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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- Service of Induction
 November 3rd
- Christmas Bazaar
 November 9th
- First Sunday of
 Advent
 December 1st
- Christmas Social
 December 7th

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At St. Matthew's Church

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THANKSGIVING 2013

A Message from Our Rector

It is difficult for me to put into words how absolutely thrilled and honoured I am to have been appointed as your priest! A journey that began for me in April of this year has finally come to fruition, and Anya and I are both so grateful for all the ways that we have been welcomed into the St. Matthew's family. Our new relationship will be formalized with a Service of Induction, to be held on **Sunday, November 3, at 4:00 pm.** I hope that you will be able to participate in this special celebration of new ministry here at St. Matthew's.

What are my initial impressions of St. Matthew's? They are of a community which demonstrates great vitality. There is much energy and enthusiasm in this parish, and I look forward to learning how that energy and enthusiasm might be focused in the coming weeks and months. What are our passions, both individually and collectively? How can we continue to live out our baptismal vows, and be faithful to a God who leads us into new places and new ways of understanding? How can we strengthen our connections within our congregation, as well as with our neighbours near and far? How might we continue to "be church" in South Windsor in a way that offers hope and inspiration to a troubled and hurting world. The answer to all these questions is, "one step at a time." I am extremely excited that together, we will be exploring each step along the way as a parish family!

I offer my congratulations to the dedicated team who have worked to produce this new version of the St. Matthew's newsletter. Many hours have gone into the planning and editing, and I'm confident that this way of communication will strengthen our existing bonds. Let's not keep the good news here, though; let's share a newsletter here and there – with family members or neighbours – and by doing so, we will continue the good work of reaching out in love to every friend and stranger. Blessings to you all,

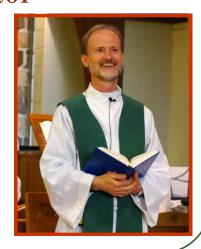
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Welcome to our New Rector

We are very pleased to welcome the Reverend Andreas Thiel and his wife Anya to our parish family.

We are thankful to God because we have searched and found a new pastor, who will lead and guide us in our ministries together.

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The Beginning of our Journey



WELCOME REV. ANDREAS THIEL AND ANYA LAURENCE

The wait is finally over.

We, the members of Parish Council, on behalf of the entire congregation of St. Matthews, extend a warm and long overdue welcome to our new Rector Andreas and his wife Anya.

We look forward to Rev. Andreas' spiritual guidance and leadership in our various ministries, and pledge to work co-operatively with him for the benefit of all our current and future parishioners.

Wardens – Jane Patterson and John Rossi Deputy Wardens – Paul Finlayson and Richard Hucal Secretary – Alisa Yednoroz Synod Reps. – Shirley Cantle and Al McCabe Members-at-Large – Paul Allsop, Jen McAlpine, and Pauline Patterson





September 15th was a very special Sunday for the St. Matthew's Parish Family.

Our priest and rector, The Rev'd Andreas Thiel, presided our services for the first time.



WELCOME!

Congratulations to Paul Allsop Winner of the "Name our Newsletter" Contest

As submitted:

"The Journey"

Our Journey with God, each other and our Community.

We wish to congratulate Paul Allsop, as his entry describes perfectly where our congregation stands at this moment: we have been graced with a new priest and so our new journey together at St Matthews now begins. Paraphrasing Paul's answer, when asked how he came up with the name, he said he was thinking and telling himself that we don't know yet where our parish is going from here; "...this is like a journey..." and a newsletter title was born. Thank you Paul for your insight!

In our next issue, look for more details on Paul's own journey and some of his ideas on Christianity, renewal and even the "electrification of transportation".

A sincere **thank you** to Rev. Cathy MacKendrick for getting the newsletter team together, and launching the title contest, to Parish Council for their support with the contest results and to Paul Allsop and all who sent us their wonderful ideas. Blessings to all,

Shirley Cantle and Irene Savva

Ask the Rector

A regular column in which you get to ask whatever is on your mind. (All submissions will be considered anonymous.)

Q: How would you like us to address you/introduce you to others?

A: In Anglican circles, there are a variety of forms of address for the clergy. It sounds awfully formal to say, "The Reverend Mr. so-and-so", but that would have been quite appropriate some years ago. There is an individual who greets me regularly by saying "Hello, Father." Some male (and even female!) priests prefer this title. You are more than welcome to address me this way, but it's not something I insist on. Although it's true that I am your "minister", I prefer to be thought of (and introduced) as your "priest" for the simple reason that I exercise a priestly, sacramental ministry among you. The church has also commissioned me to a ministry of reconciliation that is exclusive to the order of priests. That is what I have been ordained to, and I do this on behalf of our diocesan bishop. You may wish to use "Reverend Andreas", but it should be noted that "Reverend" is an adjective, so isn't used by itself. And if all that information muddies the waters too much, feel free to drop in to the church office for further clarification!

Q: What is the meaning (if any) behind the various robes that priests in the Anglican Church wear?

A: Well, if you thought the last answer was convoluted...brace yourselves!

Many religious denominations identify members of the clergy by assigning unique clothing to them. Anglicans would fit into this category. Most of us tend to wear the traditional white collar that clergy have worn for many years. But in addition to this, we clothe ourselves in various liturgical garments depending on the services we attend or officiate at. The simplest church wear is the long, white (or cream-coloured) garment known as an ALB. It serves to remind us of our new identity through having been baptized. Historically, the newly baptized, after being submerged in water, were clothed in a white garment, symbolizing purity and a new beginning. When a priest celebrates the Eucharist, he or she will often wear a CHASUBLE over the ALB. It will always be the same liturgical colour of the church season, and will often be adorned with Christian symbols that may include reference to the gifts of bread and wine which are consecrated for us in the Eucharistic Prayer. The chasuble is a seamless garment that can be traced to Roman times, and it reminds us of the the seamless garment of Christ, traditionally believed to have been woven by Mary. On Calvary, the soldiers, not wishing to divide it into parts, cast dice for it.

Stay tuned for other fascinating questions and answers! Andreas+

T.N.T. Reserve the first Friday of the month for our TNT ("Theology 'n Tap") meetings, starting at 6:00 pm, at Cramdon's Restaurant. Some come with their children, some with a partner and some by themselves. Come for dinner or just drinks or just good conversation and friendship!!

Our next T.N.T. night will be November Ist.

Richard Hucal

Rev. Cathy's Milestone Birthday Party

The whole congregation got together and planned, cooked and decorated to celebrate Rev. Cathy MacKendrick's special birthday.

Fun for all ages

Tokens of our appreciation





Great food... and cake, too!

WHAT A SURPRISE! THANKS!

July 7th was a wonderful surprise when my parish family had a surprise 70th birthday lunch for me after church. First time in my life! I was "gob smacked", as the Brits say. Thank-you for all the fun, the food, the cards, and the gifts. Please know that I always feel held up in my ministry with and for you all.

Blessings

Rev Cathy

From Our Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

The BIG news since our last update has been the appointment of the Rev. Andreas Thiel as our new Rector effective September 15, 2013. We wish to thank the members of the Selection Committee for their tireless efforts over the past 18 months, which included many meetings, out of town attendances and interviews leading to the recommendation to the Bishop that Rev. Andreas be appointed to lead our parish. The members of that Committee were: Matt Bulley, Mary Lou Drake, Paul Finlayson, Gail Henderson, Richard Hucal, Jen McAlpine, Jane Patterson and John Rossi.

Over the summer there were finishing touches made to the Rectory in anticipation of our newest Rector and his wife Anya. These included the laying of new sod in the back yard and installation of carpet on the staircase.

The interior walls of the church were refreshed by a new coat of paint, as were the exterior windows. The main doors also were given a new, brighter colour to match the exterior signage.

Our Narthex also has been blessed with the addition of a framed stained glass window, and a needlework rendering of the Last Supper, both of which have been graciously donated by members of our congregation.

Discussions will be continuing at future meetings of council regarding the updating of the interior lighting and replacement of the flooring.

Coffee hour scheduling has now been completed for the remainder of this year and into 2014. Thank you Jen McAlpine for organizing the volunteer teams to continue this worthwhile service.

Last but not least a HUGE shout-out to ALL OF YOU for attending the August 11th Farewell Luncheon for Bishop Jack. It was by all accounts a marvelous way to show our love and appreciation for a man we all grew to love and admire during the interim, as we awaited the arrival of our new Rector. To all who helped organize and participated in the event, kudos to you.

Celebrating this season:

Birthdays

September

- 1st Florence Ritchie
- 1st Laurie Ritchie
- 3rd Roger Wurdemann
- 4th Doug Warford
- 9th Linda Hitchcock
- 12th –Agnes Dalley
- 13th Gabriella Chantler
- 13th Emma Chantler
- 15th Jeff Patterson
- 19th Matt Bulley
- 21st Doris Hitchcock
- 21st Kierstin Yednoroz
- 22nd Stan Goldspink
- 23rd Joyce Durocher
- 24th Marwan Taqtaq
- 28th Lauren Wilkinson
- 30th Melissa Goldspink

Anniversaries

October

- 3rd Ryan Ritchie
- 4th Virginia Schofield
- 6th Shirley Cantle
- 7th Paul Allsop
- 8th John Rossi
- 10th Frank Geml
- 11th Meaghan Felet
- 12th Gabriela Savva
- 14th Brayden Ritchie
- 17th Gwen Cowley
- 17th Margaret Kissau
- 18th Dalt Snelling
- 19th Donn Bayne
- 21st Dennis Bernard
- 25th Ella Doornaert
- 25th Hal Sullivan

November

- 1st Lillian Prodan
- 2nd Patti Weir
- 10th Ladd Ritchie
- 12th Susan Trenhaile
- 15th Audrey Goldspink
- 16th Jacqui Rene
- 20th Bob Kissau
- 28th Julia Rossi

September

- 3rd Anya & Andreas Thiel
- 7th Glenn & Sharon Ritchie
- 7th Paul Finlayson & Danielle Richer
- 15th Jeff & Jane Patterson
- 19th Ron & Marie Darrach
- 29th Ted & Ruth Clarke

October

- 9th Paul & Gwen Allsop
- 13th Ladd & Florence Ritchie
- 21st Frank & Jane Stanley
- 27th Steve & Kim Sussens

November

- 19th Frank & Joan Geml
- 30th Bob & Cora Braidford

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday October 16th, 2013 at 9:00 am. - A.C.W. Quiet Day at Christ Church in Colchester. For more information, contact Joan Mallender (519-915-6692).

Sunday November 3rd, 2013 at 4:00 pm.- Service of Induction of The Reverend Andreas Thiel as priest and rector of the Parish of St. Matthew's. Please come and participate in this special celebration of new ministry at St. Matthew's.

Saturday December 7th, 2013 at 6:30 pm.- Our St. Matthew's Christmas Social will be held at the home of John Rossi and Patti Weir. Please come and join in the Christmas festivities. Bring your choice of a nibbly or a dessert. Directions to their home will be coming closer to the date.

Saturday January 18th, 2014 at 5:00 PM.— Our 4th Annual Potluck and Talent Show.

Saturday February 8th, 2014 at 5:00 PM.- Our Family Potluck and Games Night.

Saturday March 8th, 2014 at 5:00 PM.- Our Potluck and Mad Science Demonstration.

Bishop Jack's Farewell



The Rt. Rev. Jack Peck's last Sunday as our Interim Priest was August 11th, 2013. We wanted to thank him for his 18 month leadership and all he has done for our Parish and each and every one of us; we decided to do it, in style, with a luncheon after the 9:30 AM service.

The meal was a lovely catered sit-down lunch at 11 am, followed by a programme of heartfelt words from: our deacon Rev. Cathy McKendrick, warden Jane Patterson, sacristan Margaret Kissau, the event organizers Jen MacAlpine and Pauline Patterson, and a one of a kind performance a cappella, by warden John Rossi. Our gratitude was also expressed with flowers for Jack's wife Shirley and daughter Sheila, several cards and a scrap book made especially and presented by the Sunday school and Servers.

Bishop Jack has been such a blessing to our parish; with kind words, as always, he said that the Parish Hall "...looked like the Waldorf Astoria" He was right! We enjoyed our seated meal and the fun and laughter that filled the hall, but most importantly, what made Bishop Jack's last day at St. Matthew's a true celebration of a special time in our parish, was the great number of families in

attendance. We look forward to times when he will join us again for worship... without the work.

Thanks Jack — it hardly is enough — but thanks again.



A Farewell Song in honour of Bishop Jack Peck

(Loosely based on "American Pie" by Don McLean, 1971). Composed and performed *a cappella* by John Rossi.

A LONG, LONG TIME AGO, I CAN STILL REMEMBER WHEN WE DIDN'T HAVE A PRIEST. THE BISHOP CAME TO FATHER STEVE, SAID "I'M AFRAID YOU HAVE TO LEAVE AND GO ON UP TO SARNIA FOR A WHILE."

THAT JANUARY IT DID SHIVER, WE PRAYED TO GOD TO PLEASE DELIVER A TEMPORARY RECTOR, WHILE WE SEARCHED FOR OUR NEW PASTOR.

AND IT REALLY CAME AS NO SURPRISE, THAT THIS WHITE-HAIRED MAN WITH PIERCING EYES, A GOATEE, AND A SMILE SO WIDE, CAME HERE...TO SERVE...OUR SIDE.

SO....HI, JACK, WELCOME BACK TO THE SHOW, YOU THOUGHT YOU WERE RETIRED, YOU WERE READY TO GO, ON A LONG AWAITED TRIP WITH YOUR DEAR SHIRLEY IN TOW, SINGIN' FINALLY LET'S GO, SAIL AWAY...BUT INSTEAD AGREED TO A SLIGHT DELAY.

DID YOU WRITE SOME BOOKS WITH LOVE, WHERE YOU TALKED OF YOUR GREAT FAITH IN GOD, AND DESCRIBED YOUR JOURNEYS THROUGH THE YEARS?

YES YOU DID, IN FACT AT OUR BAZAAR, DONATED SALES, HELPED FILL OUR JAR, DID THAT SHOW US SOMETHING, 'BOUT YOURSELF?

WELL I KNOW WE FELL IN LOVE WITH YOU,

WHEN YOU CALLED OUR NAMES AS WE CAME THROUGH TO TAKE THE EUCHARIST, WE TOOK BETS TO SEE IF YOU'D MISS.

MAN, WE DUG YOUR SERMONS SHORT AND SWEET, AND EVERY ONE HAD SO MUCH MEAT, YOU BROUGHT REAL PASSION, WHAT A TREAT, THE DAY... YOU CAME, TO US.

AND WE'D BE SINGING..... HEY JACK, YOU'RE A HECK OF A PECK, YOU PLAY GUITAR AND THEN YOU TWIRL A YO-YO TO SHOW YOUR TALENTS GO BEYOND WHAT WE ALL THOUGHT WE DID KNOW, YOU CAME TO EVERY EVENT WE DID THROW: MAD SCIENCE....GAMES NIGHT...TALENT SHOW.

AND NOW WE'VE GONE THROUGH 18 MONTHS, NEW FACES COME, AND SOME WE'VE LOST, JACK'S BEEN THERE TO LEAD THE WAY.

HE'S BEEN DOWN THE SACRED PATH, HAS ALWAYS OFFERED US A HAND, WHEN, WE NEEDED HELP ALONG THE WAY

AND NOW WE COME TO SAY GOODBYE, OUR VOICES STRAINED, TEARS IN OUR EYES, A FEW WORDS MAY BE SPOKEN, NO CHURCH BELLS....OURS ARE BROKEN,

AND THE 3 MEN WE ADMIRE MOST: THE FATHER, SON AND HOLY GHOST, WILL JOIN US IN A ROUSING TOAST TO JACK, AS WE SAY BYE.

WE'LL BE SAYING..... HEY JACK, YOU'RE A HECK OF A PECK, YOU MAY BE GONE TOMORROW BUT YOU'LL BE WELCOMED BACK, WHENEVER YOU WANT TO, PLEASE, COME BY, HAVE A CHAT, NO PRESSURE, NO COMMITMENT, NO FEAR, WE WON'T ASK YOU TO STAY ANOTHER YEAR!

WE'LL BE SAYING..... HEY JACK, YOU'RE A HECK OF A PECK, YOU MAY BE GONE TOMORROW BUT YOU'LL BE WELCOMED BACK, WHENEVER YOU WANT TO, PLEASE, COME BY, HAVE A CHAT,

YOU WILL ALWAYS, ALWAYS BE WELCOME HERE.

Bazaar News

This year's St. Matthew's Bazaar convenors are Jennifer McAlpine and Shirley Cantle, with Susan Bernard doing advertising and Beth Felet in charge of finances. If you would like a poster like the one on the right (in letter size paper), please ask Jen.

We are excited to have an expanded craft area. The St. Matthew's Craft Guild has been busy over the past year and we have a vast arrangement of beautiful handmade crafts to add to all the other wonderful items in our Craft area.

One of our best sellers (which always sells out) are Tourtière and turkey pies. Stay tuned for more information on prepping and stuffing times.

Our Baked Goods area is also very popular and something to look forward to. In addition, all the regular favourites will be back, too!

St. Matthew's
Christmas Bazaar

(At Norfolk I Glenwood in South Windsor)
Saturday November 9, 2013

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m

An Expanded Craft Table
Baked Goods
Tourtiere I Turkey Pies
Lunch Bar
New to You Room
Children's Christmas
Room
Free, Smiles and
a Good Time!

Jennifer McAlpine (519)948-1457 Shirley Cantle (519)972-3228

There is a sign up poster in the Narthex.

Put your name down and join the fun!

Important dates and times for contributions and volunteering:

Wednesday November 6th
 Thursday November 7th
 Friday November 8th
 Saturday November 9th
 6-8 PM
 I0 AM - 12 Noon
 Drop off and set up
 Drop off and set up
 Saturday November 9th
 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM
 No more drop off!

Did you know that St. Matthew's has been hosting a Church Bazaar for more than 50 years? Recently someone gave me a bag of information rich with history and I had a trip into the past. Here are some didbits of history for some, and new information for others:

Bazaar Day! (9AM- IPM)

In 1962 Mrs. J.E. Dykeman and Mrs. J. Fedoruk were joint convenors with Mrs. G.A. Chantler doing publicity. In 1963, the convenors were Edna Lee and Gwen Cowley, and Alice Werner and Doris Hitchcock had this role in 1964.

In 1976 Highland dancers were a part of the Bazaar, and were given a hot dog lunch as a thank you. Commonly, letters of invitation were mailed out to various groups within the church: choir, Chancel guild and The Couples club, to name a few.

In 1979, the Bazaar raised \$1,628.10; a grilled cheese sandwich or hot dog were \$.40 each, soup \$.25 and a cup of tea or coffee will cost you a quarter as well. In 1983, Dave Freeman was the convenor, and the Bazaar earned \$2,131.69.

This in no way is all the history, but allows you a brief glimpse into the past. I hope you enjoyed.

We look forward to seeing you at this year's Bazaar! Jen McAlpine

HI everyone! This is a recent change to the service of baptism tied to the Anglican Church's concerns about the environment; I thought you'd enjoy understanding a bit about the background for this decision.

Take care, Vicky Paraschak Environmental Representative

JESSE HAIR, ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

September 06, 2013 - "Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?"

"I will, with God's help."

With the passing of resolution C001 at this year's General Synod, these words were added to the baptismal covenant in the Book of Alternative Services (BAS) as the 9th question of the "covenant inquiry." Though it quotes directly from the fifth <u>Mark of Mission</u> (part of a framework used to describe and encourage ministry throughout the worldwide Anglican Communion), the addition to the baptismal covenant comes from a grassroots movement in the church.

"Sometimes the national church catches up with what's going on at the grassroots level, and in some ways that's what's happened with this," says the Very Rev. Louise Peters, dean of Kamloops cathedral in the Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior, and mover of the resolution.

"This came from families, and young people and adults who were coming to receive baptism, wanted and needed something more, and were asking about our role as stewards of creation. It reflects what the church has been exploring for the last 30 to 40 years—the understanding that to be faithful as Christians and as God's created beings is to be co-stewards with God.

"There is an enthusiasm out there [for the addition]. In casual conversations I've had with people, it's been "Well, absolutely-that makes sense.' We've been having those conversations for quite some time."

The official process of incorporating this language into the baptismal covenant began with a motion by Peters at 2010's General Synod, asking that Synod direct Faith, Worship, and Ministry (FWM) to consider the best way to include language recognizing the imperative to care for creation, and to make a recommendation to General Synod in 2013.

In the interim, FWM formed a working group that considered baptismal liturgies from other churches, from other provinces in the Anglican Communion, and read them aloud to each other.

"This is language that needs to be heard and spoken as well as read," says the Very Rev. Peter Wall, who seconded of the 2013 resolution and dean of Niagara.

In the course of this reading, the working group found that there was significant emphasis on creation care in provincial rites from around the world. This year, FWM brought a resolution to General Synod recommending an addition to the baptismal covenant based on the fifth Mark of Mission.

"We had a number of different options in terms of how to look at the language," says Peters.

"We felt that the Mark of Mission, adapted, was the most appropriate. It says it the most succinctly

and also connects us with the Anglican Communion.

St. Matthew's Day 2013 Sunday, September 22nd

By The Sunday School

This year we marked St. Matthew's Day in our usual fashion, starting with a family friendly worship. It was role-reversal day; we'd like to thank Josh Canty and Carol Bulley for being servers, as well as Mary Davis and Doug Warford who were torch-bearers. We know that young family members enjoy watching adults take on jobs that are not as easy as they appear to be!

On the opposite side we saw Rosalind singing in the choir as well as doing a reading. Isabella was our first reader; Miranda, Julia and Caitlin led the prayers as our intercessors. You may have noticed Erica, Julia, Sarah and Gaby greeting you as you arrived. They were joined by Max at offering time, a job he takes very seriously. Also special thanks to Margaret Kissau and guest cantor Kate for leading us through the psalm and hymns (some of our well-known favourites) with their angelic voices.

Next we enjoyed our annual BBQ, a feast of burgers and hotdogs served with delicious homemade salads and desserts (sorry, no pictures; we were too busy devouring our meal!).

The celebration ended with games on the back lawn. Miss Gail and Miss Louise had many challenging races up their sleeve, greatly enjoyed by participants of all ages. There were no losers as everyone's loot bags filled up after every event. We ended with the pudding eating contest the ever-popular water balloon toss and the grand finale – CANDY TOSS.

Thanks to everyone who participated to make this a successful and happy event!



The grown-up servers and torchbearers

Miss Gail and Miss Louise, getting the youngsters ready to play!





The potato sack and multi-legged races were a big hit with the whole congregation



The fellowship and laughter made this day even more special.

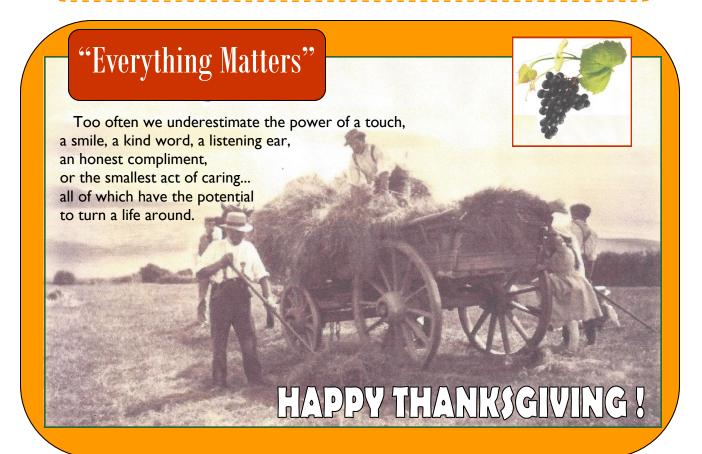
"This is Heaven!" - Marlborough Breakfast Programme

Do you know what Heaven is? Well, it was Monday September 23rd, and a ten year old boy at Marlborough School knew the answer. Eating his second bite of grilled cheese sandwich from a plate with the sandwich, a bunch of grapes, ketchup, and a big glass of chocolate milk, he looked at me and said, "This is Heaven" This delightful newcomer to our programme made a special effort to thank us for the "wonderful food".

Having collected \$850.00 from St. Matthew's Day Money Bags, we are about half-way to our needed goal for this school year to cover the purchase of this "Wonderful Food". Please remember that you can donate any time towards this important ministry.

Thanks so much to everyone who gives of their resources, and the great cooks that we have – making both the muffins and the hot breakfast. It is fun. Thanks for making St. Matthew's contribution so valuable to the students at this inner city school.

Want to join in the fun? Just let Rev. Cathy know – (519)966-5729. St. Matthew's Marlborough Breakfast Programme



Illustrations and photographs throughout this issue provided by: Gordon Drake, Richard Hucal, Irene Savva, and Shirley Cantle.

Everybody is Welcome!

Services:

September through June

8:30 am & 10:00 am

(Sunday School at the 10 am Service)

July until Labour Day (inclusive)

8:30 am & 9:30 am

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We are on the Web!

http://stmatthewswindsor.com
Check out "The Journey" in full
colour (PDF file ready for download)

We hope to hear from you soon!

News from the Pews:

The whole congregation is invited to contribute to this section with their feedback, announcements and suggestions.

- Congratulations to the Rossi-Weir family for their entry "News from the Pews" to the "Name our Newsletter" contest, which received an honorific mention and has very appropriately named this section.
- HELP NEEDED Soon our thoughts will turn towards the Celebration of Jesus and His Birthday and the Christmas Pageant, which the Sunday School children so enjoy. Recently I looked at the costumes for the Angels and they are in a pretty poor state. They certainly are not "Tide clean" and the gold and silver trims need replacing. The costumes themselves need a good wash. possibly with bleach and new trims added. I have new trims, but need some help with the wash job. There are at least a dozen, made of sheeting in various sizes as we try to cater for all sizes of angels that will appear for the pageant. I would appreciate some help with the wash load and will replace the trims myself if you would prefer. I hope a few of you can help with this project. There is no need for one person to do the complete job just a few kind folks to wash one or two each. Thanx in advance to all who can help. Blessings to all....Shirley Cantle
- We would like to take this opportunity to thank Pauline Patterson for her great job as editor of the St. Matthew's Newsletter for 11 years; we hope we will be able to follow in her footsteps and contribute with the same dedication to recounting *the journey* of our ministries at St. Matthew's Church. Very Sincerely, Shirley Cantle and Irene Savva, "The Journey" co-editors

Please send your articles, feedback and other contributions to Shirley (davidcantle@sympatico.ca) or Irene (irene.savva@bell.net) or deposit in the box provided in the Narthex. NOTE: Also let us know of any updates needed in the birthday and anniversary announcements; we apologize for any mistakes or omissions