasteful of resources to print a number of copies far in excess of what is required.

The next edition of *The Chronicle* will be released on Sunday, February 26, 2023. The deadline for submissions will be **Thursday, February 16, 2023**. Earlier submission of articles is always welcomed.

I hope that you will keep this copy of *The Chronicle* on your coffee table for frequent reference so that you are aware of what is happening at St. Paul's!

For the record, this edition consists of 7,695 words. Merry Christmas and a successful 2023 to each and every one of you!

Enjoy this edition!



# Shirley Warnett 1935 – September 20, 2022



Shirley Warnett of Stroud passed away at Hospice Simcoe, Barrie, on Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at the age of 87. Shirley will be fondly remembered by her church family at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Barrie, and by her friends.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following comments were made by Cathy Turgeon at Shirley's Celebration of Life on Thursday, October 20, 2022.

"When I remember Shirley, I choose to remember JOY!

"Many of us remember well the pleasure that Shirley got from singing in the choir.

Always marking Sunday's hymns in her book with her ribboned bookmark.

- The JOY of singing in the choir!

"On occasion, I would drive Shirley to Foodland in Stroud. One day, during Covid, we were talking about food shortages. She told me that she was unable to get Corn Flakes. Shirley was very much a creature of habit. She ate Corn Flakes for her breakfast every day so I decided to ask a couple of people to be on the lookout for them and soon my husband found Corn Flakes at Costco. "When I arranged to deliver them to her, Shirley wisely asked her neighbour Marion to carry them up to her apartment for her. The two big Costco sized boxes were almost as big as Shirley! We laughed later when she told me that the only place she had room to keep them was in the bath tub! - The JOY of Corn Flakes!

"Shirley, Penny and I were a Coffee Team. People always looked forward to Shirley's big blue tray of buttered raisin bread but there was one person who had mentioned that he didn't like his raisin bread buttered (was that you Ken?). From then on there was always a carefully wrapped slice of unbuttered bread set aside.

- The JOY of remembering the little things that made people feel special!

"Shirley was also a member of The Chancel Guild for many years. When we do the Christmas decorating, the figurines that we use in the Crèche are brought down from the Bell Tower. When the other figures are set in their places the Baby Jesus figure is taken to the back of the church to be brought up and placed in the Crèche by one of the children on Christmas Eve.

"Shirley always liked to carry the Baby Jesus to the back. With a sparkle in her eye she would say, the touch of this figurine is warming my hands. I can feel his warmth.

- The JOY of Shirley's faith!"

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*Epitaph found in an old New England cemetery* 

"Under the grass and under the trees

Lies the body of Jonathan Pease;

Pease isn't there – it's only his pod.

Pease shelled out and went to God!"

Jean Mary Dunn April 9, 1933 – September 24, 2022



Jean Mary Dunn (nee Lavers) Passed away peacefully on Saturday September 24, 2022 at Royal Victoria Hospital, Barrie in her 90th year. Jean, beloved wife of the late Norman Dunn. Loving mother of Marcie (Stephen) Robitaille and cherished grandmother of Dayna (Jake Ellis). Survived by her sister June (the late Allan) Wellman. Predeceased also by sister Marion and parents Clarence and Georgina Lavers.

#### From Rev. Debbie Dennis:

"Jean was the matriarch of a tightly knit circle of women. She was beloved by her daughter Marice and granddaughter Dayna. And she was one half of a set of twins which formed her and strengthened her throughout her life. A palliative care nurse, Jean touched many people by her wisdom, compassion and practical care. She had home baked cookies at the ready and there were no strangers who visited her home. My favourite snapshot of Jean was her looking elegant and sparkly at Stephen and Marcie's wedding. In spite of her physical frailty, she glowed with joy and thanksgiving on this special day. Her quiet yet core Anglican faith guided her and sustained her. May light perpetual shine upon her."

Janine Denise Rhoddy December 8, 1942 – September 30, 2022



Janine and Randolph Rhoddy (from 2014 Church Directory)

Peacefully at Hospice Simcoe, surrounded by her family, Janine lost her battle with cancer. Beloved wife of Randy Rhoddy. Loving mother of Michelle (Brett) James, Walter (Phyllis) and Lisa (Victor) Nybog. Cherished grandmother of Heather, Laura, Madison, Mya, Max and Ace and great-grandmother of Rory.

#### From Rev. Debbie Dennis:

"Janine was quite simply a gracious and generous woman. She had what I understand to be the three f's: faith, fight, and family. Diagnosed with stage 4 cancer, she lived almost six years because of these three things. She was unfailingly positive about her illness and did not complain in spite of chemotherapy, hospital admissions and painful days.

"Janine also was surrounded by the love of her family. She was proud, curious and involved as a mother and grandmother. She gave unstintingly to them and they, in turn, paid it back. And Janine was a woman of deep and profound faith. It nourished my spirit to visit her with Home Holy Communion because it was evident how much it meant to her and how strong her connection with Christ Jesus was.

"This world and our community is impoverished by her loss. We know that we will see her again."

Marlee Gertrude Anne Kennedy

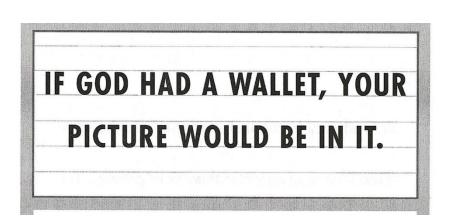
1929 - 2022



With great sadness, our beloved mom, Marlee, gently passed, with family holding her hand. Marlee was predeceased by her loving husband of 68 years, Norman. She will be deeply missed by her children, whom she was so proud of, Jeff (Joan), David (Thelma), Kim (predeceased by Greg in 2012), Erin (Stephen). Beloved grandmother to Aidan, Grace, Nicole (Tyler), Brandon (Amy), Earl (Alethea), Cathy (Brandon), Candice (Troy) and Holly (Brook). Precious great-grandma to Isaiah, Thatcher, Sofia, Olivia and Liliana.

Marlee will be remembered for her infectious laugh, her graciousness, her optimism and her love of cats. Marlee lived life to the fullest, always ready for a good laugh or a hug. She loved entertaining and spending time with family and friends, a kind and beautiful soul. Mom, we know that you are at peace with dad. You will never be forgotten and you will always be loved.

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**DEBBIE'S DESK** 



#### by The Rev. Debbie Dennis

#### Advent 2022

We will be learning about the four angels of Christmas during our Sunday morning sermon series. We will use a study by Susan Robb, *The Angels of Christmas: Hearing God's Voice in Advent.* Susan is a best-selling Christian author and a United Methodist pastor in Texas.

We may think the Nativity Story begins with the Annunciation – the angel Gabriel announcing to Mary that she will have a child – but Gabriel made another appearance before Mary. Zechariah receives the first visitation and that is to announce that he and Elizabeth would become parents, even though they thought it impossible because of their advanced age. As we know, that child was John the Baptist. Together, we will explore the four angelic visits surrounding the birth of Jesus with Zechariah, Mary, Joseph, and the shepherds.

Rev. Debbie will not be preaching. Rather, we will be using the video produced for this Advent Study found on Amplify Media. Bishop Shaw gave St. Paul's a grant to subscribe to this streaming service and we want to make it available to as many people as possible. Up to 100 users may be subscribed. You will learn more about how to do this during Advent.

There are also resources for children. Our Sunday School uses the video clip each week to better understand the Biblical story. There are studies of all kinds, devotional through to academic, that can be used on your own or in small groups. There are also movies with family-friendly content. Going forward, you will be seeing various clips on Sunday mornings used to help introduce our worship services.

Let's learn about and maximise our use of this exciting resource!

#### **Reflections on Our Visit to the United Kingdom**

It was the trip of a lifetime! Since I have been a 'tween I have wanted to visit the United Kingdom. I gobbled up historical fiction about the Tudor and Stuart periods and later the Plantagenets. To visit the palaces associated with these monarchs and their eras was a long-held dream. Being an Anglican priest, I also wanted to visit English cathedrals I had read so much about and to simply feed my spirit. To be able to soak up the atmosphere, graced with centuries and

prayer, and to appreciate the beauty of the work of people inspired to honour God was bucket list stuff! It is not possible (or desirable) to recount all that we did but I would like to offer you four glimpses of our trip.



Many best-known English Cathedrals are "high Gothic" in style. One distinctive feature of this style is the ceiling design. A picture is worth 1,000 words so I direct vour attention to the fan vaulting ornamentation on the ceiling of the Chapel at King's College Cambridge. "Built during the reigns of Henry VI through to VIII, it is one of the best examples of Perpendicular Gothic architecture in England and the most beautiful building in Cambridge" writes travel guide Rick Steeves. "Look up and marvel, as Christopher Wren did, at what was then the largest single span of vaulted Built between 1512 roof anywhere. 1515, its 2,000 tons of incredible fan vaulting - held in place by the force of gravity - are a careful balancing act resting delicately on the buttresses visible outside the building. The round bosses in

the center, each weighing nearly two tons, are what hold the structure together."

**Hampton Court Palace** is the best example of Tudor architecture remaining in England. There is also a gallery containing the famous portraits of King Henry VIII's six wives. Once again, the undisputed highlight is the stunning Chapel Royal. Once again, in the high Gothic style, the stunning ceiling evokes a sense of awe at the majesty of Almighty God the Creator of the universe.





how the tilting central tower was fixed and the workings of the oldest manual clock in Europe. They were mesmerized. I needed to return to learn about the stained glass, the font, the chapels and the stunning altar linens!

Finally, we were in the UK, staying at a London hotel, when Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's funeral was held.

The security presence was remarkable. What I found deeply moving were the floral tributes given by ordinary people in Thanksgiving for the Queen. By every post box, government building and royal site there were flowers four rows deep. We waited about one hour to visit Royal Park Garden where many of the flowers were moved. It was literally football field after football field of flowers laid out around mature trees or snaking through the grass. It moved me to tears.

Thank you, God, for the gift of this remarkable vacation.

The medieval masterpiece **Salisbury Cathedral** was built in a remarkable 38 years, from 1220 - 1258! It boasts the tallest spire in England (404 feet) and because of the large grassy field, the cathedral close, the spire looks even bigger. Ken Follet fans may know the story of this cathedral from his best-selling novel *Pillars of the Earth.* Scott and I were so taken with this sacred site that we stayed an extra day. Our first tour of the cathedral was given by a retired engineer and the four engineers in the group (Scott being one) talked about the drainage of ground under the cathedral,



Salisbury Cathedral



# PARISH VISIONING

Our facilitator Patricia Baldwin began with a land acknowledgement and said we would create a PATH by the end of our afternoon and explained what that was. These were the questions asked to create that path. A sample answer is included which is taken from feedback given at the Visioning Day. (You will see what we created and your feedback will be added. We have a parish volunteer working on producing the graphic for us.)

#### **QUESTION ONE**

What does church mean to me? Answer in one word.

Sample answer: *Community* 

#### **QUESTION TWO**

If we understand God the Holy Trinity to be our guide, what brings the Trinity joy and what breaks their heart?

Sample answer: Conflict in the world, the Covid pandemic, busyness which squeezes out reflection

#### **QUESTION THREE**

POSITIVE AND POSSIBLE

What is important to you that we accomplish in two years time?

Sample answer: Reach out to members on our parish list who have not returned to worship/parish events since the pandemic, revisit how we communicate: The Chronicle, website, Facebook page, telephone tree

#### **QUESTION FOUR**

Good, bad and ugly

Give us a snapshot of where we are now?

Sample answer: declining attendance, financial worries and debt

#### **QUESTION FIVE**

What will keep us strong?

Sample answer: *Having fun together/parish events, our faith, wine and chocolate* 

#### QUESTION SIX

Who do we need to engage in this process who is not here? (You do not need to answer this because that is the point of this questionnaire.)

#### **QUESTION SEVEN**

What can we realistically accomplish in six months time?

Sample answer: begin low-cost informal evenings for young families, reintroduce contemplative service and prayer

**CLOSING** We participated in a body prayer exercise.

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# A COMMUNION PRAYER (FROM THE REIGNS OF TWO QUEEN ELIZABETHS)

When Queen Elizabeth I came to the throne of England she was asked if she believed in the doctrine of transubstantiation or not. Her reply was:

"'Twas Christ the Word that spake it; He took the bread and brake it; And what His word doth make it Do I believe and take it"

Centuries later, during the reign of Queen Elizabeth II, a St. Paulian provided a second verse for the other communion element:

"'Twas Christ the Vine who spake it; He took the cup and drank it; And what His word doth make it Do I believe and take it."

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#### "BIBLE" =

"Basic Instrutions Before Leaving Earth".



# **BOOKS 'N THINGS IN THE LIBRARY**

#### by Ann Timpson, Church Librarian

#### Two Men of Christmas

Some years ago, Canadian Tire had an advertisement urging people to "Spent like Santa, but Save like Scrooge"! I wish I had kept the picture with the ad, which showed a divided circle with Santa on one side and a rather affable looking Scrooge on the other. In our Library collection we have many items concerning both of these gentlemen.

First, let us look at Santa Claus, whose name is derived from St. Nicholas. That man has always been known for his helping people. I remember a minister telling a tale in which St. Peter calls St. Pandolph and St. Nicholas to see him. St. Pandolph arrives first, his halo neatly in place and his robes immaculate. When St. Peter asks if he saw anything on his way, the saint replies that all he saw was a farmer in his field, plowing. Later, St. Nicholas comes in. He is out of breath, his halo is awry, and his robes are very muddy. "I'm sorry to be late," he apologises, "but I saw a farmer whose plow had become stuck and I helped him."

We have three DVDs called *St. Nicholas* in our collection. One is a biographical



"Now, what kind of talk is that: 'Bah, Humbug'?"

film and the other two are from Veggie Tales. We also have two copies of a book *Santa and the Christ Child*. In another movie, *One Magic Christmas*, a little girl and an unusual-looking angel visit Santa to help the child's mother get back the Christmas spirit.

The House of Wooden Santas is a Canadian book showing many carvings of the familiar Christmas figure. All who remember the TV show *Bewitched* will enjoy the four Christmas episodes we have. We also have CDs with songs about Santa.

In *Lark! The Herald Angels Sing* a baby girl is found in the manger of a church pageant. This leads to a Christmas carol sing to beat any rendition! And in

*Christmas at Harrington's* a lady is employed to play Mrs. Santa (instead of having the man in the red outfit).

People who enjoyed the TV series *Bewitched* will like the episodes in which Santa and Samantha meet again. In another story, *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe,* Father Christmas (the English name for Santa Claus) is able to get into Narnia, where previously he was kept out by the evil White Witch. She has made it "always winter, but never Christmas!" We have both the book and the 6-part series made by the BBC. He comes in part 4.

As far as Ebenezer Scrooge is concerned, we have two copies of the Dickens classic, one of them entitled *Saint Scrooge*. Also, our collection holds two editions of the Alastair Sim film of *A Christmas Carol*, considered by many to be THE version of the story. Apparently, Mr. Sim was quite fun-loving and his wife tells in her biography of the gentleman that Scrooge's antics after he wakes up on Christmas morning are "pure Alastair!"

Although Dickens didn't write a sequel to his famous novella, we do have a movie called *Mr. Scrooge to See You* in which Marley's Ghost sends his friend into the future to get Timothy Cratchit IV to behave himself!

Besides these, we have three DVDs with cartoons of *A Christmas Carol.* One has Mr. Magoo, another has Micky Mouse, and the third stars the Muppets. There are also three books of mysteries by Barbara Andrews (*Two Deadly Doves, The Nightingale before Christmas, and How the Finch Stole Christmas*). Don't worry, we also have *How the Grinch...* as well. There is also *A Christmas Carol Murder*!

So come and enjoy the *Two Men of Christmas* in the Library.

#### Graphic Novels in the Library

After a gathering for Messy Church, a mother told me that her youngster only enjoyed reading graphic novels. Now, according to signs in Indigo and Chapters book stores, this is a "high-falutin" term for comic books! Don't get me wrong, though: I enjoy a good comic – and we have several in the Church Library.

For instance, in our Comparative Religions section, there is a delightful tale about *Magic Monkey*, a mischievous fellow who creates "havoc in Heaven". He is redeemed when he accompanies Tripitaka, a Chinese monk, to bring back Buddhist scriptures to China. The book was published by the Royal Ontario Museum when they had a display *Silk Roads and China Ships*. At the end of the story are pictures of the artifacts displayed, with the challenge to find them in the comic. So far, I've found ten.

Some people may remember *Sunday Pix*, a Church school paper published by David C. Cook. The first four pages of this showed Bible stories which, if you collected all of them, took you from Creation to Revelation. Some years ago, the publisher put all these together in *The Action Bible*, and later added a slimmer

volume, *The Action Bible: Heroes and Villains*. See also the pocket novel-sized book *Prophets and Kings*, as well three books showing some of the adventures of *Tullus*, A Christian lad in ancient Roman times.

Some comics are included in stories. These include *Adventure Bible Handbook*, *The Gospel according to Peanuts, The Parables of Peanuts, and the series The Dead Sea Squirrels.* 

These aren't all the graphic novels in the Library. Come and see what else is there. After all, each year September 25 is *National Comic Book Day* and October 15 is *I Love Lucy Day*. Have fun!!!

May I wish you and yours a Merry Christmas and a very happy 2023!



John 2: v:1-11





#### RECTOR'S WARDEN'S MESSAGE & Special Events Co-ordinator

#### by Marilyn Hutchison

Today is the first day of October; where have the last five months gone?

Now that we are once again enjoying coffee hour after service with a sweet of course, it is wonderful to have an opportunity to visit with our St. Paul's family. Susan Ball is looking for "coffee hour" support; give her a call or let Cathy know in the office that you will take on a Sunday.

Today, the Regathering Dinner was the first in person dinner for a long time; two years and a bit, I think! Thank you, Mike Sindrey and Fr. Ken for the turkey dinner. Thank you, Eleanor Beamish, Mark & Kathy Hall for making the delicious apple pies for dessert and the ladies, who peeled all those apples. Thank you, Mimi Price for staying on top the contractors who repaired our roof and sanctuary ceiling after the 2021 tornado. The roof repair is complete, inside and out, and it looks as good as new. I had an opportunity to speak to the man who did the finishing on the ceiling and he told me he was 60 years old and that is what he did for a living.

You may not have noticed that the weeds that keep springing up along the walkway and driveway; they just keep appearing. Thank you, Jerry Woodworth, who brings his garden bench and spends hours toiling away plucking those pesky weeds.

Have you noticed the fall crocuses in the garden? Their delicate, purple heads are delightful to see. Thank you, Marilyn Jenkinson who made sure there was something blooming, in the fall.

St. Paul's "Visioning Day", took place on Saturday, October 22nd. There was no slouching on tables as we formed a circle of chairs and prompted by our facilitator, Patricia Baldwin, we reflected on what our faith meant to each of us and then built on those ideas. Thank you to Patricia for her time and expertise is guiding us.

Andrea Simpson, a new member to St. Paul's family generously offered the services of her son, Andrew, who is a graphic artist (with his permission) to take the "Visioning" chart and recreate it and print it for St. Paul's family.

God is good, God is great, and we thank Him, for all we have.

#### SPECIAL EVENTS REPORT

#### St. Paul's introduces new Ministry: Event Management

Providing catering serves has been rewarding and one of the main ministries for St. Paul's. We are grateful to our faithful volunteers but we can no longer support this given the age and stage of our volunteers.

The income generated through this ministry has offset expenses that have been unbudgeted or unsupported by our weekly giving's.

God always shows us a way and we now have a new ministry; Event Management.

This ministry plays a supervisory role, with only two people needed to oversee an event; and we charge a fee.

A snapshot of what The Event Management Team offers to facilitate a function is:

- Intake of flowers
- Intake of catered food
- Table Set Up
- Table Linen (colour choice)
- Use of dishes for your function
- AV, Podium, Microphone, Large Screen TV
- Clean-up

Cathy Turgeon provides information about this service to renters or anyone inquiring about the use of our hall.

We have recently had one funeral that our services as "event management" were requested and other than set up, take down and clean-up, only a kettle of water had to be boiled.

Food and coffee were delivered to the church; we received it, and placed it on tables in readiness for the lunch.



The reception table after a recent funeral.



# BACKGROUND SCENES FOR THE CHURCH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

#### by Mark and Kathy Hall

As this edition of the *Chronicle* goes to press, your volunteer team was working hard to make sure the 2022 St. Paul's Christmas Bazaar would be another resounding success.

After weathering two years of Covid restrictions, for 2022 we will be able to stage the Bazaar back in its full, regular, in-person format.

With the able assistance of a dozen of parishioners, we were planning all your favourite tables: knitting, crafts, baking, penny table, food basket raffle, silent auction, gift baskets, doorstep urns, books, lunchroom, and a new "thrifty market" area. We are also hoping to have an outdoor hot chocolate booth staffed by some of our youngest members.

While the Bazaar is certainly one of St. Paul's major annual fundraisers, it's also an important way for parish members, veterans and newcomers alike, to work together in a spirit of fun and fellowship.

And if you happened to drop by the church hall anytime in the past couple of months, you've been sure to find someone hard at work baking, making crafts, sorting donations, making signs, chatting and laughing and sharing stories on how things are going in everyone's lives these days. That's almost as important as the scene on Bazaar Day, Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, when the doors opened and the crowds rushed in on another Christmas wonderland.

Watch for a full report with more photos in the next issue of *The Chronicle*.



Pies being prepared for the Bazaar.





St. Paul's Elves Making Christmas Wreaths

Inside the Hutchison Bazaar Workshop





Special Christmas Hats

Products from Santa's Workshop

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Taken from It's All Downhill From Here ... A For Better or For Worse Collection by Lynn Johnston





# **ST. PAUL'S CEMETERY BOARD NEWS**

## By George D. Timpson Chair, St. Paul's Cemetery Board

Since the last edition of The Chronicle, the Cemetery Board celebrated Cemetery Sunday with the full cooperation of Rev. Debbie Dennis and the St. Paul's Church organizations. Cemetery Sunday was held on Sunday, June 5, 2022, on a beautiful sunny day.

After the service, we had a lovely luncheon organized by Marilyn Hutchison and her group that prepares for such great events.

Since then, the Cemetery Board has had one formal meeting on Wednesday, September 14, 2022, at which the board members learned that St. Paul's Anglican Church Cemetery is in excellent shape financially. Even though the Cemetery Sunday luncheon is paid for by the Cemetery Board, the board raised over \$8,000.00 toward its operations. Thank you to all those people who contributed – many of whom have family relatives within the cemetery property.

At the same meeting, the board authorized our property maintenance company to proceed with ordering a new columbarium which will be installed next spring. It is surprising how the cost of such a construction has increased over the last year. This year the cost is \$55,000.00 + taxes. Prior to the COVID pandemic, the cost was approximately \$25,000.00 + taxes. Consequently, once the remaining spaces are purchased, the board will be looking at increasing the cost of columbarium spaces in the new columbarium.

As well, in the last year, we lost one of our long-term board members, Paul Stunden. The Stunden family has donated money to purchase four trees to be planted around the former schoolhouse located within the cemetery property. Paul attended at this building as a youngster when he was a student therein.

In addition to these trees, the board has also had two trees planted in the same area around the current vault building (the former schoolhouse). The money to donate these trees was contributed by the Fralick family.

Thank you to members of the Stunden and Fralick families for their generous donations. The new trees look great and will grow to provide much needed future shade and more beauty to the cemetery grounds.





The new trees arrive on November 4, 2022, and are planted in the cemetery.

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# PEOPLES' WARDEN'S MESSAGE & Property Committee Chair

### by Mike Sindrey

As you know, we have been busy over time keeping the physical plant of the church operational. The water system work is ongoing, but it is working well now. The roof in the church was finally completed with Mimi Price's oversight.

The hall around the offices and the foyer leading into the hall have been painted. This means everything has been painted in the last five years except for the actual offices.

We have had cleanup days: one in the spring and one in the fall.

I would like to thank everyone for their time and help.

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# THE FISHERMEN'S QUARTET

First Tuna, Second Tuna, Barracuda and Bass,

Sometimes they play on Porpoise,

But usually just for the Halibut!

*Editor's Note:* The following poem was written by a late friend of Ann's and mine, the late Enid N. Maize. Her book, *Wind-Free* was published in 2014 and is in our St. Paul's library.

#### **"THE FORGOTTEN MESSAGE**



Enid N. Maize

"Christmas comes Christmas goes, What message is left with humankind? We may never know.

"The Christ-child came The Christ-child died. He came as a symbol of peace and goodwill. Unseen in a broken world.

"Conflict rages Conflict remains. Our understanding wavers in deference to aggressive behaviour.

"Knowledge comes knowledge remains. We seek to learn of different cultures through a broader lens.

"War comes War goes. The scars on society glare and glow with zeal for peace.

"Christmas comes Christmas goes. Did we hear the message of long ago? One of hope, joy, love and peace ... I don't think so."

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# **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

# by Marilyn Hutchison

George and I would like you, our St. Paul's family, to know who Eleanor Foley is, and why you have been praying for her for over a year.

The picture we share was taken in 2016.

Eleanor, the general manager for a development company, has been married for 25 years and their two daughters are 20 and 17.

Julv. 2021, In Eleanor had her second COVIUD shot. Although she received a different vaccine for her second shot, she assured was bv several doctors that

there was no need for concern – it was ketchup by another name!



The Foley Family

The morning after her second shot, Eleanor felt very tired, tired enough that she told her husband she was going into work later in the day – not like her at all. Within a couple of hours, their eldest daughter found her mother unresponsive on her bed. Eleanor was rushed to the nearby hospital as she had lapsed into a coma, where she remained for four days. The local hospital had no idea how to treat her nor could they figure out what was wrong so she was transferred to Toronto Western (ICU) where she remained for a month before being discharged home without any answers.

Eleanor has memory loss, suffers from fatigue, stutters when trying to speak, brain fog and is unable to walk without a cane as a result of "drop foot". Prior to the second vaccine, she was a very busy woman who put in 18-hour days and lived life to the fullest. A therapist works with her, in their home weekly, to assist her in walking.

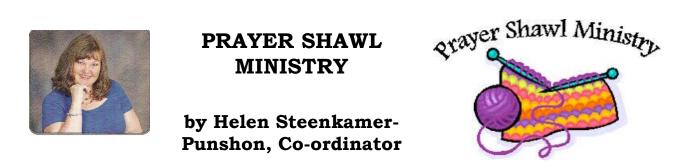
Eleanor cannot cope with more than one conversation going on around her, she cannot take noise of any kind, and that includes barking dogs, she must write down and check off tasks so that steps that once were automatic are not forgotten. Her daughters are afraid for their mother and her husband, who has not wavered in his care for her, and also has the care of his aging father.

George and I visit frequently and we talk every day with Eleanor to encourage and support her.

Eleanor is a fighter, she is positive and she is determined, but she is also a realist and knows that life as it is, is the new norm for her.

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To all of you, THANK YOU, for your continued prayers and support.



Greetings to all of you!!! I hope that you have all been keeping well and have found inventive ways to make the most of all the numerous changes that we have had to adapt to over the past few years. Perhaps you found a new hobby, got caught up with some works in progress, discovered the ease and joy in connecting with family and friends over video chats, enjoyed your garden, rediscovered the joy in walking and being present in the extraordinary beauty that God has created for us to behold each and every day.

Our group is still producing Prayer Shawls/Throws. We had the opportunity to gift quite a few over the past few weeks and seeing the positive effect this has on the recipient is magical. Please let us know if there is anyone we can gift a Prayer Shawl/Throw to. There are so very many reasons to do this for, as in ...

- Milestone Birthdays, Anniversaries;
- Graduation from College/Universities;
- ♥ Marriage;
- ♥ Sickness;
- Grieving losses;

• Major life accomplishments.

It is always a joy to make these shawls for the prospective recipients and we always hope that the new owners of these items feel all the love that went into creating these one of a kind works of yarny goodness.



Wishing all of you a safe, happy and healthy Christmas Season and a New Year that showers us with unlimited blessings!

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### TREASURER'S REPORT

by Mimi Price

St. Paul's continues to benefit from several sources for its revenues.

Our spring Plant Sale and Upscale Garage Sale has netted over \$8000 as it is the sale that keeps on giving. Marilyn Hutchison finds pieces that she can sell for more on Facebook Marketplace with all revenues going to the sale. This is a wonderful way to help St. Paul's.

Our October dinner brought in \$1000, and it provided both good food and good social time for our parish. Fr. Ken, Mike Sindrey and Johnathon Kemp worked their magic with the food preparation and then added in some amazing apple pie and you had the makings of a wonderful evening. Thank you.

We have experienced considerable loss at St. Paul's this year in losing quite a few of our beloved parishioners. There is a wonderful light that comes from this loss, when people leave bequests to St. Paul's parish to enable it to be a beacon in our community. Almost \$10,0000 in bequests and memorial donations have been received this year from these individuals, their families, and their friends. We are so grateful for these gifts to St. Paul's.

Again, we continue to hold the line on expenses, but had to do some work on the air conditioning unit in the sanctuary and we continue to monitor the rest of our property. The roof repair from the tornado has proven to have been very well done as we have had no issues.

While we still have a debt with the diocese, we realize that we are not the only one and it is something that will have to be addressed at the diocesan level as well. These are hard times for organizations and charities serving people and we can only do our best to continue to fulfil our mission to our community.

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## HOW TO MAKE AN E-TRANSFER OF FUNDS

In order to make an e-transfer to St. Paul's, follow the steps outlined here:

- 1. Donor goes on-line for their bank and sends \$\$ to St. Paul's Anglican Church e-mail address which is <u>office@stpaulsinnsifil.com</u>
- 2. The **security question** is, "What is the pastor's last name?" The **answer** is "Dennis".
- 3. In the **message box**, the donor needs to indicate what the funds are for: general offering, bazaar, FundScrip, children's ministry, etc.

Once it is received in the office, the funds are deposited. That's all there is to it!



The True Meaning of Christmas – Santa Carves a Manger Scene

#### **Christmas Parish Supper and Carol Sing**

Saturday, December 10th, 2022

5:00 PM in the Parish Hall

MENU: Turkey & Dressing, Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Mixed Vegetables, Caesar Salad, Dinner Rolls, Cherries Jubilee and Ice Cream

TICKETS AVAILABLE: after Sunday church services or in the church office in advance

\$25.00 per person

As part of planning for the future of St. Paul's, work is underway to hold a community open house sometime in 2023. The idea is to introduce ourselves to our growing community and to let neighbours learn about who we are and what we have to offer. Mike Sindrey, who is heading up the project, will be forming a working committee in the near future. Everyone interested in helping out should contact Mike.

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#### Seniors' Christmas Tea and Carol Sing

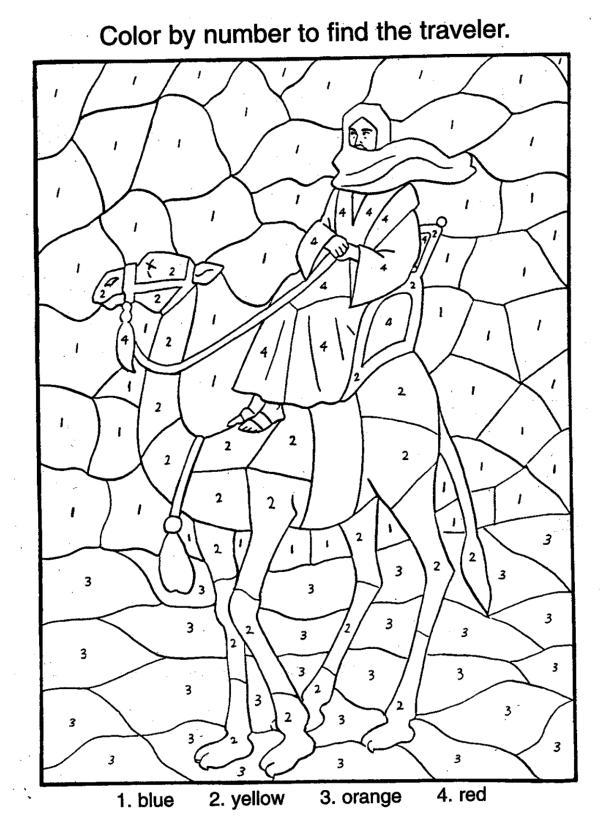
Tuesday, December 20th, 2022

1:30 PM to 3:30 PM

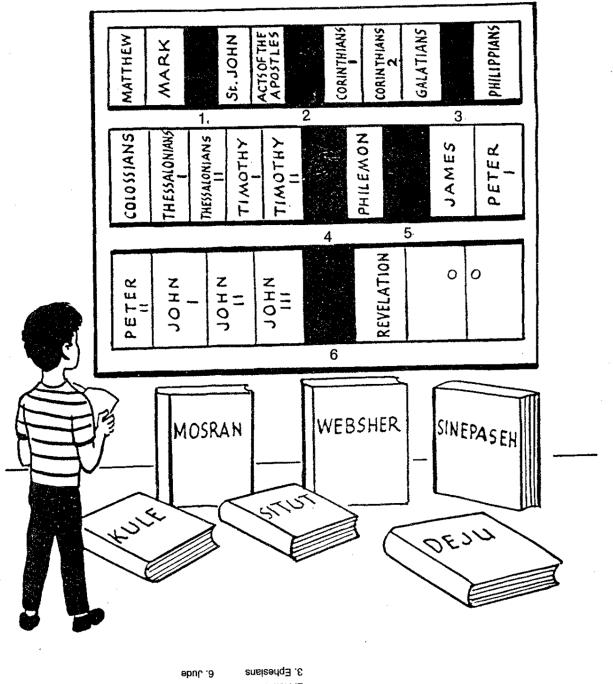
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#### **CHILDREN'S COLOURING PAGE**



Can you unscramble the names of the missing books from the New Testament and put them in their proper order in the proper places?



- 2. Romans 5. Hebrews 1. Luke 4. Titus

# **NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2022**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27 <b>ADVENT 1</b> 9:30 AM FHC	28	29	30	1	2	3 9:00 AM Miller Dance
11:00 AM THC	6:30 PM SASS Dance	6:00 PM Miller Dance	6:30 PM Sparks	6:30 PM Brownies	7:30 PM Al Anon	
4 <b>ADVENT 2</b> 9:30 AM	5	6	7	8 1:00 PM Drop	9	10 9:00 AM Miller Dance
FHC	6:30 PM	6:00 PM	6:30 PM	In 6:30 PM	7:30 PM	5:00 PM <b>PARISH</b>
11:00 AM THC	SASS Dance	Miller Dance	Sparks	Brownies	Al Anon	SUPPER & CAROL SING
11 ADVENT 3	12	13	14 9:00 AM Prayer	15	16	17 9:00 AM
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9:30 AM FHC 11:00 AM THC	6:30 PM	1:30 PM Seniors' Tea 6:00 PM	7:30 PM	1:00 PM Drop In 6:30 PM	7:30 PM	4:30 PM Family Service
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25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26 BOXING DAY	27	28	29	30	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE
		6:00 PM Miller Dance	6:30 PM Sparks	6:30 PM Brownies	7:30 PM Al Anon	

# JANUARY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 NEW YEAR DAY XMAS 2 9:30 AM	2	3	4	5	6 EPIPHANY	7 9:00 AM Miller Dance
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11:00 AM THC	6:30 PM SASS Dance	6:00 PM Miller Dance	6:30 PM Sparks	6:30 PM Brownies	7:30 PM Al Anon	
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22 <b>EPIPHANY</b> <b>3</b> 9:30 AM FHC 11:00 AM THC	23 6:30 PM SASS Dance	24 6:00 PM Miller Dance	25 6:30 PM Sparks 7:30 PM Taisé Worship Service	26 1:00 PM Drop In 6:30 PM Brownies	27 7:30 PM Al Anon	28 9:00 AM Miller Dance
29 <b>EPIPHANY</b> <b>4</b> 9:30 AM FHC 11:00 PM THC	30 6:30 PM SASS Dance	31 6:00 PM Miller Dance				

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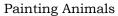
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			6:30 PM			Miller Dance
			Sparks			
				6:30 PM	7:30 PM	
				Brownies	Al Anon	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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FHC				In		
	6:30 PM		6:30 PM			
11:00 AM	SASS Dance		Sparks			
THC		6:00 PM			7:30 PM	
		Miller Dance	7:00 PM PEC	6:30 PM	Al Anon	
			Meeting	Brownies		
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EPIPHANY	VALENTINE'S					
6	DAY			Deadline for		9:00 AM
9:30 AM				Chronicle		Miller Dance
FHC	FAMILY DAY			Submissions		
11:00 AM						
THC	6:30 PM	6:00 PM	6:30 PM		7:30 PM	
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				Brownies		
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# MESSY CHURCH – SATURDAY, OCTOBER $15^{TH}$ , 2022





Decorating the Angel Tree







Painting her Puddy Kitten



A fierce dinosaur!



Left: Ready to make Hallowe'en Wreaths Above: The Entire Group in Attendance

# **OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2022, CONGREGATIONAL DINNER**





Left: Barb Martin, Hedi Siegel, Andrea Simpson, Eleanor Beamish (in the kitchen) peeling apples for the apple pies. Right: Mike Sindrey checks the potatoes before serving them.



The dinner is served.







Left: Mark and Kathy Hall get their apple pie servings! Above: Mike Sindrey says "that's all folks!".