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ACW Biennial Held in Gaspé

By Marilyn Flowers

Friday afternoon, May 14 some 50 Anglican Church Women of the Diocese of Quebec gathered together at St. Paul's Church, Gaspé for their 29th biennial conference. Upon registration each lady was given a "goody bag" assembled by

ral Care-Gaspé, Education and Libra House

Thank you letters for our bursaries allotted to 2 Gaspé Deanery area students were read. Did you know that we gave 21 bursaries of \$200.00 each in the past 2 years? The loose offering at our Sunday

St Luke's, Magog celebrates 130th anniversary with an induction of thier Incumbent

By Ms. Anne L. Milot

Sunday, June 20th St. Luke's Anglican Church Magog celebrates 130 years of ministry and the beginning of a new ministry with the Induction of Rev. Frederick Richardson - Deacon as the Incumbent of the Parish.

The day started with a celebration Worship Service of Parish Thanksgiving and the Induction to a New Ministry, and ended with a large buffet lunch in the Church Hall. The setting in the Church was in white for celebration. On the Altar were bouquets of beautiful fresh peonies whose sweet fragrance filled the Church building. The Sanctuary Lamp, Altar Candles, and Pavement Candles lighted in the dark wood setting of the restored Church building added a gentle reminder of the light of God's love that endures forever. The stained-glass windows were a blaze in full colour with the sun of a beautiful day. All set the tone for celebration and new life.

It was a blessing to see St.

Luke's rise and continue to move forward after a long saga of strife, internal divisions, and political foes that challenged its future. The parish now moves on into its on going commitment for more than 130 years to serve pastorally the people of the region. The diocese, the clergy, and many people have always known and believed in the possibilities and potential of a good ministry out of St. Luke's.

Along with the Induction of their Deacon Fred as Incumbent during the Service two people were honoured for their long-standing service to the parish. Lillian Whitehead and Evelyn corsages while they unveiled two plaques expressing thanksgiving for their servanthood on the back wall. In a prayer of blessing and dedication the Bishop remembered the saints of the past and the saints of today.

The Service was lead by the Rt. Rev. Bruce Stavert the Diocesan Bishop along with the Ven. Heather Thomson the new Archdeacon of St. Francis as co-celebrant. Bishop Bruce lead the Covenant in Ministry, The Ven. Heather Thomson read the letter of Institution. In the covenanting Deacon Fred was



Rev. Richardson receives keys from Wardens

present with symbols of his ministry among the people. The prayer books were presented by Linda Comeau, a Bible by Michael Davidson, the Canons & Constitution of the Diocese by The Ven. Heather Thomson, and the keys to the Church Buildings by Michael Davidson and Edward Harding the Wardens. Also, during the Service Bernadette Leblanc, Jeannette Leblanc, Paulette Leblanc read the Scripture lessons appointed for the day. The Order of Service was prepared by the Rev. Canon Alain A. Milot and the organist was Mrs. Flora Cross.

Seven Renowned Quebec Singer/Song-writers perform in Church

By Stephen Kohner

A new and exciting partnership between the Church of St. Andrew and St. George and le Théâtre de Baie-Comeau this past summer helped place the church at the center of this summer's ROSEQ concert series. In late June, the church was transformed into a mini-cabaret-style theatre with a sound system, special lighting, and other modifications to the church and basement hall in order to accommodate the singer/songwriters.

On June 29, the first performing artist, Thierry Romanens, performed in front of 85 people who were charmed by the intimate setting and superb acoustics. One week following, Baie-Comeau native Mara Tremblay played to an appreciative crowd. To everyone's delight, three sold-out performances were held in subsequent weeks by Luce Dufault, Pierre Flynn and Florent Vollant. The intimate setting and location of the church was duly noted and appreciated by all of the performers to date.



Quebec singer/song-writer Luce Dufault poses for a photo with Catherine and Stephen Kohner

Two more shows are scheduled for the month of August including Lynda Thalie and a local group known as Turquoise. All in all, over 800 people will have attended the seven shows and have given the church a high profile within the community.

The partnership has given the church a unique opportunity to open its doors to the community at large and offer a unique setting for

the summer shows. In exchange, the church received \$6000 in goods and services from the town in order to repair and replace its two bathrooms and interior sewer system. This work was urgently required; the church invested an additional \$5000 to help defray the costs.

In other newsworthy notes, for the third consecutive summer, Human Resources Development Canada provided a 6-week summer student grant to hire a tour guide. To date, about 200 people have come for a guided tour. The tour guide, Matthew Durepos, also performed a number of custodial duties, thus keeping the place in tip-top shape throughout the summer weeks.

The church was very pleased and proud to sponsor Chantal Mitterer who worked as a Diocesan Day Camp Counsellor in the Gaspé and Lower North Shore regions. Her previous experience with the numerous Crosstalk Ministry day camps held in Baie-Comeau came in handy. The church will be looking forward to hearing about her day camp time and experience.



The new ACW Executive. Photo B. Hewitt

the Gaspé Deanery ladies. The reports from our president, treasurer and outreach, worship and education departments were well received.

Saturday's sessions began at 8:45 a.m. with Holy Eucharist led by the Rev. Susan Hutchinson and the Venerable Dennis Drainville. The 2 workshops were led by Cecily Hinton and Cynthia Patterson. Cecily's Bible study was very helpful.

morning service was given to our Education Fund.

Before Saturday evening's dinner, we were privileged to see the magnificent display of some 50 quilts for Quilts for Kids. This project is carried on by our Gaspé ladies. We then met at St. John's and St. Philip's, Sandy Beach for Evensong and the Bishop's reception.



Pictured above are some of the Gaspé quilters: Elsie Mullin, Marjorie Coffin, Elaine Patterson, Wanda Miller, Elma Baird Photo B. Hewitt

During our first plenary session, we agreed to send the \$200.00 from the Mary P. Terrabee Fund to Elizabeth Hinton in the Dominican Republic for her work with Aids' victims.

Our Thank Offering Fund of \$3,000.00 was divided among the following worthy causes: Christian Blind Mission International, Quebec Lodge, Fort Haldimand, Pasto-

Following a delicious chicken and ribs dinner, the raffle drawings were made. Each Gaspé Deanery ACW had contributed a handmade article. We then were treated to a wonderful musical performance by Karen Briand's "Girls Plus One."

Before the Sunday morning service we had our swcond plenary session. After lunch, it was time to say farewell to old and new friends.

Gazette Board reports to Spring DEC meeting

By M. Reisner, Chair, Gazette Board

Since the May 2003 meetings of the DEC, the period covered by this report, the Gazette Board has met twice — on 15 January 2004 and, by conference call, on 20 April 2004 — as well as conducted further business by e-mail. It has also tendered a two year report to Synod in the interim.

The Board's request for changes to Canon 22 governing the Gazette Board were duly presented to Synod and ratified. Elections of Board members took place at the same time and Barbara Matthews, MEB Reisner, Garry Retzleff and Fred Richardson were elected, Garry and MEB for two-year terms and Barbara and Fred for four years to reflect the change in canons which allows for continuity of membership on the Board from synod to synod. Mark Franklin was thanked by the Board for his service and hard work during the period in which he served. MEB and Garry were re-elected as chairman and secretary, respectively.

The chief concerns of the Gazette Board since its last report have been the completion of the Editor's Job Description, Editorial Guidelines, and a draft advertisement for the position of Editor. Following considerable discussion and exchanges of email all three of these were completed and advertisements, previously approved by the Officers of the DEC were placed in several newspapers within the territory of the Diocese as well as in the Diocesan Gazette itself.

The period allowed for applications was one month, closing on 31 March. Applications were sent to Church House and transmitted together to the secretary of the Search Committee after the closing date. He then supplied them with an information package including the Job Description, Editorial Guidelines, a Salary and Benefits description and a copy of Canon 22.

Following the interviews and subsequent recommendations by the Search Committee which took place on 16 and 17 April, the Gazette Board, as set out in Canon 22, examined the two candidates' CVs and letters of reference and, following a conference call held on 20 April, itself made a recommendation to the Bishop that James Sweeny be offered a three-year position of editor of the Diocesan Gazette including a one-year probationary period (as previously set out before the search process had commenced).

It also urged the Bishop that a budgetary item be created as soon as possible to provide funds for the Editor to consult national church personnel (such as Saskia Rowley and/or Vianny Carrière of the Anglican Journal) to evaluate the Diocesan Gazette and suggest ways of improving its effectiveness and layout.

One of the duties of the Gazette Board is to prepare a periodic evaluation of the Gazette and to seek and collect comments, suggestions, and criticisms from its readers. To enable its members to carry out this portion of their mandate, the Board wishes to urge the DEC to recommend that the names and addresses of its members be included in the Diocesan Directory joining those of other Diocesan Boards and Committees presently made available throughout the Diocese. As those wishing to send suggestions are more likely to approach someone in their own area, or someone whose name they recognize, this would improve the Board's capability to collect such information.

Diocesan canons require the Board to each spring DEC meeting submit a written report and that a summary be published in the Quebec Diocesan Gazette for public comment. The Gazette Board welcomes comments and suggestions, submitted in writing, concerning the Quebec Diocesan Gazette.

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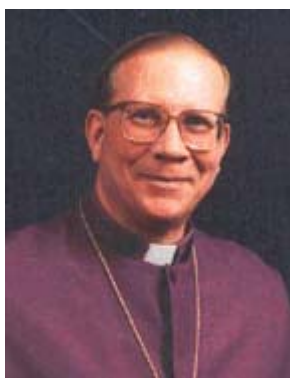
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From the Bishop's desk:



Dear Friends:

God has always, in every age, raised up and provided for his world, outstanding people to bring to the world extraordinary gifts for healing, transformation, progress or inspiration.

One thinks of the prophets of the Old Testament, those we call the Saints of the Church, the apostles, martyrs, and theologians. Then there have been political leaders and social reformers. Everyone could make his or her own list of truly remarkable people who have made an extraordinary contribution on the world stage.

God has provided the modern world with lots of people of that kind of stature. My list would want to include Mother Theresa of Calcutta, Jean Vanier, Martin Luther King and Nelson Mandela.

Three people of that kind of colossal contribution to the world were part of my life this summer. They were Archbishop Ted Scott, Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Stephen Lewis.

Ted Scott was Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada from 1971 to 1986. I knew him for over thirty years but had not been with him for several years when I saw him this summer at the General Synod. He attended Archbishop Peers' farewell banquet and was at Synod one day to autograph copies of a recently published biography. He was 85 this summer - and bright, active and involved in the life of the church. Two weeks after General Synod, Ted was killed in a car accident.

Ted Scott had a most remarkable primacy in our church and also had enormous international stature because of his leadership for years in the World Council of Churches and his persuasive committed work for justice in the world - particularly in South Africa. He had a central role in the collapse of apartheid in that country.

It was marvellous then that Desmond Tutu, former Primate of South Africa, was able to come to Toronto to preach at the memorial service for Ted Scott on July 13 at St. James' Cathedral. That is how a second divinely inspired leader of huge importance came into my life this summer - particularly through his address at Ted's memorial. I had been with Desmond Tutu on two other occasions. I have always said a sermon or an address by Desmond is always more than a sermon or an address - it is an event. This of course was an event of huge media interest and what a tribute to his friend Ted Scott!

The following quotations from Desmond Tutu's sermon say a lot about both of these men. In talking about Ted Scott, Desmond Tutu said:

"Those without clout found someone they could relate to. He was someone who made God and the things of God attractive and accessible...Those at the bottom of the heap, those at the end of the queue, those found in him a committed and courageous but gentle champion..."

Ted was gentle, yet tenacious and they called him Red Ted because they thought he was pushing so called socialistic agendas. He was controversial. But then, the Lord and master he served was highly controversial. He espoused unpopular causes. He stood up to the powerful in Canada for the rights of the indigenous peoples of this land....

He was not falsely modest. He was just genuinely accessible, ordinary in a good sense. He let who he was do the talking and how eloquent it turned out to be. He has been marvellous in his support of gay and lesbian persons, and his support for the place of women in society and in the church was so crucial in insuring the ordination of women to the priesthood and to the episcopate....

What a wonderful memorial it would be to him if instead of bickering about human sexuality, we were concerned about dehumanizing poverty, about AIDS, about an unjust international economic order..."

The third remarkable individual I met this summer was someone I had not met before but had long admired. Stephen Lewis, a former Canadian Ambassador to the United Nations is now the United Nations special envoy regarding the AIDS crisis in Africa. He spoke to the General Synod in June in a very moving way. Here is someone who God has given us as a prophet of our day. Prophets do not just declare what will likely happen in the future as a result of present behaviour, they proclaim how to bring honesty, justice and the love of God to bear on human affairs. Stephen Lewis, in an extraordinarily captivating address, did both. He described the terrible catastrophe that is underway in sub-Saharan Africa. He also told stories of success and gave a message of hope - that our support of work to conquer AIDS through the Primate's Fund or other agencies really will bring results. Stephen Lewis' remarkable address will soon be available in a video being prepared by the Primate's Fund. There will be several copies at Church House in Quebec available for borrowing. Please plan this fall to have a look at it and use it in parishes. It will have a study guide with it.

+ Bruce

Bishop's Calendar September 2004

September 2	Military Change of Command	Valcartier
September 7	Conference Day – Parish Of Coaticook	Quebec Lodge
September 10 - 12	Episcopal Electoral Synod Diocese Of Central Nfld	Lewisporte/Gander, NL
September 14	Quebec Deanery Council	Valcartier
September 15	Central Board of Church Society	Quebec
September 16	Service to end pastoral relationship	Thetford Mines
September 21	Episcopal Ordination	St. John's, NL
September 23 - 26	Provincial Council	Gander, NL
September 29	150 th Anniversary Eucharist – St. Michael's Church	Sillery

The editor erred in his ways! In typing up Clive's excellent contribution in June's paper two errors slipped in. In paragraph 3, I added an "s" to names and in the final line written in Lating spell check automatically changed one word into English. I should have caught those, *Mea Culpa*. Your dear readers, the poem and the reason Clive composed it deserved better so I am republishing it correctly below for your enjoyment.

A Cathedral Tells Her Story

By R. Clive Meredith

I was born on Tuesday, 28th August, 1804
I was dedicated to the Holy Trinity
My birth certificate was signed by his Majesty King George III of England

I have welcomed Bishops, Archbishops, Cardinals and Statesmen from around the world.
I have hosted members of the British Royal Family and one reigning British monarch.

Within my walls sleep Jacob Mountain, first Anglican Bishop of Quebec; Charles Duke of Richmond, Lennox and Aubigny; and one other, whose name is known to God alone.

I am many things and the ghosts of many people.

I am a British army captain named Robe, and a master mason named Cannon
I am Phillip Carrington, Russell Brown, Tim Matthews and Allen Goodings;
I am Robert Seaborn, Arthur Coleman, Mervyn Awcock and Bob Belleville;
I am Sir Richeard Turner, Arnold Woodside, Stuart Dunn and Beresford Scott;
I am Hilly Gibaut, Jamie Boswell, George Clare and Owen Carter;
I am Pauline Scott, Mae LeGrand, Mary Campbell and Bar O'Halloran;
I am Richard Carroll, Stephen Codman, Eddie Nation and Harry Cutmore;
I am Joachim Hughes and Elizabeth Ray;
I am Dick Williams and I am Richard Harding.

I have witnessed much, both the tragic and the triumphant:

I have lived the crushing sorrow of the bereaved, the uncontained joy of the newly wed;

I have watched troops stack arms in the Close then kneel for a final Communion before sailing off to combat;

I remember memorial services for those who did not return, and I remember grateful services of thanksgiving for victory;

I remember garlands of spruce hung from the ceiling for the day of our Saviour's Birth, and each year I see the Altar adorned with Easter lilies for that of His Resurrection;

And I remember so much more...

I have lived a long life; you see, and that life is far from over.

I owe that life to two centuries of the faith and witness both of clergy and of laity.

Si monumenta requiris, circumspice.

Nuggets from the past

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

Reaching the scattered settlements on the Lower North Shore has always been a challenge. The early missionaries, including Bishop G.J. Mountain used every sort of vessel to reach their remote flock from well-fitted steamers to open boats. When improving the mission to this portion of the Diocese was under discussion in the late 19th and early 20th centuries it always came down to acquiring a vessel of some kind. The August issue of the *Diocesan Gazette* in 1904 carries an article entitled "A New Boat for Our Missionaries on the Canadian Labrador."

"For several years," the article begins, "our Labrador missionaries have been without a boat of their own. On various occasions it has been determined to secure a new boat, and then again the attempt has for sundry reasons been deferred. But now the new leading Missionary, the Rev. J.G. Ward, of Bishop's University (M.A.), feels strongly that the lack of a boat often causes a great loss of time, because the Clergyman often has to wait for many days together for a stray boat or schooner going in the right direction, and also often needs on his rounds a moveable habitation, in which to eat, drink and sleep, as well as read and pray."

James Grant Ward was a young man, aged 24, born in the Diocese at Lower Ire-

land, and just out of college. In 1902 he had been appointed to assist as deacon on the Labrador at Mutton Bay so he was well aware of the difficulties of getting around on the Coast. He also seems to have been both persuasive and confident for he managed to convince the Bishop "to raise \$125 towards a new boat before the end of September, and Mr. Ward has agreed to raise the remainder of the cost, i.e., about \$100 from amongst his own friends and on the Coast. The Bishop already has \$35, which was obtained from the sale of an old, useless boat several years ago, and also a donation of \$5 made about the same time by the late Rev. H. J. Petry. Possibly the Church Helpers of Quebec, who some years ago made a donation, which was returned because it was not needed at the time, will now come forward and repeat their help. And any of our readers, who may wish to have a share in this good and necessary work, are requested to send their offerings to the Editor of the *Diocesan Gazette*, Rev. H. R. Bigg, the Bishop's Chaplain, Bishophorpe, Quebec City."

The Rev. Henry James Petry had died in 1903. Since that time, the Diocese has had several mission boats: among them the Good Hope, the Glad Tidings and the Hollis Corey, each with her story and particular adventures, but mission boats are a thing of the past. The airplane and the skidoo have long since replaced them.

Letters to the editor

Editorial draws fire!

I wonder how many people felt as offended as I did at your editorial for June 2004.

The Cathedral's Bicentennial celebrations reduced to the status of a parochial party? I've never read anything so ridiculous. Indeed, an editor's wild idea.

R.Clive Meredith

Sir,

Upon returning 2 days ago from a delightful trip to the West coast I was a little saddened upon reading your editorial " Whose Cathedral is it ?" printed in the *Diocesan Gazette*.

Surely most all of we anglican members of the Diocese of Quebec appreciate that the Cathedral in Quebec is our Diocesan Cathedral ; it cannot by definition be anything but!

You point out happily that the Cathedral has flourished lo these 200 years thanks to the "faith, hard work and contributions of people from across the diocese " .Already in the Bicentennial celebrations to date many from across the diocese have participated.

The essence of your editorial seems to be dissatisfaction with the Bicentennial Home Page on the web site. At least there is opportunity to " click "on the Diocese of Quebec Home Page.

Your historical comments are no doubt of interest to some, however I have never before heard used in our Diocese the expression Us vs. Them. We are all part of The One Body!

May I express the hope that future editorials will be somewhat more constructive.

Sincerely,
Hugh Bignell , Anglican Member of
Diocese of Quebec

Dear Editor,

In the June edition of the *Diocesan Gazette* you lament, "Contrary to what one might believe based on the information on the "official" bicentennial home page, the Cathedral is a diocesan cathedral." I suppose you didn't notice the rather prominent photograph (worth a thousand words) on main page of the bicentennial website, a group photo that was published in the *Diocesan Gazette* last year. (cf. <http://www.bicentennial.cathedral.ca>)

The photo is a portrait of some of the 300 people from around the diocese and beyond who attended the official launch of the Cathedral's bicentennial in September 2003. Included in the photo: the bishops of the Province of Canada, members of the Provincial Synod, a bus load of parishioners from St. George's, Lennoxville, members of the Quebec Deanery congregations, a visiting choir from our daughter diocese of Montreal and even the Diocesan Registrar, Archivist, Webmaster, and Editor of the *Diocesan Gazette*!

The Cathedral's bicentennial is many things – mostly a lot of hard work for Cathedral volunteers! But hopefully even you can see that the bicentennial is much more than a parish celebration. Many thanks to all of those, throughout the diocese and beyond, who have actually contributed, positively, to making this a special year of bicentennial celebration for us all.

Walter Raymond, Dean & Rector

Dear Editor,

At a risk of seeming to blow on my newly bestowed decanal position, I would wholeheartedly concur with the closing statements of your June Editorial. The Cathedral is not only a diocesan treasure, but is also the "parish church" of everyone who lives in the diocese. For instance it is here that the Bishop (our Chief Pastor) has his official seat (anciently mis-named a "Throne").

Legally the so-called Cathedral Parish" was defined as being that part of the city delineated by the old French law for the RC parish of Québec; it took the Chief of Police in my time to actually describe to me where that lay. In effect probably no regular worshipping member of the Cathedral Congregation actually lives there anymore ! *sic transit etc...*

Unfortunately you are right to say that the we/they syndrome over time came to be discerned as proprietarial by past generations. Instances of this still existed when I left Québec, usually however applied to "them at church house v. us here". *so there is nothing new* in that heresy, but at fault it remains. Just as Church Society encompasses us all, as does the Bishop himself, so too this division has to be laid to rest.

At my election as dean the cathedral wardens asked that I work to bring the Cathedral back into the life of the diocese, where they saw that it belonged. It was not without some strong feelings on both sides that this was what I attempted to do. And now, I feel Dean Wally Raymond has been doing just that, with a fine sense of balance and purpose.

In your penultimate paragraph you recognize that unhealthy we/they schism and I hope the point is well taken by us all, from parish to pontiff. However I cannot agree that there was any petty-parochialism involved or intended in the Diocesan Cathedral bicentennial celebration, because it is the 'Parish Church' of us all and there is seated our Bishop,(but then, you see, perhaps I *am a* little biased!).

Keep up the good work; and as Fr. Bob would say 'Keep the Faith !'

Paul James. Dean emeritus.

The Editor replies:

The good news is the reaction to the editorial proves that there are readers out there!

The interesting thing is that all four of those who wrote are current or past members of the Cathedral Chapter, the body which should have been working with the Diocese and Bishop to make the celebration a truly diocesan event. My editorial just pointed out that it was the Cathedral and not the parish which worships there that is celebrating its bicentennial.

The June *Anglican Journal* had an advertisement regarding the Holy Trinity Bicentennial inviting "friends and former parishioners" to attend a Homecoming weekend. The same term and style as used by other parochial anniversary events advertised on the same page in the same paper.

The Cathedral Chapter did not discuss plans for the bicentennial, nor were any plans presented to the Diocesan Council. There was no diocesan wide invitation sent out nor a request made (as there was for the bicentennial service for the diocese) that as many congregations as possible cancel their services and attend the celebration at the Cathedral.

The official launch service and picture referred to was in fact the official Eucharist service for the Provincial Synod of Canada and most of the congregation so assembled was there at the invitation of the Lord Bishop. I was not there and thus not in the photo.

Companion Diocese tour to the United Kingdom

The Companion Diocese Committee organized, along with the Diocese of New Hampshire, a visit to our joint companion diocese Limerick and Killaloe in Ireland. The tour took place in late May and early June. A number of the participants sent comments and photos on the trip to Barbara Hewitt who in turn supplied the **Quebec Diocesan Gazette** to share with our readers.

group from Diocese of Quebec and New Hampshire assembled to celebrate Holy Eucharist and dedicate the new Book of Common Prayer. At this service the visiting clergy were asked to take part. Following the service the congregation hosted a delicious luncheon with soup, cold buffet and tempting desserts.

For the afternoon we



Quebec Group outside Murphy's Bar on Ring of Kerry

A trip of a Lifetime

It is difficult to know where to begin! Upon arriving in Ireland we were greeted by our host families and whisked away to our home for three days. We were all grateful for some down time with our hosts as it was a long flight. After a little R and R we were ready to go.

Our first full day of touring began by being picked up by our tour guide and bus driver Catherine and Burt Louer (experts in their field) at St. Mary's Limerick. We had the fortunate opportunity of visiting this historic Cathedral 1189 and climbing the 145 steps to the top of the bell tower. Dean Sirr was most kind in climbing with us to the top, walking ever so carefully past the huge bells so as not to set them off. From this vantage point we had a splendid view of Limerick, the Shannon River and St. John's Castle. St. Mary's is so stately and welcomes thousands of visitors each year. They come to see the many different artefacts including the miser chords. These are ancient carved choir stalls out of black oak. Surrounding this church is a beautiful garden dedicated to a parishioner who tended it for many years.

Our second stop was at St. Columba's in Ennis where our whole

Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, 1189 remodeled in 1870s



boarded the tour bus and visited the Cliffs of Moher, The Burren, and Kilfenora.

The Cliffs of Moher dominate the west coast of Ireland for 8km. They are sheer rock face with layers of sandstone and shale, which provide ledges for nesting birds and rise to a height of 200m out of the sea. Magnificent! At the cliffs a popular viewing spot is O'Brien's Tower, which was built for the benefits of Victorian tourists. More avid hikers can hike south or north along the cliffs to Hag's Head or Doolin.

Then on to the Burren, a word derived from Gaelic, boereann which means 'rocky land' and that it is. It is a limestone plateau in northwest County Clare. Few trees grow here but an abundance of plants grow between the crevices of the limestone pavements and the land is marked with many dry stone-walls to mark grazing pastureland. It is one of Europe's most intact archaeological landscapes covering 360 square km and at least extended 200 square km covering other landforms. Throughout the Burren are ring forts, ruins of castles, monasteries, abbeys burial grounds, farms, villages and all sorts of other treasures.



Poulabrone Dalmen "Burren"

We were fortunate to have two visits to the Burren, oddly enough a week apart on sunny Sunday afternoons. We had perfect weather for walking on the limestone pavements to view the plants between the stones. This was truly a pressed flower collector's paradise.

Our hosts Nancy and Elliot Ashley took us to the Burren Xposure, a fascinating interpretive centre where we learned what to keep our eyes focused on when visiting the Burren. However Nancy and Elliot were our eyes and ears and showed us views, ring forts, burial grounds, tombs, markers, old castles and a pub or two.

Throughout the Burren wedge tombs dot the landscape, which point to a significant settlement at the end of the Stone Age and into the Bronze Age. These tombs are made from large slabs of limestone (glints). Poulabrone portal tomb is one of the most impressive tombs. It dates back to 3800-3200BC. Thirty burials were found here along with some artefacts. What is also amazing is that you can walk up to this tomb in a farmer's field and get very close to it. Everyone has respected the importance and reverence of this wonderful place. Our visit to the Burren ended late as the sun sets very late in the day there. We realized that there was so much more to discover on our return trip to Ireland.

These two days were just a snippet of what else we saw on



Now have I got this right Father, you suggest when traveling it is best to see mountains from the top, churches from the outside and pubs from the inside!

our trip. Thanks to the Companion Diocesan Committee for making this trip possible and especially to our new found friends in Ireland. We certainly appreciated all the care and time in planning this wonderful experience.

Barbara Hewitt

Going to Ireland was quite a trip, for someone a bit nervous on airplanes: Dorval to Heathrow to Shannon to Prestwick back to Shannon to Heathrow to Toronto and back to Dorval. The side trip to Scotland was an extra to visit members of my family. I am now cured!

Going to another country for me is comparing things to seek out what is different if not better than back home. Here is what I remember most.

The cars are mostly all diesel-fed, but you don't hear them and you hardly smell them, because their diesel (and gas) is more powerful (our diesel is like heating oil) and manual five or six gears, no automatic transmission except on a special order if, available, none of those BIG pick-ups or SUV's, (I saw one).

Very narrow roads and people seem to speed all the time, but if you look at the speedometer it's just as we do here, the narrowness of the road affects our perception, along with all that vegetation that hides these stone walls just a few inches beneath.

Traffic is simplified with hardly any STOP signs or lights, with all those roundabouts and yield signs instead of having to come to a dead stop even if there is no other car in sight.

Electrical wiring is either underground or concealed same with the



The New Hampshire and Quebec dioceses at St. Columba's, Ennis

phone lines, but it seems everyone has a cell phone, and oh yes those ugly towers that keep popping up here, are discreetly tucked away in TALL structures like church steeples, you don't see them and the church gets extra (sometimes badly needed) income, great idea. Cable TV is transmitted wireless, so every house has a very small antenna (two feet) all pointed in the same direction (no moving parts). No income tax, sales tax is already in the price so you know exactly how much you are paying up front.

Our 2.5 hours train trip to Dublin cost just \$50.00 return, how much would we pay here for a five-hour trip on a train? France, Spain, Italy and Scandinavia are only an hour or so by plane and travelling within Europe is greatly simplified. Do you want to go to Paris this weekend dear? or Biarritz? Coming back from Spain you can bring back all the wine (at \$1.50 a bottle) you can carry (or in your car) and NO customs to worry about. Of course I'm getting carried away, away from Ireland, but the rest of the world seems so close, and it is. I wonder if the rest of Europe also has as

Bunratty Castle (15th century) and Dirty Nelly's Pub



ated Diocese of Limerick and Killaloe



hospitable people as we discovered in Ireland, and what a beautiful countryside. Did you know there were Palm trees in Ireland? Not a native but they thrive in that warm weather brought in by the Gulf Stream.

Daylight can go as late as 11:45 pm and back at 4:00am.

Very pleasant memories. Grateful to have been there!

Paul Sharpe

an tour groups outside is

It gives me great pleasure to thank the Companion Diocese Committee forgiving me the chance to return to Ireland, namely Limerick and Killaloe.

I was able to renew my friendship in person with five of my friends of 5 years ago. The Eckhardt family, Lorna and Adam Gleasure and the last but not least May Hamilton. These people were my hosts also the Rev. Arthur Minion and the Rev. Janet White Spunner.

Now I have four new families to extend my friendship to. This, I feel, is what companionship is all about, joining our Faith and Fellowship in our Heavenly Father's great kingdom here upon earth.

Dorothy Ross

I would like to comment on the beautiful flowering shrubs and trees that were in full bloom when we arrived. I'll never forget looking out the airplane window as we were arriving at Shannon Airport and seeing the all the white blossomed trees growing up along the stone fences. While we were still at quite an altitude it almost looked like snow

Clare Abby (1189) Monastic ruins in Ennis

lining the fences. Had we been landing at Gaspé that would have been a possibility. And there were so many different shrubs and trees in bloom; the white hawthorne, the bright yellow gorse bushes, the wild rhododendrons in pinks, reds, purples and the wild fuschia growing along the path to the Gallarus Oratory to name but a few; all against a back drop of so many different shades of green.

The scenery was spectacular whether it was in the farming country in Tipperary County, or the visit to the cliffs of Moher, or the winding roads of the Ring of Kerry or around the Dingle Peninsula. The Tralee Theatre experience was also very special as the performers gave us a 'days gone by' glimpse of life on the Blasket Islands presented in music, song and dance, by a troupe of well trained artists. I'm sure others have mentioned the warm and welcoming hospitality of all the receiving hosts, from Limerick, to Kenmare, to Shinrone. We couldn't have been treated more royally, I'm certain. The visits to the many old churches, castles, family estates and farms gave us a look at! the past as well as the present. It was an honour to be asked to participate in the worship services in Shinrone and Aghancon. We enjoyed a wonderful buffet meal and social time with Bishop Mayes and his wife, Beth, at their residence in Limerick.

The visits to Bunratty Castle and Folk Park was an enjoyable learning experience about life in Ireland over the centuries, as well as the visit to Blarney Castle with the beautiful walking paths to gardens filled with blooming trees and shrubs, and of course, the opportu-



St Columba's, Ennis, hosts: Bert & Catherine Louer, Jenny, Gertrude and others!

nity to see and for those who were agile enough, to kiss the blarney stone.

Pat Hayes

The trip to Ireland as the youth delegate was a dream come true. It turned out not only to be enriching in terms of learning about youth in the church as well as Ireland's sights and stories, but it gave the group time to get to know the host families which have given us memories to carry with us always.

A very special and unique aspect of this group trip was the insight into the present day culture and the true personality of the island that would have been difficult without the host families to tap us into it. Our connection with the host families was a complete breakaway from the regular group trip that one would imagine. As for my part, I got a chance to drive down the old country roads and see flocks of sheep grazing on hill sides, watch the sunset from a mountain peak called "Preacher's Leap", see the Cliffs of Mohre, visit a genuine Irish Pub, even kiss the Blarney Stone.

A very important of aspect of being with the host families was being able to discuss generalizations made about respective countries, politics and religion, and many other topics which in the end allowed us to walk away having made new friends across the ocean in our companion diocese.

The tour as well allowed us to get to know our New Hampshire counterparts a little better which was a very nice part of the trip.

All in all, the trip was a success especially in terms of connecting with our Irish counterparts and sharing with them. It is my humble opinion that no one on this trip is without memories that they will look back on and smile.

David Hinton

I am very grateful that I had the opportunity to go on the trip to Ireland. To see the lovely country, to meet and stay with the wonderful people that I did. A couple of things that I found really interesting while I was there going to the peat bogs and seeing how they cut and dry the peat turning it into logs for fuel for the fireplaces, the lovely gardens with stone archways and hedges surrounding many of the homes that I visited. It was a wonderful experience and I would

Quin Franciscan Abbey (15th century)



love to go again.

Pat Billson

. One of the highlights that I will remember forever will be the supper we (Patsy Hayes, Nancy Packard, Marlyn Neary and myself) at Leap Castle. This Castle is privately owned by Sean Ryan and his wife. It dates back to the 13th century. Sean and his wife are in the process of restoring this wonderful monument. It is featured in a book called Private Ireland. According to the book this castle has been haunted by a ghost for several centuries which we did not get to meet. The meal and atmosphere was something out of a novel. Shaw, his wife and daughter served the 5-course meal and while we ate his daughter danced to the Celtic melodies of Sean tin whistle. Furthermore his daughter won all of our hearts with her ballads so graciously played on her harp. (His daughter was leaving for Spain a few days later for a Celtic dance competition in which she was representing Ireland). Of course we were accompanied by our host families (Eric, Ruth and Janice) and Arthur Minnion and his daughter. Throughout this trip I found the Irish to be jovial, friendly and warm hearted. Hope to return again.

Michael Dougherty

What can you say about Bert and Catherine except Tops, the Best, Super!

Our recent Irish three-diocese tour of Co. Limerick and area was a great experience full of wonderful hospitality and happy memories. We owe a lot of thanks to Bert and Catherine Louer. We had full confidence with Bert at the wheel of our bus. His helpful ways, good humour, comments on passing scenery, friendly greetings each morning all contributed to the pleasures of our day. As for Catherine, she looked after us like a mother hen making sure that we were met by our hosts in each community, got safely to our destination, that we were comfortable on the bus, and she cared for us at our various stops, points of interest, restaurants and shops. Catherine befriended us all and I for one am grateful. We enjoyed having her sister Norah and sister-in-law Heather with us too. They have been to the Townships last fall as members of the Irish Diocesan group.

Joan Thomson

Gallarus Oratory, 6th -9th Century Church. The best persevered Church in Ireland (with some well preserved travelers in front of it)



St James, Dingle (1391) with our tour guide Catherine Louer



St John's Roman Catholic Cathedral, Limerick from St Mary's Bell Tour showing cell phone antenna

Below: St Mary's Cathedral, Limerick 1172.



Highlights of the spring meeting of the Diocesan Executive Council

A meeting of the Diocesan Executive Council (D.E.C.) was held on Friday, April 23rd in Carter Hall, commencing at 6:00p.m. As requested by the DEC here is a summary of the major topics covered and actions taken.

Church House Lease Renewal: Final negotiations are ongoing and hopefully the lease should be signed upon the return of W. Raymond who, as Rector of Quebec, is the owner of the building.

A report was presented by the Quebec Lodge Camp Director Q. Robinson

It was moved by J. Rasmussen and seconded by A. Milot that the D.E.C. ratify the Quebec Lodge Board for 2004, consisting of the following members: Richard Bradley, Shirley Brown (Vice-Chair), Peter Clibbon, Elsie Fortin (Representing Christ Church, Eustis), Lizzie Fraser, Mark Gibson, Debra Harris, Grant Hawley (Vice-Chair), Julie Heath, John Hewitt, John Hoblyn, Robert Kouri, Steve Macknish (Chair), Mark McLaughlin (Treasurer), Jean Sylvestre and Brian Wharry.

Q. Robinson presented a document entitled Quebec Lodge Report: Restructuring and Capital Campaign

J. Hoblyn is the chair of the Capital Campaign. There is a draft document in existence but requires more work before it is made public. Sonya Rocke has been hired as a part-time Campaign Preparation Coordinator. The desire is to raise 2.75 million dollars.

The Quebec Lodge operation must be under a separate organization before the capital campaign is undertaken. The Foundation has been in existence for a number of years but has been dormant. D. Blair believes that the Foundation has to develop a model and bring it to D.E.C. The charitable status needs to be resolved in an expedient manner.

A report from the Quebec Diocesan Gazette Board was received from MEB Reisner, as per the canon, a copy is published on page 2 of this issue.

The Bishop announced the appointment of Mr. James Sweeny as editor of the Diocesan Gazette for a three-year position beginning July 1st 2004. He also announced that he could renew the appointment.

It was moved by Anne Milot and seconded by J. Thivièrge that the D.E.C. requests that the Diocesan Gazette Board

a. increase the size of the Quebec Diocesan Gazette to eight pages for each of the ten regular editions, beginning with September 2004's edition

b. Retain an 'ad-man' on commission (at a rate of 20% of net sales)

c. Sell up to 3/8 advertisement space in Quebec Diocesan Gazette

d. Achieve a net advertisement revenue target of \$4000 in 2004-05

e. Grow net advertisement revenue to \$8000 in the 2005-06 year.

A report was received from Phyllis Gauthier outlining the work of the Programme Committee. The Programme Committee has produced and distributed a draft Communications' Policy to D.E.C. members Anne Milot, Joanne Brousseau, Roberta Sylvester and Pierre Voyer are asked to review the draft communication policy and report back at the fall meeting of D.E.C.

Comments on a new draft Diocesan Handbook were submitted by DEC members to Church House and, since then, J. Sweeny has been working on incorporating some of the concerns/recommendations expressed by a number of people. He reported on the work that has been done to date. Since General Synod may be making changes to the section dealing with the Matrimonial Commission, those changes will need to be incorporated in our handbook. There is a desire to link an initiative from the Deanery of St. Francis to include guidelines for treasurers and wardens as well as clergy/parish evaluation.

D. Drainville suggested that the handbook be made primarily as an electronic document so that changes and updates can be done in an expedient manner. Once those documents are ready for publication they will be posted on the Diocesan web site. The Secretary will ask the Rural Dean of St. Francis to keep the other Rural Deans up to date with their Deanery documents since they will be applicable to the Diocese as a whole.

R. Clark presented two documents entitled "Financial Statements - December 31, 2003" and "Statement of Financial Position of Assets Held in Trust - As at December 31, 2003"

The 2003 audit took somewhat longer to complete since there was a need to create a separate financial statement for trusts held in the name of the Lord Bishop. This required an enormous amount of time to synthesize the land trusts, deeds, and value by the archivist. Quebec Lodge now appears as a trust asset of the Lord Bishop in Trust in his statements. Synod closed the 2003 year with a \$168 budget surplus.

It was moved by J. Sweeny and seconded by J. Rasmussen that the audited Financial Statements of the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Quebec for the year ended December 31, 2003 be received, noting that the word "DRAFT" on page 5 be removed. Furthermore, the D.E.C. authorized the Bishop and

Treasurer to sign the documents.

It was moved by D. Drainville and seconded by J. Thivièrge that the D.E.C. express its gratitude to R. Clark and J. Sweeny in their respective work as Treasurer and Archivist in preparing the 2003 Financial Statements.

It was moved by R. Clark and seconded by G. Jackson that the audited Statement of Financial Positions of Assets Held in Trust by Synod as at December 31, 2003 be received.

It was moved by F. Keats and seconded by K. Dickson that the D.E.C. re-appoint the members of the Insurance Committee, and enlarge the membership of same by inviting representation from the deaneries of the Gaspé, the North Shore and St. Francis.

It was moved by D. Painter and seconded by A. Chapman that Synod retain the firm PriceWaterhouseCoopers as auditors for 2004.

It was moved by D. Painter and seconded by J. Rasmussen that the D.E.C. appoint an "Asset Management Sub-committee" to examine the assets owned by, and in trust with and for Synod, so as to develop a strategy to use to best advantage the resources which are to benefit the ministry of our Synod. The committee is to be comprised of the Officers of Synod and one D.E.C. representative from each of the five deaneries and report to the fall and spring meetings of D.E.C.

Anne Chapman (Quebec), John Rasmussen (St. Francis), Dennis Drainville (Gaspé), Douglas Painter (North Shore) and Johanne Brousseau (St-Laurent) volunteered to sit on the sub-committee as Deanery representatives.

It was moved by J. Rasmussen and seconded by F. Keats that the Asset Management sub-committee propose to D.E.C. options regarding Quebec Lodge and to report back to D.E.C. as soon as possible, or by the fall D.E.C. meeting.

It was moved by D. Drainville and seconded by D. Painter that the Synod retain the firm of Joly Reindeau Duke, and that Chartered Accountant Jack Noble to act as intermediary with the parish of the Greater Parish of Coaticook (GPC) to see that the accumulated debt of the GPC be properly distributed to congregations of same.

Following recommendations by a number of Diocesan bodies, regarding the operation of Church House, it was moved by G. Annett and seconded by D. Painter that should Church Society agree to cover 4/5 of the Treasurer's stipend and benefits. Synod is to decrease its contribution to the Treasurer's stipend and benefit package from one-half to one-fifth,

effective July 1, 2004.

It was moved by F. Keats and seconded by G. Morency that Synod will continue to hire temporary receptionists/clerical staff, and should allow the Treasurer and/or Bishop discretion in hiring two office temps (when needed).

It was moved by F. Keats and seconded by R. Sylvester that the Registrar's remuneration be increased from the present 25% to 65% effective July 1, 2004.

It was moved by Anne Chapman and seconded by S. Kohner that the Officers of D.E.C. review the registrar's job description in light of the expanded role of the Registrar. A report will be presented at the fall meeting of D.E.C.

Most of the feedback concerning the Fall 2003 diocesan synod has been very positive, however, it is noted that the agenda was overloaded, Sarah's address, and agenda items need to be re-balanced so that the business is taken of earlier on, including proposed amendments to the Canons.

Bishop Stavert is planning to schedule the 79th Ordinary Session of the Synod of the Diocese of Québec to be held on October 13 to the 16, 2005 in the Quebec City Area. The Synod agenda and planning committee is to be approved by the D.E.C. It was moved by J. Sweeny and seconded by J. Rasmussen that the Officers of D.E.C. make a proposal to the fall meeting of D.E.C. for the membership of the Synod planning committee.

It was moved by J. Sweeny and seconded by F. Keats that in cases where a congregation is between permanent incumbents, the deacons and the lay readers are to be paid an honorarium by the congregation at the Diocesan rate including travel for services taken.

It was moved by R. Clark and seconded by J. Thivièrge that the D.E.C. request the Quebec government to consider including the value of housing in kind as pensionable earnings for QPP purposes, and that the Diocese of Quebec request other dioceses and other denominations with clergy in Québec to support this request.

The next D.E.C. meeting scheduled for October 16 and 17, 2004.

There is planned a joint social event with the Programme Committee on the Friday night.

Recent appointments made by the Bishop:

The Rev. Andrew O'Donnell – Incumbent of St. Anne's, Richmond and the Parish of St. Francis of Assisi (St Augustine, Danville; Holy Trinity, Denison's Mills; Holy Trinity, Kirkdale and St James South Durham) , August 16, 2004. Rev O'Donnell has been the incumbent of The Magdalen Islands since August 2000

The Rev. James Quirk - Incumbent of St Barnabas, North Hatley and Christ Church, Eustis, September 1, 2004. Rev. Quirk



comes to our diocese from Kelowna B.C.



The Rev. Michael Canning - Incumbent St George's Lennoxville and St Barnabas, Milby, September 1 2004. Rev. Canning has been working in the Diocese of Ohio.

The Rev. Bruce Myers – Assistant Curate to the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity and Quebec Deanery, June 6, 2004

The Very Rev. Paul James - On June 20, 2004, The Rt. Rev. A. Bruce Stavert, Lord Bishop of Quebec, has named him "Dean Emeritus" of the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, Quebec City.. The Very Rev. Paul James who served as Dean of the Cathedral from 1977-1987 and is now in retirement living in Stratford, Ontario.

James Sweeny - Editor of the Quebec Diocesan Gazette, July 1, 2004

Jason Coleman - Hired as office temp., August 1 2004

Summer Student Ministries

Joanne Brousseau - Parish of St. James the Greater (Thetford/Inverness)

Randy Murray – Greater Parish of Gaspé

Lyndon Sayers – St. Clement's Parish (St. Augustine, Mutton Bay, La Tabatière)

Eileen Steele – Parish of Chaleur Bay

Passages

This periodic column is to advise the whole diocese of happenings in our collective life.

The First Dean Emeritus of the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity addresses the congregation.

As has been referred to earlier in the paper on June 20, 2004, the Lord Bishop appointed the Very Reverend Paul James as Dean Emeritus of the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity. The **Quebec Diocesan Gazette** has had over the past 111 years a tradition of publishing important sermons. A number of those at the service that morning felt that Dean James address was such a sermon and it was worth reproducing for the wider diocesan audience. Kindly the Dean Emeritus has provided the text as delivered.

It was in Eastertide 1971 that I first visited this cathedral. As Bishop Brown showed me round I had that extraordinary experience of "déjà vu", that somehow I had been here before. It is well known that this Cathedral is modelled on St. Martin's-in-the-fields in London. St. Martin's was where I was baptized, it was the church where my parents had been married. No wonder I felt drawn to this place, it felt just like home to me. Little did I know that one day I would be called to sit in the Dean's stall.

Helen and I were in due time to bring our children here; they sang in the choir and were confirmed at these steps. I have sat here and in the homes of many of you as we shared our joys and sorrows. You prayed for me, as I for you.

We made friends here, with many of whom we are still in touch. Not least the friends from Trinity Church, founded as a chapel of ease from this cathedral in the 19th century, latterly whose Rector I became and whose work still continues with renewed vigour in Ste Foy.

The 1980's were challenging times for the church, particularly as our city centre became depopulated of Anglophone families. There was fabric to repair, restorations to be made; a ministry to French-speaking families and individuals to commence, and a growing ministry to visitors at all seasons.

I remember so well the evening when a "Friends of the Cathedral" Association was discussed and Anne Chapman came up with the motto "...*Soyons Amis - Let's be Friends.*" And so it was to be.

At about that time a summer student work-camp was set up along the lines of the World Council of Churches youth work programmes whereby participants paid a nominal sum to belong and gave of their time in manual work, worship, study, and witness. Some of you here today have children who took part in these work camp programmes. A beginning was made in opening up

the side aisles and covering the walls with the carved wooden pews ends. The Narthex was fitted out as place to meet people, and for the Cathedral Bookstalls which we built. Gradually as the work progressed kitchen and bathroom facilities were built with the help of men from the congregation and technical students, new lighting was installed and the 19th century electric system was replaced. The main body of the entrances, Nave and Aisles, were redecorated (by some of you here now).

From this grew a pattern of on-going student employment covering the fall through spring seasons with student vergers and cleaners; in particular we gained a fine student organist, Simon Dyk, who remained with us for two years as Organist and Caretaker and whom I visited at a recital in his honour only a few weeks ago. Two of our work camp Leaders were called to ordained ministry, one as an Anglican priest in Toronto, another as a United Church Minister in Ontario. During the summer as part of their witness and growth the campers led daily Morning and Evening Prayer, singing Evensong in the choir stalls throughout the week.

The Friends of the Cathedral had Bishop Alan Goodings, the Cardinal, the Mayor and the United Church Minister among the first patrons. Plans were drawn up for the development of the Cathedral Hall into a Diocesan Centre, and the City cooperated in drafting designs for a car park and new gardens.

From small beginnings and voluntary work, through vast reconstructions and major reorientations, the main goals have been achieved. The charge is now in your hands, Mr. Dean, and I am thrilled to see how well you have been able to continue this fine work.

One sees now, that greater projects are to be realized: the re-hanging of the bells and the rebuilding of the organ. One of my pipe-dreams had been for a small extension or chamber organ in the chancel and - lo it has appeared! A faithful replica of the original Gallery organ by Elliott of London.

Our Primate at the time, Ted Scott, said "Paul, beware of dreaming in Technicolor!" - Thanks to the wonderful hard work and dedication of all of who came after me and you, my friends, who continued what we had started together, what we have before us now is a wonderful sign of how God has blessed the work. With your help he has indeed provided the colour to my dreams! "To God be the Glory"

In this increasingly secular world we need to constantly have

before us that a cathedral is a "living entity" under God. Through many setbacks and controversies he has indeed honoured our dreams.

As I look at the lovely work that has been done by the Cathedral Seamstresses in their crafting of the beautiful new altar hangings and in restoring the old George IV frontal, we have much for which to be thankful.

As I read of the outreach work welcoming refugees from Burundi through the Noella project, involving people right across the Québec population, I see those signs of a living community which is essential to the lifeblood of faith, welcoming and befriending.

Then there is also the wonderful work of the *Cathedral Foundation*, by means of which our claims and our aims are presented before the people of Québec. The enhanced work of the ministry of music under Dr. Ben Waterhouse and the growing membership of the choir, are obvious examples of continued growth and witness.

The founding and growth of the French Ministry under Pierre Voyer's leadership gives cause for thankfulness as well - Le ministère du chanoine Pierre Voyer est à vrai dire un des projets du Seigneur les plus importants de cet époque. Lui, venant d'abord comme chercheur dans la foi parmi nous pendant plusieurs saisons, il y trouvait une vocation ministérielle, laquelle ni l'église ni Pierre pourrait la manquer.

Dans les années des camps de travail don't je vous ai précisé tantôt Pierre oeuvrait souvent comme homéliste pour les messes de Samedi soir. Finalement l'esprit Saint lui à mener à la prêtrise avec mission spéciale auprès d'un ministère francophone dans une assemblée adjointe à la Cathédrale, nommée maintenant l'Assemblée de "Tous Les Saints".

In the last 14 years this French ministry, alongside the other cathedral ministries, has produced three lay ministers, and two priests for the French work. *Gloire au Seigneur!*

In his book "Never really forgotten" Clive Meredith describes people like me as being "expatriate cathedralites". Today Helen and I thank you for this kind welcome, should I say 'to the fields of my dreams'? I am sad to be an expatriate, for there will always be a large place in my heart for Québec; but a "Cathedralite" I am happy to remain.

Memories and experiences are often God-given given for our enrichment. Each of you who comes as a visitor to Québec will have something to share of your visit

when you go home I am sure.

Let us now spend a moment reviewing our life's journeyings in the light of today's scripture readings: (remembering that St. Paul said *every scripture is given for our instruction...*) so let's just do that:-

In the first lesson we heard how important it is to *listen* to God, in quiet and in stillness. It is by the still small voice of inner calm that God communicates with us deeply.

From the Epistle reading I hear a message of *inclusiveness*. We need to check our ministry often against this. *...there is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all One in Christ.*

I think the Angels must weep when they see communities and congregations struggling too often with *exclusivity*, rather than the *In-clusivity* in Christ; His body of was broken enough on the cross, that we have no need to go on doing it again.

The Gospel for today is simple: GO! TELL! *Return home and tell how much God has done for you (NIV)*

It has been said that the very history of Québec is written in the memorials on these walls. This is part of what has been handed to us. I turn to our uncrowned laureate, Clive Meredith; on the last page of his book Clive writes....

Walls, windows, books, sacred objects bear names, never really forgotten, of warriors and legislators, Healers of bodies and of souls, Tamers of forest, clearers of land, Men of letters and of the law, Men of music and of the cloth, Champions of national unity, And of ecumenicity. (he concludes...)
In faith that trust is taken up By those who remain; (I would add...)
"And by those who have tarried with us."

This is what we share with you: take it home; it is our gift to you this day. Let us take a quiet moment in peace.....



The Very Reverend Paul James, the First Dean Emeritus of the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity

Quebec Labrador Foundation Marathon

**2004 Saturday, 16th October 2004
Bulwer Community Centre.**

42.2 km on beautiful, quiet, country roads run, bike, walk - all or part of the route or come and help - there is lots to do!!

All proceeds will go the QFL scholarship fund. Sponsorship forms are available

Join us after the marathon for a potluck supper and dance at the Bulwer Community Centre. Please bring something for the pot!

Last year over a hundred people took part in the day and we raised over \$20,000.00 for the Scholarship Fund to help young people on the Quebec North Shore. This year we would like to double the amount raised. The potluck supper was delicious and the party was super fun.

If you would like to know more, or would like to sign up to help or participate in any way, please e-mail ppeacock@abacom.com Fun begins at 9:00 a.m.

Quebec Lodge Summer 2004

By Canon Quentin Robinson



Philip Bignell-Harris rides the soapy water slide, a popular camp activity since the 1970s. Photo Kathleen Robinson

What do "Lord of The Rings" and "Peter Pan" have in common? Both were themes for sessions at Quebec Lodge this past summer.

We had great fun this summer swimming, sailing, canoeing, making crafts, playing soccer, basketball and taking our turns at archery. The food was great and the staff strong.

The Pioneer Camps were fully booked. There the campers took turns preparing the meals and everyone enjoyed hiking up the Barnston Pinnacle. Cross-lake swims were also popular as were the wide-games played every night.

The two-week Senior camps had fewer campers but both sessions were memorable. During the second week of these sessions campers were able to specialize in such activities as horseback riding, sailing, and woodworking. A new offering this year was "brainercize" which included mensa puzzles, chess, and creating a labyrinth.

During both Senior Camps the campers visited local churches on Sunday morning. They received a warm welcome and took part in the services reading lessons, singing special music and in some cases taking the sermon slot. Thirteen churches welcomed campers in this way this past summer.

The Junior Camps were directed by Rachel Thompson and Kristy Dunn Asselin. They did a great job with a program that included talent shows, campfires, counselor hunts and soap slides. The Nature Trail was also a popular activity.

At three sessions we offered an English Second Language camp. During these sessions one E.S.L. camper is placed in a tent with three campers who are Anglophone or who already speak English. E.S.L. campers had two sessions a day with teachers who taught them vocabulary through doing camp activities. For the rest of the day they were integrated with the other campers.

The campers are home now but Quebec Lodge remains open. This month cadets will be attending a sailing school and a school group will be on site for three days. In October we will welcome scouts and church groups. After that we will be preparing for our winter groups.



Charles Hall, a counselor-in-training, teaches Adam Summerfelt archery. Photo Heather Wharry



As always chapel is an important part of the camp life. Photo Kathleen Robinson



Building sand castles on the beach. Photo Heather Wharry



Memorable campfires Photo Kathleen Robinson



Are you sure this is the approved way to clean up the macaroni pot? Photo Kathleen Robinson



They looked even more joyful after their hike in Megantic! Photo Heather Wharry