

NEWSLETTER OF ST MATTHEW'S ANGLICAN CHURCH 1600 NORFOLK ST. WINDSOR, ONTARIO

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# The Journey

At St. Matthew's Church



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"We are called to share God's love as we welcome and care for our community"

# A Message from Our Rector

Summer plans...

I'm already beginning to look forward to having a month of holidays in July, although Anya and I haven't yet made any firm vacation plans. One thing I'm certain of however, is that on some - or all - of my "free Sundays" we'll be worshiping at other churches, with other congregations. I love doing this, because I never know quite what to expect; there is real potential for adventure! For instance, how will we be greeted? How will the service be conducted? What will the music be like? What about the preaching? Will there be a sense of joy in the community? Will there be coffee and fellowship afterward? And so on. It's great fun to visit and take in the experience of another community of faith. I've found that it helps me to better understand how we ourselves do some of those things, and if I'm paying attention, there's usually some sort of learning that I can take away with me. This summer, I plan to do a little "church hopping" and I invite you to do the very same thing! Go ahead - seize the adventure and worship with some Baptists or Lutherans or Pentecostals. Step into an unfamiliar space. It may feel strange, it may feel different, "...AND you just might be surprised at how God reaches out to you somewhere in the experience! After it's all over, please be sure to report back and share what you've discovered. That way, we can all be enriched. A happy, safe, adventurous and blessed summer to you all!

Andreas+



And speaking of an adventurous summer...

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# Ask the Rector

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

### Q: Is there a difference between a 'homily' and a 'sermon'?

A: The short answer is No: both terms are used to describe the act of preaching on biblical texts, in the context of worship. But there is a longer answer! The word 'homily' comes from the Greek language, and its meaning is concerned with engaging in *conversation*. In contrast, the word 'sermon' has Latin roots, and it basically means *speech*. The reason some people (including myself) prefer 'homily' is because in preaching, we aim to engage listeners in such a way as to foster reflection, and maybe prompt personal questions or insights. An effective homily is one that will "keep the *conversation* going" in a listener's thinking, and as a result, the listener becomes a true partner in the conversation. The listener, in the company of other listeners, is considered to be an important participant in a holy conversation. It is very rewarding when I hear someone comment, "I've been thinking about something you said in one of your homilies..." This is affirmation to me that a conversation has occurred.

Stay tuned for other fascinating questions and answers! Andreas+

# on behalf of the Parish Council, From Our Parish Council we wish you a great spring and a wonderful summer, full of travel, friends and family. We are pleased to inform

2015 marks the  $60^{th}$  Anniversary St Matthew's, and Mike Ricketts's  $40^{th}$  year with us. Plans are unfolding for celebrations in September. On June 10, we held a special service and reception to celebrate the senior members of our parish.

We have negotiated removal of rental costs of one hot water heater. A new storm door has been installed at the front entrance of the rectory. The rectory garage door opener was repaired. We changed our phone service provider, reducing our costs, while adding internet service.

We want to thank everyone who helped make our yard sale on June 20, 2015 a great success. We will be updating the financials soon.

Sunday School is on track to have a great new program starting in September, thanks to all those involved.

Financially, givings to the end of April compared to last year have increased, but we have again had higher than expected costs, such as for snow removal. We have also reduced costs such as removal of  $\sim$ \$50/month hot water heater rental and  $\sim$ \$40 decrease in church phone cost. We are confident that we will overcome our current operating deficit of  $\sim$ \$4000 by the end of the year.

We are pleased to inform that our monthly apportionment payments are up to date.

Every year, the Diocesan budget is apportioned among the parishes/congregations of the Diocese, based on each parish's financial reports.

As required by our Diocese (Canon #28): "Every parish congregation shall...regard its Diocesan Apportionment...as an obligation equal to parochial expenses; and...be expected to pay one-twelfth of its Diocesan Apportionment every month..."

Everybody is welcome to attend our meetings, usually on the **third** Wednesday of the month, starting at 7:30 PM, in the choir room. **Next Meeting: September 16** (no meetings in July and August)

# St. Matthew's Capital Campaign 2015

### Renewing Our Space and Improving Our Accessibility:

- . Re-wiring and new LED lighting
- New carpet and flooring
- New and more inviting handicapped-accessible doors



There are many ways to give, as we commit ourselves to the stewardship of our building

**Auto-deduction** — You can donate on a one-time or recurring monthly basis; all will be processed by the Diocese. Simply call Beth Felet (519-969-3035) to make arrangements. The maximum time frame for recurring donations is 12 months. Credit card deductions occur on the 15th of each month and automatic deductions occur on your choice of the 10th and/or the 25th. If you have already enrolled, you can add an amount to your regular deductions, earmarked for the Building Fund, with a start and stop month for that portion of your donation. As always, any arrangements can be changed or cancelled, as required.

**Cheque** – You can give either a one-time cheque or a series of post-dated cheques, made payable to St. Matthew's Church and earmarked for the Building Fund.

# The Rector Asked...

Just before Holy Week, Rev'd Andreas gave the congregation some "homework": take time to read the entire GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK, preferably **ALOUD.** On Easter Sunday, he asked who had completed the assignment, and was surprised when seven people raised their hands. After presenting each one with an Easter egg, Rev'd Andreas asked them to write about their experience. One parishioner shared this reflection:

Completing the task of reading the Book of Mark aloud for Holy Week was one that evoked great emotion. As children, we learn the stories of Jesus life but do not necessarily internalize them. It is more a feeling of this happened to someone a long time ago, just like any other story we may have been read or told. Even as an adult, reading the bible stories silently to one self still makes you an observer of events of the past.

The act of reading aloud forces one to see and speak and hear each word. Personally, it put me in a place where I was not just someone hearing the retelling of events, but as someone who was witnessing it first hand, feeling the realities of what was happening. Wondering what others might be thinking or feeling.

It very vividly recalled to mind when I watched the movie "The Passion". It was not until seeing the graphic nature of that presentation that I could truly appreciate the viciousness of the events up to and including the crucifixion. I believe we think about the story we have been told, but in some ways give it lip service. Reading aloud puts you in the midst of the activity giving one a greater sense of connection to the events that occurred and the sacrifice that was made for us so that we may be saved.

Respectfully Submitted by Wendy Pisciotto

The other six avid readers were:
Paul Allsop,
Marie Darrach,
Mary Davis,
Helen Jones,
Jean Muhleisen
and Irene Savva.

# Phoebe of Kenchreai

By Robert Weir

In June, 2015 I will be once again volunteering two weeks of my time to study the coins found in the course of American excavations at Kenchreai, the eastern harbour of Corinth in Greece. Kenchreai was a busy hub of the Asian trade —Paul once caught a ship from here to Ephesos (Acts 18:18)—I but we know very little about the harbour community itself. In one passage (Romans 16:1–2), Paul singles out for praise to the congregation at Rome a woman named Phoebe, a recent arrival whom he calls the diakonos ("deacon") of the church at Kenchreai. Whether this means that Phoebe led the whole congregation at Kenchreai, or just ministered to the women of the congregation, has been much debated and is, in the end, irrelevant to the bigger picture: this was one of the earliest known congregations; and one does not have to look far in the New Testament for women in prominent roles in such congregations (e.g. Priscilla at Ephesos).

This was essentially the state of knowledge about Kenchreai until American excavations in and around the harbour started, first in the 1960s, and more recently under Prof. Joe Rife of Vanderbilti University since 2002, in an effort to learn more about the harbour community and its history. My own part in this project dates back to 2007, and I am the official numismatist (="coin guy") for both the newer finds and those made almost fifty years ago, which were never properly studied or well published at the time. In this upcoming trip, my job will be to continue my re-examination of the coins from the 1960s excavations. At the other end of the chronological range, I have found evidence for a surprising economic vibrancy well into the middle decades of the 5th century AD; Corinth and its Kenchreai harbour are seemingly unique for their orientation towards its western markets rather than those of the closer and reputedly more prosperous Eastern Roman Empire centered on Constantinople. This economic connection may possibly have resulted in a reappearance of Phoebe at Kenchreai in the 5th century AD.

As we dug the cemetery, we kept our eyes open for Phoebe, and although we have found a couple of inscribed gravestones, we have not yet found hers. But perhaps we have found something better, thanks in part to more coin evidence. At the cemetery's edge, on the edge of a cliff overlooking the open sea in fact, and particularly hemmed in by the humbler graves, we found in the 2008 season the brick foundations of a large, house-sized structure of octagonal shape. To those who know Roman architecture, the size and particularly the shape of this building suggested immediately that it



was a martyrion, which is either a memorial erected on the site of a Christian martyr's death or a tomble for a martyr. That this was no ordinary building was suggested both by its prominent location on a cliffledge high above the pagan temples of Kenchreai and by what we found in the foundation trench under one corner of the building: a pocket of loose earth containing small ceramic and glass vessels (for perfumes?), and a clutch of thirteen coins. I have recently written the initial publication of these coins\*, and they are, as a group, very curious: no two are of the same design and emperor, thus they were especially selected, not just random pocket change; and the number thirteen is also suggestive (twelve apostles and one Christ?). Less speculatively, they clinch that the Octagon, as we call it, was built soon after AD 450; and a very fresh, large coin of emperor Justinian I lying atop the Octagon's mosaic floor suggests very strongly that it was destroyed around 550 AD, perhaps by an earthquake. But whose martyrion was it? Quite possibly Phoebe's, I think. At any rate, there are no known saints or martyrs with a Kenchreai connection; and clearly someone went to a great deal of trouble and expense to build this grand structure in the best spot in the community cemetery, so it must have been intended for a prominent Christian.

Continue on next page...

All we know about Phoebe is contained in those first two verses in *Romans* 16, which is not much to go on. But very likely she was the biggest, and only, Christian celebrity ever to have come out of little Kenchreai —personally praised by St. Paul, no less!— and I imagine that the folks back home must have nurtured a keen pride for centuries after she had departed for the bright lights of Rome. We do not know, of course, whether she ever returned to her roots from the big city or if she died there, whether by martyrdom or some more natural cause. If she did not return, then we may have a reason for the *martyrion*. In the late 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> centuries AD, Kenchreai enjoyed a close, economic relationship with Rome; and in Rome this was a period of avid relic-hunting and relic-veneration. Conceivably, Phoebe's remains were among the relics "found" by the pious seekers of Rome and, in her case, then sold or sent to Kenchreai, maybe even to cement the warm relationship between the two communities. If all or part of Phoebe did return home this way around AD 450, a natural thing for the proud locals to do would have been to build a *martyrion* to house her.

Whether or not someone was actually buried in or under the Kenchreai *martyrion* will likely be impossible to verify, since the sea's erosion of the cliff face over the past 1500 years has tumbled most of the Octagon over its edge. But if Phoebe was laid here in about AD 450, it is very likely that she was moved again after the *martyrion* collapsed a century later. For it is in the 6<sup>th</sup> century AD, probably soon after this collapse, that Kenchreai's first basilica church was built, down in the harbour area and atop the ruins of a Roman warehouse on the south breakwater. When American excava-

tors dug this church in the 1960s they found, as is often the case in churches of that period, a cluster of burials in the narthex, each placed there in hope of some divine preferment, because this was as close as one could lie to the relic of whichever saint or martyr was laid in or beneath any given church's altar.

SEVERAL PEOPLE HAVE INQUIRED ABOUT THE CANE I'M USING. ACTUALLY I KNOW VERY LITTLE ABOUT IT BUT WILL TELL ALL I KNOW. JANE'S MOTHER WAS A

BUT WILL TELL ALL I KNOW. JANE'S MOTHER WAS A
NURSE IN NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK PRIOR TO
WORLD WAR ONE. ONE OF HER PATIENTS WAS IN
THE MINING BUSINESS IN SOUTH AFRICA. HE GAVE
HER THE CANE PLUS A DOUBLE DIAMOND RING!
OBVIOUSLY HE LIKED HER. WHERE IT CAME FROM
OR WHO CARVED IT IS A MYSTERY AS THERE IS A
MIXTURE OF CARVED ANIMALS ON IT. WISH WE
HAD ASKED MORE QUESTIONS ABOUT IT YEARS
AGO BUT THAT'S ALL WE CAN RECALL.

Robert Weir and his family joined our St. Matthew's family in 2014. Robert is a professor of Greek and Roman studies at the University of Windsor.

Photographs provided by the author:

**Front page:** General view of the Kenchreai harbour from the Koutsongila Ridge.

Fig. 1.- Remains of the martyrion on the cliff edge above the harbour.

Fig. 2.- View of a 6th century church (now mostly submerged) on an older breakwater of the Kenchreai harbour.

\*To be published in the joint Greek-American publication of the excavations on the Koutsongila Ridge at Kenchreai, 2007-2009; Joe Rife and Elena Korka, editors.

FRANK & JANE STANLEY

# News from Our Deanery

### **DEANERY OF ESSEX GOLF TOURNAMENT 2015**

When? Wednesday June 24, 2015, beginning at 8 am Where? Seven Lakes Champion Course

Who? TEAM ST. MATTHEW'S! Report from John Rossi: "After a respectable tie for third place with several other teams in the 2014 golf tourney, the 2015 St. Matthew's foursome will try to improve on its inaugural foray into the world of competitive golf this June 24<sup>th</sup>. Due to an off-season injury suffered by one of last year's participants, we have secured through the free agent market a new member who comes with impeccable credentials which we hope will launch our team to new heights.

This foursome consists of: 3 holdovers from last year -John Rossi, Onorio Felet and Kenji Kenno- and our free agent Bill Wrye."

ALSO NOTE: Tournament Dinner at St. Mary's (Walkerville) at 4 pm (steak or chicken dinner, \$30 per person, everyone is welcome!).

Please consider being a part of this worthwhile fundraiser, in support of

youth ministry throughout our deanery.

Youth Ministry in the Deanery of Essex: we have a part-time youth co-ordinator (Cynthia Connell), who serves all our churches as a resource person for youth related programs and activities. From time to time, Cynthia organizes events such as bowling, so that our young people can come together and get to know one another. She has also been involved in organizing youth delegates to CLAY (Canadian Lutheran & Anglican Youth conference). The proceeds from our June 24 Golf Tournament will be directed to supporting Cynthia's efforts with our youth throughout the Deanery of Essex.

Please keep the following parishes in our deanery in your prayers, as they go through a transition to new clergy, or re-location: All Saints', St. George's, St. Michael and All Angels, and St. John's-Sandwich in Windsor; and St. John the Evangelist in Leamington.

Have you joined our e-mail communication list? It is the fastest and most environmentally friendly way to receive communications from our clergy. Enroll at <a href="mailto:saintmatthewswindsor@gmail.com">saintmatthewswindsor@gmail.com</a>

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Also, check out these websites and stay connected at all levels of Anglicanism:

St. Matthew's Church

Deanery of Essex

Diocese of Huron

Anglican Church of Canada

Primate's World Relief

and Development Fund (PWRDF)

saintmatthewswindsor.ca

essexdeanery.com

diohuron.org

Anglican.ca

pwrdf.org

# Our Diocese

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### ne Primate's World Relief and Development Fund

May 27, 2015

Dear St. Matthew's Church, Windsor,

On behalf of our partners who benefit from the accompaniment of the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund – and as the Chair of the Huron Hunger Fund Committee - I thank you for the generosity of your donation to the Huron Hunger Fund.

The "Huron Hunger Fund" is the means chosen by the people of the Diocese of Huron to intentionally support the outreach work of our national Church through the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF).

While continuing in its work with partners throughout the world and Canada to respond to emergencies and promote systemic development projects, PWRDF is encouraging a special focus at this time on Food Security and on Maternal, Newborn and Child Health. I invite you to read about some of the important ways in which our partners are pursuing the vision of "a truly just, healthy and peaceful world," by visiting the PWRDF website at www.pwrdf.org As an instrument of faith, PWRDF connects Anglicans in Canada to communities around the world in dynamic partnerships to advance development, to respond to emergencies, to assist refugees, and to act for positive change.

Your gift through the Huron Hunger Fund will go directly to the work of this national program and will have direct and significant impact on the lives of individuals and communities. Through its partnerships, PWRDF on behalf of Canadian Anglicans like you, has been able to respond to situations that we have only heard about through the media, such as the Ebola crisis in Liberia and other West African nations and the displacement of peoples in Iraq and Syria. Through such action, the justice and healing love of our God is experienced.

So, again, my personal thanks goes out to you for the part you have played in the extension of Christ's work in our world.

In Christ's Love,

The Rev. Canon Grea Smith, Chair Huron Hunger Fund (PWRDF)





The Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Huron

Acknowledges with Thanks Receipt of the Following:

Gift Date: 5/21/2015 Appeal: Huron Hunger Fund 2015-2016

St. Matthew's Church, Windsor 1600 Norfolk St Windsor, ON N9E 1H5

Gift Amount: \$1,383.55 Reference: Synod Service





On Sunday, April 26, 2015, St. Matthew's participated in a Diocesan Wide Collection in support of the Companion Diocese Committee's initiatives. Our special Amazonia collection of \$320.00 will go towards paying for expenses of visitors from Amazonia to our diocese, sometime next year.



Anglican Church of Canada

Remembering the while offering hope for the future, the closing ceremonies of The Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) in Ottawa (from May 31 to June 3) marked the beginning of The Anglican Church of Canada's #22 Days of Prayer Project, to recognize the work of the TRC; it runs until National Aboriginal Day, June 21.

By tolling their church bells, Churches across our country have responded to our Primate's invitation to remember the lives of 1,181 Aboriginal women and girls, reported missing or murdered from 1980 to 2012. Although we aren't able to do this at St. Matthew's, we placed a simple display of 1,181 hearts in the narthex. Through the display and through our prayers, we acknowledge the painful loss within our Aboriginal communities.





Programs for children orphaned by AIDS give them a chance not just to learn and have a meal, but to recapture their childhood.

Diocese-wide collection at Synod Service raised \$62,000.00

Our Lenten soup lunches help this fund.

THANK YOU ALL!

## OPERATION MANNA Submitted by Helen Jones

A native of London, England, Stan Jones served during WWII as the wireless radio operator on board the famous "Bad Penny" Lancaster bomber. Years after the war ended, he moved to Windsor, Ontario where he had met Helen on previous trips while visiting his former fellow crew member, pilot Bob Upcott, a Windsor native.

Here is Stan's account of the Manna Operation:



"On our return to Ludford Magna, Lincolnshire [England], we were asked to stand by to drop food to the people of Holland [The Netherlands]. It was called "Operation Manna". We were asked, along with another pilot and crew on our squadron, to be ready to take off at a moment's notice. Our bomb bay was filled with sacks containing bags of flour, egg powder, powdered milk, tins of spam and dark chocolate.

Being now one of the senior crews on the squadron, we had been selected to take on this mission, which on the face of it seemed a pleasant enough task, but had, as far as we were concerned, a sting in the tail. There had been high level talks with the German Army Top Brass regarding safe passage over their air space of the still German occupied territory of Western Holland. No papers had yet been signed and there was only, at this time, a verbal agreement made.

We were to fly at less than 500 ft. along a certain set of corridors until we reached the dropping zone, within the confines of a racetrack near The Hague...it would be well marked. We were then to drop down to 50 ft. over the racetrack and open the bomb doors.

Due to bad weather over the dropping zone, we were unable to go until the Sunday morning of April 29. Our two planes were to take off early that morning. We were sent to see if the Germans would keep their word and not shoot us down. A daylight operation below 500 ft., with no fighter escort over enemy territory and the war almost over, it seemed close to a death sentence.

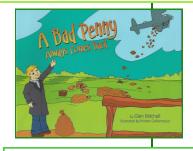
We crossed the North Sea and as we crossed the Dutch coast we could see the barrels of the German coastal anti-aircraft guns following the track of our aircraft. It only needed some trigger-happy gunner and [we would have] no chance. However, fortunately, all went well and we were soon at the racetrack. There was a large Cross of Lorraine in the center, with flares burning on the outside of the track. We made our run lengthways across the racetrack at 50 ft. from the ground and opened the bomb-doors, the sacks bounced once or twice and stopped on the grass in the center of the track. There were many people around the outside of the



track and some looked like German S.S. in their long black coats. Later I found out that they were Dutch police who were to control the food distribution. Everywhere we could see people waving. On our return to base, many other squadrons sent planes over from Britain that day and were greeted with the same great enthusiasm. We were to make five more Manna trips the following week and everyone gave us a great reception. I well remember the many huge Dutch and English flags being held at each corner by people on the roof tops of hospitals and large buildings and in the streets below. It was a memory that will never be forgotten. Our last food drop was on May 7, 1945." [Editors' note: May 8, 1945 marked the official surrender of Nazi Germany

and the victory of the Allies in Europe, and is well known as VE-DAY or V-DAY]

We thank Helen for sharing her late husband's amazing story and for donating an autographed copy of "A Bad Penny Always Comes Back" to our Sunday School.



In the book's introduction, the author, Glen Mitchell, wrote:

"After the war, Stan Jones, the radio operator on Bad Penny, and Bob Upcott, the pilot of Bad Penny, lived in Windsor, Ontario, where I had the pleasure to meet them and learn their story, inspiring me to create this book. I was fortunate to spend more time with Stan after the book was first published, and it is through him that the significance of their flight became crystal clear. Few people, even today, know of their guinea pig test flight, so the importance of this event is one that should not be lost in time.

Pilot Bob Upcott passed away in August 2001 and Stan joined his captain in the sky in May 2009."

Stan Jones' portrait from www.badpennybook.com

Manna Operation photo from www.bombercommandmuseum.ca

### Candlelight at St. Matthew's PART IV: The Celebration of Baptism

Water is essential during the celebration of baptism, but other elements are involved; sometimes I oil (chrism), and once again, candlelight. The Paschal candle is lit throughout the service, representing the I presence of God in **the light of Christ** that we share in baptism: "In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it" (John I:4-5).

From this flame, a smaller candle is lit during *The Giving of the Light* segment of the service, and it is presented to the newly baptized with the words: "Receive the Light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light" (this and quote below from The Book of Alternative Services, p.160).





On May 24, 2015, The Donlon family shared a very special day with us at St. Matthew's: the celebration of baptism of their youngest member, Iris Marie.

**WELCOME. LITTLE ONE!** 

Photography by Gordon Drake



"Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven"



**Sunday, October 25, 2015** 

Tentative time: 4:30 pm (to be confirmed)

The choristers from St. Paul's Cathedral
with director Andrew Keegan Mackriell and organist Angus Sinclair I
will lead us in a service of choral evensong
FEATURING THE BEAUTIFUL MUSIC OF THE ENGLISH CATHEDRAL TRADITION

# **Everybody is welcome!**

### Safe Church: The Diocese recently began a

# Rev'd Cathy's Corner

different process for screening and evaluating the risk for various roles within a congregation, all the various ministry roles in the parish being rated for risk at high, medium and low risk levels. Only the high risk roles need to have a police check. Thirteen of our folks had police checks at this point but more will need to be done when the Sunday School is fully functional.

Reading the Diocese document Safe Church: Our Sacred Trust, I noticed that it covers abuse of various kinds, direct and indirect. It defines bullying as: "repeated and systematic verbal taunts, name-calling, put-downs, extortion of money, or possessions, the persistent and unwarranted exclusion from a peer group or minor major physical violence or threats, verbally or non verbally, written, or electronic. Bullying is often sorted into direct and indirect forms. The following are typical examples of both forms of bullying. Direct bullying: shoving, pushing, throwing or taking things, slapping, hitting, choking, punching, kicking; Indirect bullying: name calling, taunting, gossiping, rumour, arguing others into submission, threats of withdrawal of friendship, the silent treatment, and exclusion from the peer group." For folks in my age group, we did not grow up with definitions of indirect bullying. I am not sure that it was part of our consciousness. It might be of value for us, as a church family, to take note of the definition noted above. Although Jesus was subjected to many of these forms, we should not be doing it to each other.

### Changes and Expansions are A'Coming:

**Marlborough School Programme**: The principal and vice principal are excitedly planning to create a kitchen which will be approved by the Board of Health with a room for serving the prepared food. It will mean some changes for us with a complete nutrition programme. They have been given some substantial donations towards this project. More information will be coming our way when I meet with them before the end of the school year. Stay tuned.

**South West Detention Centre:** Some expansion is happening here in our ministry. Rev Jane Piercy-Ballard, deacon at Church of the Epiphany, and myself have offered to teach the women inmates to do some basic sewing of pillowcases for children. It is another way of keeping the inmates connected to the ones that care for them and that they care for. Janet Williams has offered to teach English as a Second Language to inmates after the summer. We meet with the administration about these offers in two weeks. So again – stay tuned!

Remember the magazines!!! Chess pieces, checker pieces, large containers of clear shampoo, jigsaw puzzles, puzzle books and Sudoku booklets as well as those \$1:00 reading glasses at the dollar store are always, always welcome and much appreciated. We are fine for the ingredients for the back-packs. God has blessed you in so many ways and you in turn bless others as you are able. Thank you to all of the family of St. Matthew's for your care of the community in which we all live.



Dear St. Matthews Anglican Church,

**Thank you** so much for your donation of tea, linens, books and magazines to Hiatus House. We truly appreciate the support you've shown toward our work with families experiencing the tragic effects of domestic violence. We'd like you to know that donations like yours are used directly in our emergency shelter programs by women and children in need.

Hiatus House relies heavily upon community support to maintain our programs. We hope that you continue to support the programs offered at Hiatus House by donating throughout the year. If you have questions regarding the services provided at our agency, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for helping Hiatus House in its mission to break the cycle of domestic violence.

Sincerely,

Jon Kolfe

1600 Norfolk ATTN: Pauline & Don Patterson Windsor, ON N9E 1H5

St. Matthews Anglican Church

Thom Rolfe, M.S.W., R.S.W. Executive Director

May 11, 2015

# Celebrating this Season:

#### June

- 4 Margaret Jemison
- 4 Don Prodan
- 7 Danielle Richer
- 9 Marie Darrach
- 17 Ted Felet
- 23 Daryl Hudec
- 26 Ruth Clarke
- 26 Louise Davis
- 27 Toni Ligori
- 28 Shawn

McDonald

- 30 Sarah Finlayson
- 30 Kevin Patterson

# **Birthdays**

2 - Katie Fettes

13 - Al McCabe

8 - Ron Henderson

9 - Lorraine Souchuk

9 - Donnie McAlpine

15 - Matthew Ritchie

23 - Alyson Pidhoresky

30 - Madeline Doornaert

20 - Gordon Drake

24 - Glenn Ritchie

30 - Joan Geml

28 - Frances Bernard

#### 2 - Emily Finlayson August

- 4 George Savva
- 5 Katie Hahn
- 5 -Cathy

July

- MacKendrick
- 5 Alisa Ritchie
- 5 Janet Williams
- 7 Kate Westray
- 8 Gail Henderson
- 9 Cora Braidford
- 11 Ed Bulley
- 12 Donna Hudec
- 18 Susan Bernard
- 18- Isabella Canty
- 19 Brad Allsop
- 22 Jane Stanley
- 27 Richard Postovit
- 31 Bill Shaw

### September

- 1 Florence Ritchie
- 1 Laurie Ritchie
- 3 Roger Wurdemann
- 4 Doug Warford
- 5 Erin Pidhoresky
- 9 Linda Hitchcock
- 12 Agnes Dalley
- 13 Gabriella Chantler
- 13- Emma Chantler
- 15 Jeff Patterson
- 16 Eva Pidhoresky
- 16 David Pidhoresky
- 19 Matt Bulley
- 21 Kierstin Yednoroz
- 22 Stan Goldspink
- 23 Joyce Durocher
- 24 Marwan Taqtaq
- 28 Lauren Wilkinson
- 30 Melissa Goldspink

### **Anniversaries**

#### June

- 2 Don & Lillian Prodan
- 6 Stan & Margaret Goldspink
- 6 David & Shirley Cantle
- 8 Robert and Mary Grace Weir
- 10 Mark & Audrey Goldspink
- 10 Jeff Wilkinson & Sandra Hall
- 20 Don & Jane Bayne
- 21 Bob & Margaret Kissau
- 24 Shawn & Linda McDonald
- 27 Al & Nicole McCabe
- 30 Brad & Stephania Allsop

### July

- 25 Marwan & Nadia Taqtaq
- 29 George & Irene Savva

### August

- 2 Dalt & Margaret Snelling
- 4 Andy & Katie Hahn
- 4 Tom & Elaine Dunsmore
- 13 Kim & Cathy MacKendrick
- 30 Gordon & Mary Louise Drake

### September

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

Jesus said to them: "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing; for whatever he does, that the Son does likewise..."

John 5:19

Happy Father's Day! June 21, 2015

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# **News from the Pews:**

We hope to hear from you soon!

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

We had two 50th Birthday Celebrations in April...

Happy Birthday, Rev'd Andreas!

Sandra Hall's birthday wish was to donate at least 12 inches of her hair to the "Angel Hair for Kids" program (part of "A Child's Voice Foundation", www.acvf.ca). Instead of presents, she asked friends and family to donate to this cause. THE RESULT?

20 inches of hair and \$2,559.00!

### Happy Birthday, Sandra!

We enjoyed two delicious cakes (one was carrot, especially made by Erica R.). A gift was presented to Rev'd Andreas by Parish Council, and the celebration ended on a high note (no pun intended) with a performance by John Rossi,





Photographs by the Rossi-Weir family

### Song in Honour of Rev'd Andreas' 50th Birthday

### Arranged and Performed by John Rossi (TO THE BEATLES' "WHEN I'M 64")

When I look back on these many years,

That I've been on earth,

charming and clever as usual.

I can still recall with fondest memories,

The concerts played with great symphonies.

How things have changed now,

A different show,

How was I to know,

I'm now a Pastor,

A flock to look after,

I've hit the big 5-0.

Many months I've searched.

[Ahh, Ahh....]

And now I've found a home,

called St. Matthew's Church.

My dearest Anya, I said with a smile,

We're leaving Lucan town,

To travel down the 401 and where it ends,

There'll be a future with many new friends,

You feared that you'd lose touch with your buds, Don't you worry, love,

They said when they hired me, they will never fire me, and I'll get Mondays off.

We can use that day to travel if the cost of gasoline is not too dear,

We shall scrimp and save,

[Ahh, Ahh]

Can you believe that here,

you see green grass in May.

Give me a moment to share with you all,

My heartfelt thanks and praise,

You've made me feel accepted from the day I came,

And nothing's made me change this refrain,

There's only one question that's left to explore,

as the Beatles swore,

Will you still need me, will you still feed me, when I'm 64?

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T.N.T. Reserve the first Friday of the month for our TNT ("Theology 'n Tap") meetings, starting at 6:00pm, 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!! Richard Hucal Our next T.N.T. night will be July 3, 2015

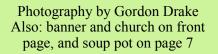


On May 30, "princesses" of all ages joined gracious hostess Mary Lou Drake for a Princess Dress Charity Tea Free will offerings were collected for a total of \$669.00, to benefit The Downtown Mission.















In May, Janet Williams and Doug Warford treated us to a delicious cake in honour of Carole Lawn.

Happy Birthday, Carole!

A heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone for their help with the search of my lost ring stone, and their concern about it later on.

I am glad to report that it was safely tucked in my handbag!

With Blessings, Shirley Cantle

Wanted - a car garage space to rent in South Windsor, to store a sports

Would require car. access to the garage to take car in and Please call out. Paul Allsop at:

519-562-3597.



Photograph from Paul Allsop

FROM THE EDITORS: As we enter our "anniversary season" (Mike's 40th this month as our Pastoral Musician; in September, 2nd for Rev'd Andreas as St. Matthew's rector and priest, 2nd for The Journey, and of course, St. Matthew's 60th!) we would like to thank all who have contributed to The Journey with submissions, comments or just their general support as readers. Always trying to improve our publication, and reflect our true journey at St. Matthew's, we would like to ask everybody to let us know what you like the most about the newsletter, what needs improvement, and also give us your comments or any specific ideas on what to change, add (or remove, for that matter!)

THANK YOU AND BLESSINGS!

Shirley and Irene

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.

# What a wonderful world!

"May God grant you always...
A sunbeam to warm you,
A moonbeam to charm you,
A sheltering angel
so nothing can harm you,
Laughter to cheer you,
Faithful friends near you,
And whenever you pray,
Heaven to hear you."
-- An Irish Blessing

Angel Orchid (Habenaria grandifloriformis)



Dove Orchid or Holy Ghost Orchid (Peristeria elata)



# HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

### **Everybody is Welcome!**

### **Services:**

All year long 8:30 am & 10:00 am

### **Scripture Conversations:**

"Looking ahead to Sunday's readings"

**Every Wednesday** 

10:00 am (last meeting this season: June 24)

Services at Huron Lodge:

Holy Eucharist,

4th Tuesday of the month

11:00 am

Praise & Prayer:

**3rd Sunday of the month** 2:15 pm

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And check out "The Journey" in full colour (PDF file ready for download)