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Fields White for the Harvest – October's Synod Approaches

Mia Anderson

The next time you read the Diocesan Gazette, synod will be over and the fields may be white with something else. You will have walked, those of you who attended, the pine-needled paths of parc Orford from the synod worksite in the Pavillon Charles Leblanc to the worship and guest speaker address site in the con-



One of the Orford Art Centre residences

cert hall of the Salle Gilles Lefebvre. You will have strolled over to have dinner in the Pavillon Deseve next to it, with its circular bar just off the cafeteria. Late at night you will have taken yourself to bed by walking under the stars to the opposite end of the Arts Centre site, to one of the residences, "D" or "E". In "E" you may even stay up later talking in the common room, with its spacious kitchen along one side. If you're the bishop, on the other hand, you will have headed for L'Homme et la Musique – the pavilion from Expo transposed to the Orford Centre, which holds rooms for guest speakers and organizers (who will likely be up all night) and a suite for the bishop (who we hope will not).

You will have done the faithful work of synod as a synod delegate or a pastor. Or you will have visited as a guest of synod, or as

general public welcome at synod's events. There will even have been space (limited, though) for observers at synod's business, and most certainly space for the ecumenical visitors.

You will have studied the book table in the rotunda off the concert hall, with its mouthwatering display of books by speakers either at the synod or at the bishop's clergy conference, or by experts or practitioners on the inexhaustible subject of prayer, or on Anglican studies, or on biblical resources, or on theology at large, or on liturgy, or on pastoral care, or....

You will have visited all the tables set up by different activities within our far-flung diocese. You may well have set up a table yourself (hint, hint) and spread the word among us of your activity chez vous. You will have worshipped with everyone by participating in the opening Eucharist Thursday evening, celebrated by the outgoing bishop of New Hampshire, Bp Theuner, and by watching the New Hampshire liturgical dancer Debbie Harris as she links that opening eucharist with our own bishop's charge following. You will have heard the upbeat music and readings provided by the worshipping community of St George's Lennoxville.

You will have enjoyed the divine office of Friday evening. A slight change there: not the Rachmaninoff Vespers as announced, but (we expect) a BCP sung Evensong to delight the ear and heart, scheduled earlier than announced and thus preceding the address rather than following it.

Before it, just after dinner: a singalong workthrough of the newly commissioned *Quebec Mass* which we will all sing on Sunday morning. The composer is Andrew Ager. He will have joined us as accompanist of this world première of his own mass setting on the Sunday morning, the closing Eucharist.

His mandate was to produce a mass setting which the least well-equipped parish could sing, in unison, while the most well-equipped parish could sing in four parts, with accompaniment on piano or organ, with flute and/or violin. His mandate was also to produce it in two of the languages of our diocese (we didn't produce it in Naskapi; maybe another year?) so that any of our communities could use it, and some of our communities could use both – even on the same day. We will have demonstrated the latter by our singing together some sections in English and some in French. You will have done that, if you joined us, by the time you next read the Gazette.

You will have noticed that the motto of the synod has been taken from *Philippians*. You will have heard the Revd Dr Sarah Coakley from Harvard Divinity School, originally from Oxford, who may well have spoken to you about *kenosis*, that "self-emptying" we read about in *Philippians 2*, and how it pertains to our prayer presence before God, and how that affects (not how you might think!) our presence to each other. If you were delegate or clergy, you will have met with your fellows in morning bible studies before entering plenary sessions. You will have studied Paul's *Letter to the Philippians* together, in pre-assigned groups, with selected texts. Any of you may have sat over a cup

of coffee and read through the whole of *Philippians* – you can do that in 18 minutes – and the cup of coffee probably lasted longer!

You will have heard John Guernsey from All Saints Dale City, Virginia, talk about how he outgrew a building with prayer. Where Sarah may talk more about the private person in silence before God, beyond words, John may talk to you about how – in silence together, yes, but then in words together, as members of a parish council or vestry or working body of the church (would you believe a synod?) –

could. If you were a *visitor*, you rejoiced in the *free admission* to everything (well, not meals and accommodation) – a gesture we gave a lot of thought to, and felt was in keeping with the overriding intention of this synod, which was to bring the Townships to the diocese while the diocese came to the Townships.

But now that it's now, plan now to come then, when it's then and there! Come and glean what you can while the fields are white with harvest. There is a list of the workshops on page 4 of this *Gazette*. They are



The concert hall: Salle Gilles Lefebvre

praying together can produce working in harmony and with vision for the good and the growth of the Body of Christ. You will have heard them both also within the liturgical framework of the eucharist.

And you will have participated in the multitude of workshops on aspects of prayer, of which you will have learned ahead of time through the mailing, or through church bulletins, posters and newspaper. You will have made your choice, and be wishing you could have got to more of them than you

open to all those who are interested, synod delegates or not but **you must pre-register.**

"Do not worry about anything, but in EVERYTHING BY PRAYER and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." (*Philippians 4: 6*)

«Ne soyez inquiets de rien, mais, en TOUTE OCCASION, PAR LA PRIÈRE et la supplication accompagnées d'action de grâce, faites connaître vos demandes à Dieu.»

The Rev. Canon Heather Thomson appointed Archdeacon of St Francis

The Rev. Milot made a Canon of the Cathedral.

The Bishop has announced the appointment of the Rev. Canon Heather Thomson as the Archdeacon of St. Francis – effective September 15, 2003. Archdeacon Thomson has been the Chaplain of Bishop's University and Champlain College in Lennoxville since 1990. She has been a Canon of the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity since 1994. Prior to that she served as the Protestant Chaplain at Alexander Galt Regional High School. She is the first woman to hold the position of Archdeacon



The Venerable Heather Thomson in this diocese. Ordained a Deacon in 1977 and a Priest in 1979.

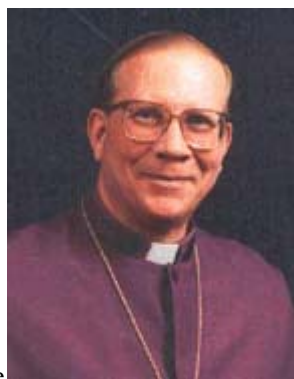
Her ministry has been based in the Deanery of St Francis. Educated in Montreal, with a Bachelors of Arts in Sociology and Psychology from Concordia, a Bachelor of Theology from McGill and a Masters of Divinity from Montreal Diocesan College. Married to James Sweeny, they have five daughters. Archdeacon Thomson takes on this position at a time when the project called Renewing Ministry in St. Francis (Potentials) is well underway with much interest, support and energy on the part of many congregations and individuals.

Due to Archdeacon Thomson's appointment, one of the five seats as a Canon of the diocesan Cathedral became open. Bishop Bruce has appointed the Rev. Alain Milot to be a Canon of the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, also effective September 15, 2003. He has been the Incumbent of the Parish of St Barnabas, North Hatley, St. John's, Waterville, and Christ Church Eustis at Quebec Lodge, since July of 1996. After obtaining a Bachelor of Theology from St Paul's University he was ordained a Deacon in 1989 in the diocese of Ottawa and a Priest the same year in the diocese of Western New-

foundland. He served as Rector at Plum Point then moved to be the Rector of Sunnyside in the diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador. Rev. Milot was elected to two terms as the Rural Dean of St. Francis. Canon Milot has a particular interest in the healing ministry. For the past five years he has sponsored courses and mentoring for the three Deacons in the St. Francis Deanery and leadership-training courses for lay leaders in the Deanery. He is married to Lynne Gordon Milot and they have two daughters.

An event for the collation of Archdeacon Thomson and the Installation of Canon Milot will be at the Cathedral at some future date.

From the Bishop's desk:



Dear Friends:

This is by way of paying tribute to some very important people in our diocese. There are some 75 Lay Readers in the Diocese of Quebec. They exercise a hugely important ministry in parishes and congregations all across the Diocese – principally, though not exclusively, in leading Sunday worship in the absence of a priest or deacon. I know many Lay Readers frequently assist with worship along with the clergy as well and also do much pastoral work in congregations in visiting the sick and shut in at home, in care facilities and hospitals.

I want to take this opportunity to extend to all the active Lay Readers of the Diocese of Quebec both my personal thanks and the thanks of those who read the Quebec Diocesan Gazette who experience the ministry of Lay Readers for all that they do for the life of worship and ministry in the diocese. I very much hope their ministry is never taken for granted – it is much appreciated.

This leads me to pay special tribute to the Diocesan Warden of Lay Readers, Mr. Graham Jackson. Graham for the last several years has communicated regularly with the Lay Readers, offered support, suggestions and training. He has arranged regional workshops for Lay Readers and they, I believe, know they have support and encouragement from their Warden. I sometimes worry about whether we provided adequate training for Lay Readers. That is primarily the responsibility of local clergy and the enormous size of our diocese makes the holding of courses and conferences a real challenge. I have been so pleased to see the number of events for Lay Readers offered in the recent years. Thank you, Graham, personally and on behalf of the Lay Readers.

One such resource for Lay Readers is being offered this month of October in connection with the Diocesan Synod. Two workshops will be held on the opening day of Synod, October 16. Lay Readers have been informed – but these are also for “Lay Leaders”. So think about whether you might like to join the Lay Readers. The workshops will be about challenges in ministry and preaching sermons. More information can be had from Graham Jackson at 418-842-7843.

As I say thank you once again to our Lay Readers and their Warden I leave with you the suggestion that some people might wish to consider becoming Lay Readers. You would need to speak to your parish priest initially or the Warden. In a diocese which has a very large number of multi-point parishes there are still places where the presence of a Lay Reader would mean there could be more regular worship in some congregations than there can be at present.

Thank you Lay Readers!

+Bruce

Correction to Photo credits.

Many of you liked the great camp photos in the Septembers issue of the **Gazette** Unfortunately some of the credits for the photos on page 5, taken at Quebec Lodge, were incorrect. The photo of the Archery instruction was taken by David Hinton, the photo of the faun was taken by Steve Hinton and the photo of Yan Yang on the nature trail was taken by David Hinton.

The **Gazette** regrets this error and apologizes to those who took the photos.

Obituaries

Members of the diocesan family will be saddened to learn of the following deaths:

Bishop Stavert regrets to inform you of the death on August 25th of the Reverend Louis-Marie Gallant. (see story page 4)

Mrs. Nancy G. Fairbairn (née Oxtoby) passed away peacefully on September 18, 2003 at the CHUS Fleurmont Hospital. She was the widow of the late Archdeacon Alan Fairbairn (1923-2000). She was mother of Bruce, Derek, Jill and Pamela. Loving grandmother of Lisa, Heather, Jennifer and Hilary. A private funeral service was held September 22.

Mrs. Elsie Pye, a longtime faithful member of the ACW died Aug. 7th 2003. Mrs. Pye was in her 99th year and still an active and delightful lady. Her funeral was held on Sat. Aug. 9th at 2:30 p.m. in the Sandy Beach Church.

May the souls of the faithful rest in peace and light perpetual shine upon them.

Mission 2003, a parish mission in Lennoxville

By Chris Hornibrook

St. George's, Lennoxville is holding a parish mission on the theme “Together with God – A Journey in Faith, Fidelity, and Friendship”

Following up on a successful parish mission in 2000, St. George's, Lennoxville, is planning another “inreach” and outreach to the wider Anglican Communion with the good news of Jesus Christ. The event is planned from October 22nd - 26th, 2003 and will be held at the church.

They will be welcoming Bishop Bruce to share in the mission on the final two days; Saturday and Sunday. It is their prayer that God will use his ministry to bless them and that in return participants will see and hear what God is doing within our diocesan community – “inreach”.

To bring a broader outreach mission perspective this year, St. George's will be welcoming the Rev. James Wagner, his wife, Dr. Brenda Wagner, an obstetrician and gynecologist, and their team from Church of the Holy Cross, Abbotsford, B.C. Prior to moving to Vancouver to study theology at Regent College, Wager served as a short-term missionary in Nigeria and managed a Salvation Army affiliated homeless shelter. After ordination Wagner served as a curate at St. Matthew's, Abbotsford. In 1999 the St. Matthews's the church council decided to plant a new Anglican church in Abbotsford. He has lead that mission, Church of the Holy Cross, since its conception in 1999.

The Mission meetings will be held at St. George's, Lennoxville on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings beginning at 7:30 PM. On Saturday morning, there will be host a Mission breakfast. Saturday evening's 7:00 PM service will be a Confirmation Service with Bishop Bruce. Sunday's service will be the Mission's final service, with Bishop Bruce presiding. Sunday's 10:30 service is entitled “All in the Family” and will celebrate St George's unique life together as a worshipping family.

The scripture focus for the Mission is based on the Book of Ephesians and will concentrate on the following subjects:

- Together with God personally: no longer standing alone (This is about friendship with God).
- Together with God in marriage: standing side by side as a couple (This is about fidelity to one another in covenant).
- Together with God locally: standing strong as a church community (This is about faithfulness in witness to what God is saying and doing among you).
- Together with God in the diocese: standing as a holy catholic church (This is about what the prayer book calls felicity).

St. George's is a worshipping community who is seeking ways to worship and lead people to a new and deeper communion with God through Jesus Christ. His Holy Spirit continually leads them to seek new ways to honor and love God and our neighbor. Please feel free to join us for the Mission 2003. For more information, please call St. George's Anglican Church, Lennoxville at 819-346-5564.

ACW Meditation by Cecily Hinton, Luke 12:49-52

Jesus speaks here of distress, division, and of ‘setting the world on fire’. What on earth does He mean? However, He does promise to leave His peace with us: a different peace, not on the world's terms of power, status, wealth or nationality.

Someone said, “Peace at any price is not peace at all.” Should we give in to evil, pride or falsehood so that there can be some sort of uneasy peace, or should we try Jesus' way of authenticity, truth and justice?

BISHOP'S CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

October 2 to 5	Council of the North	Edmonton
October 7	Episcopal Ordination	Corner Brook, Nfld
October 16 to 19	Diocesan Synod	Orford
October 20 to 22	Bishop's Conference	Orford
October 24 & 25	Bishop's University Corporation	Lennoxville
October 25 & 26	Visitation and Confirmation	St. George's, Lennoxville
October 27 to 31	House of Bishops	Toronto
November 2	Episcopal Ordination	Manchester, New Hampshire

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Maple Grove celebrates restored windows

By Joan Dinning McCammon,
Board member and Secretary of
the Maple Grove Heritage
Foundation

sector for the project.

Special guests at the reception included the Right Reverend Bruce Stavert, Senator Raymond Setlakwe; the Honourable Gerard Binet, member of Parliament for Frontenac-Megantic; the Honourable Laurent Lessard, MNA for Frontenac and Jaques Beaudion, mayor of the mu-

The common thread in everyone's comments was the importance of preserving this part of the region's history and culture, the foundation's pride in taking ownership and becoming guardian of Holy Trinity Church, and the significance of the collaboration between English and French-

Sunday, May 25th, was a misty, rainy spring day; however the interior of Holy Trinity Church glowed in the lamplight and in the reflection of the newly restored



Maple Grove Foundation Board and honoured guests

stained glass windows.

nicipality of Ireland.

More than 60 people gathered at the church Sunday morning for a special reception to celebrate the reinstallation of stained glass windows by les Verrieres du Quebec, part of an ongoing project undertaken by the Maple Grove heritage Foundation to preserve this historic site.

Michel Boudreau, the foundation's architect and project manager, presented an update on the development and restoration plan for the church, Renald Turcotte, president of the Societe de Genealogie et d'Histoire de la region de Thetford Mines, spoke about the history of stain glass windows, and Pierre Chartrand coaxed beautiful sounds from the church's old harmonium, filling the building with music as the guests sang two lovely old hymns.

speaking communities in achieving this objective. To quote Laurent Lessard "The value of the project is not just in the building, but the people involved."

Following the presentation and speeches, light refreshments were served and the guests enjoyed wandering through the lovely old church building, admiring the windows which had been so beautifully restored and enjoying the fellowship of the occasion.

To date the foundation has received support from three levels of government and the private

Church of the Ascension opens at its 3rd site

On Sunday afternoon, May 25th The Church of the Ascension, Inverness, was packed as a celebration service was held to offi-

cially dedicate the church in its new home. As readers of this paper will recall, there was a picture earlier in the year of the building being moved

to a new site. This new lot closer to the center of town has space for parking and the church now was a basement complete with hall.

The church was originally built in 1882 in Campbell's Corner as a mission of St Stephen's Church, Rectory Hill. In 1925 the congregation in that area had decreased and so the church was moved to the village of Inverness.

Last year it was discovered that the building needed important and extensive foundation work but has the Good Book suggested it was built upon a rock and the necessary work would have been too expensive. With the help of grants from foundations and hard work by the congregation the building was moved 400 meters down Gosford Road to its present site.

With any luck it will remain there for many years but given its history



The choir treats the congregation to an anthem

Diocesan Programme Committee Meets



Members of the Programme Committee 2001-03 Back row: left to right, Canon Pierre Voyer, Sherry Painter, Mary-Beth Astler, Phyllis Gauthier, Canon Quentin Robinson, Brian Wharry, Bishop Bruce. Front row: Rev. Mia Anderson, Canon Rodney Clark, Patsy Hayer, Graham Jackson

By Graham Jackson

Members of the Diocesan Programme Committee met at St Michael's Church, Sillery, in August 11th and 12th. Bishop Bruce assumed the chair and after opening with prayer, he invited the members present to give a brief summary of their summer activities. Over an excellent luncheon graciously provided by the Rev. Mia Anderson and St Michael's Church members had an opportunity to renew friendships

Work then began in earnest and the following topics were discussed and decisions made where necessary:

- Journey to Adulthood – an educational programme
- A diocesan video showing the scope of our diocese
- A description of what the Programme Committee is for use at deanery meetings
- The activities of the French speaking Anglican community
- Plans for the diocesan synod at the Orford Arts Centre, October 16-19
- The Bishop's conference October 20-22
- The Layreader's conference October 16th at Orford.
- The Deacon's conference held in Malbay
- The report from Quebec Lodge
- The report from the Companion Diocese Committee
- The draft of a new communications policy to be presented at Synod
- Reports from the Summer Camp programmes.

As is evidenced from the above, the Programme Committee is concerned with many topics vital to the life of our diocese. It is a dynamic committee and all the members work hard. As some terms of membership expire, new members will be elected at Synod.



Two St James's churches get a little paint. Summer is short but it is also the time for repairs and repainting. St James, Lac Beauport, put out a call in the *Quebec Chronicle-Telegraph* in July in the hope of getting half a dozen volunteers to help repaint the church. According to lay reader Gayl Loosli "All the members of our congregation are pretty elderly" and so they need some outside help. Meanwhile at St James, Cacouna, children and grandchildren, pictured above, were coaxed into scragging, priming and painting the fence.

Confirmation was held at St. James Church, Hatley on Sunday June 28th 2003



Candidates confirmed were James Patterson, Matthew Bowen, (front row) Travis Johann and Joshua Bowen (middle row). The Rev Canon Curtis Patterson, Richard Elson, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Bruce Stavert, the Rev. Barbara Wintle and the Rev. Canon Ron West all assisted in the service. Photo supplied by E. Bailey

**Synod Workshop
Registration Form**

People who are not members of Synod are warmly invited to share in Synod's worship services and public addresses which take place in Salle Gilles Lefebvre, as well as in the workshops on prayer which for the most part are in smaller rooms in Pavillon Charles Leblanc. Below is a list of the workshops. Please indicate on the tear-off slip at the bottom which workshops you would like to attend, in order of preference.

Although there are only four workshop sessions on the agenda, you are invited to select up to six to have a better chance of attending what you want to. We will respect your preference list as far as we can. Many of the Workshops can be offered more than once, according to demand, but some can be offered only on one day. We need to know your preferences to know how best to meet them.

Please check at the registration desk in Pavillon J. A. Deseve to find which workshops you have been placed in and where those workshops meet.

Number	Workshop	Leader
1	Prayers of the People	Douglas Painter
2	Contemplative Prayer	Mia Anderson
3	Leading Public Prayer	John Cowans
4	Liturgical Dance	Debra Harris
5	The "Our Father"	Graham Jackson
6	Praying the Scriptures (Lectio Divina)	Dennis Drainville
7	Journaling	Mary Kirby
8	Spiritual Direction	Holly Ratcliffe
9	Taizé Chant	Mauricio Nunes
10	Prayer on the Internet	Susan Hutchinson
11	Walking the Labyrinth	Mia Anderson
12	Healing Prayer	Alain Milot
13	Prayer in the Workplace	Chris Hornibrook
14	Prayer in the Hospitals	Don Hinton

Please fill in and detach the bottom of this form and send it to "Synod '03 Workshop Registration"
Church House, 31 rue des Jardins
Quebec, QC G1R 4L6

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Name: _____

Congregation: _____

Days I plan to attend: Friday _____ Saturday _____

Workshops in order of preference

1st choice 2nd choice 3rd choice 4th choice
5th choice 6th choice

**Bishop's
Conference to
Study Hooker**

The annual Bishop's Conference, a three day study and information retreat held for all clergy in the diocese, will take place immediately following Synod at the Orford Arts Centre.



Dr. Philip Secor

This year's special speaker is Dr. Philip Secor a well known expert on Richard Hooker and the author of a number of books and articles on him including **Richard Hooker Prophet of Anglicanism** and **Richard Hooker on Anglican Faith and Worship**.

Richard Hooker was born in 1554 and died in 1600. Richard Hooker is the premier theologian of the Anglican/Episcopal religious tradition. He is also an important intellectual link in the development of modern constitutional law and one of the exemplars of Elizabethan prose writing. His writings have long been required reading in seminaries and college English.

Richard Hooker is the closest counterpart for Anglicans and Episcopalians to Luther for Lutherans, Calvin for Presbyterians, Wesley for Methodists.

Richard Hooker is the author of the most basic source book for Anglican/Episcopal "doctrine" on all subjects from church governance to worship, to interpretation of Scripture to Christian ethics. The book is called *Of the Laws of Ecclesiastical Polity*. It was written in the 1580s and 90s.

Dr. Secor's overall topic for the conference will be "The Foundation of Anglicanism in the English Reformation" and will cover a number of weighty subjects including liturgy, the Sacraments, ethics, faith and works.

The purpose of the Bishop's conference is to gather all the diocesan clergy together for a couple of days of continuing education and well as a chance to enjoy each others company and discuss the matters important to the life of the diocese. It is held immediately following synod to cut down on the very large travel costs of bringing together all the clerics from across the diocese.

Nuggets from the past

Compiled from past issues of the Diocesan Gazette by Dr. M.E. Reisner, Diocesan Historian

The building of new churches was close to Bishop Andrew Hunter Dunn's heart. During his 22-year episcopate he was to consecrate more than 55 church buildings many of which were in relatively small, out-of-the-way places. Churches at Peninsula, Black Lake, Harrington Harbour, Gand' Mère, and Entry Island, for example, received their consecration at his hands. Down the St Lawrence River at Montmorency Falls, St Mary's Church was begun in 1903. The November issue of the Diocesan Gazette describes its beginnings:

"On October 2nd the turning of the first sod for the new Church [at Montmorency Falls] was performed by Mrs H.M. Price in the presence of a goodly number of the congregation. There was a short Service held on the spot, and then Mrs Price raised the first sod in the Name of the Blessed Trinity, and the ceremony concluded with a prayer for God's blessing on the work thus inaugurated, and with the Doxology, sung by all present. The rector, Rev. H.R. Bigg, took the Service.

Work on the excavation was at once commenced and all was ready for the ceremony of laying the foundation stone on October 19th. The Rector being absent on special work for the Bishop, and his Lordship also being away from home, the Very Rev. Dean [Lennox Waldron] Williams, at the request of the Church-Wardens and Committee, very kindly came to the Falls and conducted a Special Service. Very many of the congregation and also many friends were present. Mrs H.M. Price laid the stone, and the Dean and Canon Balfour shared the Services of Prayer and Praise. Hymn 394 was heartily sung by all who gathered to witness this scene."

In Hymns Ancient and Modern, the standard hymnal of the time, this hymn is described as appropriate for "laying the foundation stone of a church." In the present-day little blue Book of Common Praise it appears as hymn 338: "O Lord of hosts, whose glory fills / The bounds of the eternal hills

"It is hoped that the Church will be ready for the opening Service on the 4th Sunday in Advent [the article continues]. The undertaking is a heavy one, but if the congregation continue their 'long pull and strong pull and pull together' as they have begun, the work by God's blessing will be accomplished in the set time, and then Montmorency Falls will be the possessors of as nice a little Church as they could wish ..."

St Mary's, Montmorency Falls, was consecrated by Bishop Dunn on 13 November 1904.

Reverend Louis-Marie Gallant

The Diocesan Gazette sadly announces the death on August 25th of the Reverend Louis-Marie Gallant.

Father Gallant was born on August 10th, 1949. After music studies at the University of Ottawa and a Bachelor's in Theology at McGill University, he was admitted to the Montreal Diocesan Theological College where he received his Master of Divinity degree in 1989. He was ordained to the priesthood in March 1990 in the Diocese of Montreal by Archbishop Hollis. As a deacon and in his early years as a priest, he was assistant curate at Christ Church Cathedral. He was appointed Incumbent of the combined parishes of the Ascension and St Cuthbert and St Hilda. He transferred to the Diocese of Quebec where he accepted the office of Rector in the Parish of Chaleur Bay in March 1998. In July 2001, he returned to the Diocese of Montreal accepting the incumbency of the Parish of Sorel-Odanak. He remained there until taking leave of absence for health reasons earlier this year.

Funeral for Father Louis-Marie Gallant

By Mark Franklin

I attended the funeral this morning for Father Louis-Marie Gallant. It was a most impressive service which he had planned. The service was held in the RC Church in St. Alexis de Matapedia under the direction of Father Adrien Tremblay, the Parish Priest.

The Requiem Mass was the Funeral Liturgy from the Anglican Book of Alternative Services, celebrated by the Venerable Douglas Patstone, Rector of Bathurst, New Brunswick assisted by Donald Thompson, Lay Reader from Campbellton, New Brunswick.

The service was well attended [9:00a.m.] Saturday, August 30, 2003 with friends from St. Alexis, Campbellton, Shigawake & Port Daniel, Sorel, and Montreal. The committal was in the Cimetiere St-Alexis de-Matapedia with a reception following in the community centre.

Louis-Marie's brother and cousin spoke and Don Thompson delivered an excellent eulogy reminding us that after a great deal of suffering, he was now at peace with God.

As music played a large part in Louis-Marie's life, there were lovely hymns, "Jesus Stand Among Us" and "My Song is Love Unknown".

When Louis-Marie was in the Parish of Chaleur Bay he was part of a community choir called the "Revival Choir". One of the songs we often sung was "If that isn't Love". Louis loved that song and used to say that he wanted it at his funeral. Members of our choir left home at 5:30a.m. to drive to St. Alexis to sing it at his funeral.

As a footnote to this, when I was looking through my music for the song, I found the sheet and written on the top before it had been photocopied was "Louis' Funeral" !! I gave the copy to his brother.