

## Celebrating 175 years of Anglican tradition

*Long history of Anglican presence on Manitoulin Island celebrated*

By David Smith

On June 25, 2010, St. Paul's, Manitowaning celebrated two important historical events. One hundred and seventy-five years ago on June 21, 1835 the first Anglican service on Manitoulin Island was held on what is now the beach area of the community. One hundred and sixty-five years ago in 1845, construction was begun on St. Paul's Anglican Church making it the oldest church in the Diocese of Algoma and in Northern Ontario. In 1835, Rev. Adam Elliot and Captain Thomas G. Anderson, Superintendent of Indian Affairs, set out from Penetanguishene in a bark canoe manned by five Indians. The purpose of their trip was to visit the Indians living along the North shore of Lake Huron with a view to persuading them to move to Manitoulin Island where a government mission would be established with headquarters at Manitowaning. This visit would result in not only the beginnings of the

Anglican Church in the area, but the beginnings of the community as well.

Special guests for the event included the Bishop of Algoma, Stephen Andrews, the National Indigenous Bishop of the Anglican Church, Mark MacDonald, and the Executive Archdeacon for the Diocese of Algoma, Harry Huskins. In the afternoon these three men enjoyed a tour of The Debajehmujig Creation Centre. Following this, they attended a dinner along with the other invited guests. This was hosted by the Rector of the Parish, Canon J. Bain Peever, at the Rainbow Ridge Golf Course.

Celebrations moved to the water front where everyone waited for the arrival of a large canoe, courtesy of Camp Manitou and Ron Mulholland. The canoe could soon be seen coming down Manitowaning Bay. On this voyage it was manned by staff from Camp Manitou as well as local paddlers. As the canoe rounded the point the swirl of bagpipes could be heard from aboard the vessel played by guest piper Andy Atchison. Along with the paddlers and some ladies from the parish were Bishop Stephen Andrews and Bishop Mark MacDonald both robed in full regalia. From the shore, lined by

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**LET THE PIPES RESOUND:** Andy Atchison plays the pipes as the Rt. Rev. Dr. Stephen Andrews and the Rt. Rev. MacDonald, National Indigenous Bishop, arrive in Manitowaning Bay in celebration of the 175th Anniversary of the first Anglican service of worship held on Manitoulin Island. Paddlers included some members of the staff from Camp Manitou and a number of local paddlers.

## Primate visits Huntsville to celebrate 50th anniversary of the PWRDF

By Don McCormick

On the weekend of June 26 and 27, 2010, All Saints' Anglican Church, Huntsville was privileged to host the Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, Archbishop Fred Hiltz. Archbishop Hiltz was accompanied by his wife Lynne.

The archbishop had been invited to Huntsville to be the guest speaker at a Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF) fund raising "Third World Dinner" on the Saturday night and to

be the guest preacher at the Sunday service the following day.

Getting him here was no mean feat and was largely due to the efforts of PWRDF Muskoka Deanery Coordinator, Joy Lewis. Archbishop Hiltz had attended the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada's triennial meeting in Halifax earlier in the month and was scheduled to be the head of the Canadian Interfaith delegation of 80 of the world's religious leaders at the Winnipeg Summit on Friday, June 25 and Saturday, June 26, 2010 until an illness forced him to return home to recuperate.

Coincidental with the archbishop's visit was the G8 meeting of the leaders of the world's eight wealthiest countries at Deerhurst in Huntsville. The timing of the archbishop's visit was somewhat ironic because the purpose of the Winnipeg Summit was to focus attention on getting the G8 leaders to live up to their Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) ratified by 192 member states of the United Nations. They are far behind in meeting their promised deadline. Archbishop Hiltz has made the meeting of these deadlines the hallmark of his primacy.

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**PRIMATE VISITS HUNTSVILLE:** The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz was the guest speaker at a PWRDF "Third World Dinner" held at Sutherland Hall at All Saints, Huntsville on Saturday, June 26, 2010. The Primate is pictured with Joy Lewis, PWRDF Muskoka Deanery Co-ordinator. Ms. Lewis was instrumental in the planning and preparation for the visit of the Primate to Muskoka.

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The year 2010 happens to be the 50th anniversary of the PWRDF and Archbishop Hiltz was its first board president. The PWRDF was instituted to provide relief to poor nations in times of natural disasters, wars/genocide and to assist them with development issues. These goals are consistent with the Millennium Development Goals committed to by the G8 leaders.

One might say that, having this particular primate in Huntsville on the same weekend as the G8 leaders, was an indication of the hand of God at work and of His desire to see social justice in His world.

to others. If you would like information about how to get a prayer shawl ministry started in your parish, please contact Glad Bryce at 762-5119 or e-mail [glad@muskoka.com](mailto:glad@muskoka.com).



## Diocese of Algoma Anglican Church Women DEVOTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER

At this time of year, we are approaching the bountiful harvest our Lord has provided for us: grains, fruits, vegetables and many other good things. I am, however, writing this time about another harvest.

Matthew 9:36 reads: "When Jesus saw the crowds He had compassion on them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd." Then He said to His disciples "the harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the Harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field."

Are we following this command of Jesus by "going out into the Harvest field?"

Matthew 28:29 reads: "Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and Of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you." Also these words in Matthew 5:16: "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

There are opportunities to witness for Christ if we are open to them. There are times that we may not be aware of until the opportunity has passed, or perhaps we are worried that we might be ridiculed. We can pray that when opportunities are presented to us, we will be given the words needed. We are not to corner people and preach at them.

We must take care to be aware where people are at in their walks of faith. We can accomplish much by our love and our actions. We must be relaxed and natural, perhaps saying just enough to open the door for another conversation.

We must be aware of God's timing which means we always show wisdom, concern and sensitivity. We have to be alert, caring, and above all, learn to listen. We show much by our example: "and they'll know we are Christians by our love" says the song.

I think Dr. D.T. Niles' definition of evangelism is interesting. It is as follows: "Evangelism is one beggar telling another beggar where to find bread." We are both beggars. We cannot stand on a "holier than thou" pedestal. Are you taking your place as a beggar along with other beggars? Remember you are the beggar who has already found the bread. Jesus said "I am the Bread of Life" in John six. Jesus continues: "He who comes to me shall not hunger." Remember the other beggar is looking for bread. Shouldn't we tell them where to find it? A witness is one who knows Christ and is able to share the truth as it concerns his own daily life.

Evangelism must be concerned with a person's physical as well as spiritual needs. Spurgeon once said, "If you want to tell a hungry man about Christ, first give him a

sandwich." This is certainly the way that the Salvation Army evangelises! Missionaries through the ages have done just that as well, building hospitals, schools, orphanages and showing Christ by their actions. In James 2:22 are found these words: "By works was faith made perfect." Jesus also said; "Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, you have done it unto me." We may not always see the results of our evangelism but if we faithfully do the sowing, the Holy Spirit will make it grow.

*Do good to all and kindness show,  
That's what God's word commands.  
For when we're serving in Christ's Name,  
We are His feet and Hands. Fitzburgh*  
We serve God by sharing His word with others.

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Submitted by Ingrid Koropeski, ACW Diocesan Devotions Secretary

# ACW annual held in Sault Ste. Marie in May

By Jacquie Howell  
Diocesan ACW President

One hundred and forty two women attended the 43rd Conference and Annual General Meeting in Thunder Bay on beautiful sunny days with the "Sleeping Giant" gracefully watching over us at the Prince Arthur Waterfront Hotel.

Bishop Stephen Andrews preached and celebrated at the opening service of worship held at St. Michael and All Angels. It was an inspiring and meaningful gathering as all present raised their hearts in prayer and praise.

After a generous and happy reception at the church, participants returned to the Prince Arthur. Diocesan President Jacquie Howell called the meeting to order. Opening devotions were led by Ingrid Koropeski, Devotion Secretary, followed by the lighting of the ACW Candle. This was followed by the reading of the Anglican Church Women who have passed to higher service. A very warm welcome was extended to all and memorable gifts given to Fawna Stephens (sadly missed by all), Rev. Anne Germond, ACW Chaplain, and Jacquie, followed by corsages.

Pat Flavell, vice president, introduced Fiona Brownlee who brought us a power point presentation of the ministry and mission of the Council of the North. Margaret McDonald, President of the Sault Ste. Marie Deanery ACW, led us in the Grace, followed by a delicious served lunch of sandwiches and goodies and wonderful fellowship.

All reconvened in devotion and Bible study conducted by Rev. Deborah Kraft, the first of two sessions that all agreed were a gift to our spiritual needs. It was a pleasure to have in attendance Rev Dr. Jay Koyle, the newly appointed, Congregational Development officer of the Diocese. Father Koyle gave participants much to think about by reminding us to always

to keep Jesus Christ as the centre of life both in the Church and life within our family and community. A few women shared in an open and interesting discussion, with Bishop Andrews, and Jay Koyle.

The Annual Banquet opened with, toasts to the Queen and Canada, by Rev. Dr. Mark Conliffe and Grace by the Bishop. It was a delightful time of fellowship with a delicious turkey dinner. All shared laughter and praise. The Fort William Male Choir entertained the gathering with old favourites and some fun songs. The evening closed with prayer by Rev. Dr. Jay Koyle.

The Annual meeting was busy with discussion regarding the deficit budget. It was moved and carried that a request to Primary Branches to make an additional volunteer donation to offset the 2011 deficit budget. The Church collection was given to Council of the North and Camp Gitchigomew. The Margaret Wright table organized by Mary Rossitor raised \$1190 for the Council of the North Children's programs. The Diocesan Youth received \$500. The Mission 2010 project will be the Stephen Lewis Foundation's Grandmother to Grandmothers' program.

Regarding the Thank offering, primary branches were encouraged to ask their members to participate in prayer, thanksgiving and praise in our personal life. This collection of nickels, dime, and loonies submitted to the deanery and will be presented at the opening Eucharist at the annual in Sudbury on May 30, 31, and June 1, 2011, for Mission work.

Our closing presentation was given by Bishop Andrews and with his visual and description of the many models of Church, participants were given an opportunity to learn, digest and realise how Church is changing to meet the "needs" of those who have no church or have left the church. A

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**READY TO SERVE:** Bishop Stephen Andrews is pictured with members of the 2011 ACW Diocesan Board at the Annual meeting of the Anglican Church Women of Algoma.



**2011 ACW EXECUTIVE:** The Rt. Rev. Dr. Stephen Andrews joins, from left, Mary Andison, corresponding secretary, Dona Olive, Treasurer, Jacquie Howell, president Shirley Marsden, recording secretary, and Pat Flavell for a photo during the 2011 ACW annual.



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## Letter from the Bishop

# Congregational development and our response to the gospel

Dear Friends,

By now, most of you will have been introduced to our new Congregational Development Officer, Dr. Jay Koyle. He has met with every one of our deanery councils, our Diocesan Executive, and is working closely with the Strategic Plan Implementation Team. He has addressed the Diocesan ACW at their annual meeting in Thunder Bay, as well as a large number of young people at this year's Youth Synod at Camp Manitou. He has been working hard to develop the benchmarks for healthy parishes and is beginning to meet with leaders from individual congregations. As we approach the six-month mark in his tenure, I want to say how grateful we are for his gifts and manner. I hope you will agree with me that he has already been a great source of encouragement and inspiration.

In the current mainline denominational malaise there is a veritable industry in congregational development. A growing number of experts in organisational change are being enlisted to lead seminars and devise programmes. You can now buy church growth software ('a church software that has a purpose driven church philosophy'!). Another outfit will supply you with a 'secret visitor' who will write a report of his or her experience of your church on a Sunday morning. And, of course, there is a rapidly expanding list of printed resources featuring 'twelve trusted tips for transforming your congregation'.

Unquestionably, the church should possess organisational and marketing savvy. Jay and I have mused on what it would be like to get an advertising guru like Terry O'Reilly (host of CBC's 'The Age of Persuasion') to give us some advice. But one of the things I appreciate most about Jay is that he understands that the challenge facing the Church today is not a matter of better packaging. The question the Church must answer is not 'how do we respond to our culture?', but 'how do we respond to the gospel?'

And as Jay will be helping us to think about this as communities of the gospel, I want to say that this has a personal dimension as well. When we are asked, 'how do we respond to the gospel?', it is essential that we pose the question for ourselves: 'how do I respond to the gospel?' When Jay does his thing in our congregations, we must come to terms with the implications of our corporate discernment as individual followers of Jesus Christ. Let me give an illustration of what this might look like.

Alice Mann of the Alban Institute has developed what she calls 'Five Marks of a Healthy Congregation'. According to her, a healthy congregation can say:

- Our congregation's members know who they are before God.

- Our congregation knows what it is called to do.

- Our congregation has the resources and leadership necessary to carry out its calling.

- People experience the power and energy of the gospel in their worship and life together.

- The activities of

our congregation make discernible differences in individual lives and in the larger world around us.

What would happen if we adapted these marks so that they formed a personal inventory? Then they would read something like this:

- I know who I am before God.
- I know what God is calling me to do.
- I have the resources and determination necessary to carry out my calling.
- I experience the power and energy of the gospel in my worship and fellowship.

- My activities make discernible differences in individual lives and in the larger world around me.

Now I think you would concur that in a church where a majority of members could affirm these statements, congregational development would happen spontaneously. But of course it takes a healthy congregation to produce healthy Christians! So as we embark on a path of congregational development and renewal, I am praying that this would be a season of both personal and corporate growth and maturity. 'Therefore, encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing' (1 Thessalonians 4.11).

With every good wish in Christ,



+Stephen Andrews

Stephen Andrews  
Bishop of Algoma

## The doctrine of Christian discovery

By the Rev. Richard White

It was May 20, 1497 when John Cabot's tiny ship, the "Matthew" set sail from Bristol, England. He believed he was bound for Asia, but would land somewhere on our north eastern shores, possibly Cape Breton or Labrador. History celebrates him as possibly the first European since the Norse to sail into our northern shores. Cabot was making history for another reason as well. England's Henry VII had given him a "letters patent" directing him "to find, discover and investigate whatsoever islands, countries, regions or provinces of heathens and infidels, in whatsoever part of the world placed, which before this time were unknown to all Christians." This is among the first examples of a 15th century practice, now known as the "Doctrine of Christian Discovery," a practice that would fuel Western intrusion into Aboriginal lands for centuries to come.

The "doctrine," can be traced back to the popes of that era. In 1452, Pope Nicholas V issued a papal bull to Portugal's King Alfonso V declaring war against all non-Christians throughout the world. The bull sanctioned and promoted the conquest, colonization, and exploitation of non-Christian nations and their territories. It encouraged Christian kings and princes to "invade, search out, capture, vanquish, and subdue all Saracens and pagans whatsoever, and other enemies of Christ whosoever placed, and ... to reduce their persons to perpetual slavery, and to apply and appropriate ... possessions, and goods, and to convert them to ... their use and profit ..." A few years later, in 1493 Pope Alexander VI issued his bull Inter Cetera desiring to see "discovered" peoples "subjugated and brought to the Faith." In this way, said the pope, the "Christian Empire" would be propagated.

Over a number of centuries, papal bulls, letters patent, and acts of legislation repeatedly encouraged explorers and conquerors to seize terra nullius, "empty land": land empty of Western civilization. Textbooks would presumptuously label those centuries the golden "Age of Discovery." The truth was much darker. For centuries racism, butchery, genocide, pillage, slavery and cultural annihilation ripped through parts of the Americas and Africa. The truth is, this was a lengthy era of state sanctioned terrorism, and the Church, both Roman and Anglican were partners in this.

A few in positions of influence challenged or checked the culture of abuse, but with little success. In 1537, Pope Paul III issued his "Sublimus Dei" which forbade the enslavement of the indigenous peoples of the Americas, stressing that they weren't the enemies of God, which had been assumed. In 1763, after signing the Treaty

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of Paris, England's George III declared that Aboriginals had hunting and fishing rights, prohibited settlers from encroaching on aboriginal lands or attempting to purchase aboriginal lands. Such opposition was either too lame or too late. The beasts of greed and hubris had been unleashed.

With the exception of a genuine effort to halt the slave trade, Europeans and North Americans were seemingly blind to what was going on. The effects of the Doctrine of Discovery encouraged successive governments to put into place programs and policies designed to control or manipulate First Nation Peoples. But this past General Synod marked a milestone in a new era in Anglican-First Nations relations.

On June 9, 2010, the members of our General Synod unanimously passed a resolution that denounced the Doctrine of Discovery. The resolution, in part, had this to say about the Doctrine:

- The Doctrine of Discovery was fundamentally opposed to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

- It had to be renounced across the Anglican Church of Canada.

- Its traces had to be eliminated from any "contemporary policies, program, and structures."

- Dioceses had to reflect on their own history, and support our Indigenous Peoples in their struggle for sovereignty and fundamental human rights.

- And the General Secretary of the ACC was to inform all relevant governmental bodies in Canada of this decision, and write to Queen Elizabeth II, the Supreme Governor of the Church of England, requesting that her Majesty disavow, and repudiate publicly, the claimed validity of the Christian Doctrine of Discovery.

At least three major religious bodies in the United States have passed similar resolutions: The Episcopal Church, The Quakers, and the Unitarian Church.

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# A little close to Christ Chuch, Sault Ste. Marie

By Eleanor Swain

On the evening of Friday June 11, 2010, a small group of trees stood together beside the highway in front of Christ Church, on the hill at Allen Side Road, Sault Ste Marie. In particular were three trees close together. Two were tall and of similar height, and the other one was several feet shorter. A rain and wind storm raged on the night of June 11 and the early morning of June 12. The crash was not heard above the tempest. The smaller tree fell narrowly missing the church building. The author is reminded of a saying by her wise father, “A miss is as good as a mile!” If one or the other of the taller trees had fallen, it would have struck the church building.

Sexton Ken Willis was quickly on

the scene early Saturday morning, and Lay Reader Jim Maki joined him a little while later complete with truck, and trailer, and chain saw. The tree was quickly cut into log sizes and loaded onto the trailer. When most of the work was done ‘Healing Explosion’ leader Darwin Nicholson happened to be passing, and he supervised the ‘testing’ of the trunks of the remaining trees to see if they were hollow and needed to be cut down before they also fell down and crashed into the church building or the hydro wires depending upon whichever way the trees landed. Both tall trees seemed healthy, and, in spite of Mr. Maki’s enthusiasm, egged on by Mr. Nicholson and observed benignly by Ken Willis, the trees were spared the axe!



**NARROW MISS:** This tree came very close to hitting Christ Church, Sault Ste. Marie after having been blown over in a rain and wind storm on the night of June 11th and early hours June 12, 2010.

# Couple celebrates two important milestones at Christ Church, North Bay

By Joan Vickers

Why wait for July 1st to celebrate?

On June 30, 2010, Christ Church Anglican, in North Bay hosted a surprise tea party for long time, faithful parishioners, Larry and Nadine Frezell.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Frezell are celebrating their 90th birthdays this year. As well, on June 16, 2010 they celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. “Now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.” 1 Cor. 13:13

The Frezells continue to be examples of dedicated matrimonial love. Often they can be seen strolling along Main Street holding hands. All can learn from them.

More than 40 guests were in attendance including The Frezell’s son Terry and his wife Sheila from Florida. Their daughter, Geraldine, husband John and granddaughter Karen, surprised The Frezells with their presence on our large projection screen via Skype technology. Other honoured guests, besides Mr. and Mrs. Frezell, included Rev. Murray and Joan Tipping, Vera Frechette and Hope Harris who are among the original members at Christ Church

A lovely letter of congratulations from Bishop Andrews was read by Rev. Tipping. Rev. Marie Loewen incumbent, as well as Art Gabour, parishioner, conveyed congratula-

tions through telephone calls.

A gift from the congregation, made by Laughlin (Red) Trowsdale, was presented to the Frezells. It was a 5 x 7 picture frame mounted on an Ontario white pine base. Alongside the frame is a cross made from British Columbia aromatic red cedar and a candle with white rosettes on the top of the candle. The candle represents the Light of Christ. Many cards, with well wishes, were sent home with Mr. and Mrs. Frezell to read at their leisure.

A pretty linen table cloth, a beautiful floral centerpiece, given from their family along with fine china teacups and saucers graced the guest of honour table. Smaller tables were decorated with colourful wild flowers in clear vases. Sweets, fruit, cheese and crackers were served along with a delicious cake with pictures of the special couple on it. Soft yellow and blue were the theme colours. Serviettes, with crosses on them, also displayed the theme colours.

This was an awesome celebration of two very special people, Larry and Nadine Frezell from Christ Church.

Thanks to everyone who came together to make this event such a great success.

“As we have opportunity, let us do good to all people.” Galatians 6:10



**SHALL WE BRING ANOTHER DOWN?:** Jim Maki bares the axe as Ken Willis looks on benignly while Darwin Nicholson urges Mr. Maki on. No other trees came down!



**JOYOUS OCCASION:** Larry and Nadine Frezell gathered with friends and family to celebration their 90th birthdays and 65th wedding anniversary at Christ Church, North Bay. Their son Terry Frezell and his wife Sheila Frezell joined in the celebrations.

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# Day long festivities filled with fun and much joy

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participants many of whom were in period dress, came the haunting sound of a native drum and chant presented by Medora Hicks of Wikwemikong.

Upon landing and disembarking, the two bishops and their party proceeded through a ceremonial arch covered in cedar bows, made by parishioners Dick and Eunice Bowerman. Behind was a hand made altar where Canon J. Bain Peever, Rector, welcomed the visitors to the parish. Graham Lloyd, Peoples' Warden added his words of welcome followed by Leslie Fields, Reeve of Manitowaning; with her were four children of the parish, Natalia Bell, Ava Fields, Steven and Christopher White, who presented baskets of goodies to the two bishops. A local elder presented tobacco and her blessing to the visitors.

This, of course, was a celebration and with the beach lined with streamers and banners, ice cream and cupcakes were served to all by Sunday school teacher and Church Treasurer Jackie White and her helpers. Scattered throughout the crowd, adding to the colour of this festive scene, were servers from St. Francis of Assisi, Mindemoya, in white albs and visiting clergy from across the Diocese all in their clerical robes. This part of the ceremony was geared for the children of the parish and the community and there was a wonderful feeling of joy.

As the beach celebration wound

down, a procession formed. Led by the piper and crucifer the gathering moved up the hill, down the main street to the front of St. Paul's where the 1838 church bell joined with the sound of bag pipes to welcome everyone to the service of thanksgiving. As the people entered the church they were greeted by Norma Moggy and Delmer Fields who were distributing pins in the shape of St. Paul's that they had had made especially for the occasion.

The service began with the introit *O Great Spirit* presented by Medora Hicks followed by the acclamation led by Canon Peever, "Alleluia! Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!" and shouted by the congregation while bells rang out. The procession moved up the aisle during the hymn *They Did Not Build in Vain*. The Rev. Lyn Fisher led the prayers at the font and Rev. Paul Walmsley led the prayers at the lectern. The first reading was read by Rev. Beth Tops. Debbie Robinson led the singing of Psalm 126 and Marilyn Usher read the second reading. The gradual hymn *O God of Bethel by Whose Hand* was sung. This hymn was sung on October 21, 1838 when Rev. Brough and his party of settlers arrived in Manitowaning after a horrendous trip only to find their home in flames. The Gospel was then read by the Ven. Anne Germond.

Canon Peever, welcomed everyone to the service and with the assistance of the two wardens, Gra-

ham Lloyd and Debbie Robinson, presented each of the bishops with framed pictures of St. Paul's, by local photographer Peter Baumgarten. Bishop Mark MacDonald was the guest preacher for the occasion. He brought to everyone's attention how the translations of the Prayer Book and of various books of the Bible completed by The Rev. F. O' Meara while he was rector at St. Paul's in the mid 1800's, have been widely used ever since by many First Nation Anglicans all across Canada.

At the conclusion of this excellent message that tied together the past and the present the Prayers of the People were offered by 11 people representing each of the Anglican Churches on Manitoulin. Following the offertory, Bishop Andrews presided at the Eucharist which concluded with the blessing by Bishop MacDonald and the singing of the hymn, *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*.

After the service a reception was held in the basement of the church. At that time a special cake made for the occasion was cut by Isabelle Locke who attended the celebration with three of her daughters. Fr. Roy Locke, her husband, had been instrumental in carrying out major repairs to the church in the 1960's and without which this historic building would not likely have survived to celebrate its 165th anniversary. St. Paul's now looks forward to celebrating 200 years in 2045.



**PRESENTATION OF GIFTS:** The Rev. Canon Bain Peever looks on as children from Great Spirit Island Parish present gifts to Bishop Andrews and Bishop MacDonald during celebrations of the 175th anniversary of the first Anglican service of worship held on Manitoulin Island.



**PRAYERS AT THE FONT:** The Rev. Lyn Fisher leads the prayers at the font during the 165th anniversary celebration at St. Paul's, Manitowaning. Rev. Fisher is pictured with, from left, Bishop Mark MacDonald, Canon Bain Peever, Bishop Stephen Andrews, the Ven. Anne Germond, Rev. Paul Walmsley.



**CUTTING THE FIRST PIECE:** Mrs. Isabelle Locke cuts the special cake at the reception held in celebration of the 165th anniversary of St. Paul's, Manitowaning. Mrs. Locke's husband, Father Roy Locke, was instrumental in carrying out major repairs undertaken on the church during the 1960's. Three of Mrs. Locke's daughters were also in attendance for the celebration.

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# Try something nice

By the Rev. Bob Elkin

I was visiting my new acquaintance George in the local Senior's Home when he suddenly asked: "Would you like to try something nice?" Visions of old peppermint candy or his great granddaughter's home-made cookies danced in my head but figuring I could survive either one I smiled in a benign priestly way and said I would.

He immediately shot under the bed and emerged with a bottle of Vodka in one hand and orange juice in the other and two minutes later we were sipping Screw-Drivers. "Pretty good eh?", said George, smacking his lips enthusiastically. I allowed that it was, secretly hoping some staff member wouldn't wonder at the closed door and discover us whooping it up in George's room at ten in the morning. He lowered his voice and confided: "I think we're going to get along you and me! I didn't care for the minister ahead of you too much. He was religious!" That gave me something to think about but I soon realized that I'd been given a compliment and I also realized that I knew exactly what George meant.

Religion isn't a club to beat people over the head. It doesn't have to smack you in the eye to be effective. If I had my way I'd tear down every one of those blasted highway billboards that say something cheerful like: PREPARE TO MEET THY GOD! Or WHILE WE WERE YET SINNERS CHRIST DIED FOR OUR SINS! Christians already know what these scripture passages are saying and non Christians must read them and think that we're nuts! I know what I think about fundamentalists of other religions and I think the kind of religious poke in the eye those signs give must make others think exactly the same about Christianity. And that isn't fair because it isn't what our faith is all about.

As a kid I got sent to a nearby Gospel Church's Sunday School and attended there for several years. What was their theology and what did they believe? I have no idea and quite frankly I could care less. I know they liked kids though. They put up with us week after week, they rewarded our half hearted attempts to behave with candy and they cared and made sure that we were welcomed and had a good time and sometimes even learned something about

God.

Their picnics were awesome, their Sunday School Awards Day was the best and a week at the old summer camp they ran was a life changing experience! I learned to swim there, I outran a belt wielding counsellor at two in the morning there and I also declared Christ as my personal Saviour

## Letter from Bob

there. That place worked with the whole kid: body, mind and soul and they brought on changes to the whole kid too!

As an adult I joined the United Church in Red Lake and became very close to the minister and the congregation there. What was their theology and what did they believe? For the longest time I had no idea and I cared less. When we attended on that first Sunday though and they discovered that we'd just moved to town and didn't have any furniture they brought us everything we needed. Beds, chairs, tables, a couch and a ton of other stuff showed up and held us over for the six weeks it took for the furniture to arrive. People took us berry picking and invited us for supper. They helped us settle in and made us feel at home. They welcomed us and liked us and cared for us. Nobody said a word about religion but they didn't have to: their faith was evident in everything that they did for us.

When we lived in the West Indies, an English Bishop came to visit and asked to stay the night with island people. It was easily arranged and in the morning when he joined us for breakfast he told us all about his stay. "My hosts we're wonderful and couldn't do enough for me" he said. "They even gave me the their room, the best room in the house but when I went to bed and knelt for prayers some bug bit me and crawled under the bed." Knowing that some island bugs are nasty and can make you sick I asked: "What did you do?" and he answered: "I knew my hosts would be terribly upset if they heard about the bug-bite and they had been so nice so I wrote in my diary: 'If I am found dead in the morning whatever bit me is under the bed!'"

Now there's a man who is religious and my friend George would like him, too!



LOTS OF FUN: Sunday School students of St. Luke's, Thunder Bay joined in the fun at St. Luke's ACW Tea and Bazaar. From left are Sidney Bernardi, Norma Polhill, Makayla Wolfe, Marguerite Hamilton, Marie MacCloud-and Shannon McCloud.

# Primate was first board president of the PWRDF

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The year 2010 happens to be the 50th anniversary of the PWRDF and Archbishop Hiltz was its first board president. The PWRDF was instituted to provide relief to poor

nations in times of natural disasters, wars/genocide and to assist them with development issues. These goals are consistent with the Millennium Development Goals committed to by the G8 leaders.

One might say having this particular primate in Huntsville on the same weekend as the G8 leaders, was an indication of the hand of God at work and of His desire to see social justice in His world.



PREACHING THE WORD: The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz was guest preacher at All Saints', Huntsville on Sunday, June 27, 2010. On Saturday, June 26th, Archbishop Hiltz spoke at a dinner held at Sutherland Hall at a celebration of the 50th anniversary of the PWRDF.



GREETINGS FROM THE BISHOP: The Ven. Dawn Henderson, incumbent of All Saints', Huntsville and Archdeacon of Muskoka, reads a letter from Bishop Stephen who was unable to attend due to a previous engagement. Bishop Andrews joined in welcoming the Primate to Muskoka in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the PWRDF.



# Beth Nock: An Appreciation

*Editor's Note: The following is Part two of the eulogy delivered at the Funeral Liturgy for Mrs. Beth Nock by her Son Dr. David Nock, Professor Emeritus, Sociology and Religious Studies*

Mother continued on in the townhouse that she and father had bought in the mid 80s. Mother made a life centred on St. Aidan's and the visits and calls of her family and friends. I am glad that London is so central that she did receive a constant stream of visitors. These visits were all faithfully recorded in her Visitors' Books to the very end. I thank these friends and visitors, many of whom are here today.

Perhaps because one brother, Wellington, died prematurely and another, Norris, moved far away, mother became very close to her two sisters, Mary Elliot and Susan Payson. She had much to do with Susan in later years. Maybe this was special because mother was older than Susan and had been charged with her care in their early years. For a season, Susan even moved to London, which mother greatly enjoyed, although Susan did return to her beloved Ottawa. However, the two sisters began a series of three adventurous trips to the Canadian Arctic. One of their highlights was to visit Iqaluit, the

capital of Nunavut and its Anglican Cathedral. As she wrote in a few notes for St. Aidan's newsletter 'Audio': 'We wandered around town and finally got a taxi to find St. Jude's Anglican Cathedral. It is magnificent – not like our cathedrals but built in the shape of an igloo, circular and white. The Anglican presence has been a dominant feature in Nunavut for years. One can sense or feel the spirituality of the Inuit'.

Perhaps I can add a personal observation of the editor, Ann Ker-shaw: 'Beth is one of the most interesting and adventurous people I have ever known. She is an extremely enthusiastic traveler and tends to explore places that most of us only read about. Beth has great passion for church, family, friends, travel, art and baseball.' Ann went on to warn her readers 'never, never telephone when the Blue Jays are playing!' I am glad that mother enjoyed the Blue Jays 1992 and 1993 World Series triumphs!

Mother lived independently until late February 2007 when she fell outside on the ice and snow and was found by neighbours. Happily Nora and her husband, Len, were able to leave immediately, tend to her, and eventually help place her in Grand Wood Park Apartments and Retirement Residence. She had hurt her left arm which never

properly healed, her eyesight had severely diminished, and fairly rapidly she showed signs of Alzheimer's. Clearly independent living was out of the question. Grand Wood Park is an excellent resi-



MRS. BETH NOCK

dence with many planned activities but Beth never completely accepted it. She continued to plaintively inquire of Nora and myself when she could return to her 'own little house'. It was not easy to answer this question as we could see that with her health concerns a return

was not likely.

After a year of resting empty, her home was cleared and sold. Nora and I would like to thank the many friends who helped mother in various ways in her years at #45 Royal York Rd., and then in the transition to Grand Wood Park. Truly this help went beyond any expected neighbourliness, and made it easier for Nora and I to keep mother comfortable, given that distance prohibits our trips from being as frequent as we would have liked. During her time in her own home, I noticed how mother had helped people out by her encouraging and cheerful telephone calls and visits. I am glad to see that her care and concern were repaid in biblical proportions.

In late February of this year mother fell again – this time inside her room. She had a hip operation and although the physical part started to mend, it became clear that even the life she had known at Grand Wood Park would not be possible. I believe Beth made a conscious decision that she could only continue with life on a certain level that did not seem forthcoming when she was moved to McCormick Home. She started to refuse liquids and food, and the end was in sight.

Let us be thankful for Beth's life and witness. She lived much of it

at a time when society and church did not encourage women to be economically or professionally independent of men and did not fully acknowledge or reward their gifts. This must have been difficult but she made a successful life as a nurse, as a wife, as a mother, as a life-partner in encouraging and helping her husband and children. My own wife, Mary Morrow Nock, recently wrote and staged a church play about the three wise women, (Mary, Christ's mother; Elizabeth her cousin and Anna the seer) to balance Epiphany's emphasis on the three wise men. If we return to the passages from Proverbs, it points out that 'the capable wife' is one who 'opens her mouth with wisdom and the teachings of kindness is on her tongue...'. I am sure that Beth has fulfilled these and other attributes of the capable wife and mother. As a result, 'her children rise up and call her happy, and her husband too'. And so her children – Nora and myself, grandchildren Amanda and Christopher and great grandchildren Abby, Ian and Kyla join in these praises. Since she has passed on a strong Christian faith to us all, I am sure that my father in that paradise beyond which Jesus promises us, has already greeted mother and joins with us in these commendations.

## Closing service at annual held much meaning for those in attendance

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challenge for the Church but for all as individuals who need to share the love of Jesus Christ not only in the Church but also in daily life.

ACW Chaplain, Rev. Anne Germond, who was recently appointed archdeacon of the deanery of Sudbury/Manitoulin, preached and presided at the closing Eucharist. This

service of worship and healing was very meaningful and appreciated by all in attendance. Thanks must be extended to the clergy and laity who participated in this service.

Many thanks to Ena Conliffe, Dorothy O'Donnell, Joy Liggins and all the committee of Thunder Bay ACW.



**HERE COMES THE BRIDE (AND GROOM):** Clyde Beaudreau and Veronica Boissonneault were on the float entered by St. Peter's, Callendar in the annual Funfest parade held in Callendar in celebration of Canada Day.



**FAITHFUL MEMBERS:** Jacquie Howell, Diocesan ACW president, (left) is pictured with the Rt. Rev. Dr. Stephen Andrews and Ena Conliffe. All were in attendance at the Diocesan ACW Annual meeting held last May in Sault Ste. Marie.

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# All are welcome at St. John's, Thunder Bay

By Dale Sparkes

Sometimes one event symbolizes the story of faith uniting past and present. Such was the participation in worship and fellowship of Bishop Stephen Andrews at St. John's Thunder Bay on May 16, 2010. In the setting of Thunder Bay's founding Anglican Church, tradition and contemporary were in harmony as Rev. Mary Lucas and the congregation of St. John's welcomed Bishop Andrews, who presided at the Sunday service. From the processional *Let Us Build a Home* to Bishop Andrew's conversation with children on the location of heaven and the route to get there. The Bishop's homily on Ascension emphasised the reality of mythical concepts of heaven to our lives now. The service accentuated active participation in the way of Jesus.

Claire Whalley was presented for baptism, by her parents Jennifer and Philip Whalley to Bishop Andrews. The Bishop welcomed her into the family of Christ. Bishop Andrews happily presented Claire to the congregation. Maureen Vescio reaffirmed her baptismal vows, and was then confirmed by Bishop Andrews. In remarking

on the event, Dr. Andrews noted that baptism had at one time, in the early church, been a function of Bishops but that it had been delegated to priests due to the growth of the church. He was pleased to have the opportunity to perform both the historic function of baptism and the more current one of confirmation in one service.

At the Offertory, the congregation presented gifts for the Eucharistic feast, the sustenance of St. John's, as well as provisions for St. John's Food Cupboard which provides food weekly for those in need. Bishop Andrew's received a cushion for St. John's Bishop's chair. The needle point cushion, depicting the Algoma Diocese Coat of Arms over a scene of the Sleeping Giant of Thunder Bay's harbour. The cushion was a gift from Roy Smith and family in memory of wife, mother, and grandmother Ann Smith.

After the service, Bishop Andrews visited with the workers of St. John's preparing grocery bags for that day's St. John's Cupboard clients. Fellowship with the congregation and clients concluded a memorable and much enjoyed visit.



**OFFERING MANY GIFTS:** Members of the congregation of St. John's, Thunder Bay offer gifts for the Eucharist and donations for the Food Cupboard which provides food on a weekly basis for those in need, during the Sunday service on May 16, 2010.



**LOVINGLY MADE:** The Rev. Mary Lucas and Bishop Stephen Andrews accept this needle point cushion given to St. John's by Roy Smith and his family in memory of his wife, who was a mother and a grandmother.

## Many parents and many children face challenges

By Charlotte Haldenby

When I first moved back to the Sault in 1969, I lived in an apartment building. I had a couple across the hall whose baby cried for a solid month. The grandparents switched in on weekends to give the couple a break. We all tried to say something sympathetic when we saw them in the hall, but they usually saw this as criticism and started apologizing right away. However as the Bible says, "it came to pass".

This summer I read *The Boy on the Moon* by Ian Brown, which tells his own family's story of life with his son Walker who has cardio/face/cutaneous syndrome. By looking at the parts you can tell it causes problems with the heart, the structure of the face and the skin. It means in this case that Walker cannot eat normally, cannot speak, has a heart murmur, and sometimes has periods where he just pounds his head against things, and a whole lot more. And it doesn't pass! And there are very few children in the world who have this; the cause is genetic but not completely defined. What do you do?

When Walker is just a little boy, who is "portable", when you have flexible jobs and some money available to buy special equipment, when you have some friends who will hang in there with you and your wife and Walker and his older sister, you can just about make it. But what about school? And how and how much can Walker learn? And what about when he gets to be a big boy and you can't always handle the difficulties of move-

### Looking at the World

ment?

Yeah for the Internet and finding a parents' group; people to talk to who actually understand because they've "been there, done that". But sometimes the news is not good! Like how many marriages break up because people (especially fathers) can't cope!

Maybe you're already saying, "But Walker could go to a place like L'Arche!" And Brown does consider this, but, and he wrote it twice. L'Arche has a waiting list of 20 years!!

Many years ago I read *The Broken Cord* by Michael Dorris. A young aboriginal man, Dorris didn't think he would marry, but decided he wanted to be a parent. He adopted an aboriginal baby and was raising him alone. Having, as a single child himself, no clue about stages of development, he kept asking the doctor "When is he going to do this?" And the doctor would say "Don't worry, he's still within the range for that!" It was only when Dorris was doing an article on a reservation in the western United States and visited a day care centre that he found other children who looked just a little different like his son, and found out what was going on: Fetal Alcohol Syndrome!

The boy would be slow academically, but Dorris could cope

with that. It was all the having to do everything in short stages, and emphasizing over and over again patterns to do things, as the boy would forget five minutes later what he was supposed to do. A powerful part of this book after the whole detective story of what this syndrome means and what we can do, is a chapter written by the boy himself about how he sees his life.

After you read this, you know why you feel you must tell any pregnant woman you see, "Please don't drink during pregnancy!" This syndrome can be avoided!

Well, then there was this episode on *The Fifth Estate*, about this teenager Ashley Smith who was just constantly in trouble at

*"He went to all the games, did all the stuff kids do."*

school, suspended and expelled; and then in trouble with the law, and in and out of jail, and more and more in isolation cells, until she hanged herself. And you wonder what was going on there? What was in her mind? (And what is with our school and penal system, that someone wasn't sitting down with her and her adoptive mother and trying to figure her out when she was young?)

Last year a movie called *Pre-cious* captured several awards. I found the book this summer and it was so close to this real Canadian girl's story, I just had

to wonder. (Warning: You may have language issues with this book! Was the vocabulary there to show ethnicity (black); social class (poor); or her frustration?) The story just rang true as if the novel might be close to a biography. A girl gets to high school with excellent work in math, but barely able to recognize the alphabet! Same story. Acting out, suspension, expulsion, until finally a teacher steps in and says there's a new project downtown for kids in this same boat academically. Let's check her out! And hey! She goes from saying her abc's to dictating her story to her teacher to actually writing her journal, and some poetry! Wow! So why am I giving you a booklist? And please don't read them all at once!

Because it's September, and we need to think about how all our children face life, and how they can all live up to the potential they have. One semester I looked after all Special Ed kids in one of our high schools while the usual teacher was on leave. We had a young boy who was intellectually challenged but whose parents wanted him to try the regular general program. He had had the same teacher's aide all the way through and although he was her main responsibility she was there for all the special needs kids in all the classes he took, a real mothering type. He went to all the games, did all the stuff kids do. And he took the exams, dictating to her, and he passed, and

sometimes better than 51. And then he moved and people down south just looked at his IQ scores and put him in a class with other kids with those numbers, no more being just a regular kid. It broke our hearts.

It is wonderful when our kids have no physical or mental or emotional hurdles to conquer, and we should be so thankful. But we could also reach out to families where the kids do face challenges. At the very least we can give them a smile at the mall or hold the door. If we get to know the family better we can be good listeners, and maybe help with something really basic just to give a little relief. We can welcome the family into what's going on at church, remembering to bend down to talk to the girl in a wheelchair at her level, not just talk up there to her parents as if she wasn't there.

Two Christmases ago in my mother's church in Barrie we went to the morning service which was a smaller congregation, and the rector asked the kids to come forward to do the last stage of the Advent candles. He issued a special invitation to one little girl who didn't usually come up because of her challenges. Well, that day, there wasn't all the usual rush of kids to crash into, just her and two others, and she got to light the really big candle, and we were all breathless, then teary and applauding! And it was wonderful!

And isn't that how it's spozed to be!



# Teen Challenge offers hope to young men

By Eleanor Swain

Since the music group from Teen Challenge North came to sing at Christ Church last January, three of them, Bradley, Jasson and Michael, have completed the one year programme. They graduated with a standing ovation on the evening of Friday, June 4, 2010 in Peoples' Pentecostal Church, Sault Ste. Marie. The unexpected rain did not dampen the spirits, and the warmth of the welcome and the excitement permeated through the church throughout this special evening. There were prayers, songs, an address, speeches from the platform and not so long speeches from the floor. Then the trio of graduates, each sporting a huge red carnation on his shirt, were individually presented with a book, a Christian worded T-shirt, and a framed graduation certificate.

Then each graduate made a speech. Each spoke about their previous addiction and how coming to Teen Challenge brought them into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and had saved their lives, both physically and spiritually. Michael was the last to

speak. After his initial speech, he walked to the body of the church where mother, Sherry, and his girl friend, Tina, were sitting. Michael went right up to Tina and recited a poem that he had composed especially for her. He said at the end that the poem was not finished as their life would be that poem. Then he surprised everyone by getting down on one knee and proposing to Tina who readily accepted!

After the weekend, Bradley left to begin an internship in Teen Challenge at Calgary, Alberta, and Jasson left to begin his internship in Teen Challenge at London, Ontario. After his internship, Jasson plans to attend college to train as a Youth Pastor. Michael is staying on at Teen Challenge North, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, beginning his internship immediately the next day, Saturday, June 5, 2010!

For those who do not know about Teen Challenge, it is a Christian Faith-based residential drug and alcohol rehabilitation programme for young men ages 18 and over. Given that the programme is Faith-based, it does not qualify for government funding. Funding is pro-

vided by people who believe that the Teen Challenge programme is highly valuable and needs to continue. Christ Church, Sault Ste. Marie supports Teen Challenge by donation every year, and more than one member of the congregation supports Teen Challenge on an individual basis. Anyone who supports a student financially is invited to his graduation at the end of the year's course.

For more information, please telephone Teen Challenge North at: (705) 942-7771 or 1-800-480-3153

The lyrics to one of the songs that the group sang at the Graduation on June 4th and also sang at Christ Church, Sault Ste. Marie, last January, were based on Gene MacLellan's *Put Your Hand in the Hand*. Mr. Brad Edwards wrote the lyrics to this version for Teen Challenge North. The words are as follows:

*Put your hand in the Hand of the Man Who stilled the waters.*

*Put your hand in the Hand of the Man Who calmed the sea.*

*Take a look at yourself and you can look at others differently*

*By puttin' your hand in the Hand of the Man from Galilee.*

*I was trapped; I was bound in the evil world of addiction.*

*There was nothing in the world that could help me cure my affliction.*

*Then I cried out to the Lord, "Please help me, Jesus, make my life brand new",*

*And then I started my life, asking, "What would Jesus do?"*

*God put me to work so I could learn how to change my behaviour.*

*I found I couldn't do it by myself, so I trusted my Saviour.*

*Jesus took me by the hand and He taught me things I never knew I could do*

*For God, He so loved the world, He sent Jesus to love me too.*

*And so I put my hand in the hand of the Man Who stilled the waters.*

*I put my hand in the Hand of the Man Who calmed the sea.*

*I took a look at myself so I could look at others differently*

*By putting my hand in the Hand of the Man from Galilee.*



**WELL DONE:** From left: Michael, Bradley and Jasson are pictured with their framed certificates after the graduation ceremony of Teen Challenge held on Friday, June 4, 2010 in Sault Ste. Marie. Teen Challenge is a Faith-based residential drug and alcohol rehabilitation programme for young men 18 and over.



**CONFIRMED IN THE FAITH:** Bishop Stephen Andrews and Rev. Rob Sweet, stand with new newly confirmed members of the Church, from left, Cheyenne Little, Jazzmen Brown, Alexander Forsey and Marilyn MacDonald. The service of Confirmation was took place on Sunday, June 20, 2010 at Trinity Parry Sound.

## Around Algoma

### New Priest appointed to Christ Church and St. Peter's, Sault Ste. Marie

Bishop Andrews is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Richard Reed to the Parish of Christ Church and St. Peter's in Sault Ste. Marie, effective September 15, 2010. Rev. Reed comes to Algoma from the Diocese of Brandon, where he was the Rector of the Killarney Parish Group, which includes Holy Trinity, Killarney; St. Matthew's, Boissevain; Christ Church, Cartwright, and St. Michael & All Angels, Ninette. He and his wife, Julie-Anne, bring with them four children, Hannah, Liam, India and Ella.

### Bishop appoints new Priest to St. John's, North Bay

The Rev. Andrew Nussey has been appointed to the Parish of St. John the Divine, North Bay, beginning September 1, 2010. Father Nussey comes to us from the Diocese of Western Newfoundland, where he has been serving in the Parish of Rose Blanche, which includes points in Burnt Island and La Poile. He is married to Christine, who is the Mayor of Rose Blanche-Harbour le Cou, and they have two children, Rebekah (4) and John (2).

### Rev. Beth Topps to retire

On Sunday, August 8, 2010, the Reverend Beth Topps announced her resignation, for reasons of health, as the Incumbent of Western Manitoulin Parish, consisting of the churches of All Saints', Gore Bay; St. John the Evangelist, Kagawong; and St. Peter, Silverwater. She has served the Parish of Western Manitoulin since her ordination in 2002. Her final service in the parish will take place on the Eve of All Saints' 30 October.

### Dean Small announces retirement

The Very Reverend Nelson Small has announced his retirement, effective October 31, 2010. For the past three years he has been the Incumbent of The Cathedral Church of St. Luke in Sault Ste. Marie, and the Dean of the Diocese of Algoma. Ordained in 1987, Dean Small has worked in each of the three Newfoundland dioceses, having served parishes of Fogo Island, Petty Harbour, and St. James the Apostle, Channel. In the Diocese of Western Newfoundland he served as Regional Dean for the Deanery of St. George, as a member of the Diocesan Executive Committee, and Chair of the Diocesan Compensation Committee.



# Algoma Cycle of Prayer

**Sunday, September 5th - 15th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Christ Church and St. Peter's, Sault Ste. Marie**  
The Rev. John Swain (Interim)  
The Rev. Rev. Canon Earl Burke (Hon.)

**Sunday, September 12th - 16th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**St. Michael and All Angels, Thunder Bay**  
The Rev. Peter Symth  
The Rev. Margaret Lucas (Hon.)  
The Rev. Barbars Fugelsang (Deacon Assoc.)

**Sunday, September 19th - 17th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Lay Readers of the Diocese** - Pray for the Lay Readers as they attend their Conference (September 24th-26th), and for the ministries of all Lay Readers in the parish, deanery and diocese.

**Sunday, September 26th - 18th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Holy Trinity, Little Current**  
**St. Luke's, Sucker Creek**  
**St. George's, Espanola**  
The Rev. Paul Walmsley



**DON'T LET IT GET AWAY:** Debbie Pyatt welcomes Vic and Victoria Boissonneault to the fish pond game. This game, along with others, were organised by the outreach committee of St. Peter's, Callander in conjunction with Funfest, Callander's annual celebration of Canada Day.



**ARE WE READY?:** Members of St. Peter's, Callander put the finishing touches on the float entered by the church in the parade held in Callander in celebration of Canada Day during Funfest.



# From the Anchorhold



**By Sister Mary Cartwright**

Welcome back. I hope your summer was full of joy. Mine was rather mixed. Myself, I prefer fall. I am not a heat lover! September begins the slow and gradual turning toward winter - cooler nights and the beginning of the glorious fall colours. Nothing tastes so good as the harvest from our gardens, and that of our farmer neighbours. Remember those who grow our food - "The grain which makes the Holy bread by which the soul of man is fed." They need our prayers, with development and 'progress' trying to squeeze them out of existence.

We remember the September saints. We begin with the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; then Gregory; Cyprian; Theodore of Tarsus; Sergius of Moscow; Lancelot Andrewes; and two major saints - St. Matthew, tax gatherer turned evangelist, and a favourite St. Michael and All Angels. We also celebrate Holy Cross day when we remember the total love of God demonstrated as He hangs high on the Cross, drawing all men to Himself, like a magnet, giving us the sign of our redemption. The month ends with Michaelmas, the feast of St. Michael, leader of the Hosts of Heaven and guardian of souls on their last journey, and then all those Angels who serve God. Are they real? Jesus certainly believed in them. He tells His disciples that the children's angels always behold the face of His Father. They are messengers, helpers and guardians. We see them at the Nativity, the Resurrection and the Ascension, as well as freeing Peter from prison, and bringing a message to Paul as he is ship wrecked. I am glad, at my age, to still know that they are real.

Here is a prayer I learned as a little child - a good one still:

*God bless this house from thatch to floor.  
The twelve Apostles guard the door.  
And four great Angels guard my bed.  
Two the foot and two the head  
One to watch and one to pray  
And one to keep all fear away*



*Do your small children go to bed in such comfort and peace?*



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**LIGHT IN THE MIDST OF DARKNESS:** The cross blazes in the sky at the top of the bell tower of St. James', Murillo. The cross was placed there on Tuesday, July 27, 2010 which is the day upon which the Church remembers St. James the Apostle.

## Cross lights up the sky at St. James', Murillo

**By Brian Grant**

On the evening of July 27, 2010, a new light blazed in the sky over St. James Church, Murillo. In reality the cross on top of the bell tower was finally lit up with lights from dusk till dawn. It was six years ago that the author had the idea of lighting the cross on St. James' and over time it was brought to the parishioners, who also agreed with the idea. Roger and Barb, Grant and Sheila, Cecil and Shelby Vaillant and Brian and Gladys Grant, nee (Vaillant), all made a considerable donation towards getting this job completed.

Back in 2008 the cross was going to be done when the inside of the bell tower was lit up. Of the men who went upon the steep roof, they all said, "Oh, that will be simple to reach the cross and take it down to place lights on it". When they got up on the steep roof, they found that the cross was much higher to reach than it appeared from the ground. Fear and safety set in, which brought that part of the project to an abrupt stop. After waiting to see if a bucket truck could be acquired for the job it was found to be beyond our

budget to rent, thus putting the cross lighting on hold.

On Tuesday July 27, 2010 which happened to be the Feast of St. James the Apostle, Dan Livingston and Michael McFarlane, along with Brian Grant and Kristen McFarlane for ground crew support, braved the steep roof and secured the ladders safely in place in order to get the task done. It was not an easy task for Mr. Livingston and Mr. McFarlane to remove the cross and bring it down off the steeple, then replace it again, but once it was done an immediate reward was noticed.

With dark clouds of and rain and thunder threatening, the clouds broke just enough in the west to let the sunlight hit the cross with a beam of sunlight and even though it was not turned on it looked as if it was lit up in all its magnificence. A camera was not at hand to capture this once in a lifetime shot of the cross being lit naturally. Later that evening a picture was taken of a dream that has finally come true for all to enjoy and remember Christ's gift to all as they drive by, St. James Anglican Church on John St. Road, Murillo.



**TEAM WORK:** The Rev. Joan Cavanough-Clark is pictured with members of St. Peter's, Callander who participated in the parade at the annual Funfest in Callander. The festivities were held in Celebration of Canada Day.

## Traditional English tea held at St. Luke's Cathedral

**By Erin Herden**

On Saturday, May 29, 2010, some 150 patrons enjoyed all the delights of a traditional English tea including home-made scones, jam and clotted cream in St. Luke's Cathedral Hall.

Although under the auspices of the A.C.W., other groups helped including members of the Altar Guild, Juniors and Girls' Auxiliary. The young people were a hit in their mob caps and black skirts

and aprons. The skirts had been sewn by G.A. members during the year under the teaching direction of Penny Tyrrel.

In addition to the Silent Auction, Trinkets and Treasures and Bake Table guests were treated to portraits, photos and artifacts from the Victorian era on loan from parishioners.

Present at the tea was convener Jo Anstess who made sure everything was in place. Barbara John-

son, in her lovely Victorian garb, supervised the 20 tea tables and the half dozen tea "maids". Brenda Small greeted our many guests who arrived over the 2 hours. In spite of the warmth of the afternoon, much laughter and visiting made the annual Victorian Tea an exceedingly enjoyable and worthwhile event.

To see more photos of this and other Cathedral events, please go to <http://www.saultchurches.com/stlukes/>



**TEA IS SERVED:** This table is awaiting patrons at a traditional English Tea held at St. Luke's Cathedral Hall on Saturday, May 29, 2010. Those who attended the tea also had an opportunity to bid on various items on the silent auction table pictured behind.



**PIES, BREAD AND MORE:** Gil Wilshaw and Diane LaRue greeted customers at the bake table, with smiles, at an English Tea held at St. Luke's Cathedral Hall last May.



# Bike for Bibles tour on Manitoulin Island

By Beth Hewson and Tom Zink

From Thursday, July 8 through Saturday, July 10, twenty bike riders and eight roadies took part in the 14th annual northeast Ontario Bike for Bibles tour on Manitoulin Island. This year, the event raised funds for the Canadian Bible Society to purchase Bibles for Canadian Forces personnel.

This ecumenical group of Christians from North Bay, Lively, Huntsville, Kincardine and Simcoe toured most of the western half of the island covering 260 kilometres in two and a half days.

Each day began with prayer and a short devotional talk by Rev. Dale Broadworth, the Bible Society's Northern Ontario director who was the organizer of the ride. The devotions set us rolling down the road with the Holy Spirit. Riders were on the road each day by 8:30 a.m.

The "roadies", the crew who made sure the riders were never lost, always safe, and most important well-fed, were integral to the success of the ride. Participants would ride a while, and in quick order, reach a rest stop where the roadies had ample supplies of munchies, Smarties, fruit and Gatorade for all. One rider quipped that those involved only ate one meal a day: a meal that started at 8 a.m. and ended at 6 p.m., with a bit of cycling along the way.

In weather that ranged from light rain to overcast sky to bright, beautiful sunshine, participants rode on. What was most noticeable was the hospitality and friendliness of the people on the island. As riders climbed the many hills, pedaled the long, flat stretches and rolled along on the downhill, motorists patiently waited for the bikes to pass, smiling and encouraging us.

The island hospitality was also clearly evident in the number of churches who hosted the body- and soul-nourishing lunches and

dinners in Kagawong, Gore Bay, Spring Bay, South Baymouth, Providence Bay and Little Current. There was always plenty of food, and clean up was relatively easy because there was so little left after all had eaten.

At the end of the day, most collapsed onto comfortable, solid mattresses in our cozy cabins at the Spring Bay Pentecostal Camp. Swimming and showers were close by and everyone welcomed the soothing water after the day's ride.

On Thursday and Friday evening, there was an added bonus to the cycling and the satisfying meals: two witness talks by couples who shared significant events in their lives that made clear God's bigger plan for their lives. One couple talked about the death of their adopted son who was killed in the line of duty as a police officer. During her eulogy at the funeral, the officer's wife asked the more than 8,000 people to forgive as the only way to move forward in the tragic situation. The second couple described their year of missionary work: he as a contractor and she as a nurse, in Jordan, and that one of the many challenges is to love everyone, no matter how different they may be.

The Bike for Bibles ride was an intense and demanding physical challenge. To complete it successfully was a special thrill. The success of the event would not have been possible without the support of the "roadie" crew and the church volunteers who prepared our meals, the encouragement and companionship of our fellow riders, and the blessing of riding with the presence of the Lord on every kilometer. Upon reflection days later when routine had returned, it was realized again how varied the members of the Christian community are, and that God continues to love everyone, warts and all.

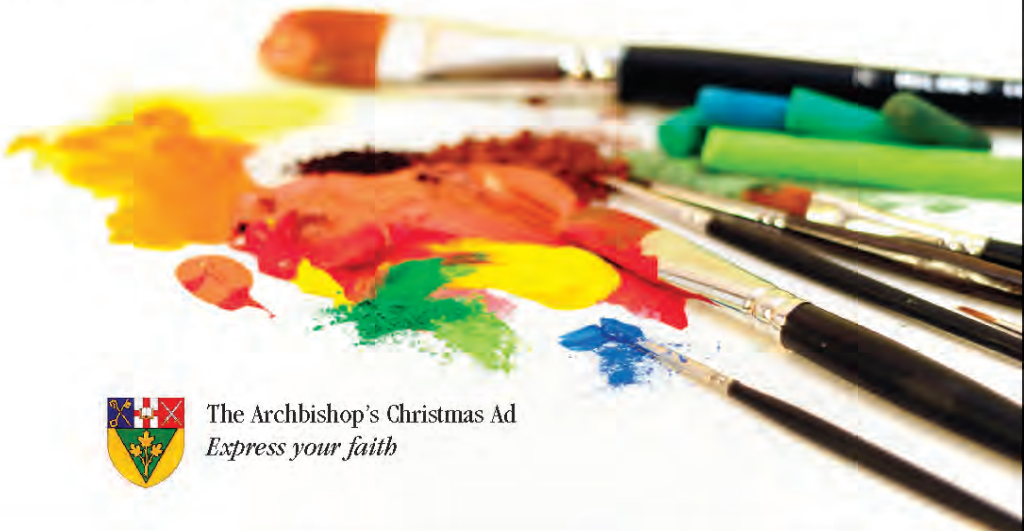


ENJOYING THE RIDE: These two riders were two of twenty who participated in the 14th annual Bike for Bibles tour on the Manitoulin Island in July.

# IS THERE A YOUNG ARTIST IN YOUR CHURCH?

Archbishop Colin R. Johnson, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario, is holding an art contest for all young Anglicans and Lutherans (ages 13-19) who live in the Province. The purpose of the competition is to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. The top three entries will be published in a full-page ad in The Toronto Star on Dec. 22, 2010. The top 50 entries will be posted online. All participants will receive a letter of thanks and encouragement from the Archbishop.

The deadline for artwork is Nov. 1, 2010.  
For full details about how to enter, visit [www.toronto.anglican.ca/christmasad](http://www.toronto.anglican.ca/christmasad).



WE MADE IT: Pictured above are participants in the Bike for Bibles tour held on Manitouland Island in July. The group travelled 260 kilometres in two and a half days.