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The Journey

At St. Matthew's

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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

The Book of Alternative Services – our Prayerbook.

In 1985, The Book of Alternative Services first saw the light of day. It was the product of more than fourteen years of continuous research, experimentation, criticism and evaluation. The purpose of this new resource was to supplement the Book of Common Prayer of 1962, and many people were pleased with the variety and freshness of its texts, along with the inclusive language. Some 30 years on, it seems that what was originally thought of as "alternative" has in fact become the standard prayer book for many parishes in our diocese. At the same time, it's sad to say that many people haven't yet taken the time to explore this book, apart from the Sunday morning liturgy. This is unfortunate, since there is a wealth of material in the BAS that we can draw on in our personal times of prayer. On page 685, you will find a section entitled "Home Prayers." Here are special prayers for individuals or families to use at mealtimes, bedtime, birthdays, anniversaries, reunions and times of mourning. Elsewhere, you'll find simple, short prayers that are suitable at any time of day or night. Here is a prayer found on page 774: "God of mercy, hear our prayer and come to our aid, that from the rising of the sun to its setting we may offer you a pure sacrifice of praise, through Jesus Christ the Lord."

If you are looking for a resource for times of personal or family devotion, the BAS would be a perfect place to start. Are you ready to explore the Book of Alternative Services for yourself? The summer months might just be the ideal time for such an exploration!

A happy, safe, adventurous – and prayer-filled – summer to you all!

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**Celebrating the All
Renewed
St. Matthew's**

More on pages 2-3...



Parish Council Report: Summer 2016

From Our Parish Council

We hope everyone is thrilled with our renovations, which we celebrated on June 3 with a special concert (see below and next page). We will also continue to prioritize further improvements to our church. We are making plans to celebrate our “renewed” worship space with a visit from one of our Bishops. We will keep you posted.

Financially, our expenses continue to be slightly higher than donations received. Having more people using authorized payment plans would make monthly givings more consistent throughout the year and make our finances more stable. We are optimistic that our successful Yard sale on June 11 will help with our finances.

Everybody is welcome to attend our meetings, usually on the **third** Wednesday of the month, starting at 7:30 PM, in the choir room.

Meetings will resume in September. Have a wonderful summer!

The All Renewed St. Matthew's

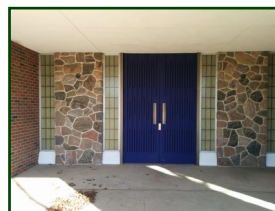
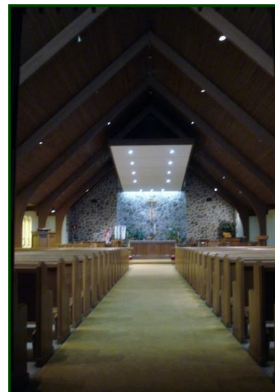
In 1967, the announcement of the St. Matthew's brand new church building made the Huron Church News.



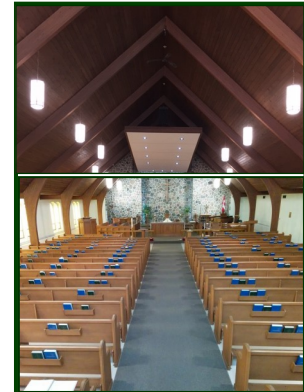
Photo caption above: “A field stone east wall and a wide chancel aisle are features of the new St. Matthew's, Windsor. The Paschal Candle may be discerned at the left of the sanctuary arch (Photo by W.J. Lescomb, Windsor.)”

Last February, almost 50 years later and after a 12-month RENEW capital campaign, we began the Lenten season at the same time as our journey through the renovation work. Six weeks later, we were blessed with a more efficient, more accessible, brighter, and renewed worship space.

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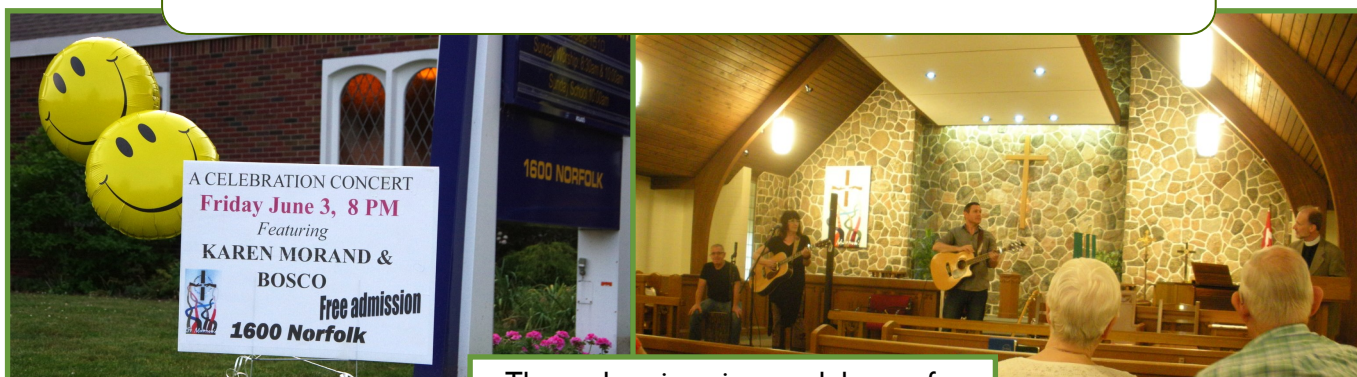
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Photographs from <https://www.facebook.com/saintmatthewswindsor/>
Huron Church News clippings courtesy of Bev Chantler

A Celebration Concert

June 3, 2016



The welcoming signs and happy faces outside matched the mood indoors, in our brightly lit and newly renovated worship space, as we eagerly awaited the special performance of the evening.

First, Rev'd Andreas acknowledged the renovation work and the committee behind its completion; we all joined in sincere applause of recognition for: Paul Allsop, Bob Braidford, Onorio Felet, Paul Finlayson, Sandra Hall, Richard Hucal, Cathy MacKendrick, and John Rossi.

After a friendly introduction of the featured artists, the concert began.



Karen Morand (lead singer and guitar, centre) and **BOSCO** (**Benny Santoro** playing cajon, left and **Aaron Verhulst**, guitar) delighted us with their warm vocals and skillful instrumentals. They performed a collection of Karen's original songs ("home-cooked" as she calls them) alongside folk and contemporary songs, that brought the audience to a comforting, happy "sing-along" state.



A visit to their website is a must, to listen to some songs, learn more about them and their albums: karenmorand.com



Thanks must go to Karen Morand and BOSCO for sharing their talent, and to Sandra Hall (left, with Rev'd Andreas and Karen) for facilitating their visit to St. Matthew's. A St. Matthew's celebration would not have been complete without the traditional sweet table (**recipes, please!**), fancy refreshments and, of course, the happy parishioners, neighbours and friends who came to share the joy of music in our renewed space.



Text by Irene Savva;
Photography by Gordon Drake,
John Rossi 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 do the Sunday scripture readings get chosen?

A: Our Sunday scriptures follow a 3-year system of readings, called the Revised Common Lectionary. This lectionary is the result of the work of many theologians and liturgists from North America working in consultation. They include Roman Catholics, Episcopalians/Anglicans, Lutherans, Presbyterians and Methodists. Each of the three years features a different gospel writer for the entirety of the liturgical year. Therefore, Yr. A features Matthew, Yr. B features Mark and Yr. C features Luke. (Portions of John's Gospel are read throughout Eastertide and sporadically through other seasons.) We are currently mid-way through Yr. C (Luke). Lectionaries have been used in the church for many centuries, and they have been revised from time to time for various reasons.

Stay tuned for other fascinating questions and answers!

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Rev'd Cathy's Corner

Spring has brought some new growth to the Outreach that St. Matthew's does to our community. The evidence is in the narthex. There is now a **Food for the Hungry** cupboard which when filled will be taken quarterly to the Downtown Mission, Street Help for the Homeless, Welcome Centre for homeless women in west Windsor, and Windsor Homes Coalition which runs a food bank near Windsor Housing in the city core. The baskets for Hiatus House and the Southwest Detention Centre are now under the cupboard. We have four folks volunteering to deliver things and more are always welcome to be involved in this valuable ministry to our community.



Photo by Gordon Drake

Marlborough Breakfast has had a wonderfully successful year. However, we could really use a few more cooks so that we can maintain a five times a year schedule. If you think you could rise early in the morning five times a year and help prepare grilled cheese sandwiches, milk, juice, and fresh fruit for 50+ hungry inner city kids, please let me know (519-966-5729.)

The Detention Centre needs about 50 backpacks a year. So we need toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant (small), shampoo (small), small packs of Kleenex, and soap. The Volunteer Co-ordinator also could use some more colouring books, dice, magazines, puzzle books, and playing cards. The sewing classes for the women inmates has begun with Rev. Jane Piercy Ballard, and Natalie from Church of the Epiphany in Kingsville as well as Jean Muhleisen and myself doing the instructing on a team basis. Bishop Linda was very interested in the whole programme and wants to hear more about it.

St. Matthew's is a special place that cares for God's people no matter where they are.

Auto-deduction giving – Many of our parishioners have signed up for the auto-deduction giving program. Please consider this option, which helps us to meet our monthly financial obligations. If anyone wishes to learn more about switching from envelope donations to automatic deductions by either credit card or directly from your bank account, please call Beth Felet (519-969-3035). It is important to remember that any arrangements can be changed or cancelled, should circumstances require this.

Silver Side of Maple Syrup

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By Gordon and Mary Louise Drake

Photography by Gordon Drake



For our early indigenous peoples, maple syrup was their only source of sugar. Before the arrival of Europeans with metal pots and pans, they made it by repeated freezing and thawing to concentrate the sugar.

Now we make it by boiling away the water until what remains is 66% sugar by weight. Every year for the past 10 years, I have made maple syrup from the silver maple trees that grow so abundantly in Windsor. The sap is like crystal clear water as it comes from the tree. Forty litres of sap are required to make a single litre of syrup.



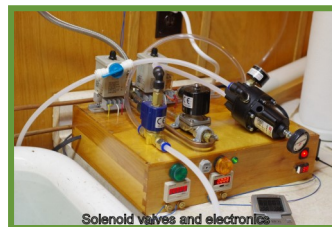
My system starts by pumping the sap from large storage barrels into the first boiling pan on our BBQ. That part is standard.



What is not so standard is the next step where the partially boiled sap is drawn under vacuum into a converted pressure cooker (see picture, right). There it boils under vacuum at reduced temperature to prevent excessive caramelization and darkening of the finished syrup.

This, together with the special characteristics of the silver maple tree, produces a unique flavour that many in our parish have enjoyed.

This year we made a total of 50 litres. From our congregation, I used the trees of both Margaret Jemison and Irene Paraschak; others were offered, but I already had enough from the trees on our block.



Once the sap has been reduced to the proper concentration, it becomes the delicious final product: maple syrup.

We bottle it into Mason jars (hence the request for them at church.)

The bottles are sealed, labelled and then they are finally ready!



Usually we donate 10% of our syrup to St. Matthew's, and all the proceeds go towards apportionment. However, the demand was so great that we contributed more, and also the people on our block whose trees we tapped donated money (normally they get a 1/2 litre in return for tapping their tree, but they paid for it instead and donated the money to the church.)

That is how the total came out to be well over \$800.

Stay tuned for more next year!



Thank you to Mary Lou and Gordon for sharing their many talents with us, maple syrup crafting being only one (gardening, music, baking and photography promptly come to mind.) We also congratulate Gordon on his recent and very successful certification as a PADI Open Water Diver (OWD) to a maximum depth of 100 ft.

The Cross in Christianity Part III: The Reformation

By The Rev'd Andreas Thiel

It's hard to believe that there was a time when it was unpopular – and even dangerous – to publicly display a cross or crucifix. But in 16th century England, that's exactly what happened, as the country found itself embroiled in prolonged political and religious conflicts. As Anglicans, this is an important part of our history; it was, after all, Henry VIII's split with Rome that led to the creation of an “Anglican” church. For some time, during the upheaval of the Reformation, religious images and statues (including crosses and crucifixes) were banned from churches. They were seen by many reformers as objects of superstition which went against the prohibition found in the bible: “Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath.” (Exodus 20:4). Reformers insisted that people's attention ought to be focused on Holy Scripture, rather than on religious images, and so the mid-1500s turned into a time of destruction of images – including the life-sized images of Christ on the cross (or “rood”). Previously, these roods, flanked by images of Mary and John, commanded the devotion of worshipers in every parish church. But in 1538, King Henry VIII and his first minister, Thomas Cromwell, made iconoclasm (the destruction of religious images) government policy. Statues, crucifixes (roods) as well as priestly vestments, sacred vessels and processional crosses were removed from churches and either smashed to pieces, burned, or melted down. After the waves of destruction only one set of pre-Reformation images survived, in a small church in Wales. The goal of the most zealous reformers was to have houses of worship in which there were no “idolotrous” distractions, so that many church interiors were white-washed, in order to cover up paintings depicting various religious figures and scenes. Even so, earlier religious practices survived, and the daughter of Henry VIII – Queen Elizabeth I – was said to continue praying in front of a crucifix in her own chapel!

As the years passed, views moderated, and the Anglican Church grew to be a church which embraced both the importance of scripture, as well as the value of religious images. Today, we find ourselves as members of a large Anglican community where there are a variety of liturgical styles and practices. These varieties can be seen even within our diocese. Interestingly, as recently as 40 years ago, there were some parishes in Huron Diocese that would have looked askance at the idea of candles on the altar, or processional crosses. They would have been viewed as “Romish” customs, and accordingly would have been seen as unnecessary distractions from what their forebears had insisted on: “sola scriptura”: scripture alone is what counts, in matters of religious faith and practice.

Sources: P. Collinson, *The Reformation* (Modern Library Chronicles, 2006)
E. Duffy, *The Stripping of the Altars* (Yale University Press, 1992)

Needlework Kneelers of St. Matthew's in this issue:

The England Kneelers - Our church's origin, and a special location to two of our parishioners:



GLASTONBURY— Traditionally the site of the first Christian centre in England. The various symbols on this kneeler represent parts of the legend that surrounds it. “To me, a trip to Britain is incomplete without a visit to the ruins of Glastonbury Abbey; an aura encompasses one when within this vast area” Dorothy Garswood; created and given in memory of Fanny Harmer.



LIVERPOOL — The diocesan crest of Liverpool was chosen by Jean Hayes to bring her British heritage to this project. She wanted to honour her family in England and particularly dedicated this kneeler to the memory of her brother Ernest Andrews (1925-1979)



On front page: **PRAISE** — “The Morning Glory and music represent that ‘All Nature sings...declaring the Maker's praise.’ Praise brings freedom; it could mean release from emotional bonds; praise causes us to rise above our circumstances and be open to God, allowing Him to work through us. God can work through those who praise Him. O, Praise the Lord!” Margaret Haller; created and given as a thank-offering.

Photographs from St. Matthew's archives

Crosses at St. Matthew's

PART III : Processional Crosses

By Sue Bernard



To begin our worship services at St. Matthew's, the clergy and the choir are led to the front of the church by a server bearing a processional cross. The parishioners and clergy alike, as we prepare for worship, are turning our thoughts towards God; this procession of the cross helps all those attending the service to focus. The cross is held high by the server and hopefully guides our minds towards the Sunday service.

At one time two processional crosses were in use each Sunday. The plain brass cross was first, to lead the choir. The second cross which incorporates a depiction of rays of light around the cross proper, proceeded directly in front of the clergy. When both crosses were in use, the server duties throughout the service were determined by which cross they carried during the procession; for example, the second cross bearer assisted the minister directly throughout the service.

The use of both crosses has fallen out of practice here at St. Matthew's, but the one processional cross still serves to focus our thoughts as we gather for worship. We follow the cross of Christ as we turn our minds to God during Sunday service.



At the end of the service, the processional cross leads the recessional, and also leads us out into the world, in following the cross of Christ and bringing the good news to others.

The processional crosses serve to focus and guide us on our journey of faith.



The first cross led the choir.



The second, more adorned cross, led the clergy.

Photography by Gordon Drake (also by Gordon Drake: banner and outdoor photos on front page, and flowers on page 14)

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: July 8 (2nd Friday this time only, due to Canada Day)

Richard Hucal

Volunteering at Huron Lodge

By Art Youngson

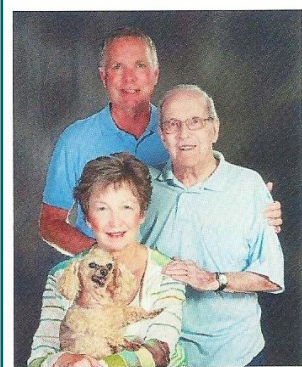
I think that volunteering has always been in my blood. Elizabeth Andrews says: "volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart."

As a teacher, I define myself by the extras I contributed to the students. Volunteering is just an extension of what I did, after retiring. Everyone knows the rude adage: "Those who can, do, and those who can't, teach" but I believe the more appropriate saying as a volunteer is: **"Those who can, do, those who can do more, volunteer."**

Volunteering at Huron Lodge brings joy to a whole new level. I've truly witnessed and worked 'in the circle of life.' My personal story is, I enjoy people. Seniors have a wealth of experience and a library of knowledge. My passion is to bring some joy to their lives. I find that nothing is more priceless than the smile of a senior as I hold a hand and sway to music. I find nothing is more enjoyable than lending an ear to a life story. I find nothing is more endearing than a peck on the cheek from an appreciative grandmother.

Ghandi once said: "The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service to others." So I guess I am living these words.

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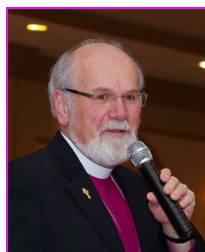
The author with his wife Elaine, dad Art Sr., and pet Boo Boo Bear. The Youngson family has been part of our congregation since the beginning of the Parish of St. Matthew's. (Photo: St. Matthew's Directory, 2015)

The mandate of Huron Lodge, located on 1881 Cabana Rd. W., is to provide for the physical, psychological, spiritual, social and cultural needs of its residents and to develop and maintain a home-like atmosphere that promotes a feeling of friendship, vitality and enjoyment in living.

For more information and to learn about volunteering opportunities, see page 14, speak with Rev'd Andreas and visit

www.citywindsor.ca/residents/Huron-Lodge/Pages/Welcome-to-Huron-Lodge.aspx

NEWS FROM OUR DIOCESE



Our diocesan bishop, The Rt. Rev. Robert F. Bennett has announced his retirement as of Nov. 1, 2016, after 42 years of service as deacon, priest and bishop (six years as suffragan and eight as diocesan.)

In his final address to Synod, he spoke about challenges "to reflect both personally and corporately what it means to be God's 'sent' people in the seeming maelstrom of 2016."

Best wishes to Bishop Bob and our prayers for a happy retirement. (photo from St. Matthew's archives)

Pentecost Day, May 15, marked the beginning of the 175th Synod of the Diocese of Huron. Over the three day event, our clergy and lay delegates all felt the sense of being part of a larger picture, as many parishes from all our deaneries became one community to work, worship and pray together. Our lay delegates (Wally Atkinson and Matt Bulley) thought the setting, music and the diverse committees and presentations added up to an "impressive and worthwhile" experience.

Facts and more information at:

www.diohuron.org/what/synod/past_future.php



On Sat. April 16, a Service of Celebration and Welcoming took place at St. Paul's Cathedral in London, in honour of our new Coadjutor Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Linda Nicholls; the term "coadjutor" is used for a bishop who will succeed the current bishop upon retirement. Bishop Linda was the preacher at this service, giving us all an opportunity to hear about her love for the church and for Christ. Her remarks were also sprinkled with gentle humour, while she acknowledged the numerous responsibilities that await her. Bishop Linda is the first woman to be elected bishop in our diocese, and she is the first to be elected from outside our diocese since 1931. (Photo from news.diohuron.org)

As coadjutor bishop, The Rt. Rev. Linda Nicholls will be enthroned as the 13th Bishop of Huron on November 26, 2016 at St. Paul's Cathedral in London, ON.

2016 Essex Deanery Golf Tournament

Windsor, ON., special report.- “The 4th annual Essex Deanery Golf Tournament will be taking place on **Wednesday, June 22, 2016** at the Seven Lakes Championship course. This year St. Matthew’s will be represented by TWO – **YES, TWO!** Foursomes who will be challenging not only each other but the hundreds of other golfers competing for bragging rights. Returning to tackle the course will be last year’s St. Matthew’s representatives John Rossi and Onorio Felet, teaming with “imports” Dr. Kenji Kenno and William Wrye in one foursome. The second foursome will be anchored by rookie Rev. Andreas Thiel, who will be joined by Matt Bulley, Audrey Goldspink and Mark Goldspink, an all-St. Matthew’s foursome. *The Journey* has learned that the Rector has been quietly grooming his swing with the help of a local and very skillful golf instructor; this is sure to present an interesting challenge to the “returnees” to “up their game.” At press time Rossi and his teammates were unavailable for comment.”

A huge thank you to those who have purchased raffle tickets associated with the golf tournament. All proceeds will support the Youth and Children’s Ministry in Essex Deanery. It is also possible to attend the tournament dinner at St. Mary’s Church. For more information, please speak with John Rossi or Rev’d Andreas.

Distinguished visitors from the Diocese of Amazonia at St. John’s Sandwich— A few years ago, our diocese formalized a companionship relationship with the Diocese of Amazonia (Brazil). In recent weeks, we’ve received visitors from Amazonia to Canada, and they’ve been spending some time getting to know the people here in our Deanery of Essex. Some 30 people gathered at St. John’s, Sandwich, for a Service of Evening Prayer, on Saturday, May 28, to welcome The Rev’d Marcos Fernando Barros de Souza, and his wife Lourdes. In his homily, Fr. Marcos gave us a sense of some of the difficulties facing the people in his diocese, including crime, poverty and human trafficking. In the midst of these challenges, the Anglicans of Amazonia are doing what they can to address some of the suffering and injustice around them.

June 19 and 26 — 2nd annual Huron-Amazonia Collection.
Envelopes are available on the narthex table.

Quiet Day in Colchester By Joan Mallender

The day was beautiful and approximately forty women of our Essex Deanery were present. The surroundings, the quaint church and the chapel created an atmosphere of fellowship and peace. We started out with homemade muffins, fruit, coffee/tea, and lots of “hellos” and hugs. The communion provided the calming feeling and mind setting so we could enjoy an excellent speaker and sing favourite old hymns. It is always just the most pleasant few hours for anyone to experience. I hope you can be part of it next time — you will look forward to it for years to come.


The Essex Deanery ACW Quiet Day Retreat is a day set aside for quiet reflection away from the everyday stresses. It is not restricted to women, everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the day! Participants bring a bag lunch, and refreshments are provided. It is held at Christ Church, in Colchester, usually in October. Stay tuned for more information for 2016 in the fall.

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 saintmatthewswindsor@gmail.com

Do you receive “The Journey” by e-mail? You could get your newsletter in PDF in full colour by joining the e-mail distribution list. Request your subscription at irene.savva3691@gmail.com

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

saintmatthewswindsor.ca 
essexdeanery.com
diohuron.org
Anglican.ca

ALSO: www.anglicansonline.org

An interesting website featuring links to various other Anglican sites around the world.

and Development Fund (PWRDF) pwrdf.org and Fredsays.ca

This Little Light of Mine

YOUTH AT ST. M'S



What a great evening we had when Mad Science came to visit on April 23.

Following a delicious pot luck dinner, the scientist presented **Fire** and **Ice**. Although we only had two children in attendance, the gentleman brought out the kid in all of us who had forgotten our science lessons of long ago. From an egg being swallowed by a pop bottle to Bob Kissau having a gaseous shower, everyone enjoyed themselves. Hats off to Jen McAlpine for arranging a fun filled evening!
Margaret Kissau

We began with a potluck dinner which, in true St. Matthew's tradition, offered great variety and plenty of food! This was followed by magic tricks to impress our young guests and adults alike. We watched an egg that appeared to shrink in size and fit through a narrow neck of a bottle; we saw liquids mysteriously change colours and "bubble basketball." It was great fun for all ages. We look forward to having Mad Science again.
Ann & Richard Hucal



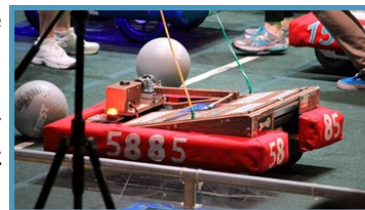
We're Going To Worlds!!!

By Erica Rossi

It all began April 23, 2016 when the Villanova WiredCats FIRST Robotics team 5885, received the rookie all-star award at the Windsor Essex Great Lakes Regional. This award is given out to a robotics team who has been a team for only a year demonstrates all the FIRST values such as teamwork, community outreach, and friendly competition. This award gave the WiredCats an automatic entry to the FIRST Robotics Competition World Championship ("Worlds") in St. Louis, Missouri. The WiredCats were overcome with joy once they found out that all their hard work and long hours finally paid off! They now had under two weeks to prepare for Worlds which would take place from April 27 to May 1.



On April 27th at 2 AM, the WiredCats assembled at Villanova Secondary and loaded the bus preparing for their 9 hr. drive. When they arrived at the Edward Jones Dome (yes, Worlds was at a football stadium!) they quickly realized how big it really was; 600 FRC teams would be competing this weekend and they would be competing against 74 in their division—Newton. This was quite a step up when they competed against only 54 teams at their regional competition. Throughout the competition the Wiredcats were able to make new friends from places like Sydney, Australia and compete against people all the way from Israel to Detroit! They were able to attend amazing events as well; one night they attended RoboProm, where Kathleen Beach, the WiredCat's business captain, was nominated for RoboProm Queen but sadly did not win. They were also blessed enough to attend an MLB game between the St. Louis Cardinals and the Washington Nationals! Overall in their competition division, Newton, they placed 69 out of 75 overall, and 5 out of 75 based on defense points. It was an experience that they will never forget and served as fuel to make them work even harder next year so that they will hopefully be able to relive it all again!



Please send your articles -written by or about our youth- to: Dennis Bernard, Youth Section Editor at irene.savva3691@gmail.com or deposit in the box provided on the table in the narthex.

A Christian Summer

By Dennis Bernard

Summer is fast approaching this month as we can certainly tell by the sunshine and thermometers. Many of us have fond memories of our childhood summers, which were great opportunities to play sports, take a family vacation, or simply take a break from the monotony of schoolwork and instead gorge on ice cream and other cold treats. One of my own memories of childhood summer involve something that I have particularly fond memories of: the day camp/vacation bible school of the Salvation Army. During the summer time our Brothers and Sisters in Christ at the south Windsor citadel would host a week-long day camp for children featuring games, skits, crafts, songs and of course biblical lessons. My mother signed up my siblings and me for this over multiple summers when I was a child, and it was always great fun. During the camp we would sing popular children's hymns like "This little light of mine" and "He's got the whole world in his hands", while also creating crafts inspired by biblical stories. The camp was about more than just teaching about Jesus; it provided with opportunities to have fun and make friends. I specifically remember taking a trip to the central park pool one summer with the day camp, and it was made much better by having so many friends there. From these experiences, I would strongly recommend enrolling your child in the day camp or a similar program at another location. By doing so your son or daughter will create lasting memories and learn how fun being a young Christian can be.



Huron Church Camp

A place where even the trees clap their hands...

For more information, visit
www.huronchurchcamp.ca

Sunday School To Do list:

- June 5 — Baptism, special gift presentation ✓
- June 12 — Gardening and scavenger hunt ✓
- June 19 (Father's Day) — Bake cookies → distribute
- June 26 — Last day of Sunday School

Coffee Hour — Ice cream sundaes!

A happy summer to all!



**"... There you saw how the Lord your God carried you,
as a father carries his son..."**

Deuteronomy 1:31

*To all the caring men in our lives,
Happy Father's Day! June 19, 2016*

Celebrating this season

Birthdays

June

4 - Margaret Jemison
4 - Don Prodan
7 - Danielle Richer
9 - Marie Darrach
14 - Daryl Hudec
17 - Ted Felet
18 - Wally Atkinson
26 - Ruth Clarke
26 - Louise Davis
27 - Toni Ligor
28 - Shawn McDonald
30 - Sarah Finlayson
30 - Kevin Patterson

July

2 - Emily Finlayson
4 - George Savva
5 - Katie Hahn
5 - Cathy 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

August

2 - Katie Fettes
8 - Ron Henderson
9 - Lorraine Souchuk
9 - Donnie McAlpine
13 - Al McCabe
15 - Matthew Ritchie
20 - Gordon Drake
23 - Alyson Pidhoresky
24 - Glenn Ritchie
28 - Frances Bernard
30 - Madeline Doornaert
30 - Joan Geml

September

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



Anniversaries

August

2 - Dalt & Margaret Snelling
4 - Andy & Katie Hahn
13 - Kim & Cathy MacKendrick
Happy 50th! (photo below left)
20 - Wally & Myrna Atkinson
30 - Gordon & Mary Louise Drake
Happy 30th! (photo below right)

June

2 - Don & Lillian Prodan
6 - Stan & Margaret Goldspink
8 - Robert and Mary Grace Weir
Happy 25th! (photo above)
10 - Mark & Audrey Goldspink
10 - Jeff Wilkinson & Sandra Hall
20 - Donn & 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

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

News from the Pews:

We hope to hear from you soon!

On May 21, Mary Louise Drake hosted a lovely Bridal Tea in honour of Margaret Jemison's daughter, Beth Anne Munro, who was married to Gary Duckmanton-Hibbs on June 17 in Marlow, England.

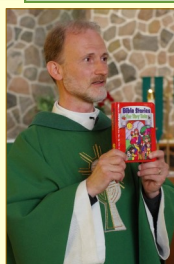
Congratulations!



The well attended tea raised \$785.00 in free will offerings; 50% will go towards our church's Organ Fund, and the rest to Street Help, Margaret Kissau's charity of choice, picked randomly by the guest of honour (left).

Above, left to right: Beth Ann Munro, Mary Louise Drake and Margaret Kissau showing the charity of choice winning envelope.

Photography by: Gordon Drake



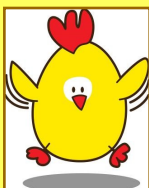
Rev'd Andreas and our Sunday School presented gifts for Justin

On June 5, 2016, four generations of the Ritchie family, along with other relatives and friends, shared a very special day with the congregation at St. Matthew's: the celebration of baptism of Justin Matthew Ritchie. **WELCOME, LITTLE ONE!**



From Our Rector: It gives me great pleasure to announce the safe arrival of Benjamin Marcus Hahn, at 10 pm on Sunday, June 5. Benjamin announced himself, weighing 10 lbs. and measuring 23 inches! Please join me in surrounding mom Katie, dad Andy, and big brother and sister, Max and Ella with prayers of thanksgiving:

*"God, the giver of life, we thank you for the safe arrival of Benjamin Marcus Hahn.
Confirm our joy by your presence; give to Katie and Andy quiet strength and patient wisdom
as they seek to nurture Benjamin in all that is good, true, just and pure,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."*



On a rainy May 4, at St. James' Church, the giant BBQ was smoking and the chicken was roasting. A number of St. Matthew's parishioners enjoyed a chicken dinner with the usual sides and delicious pie for dessert. The general consensus was that the dinner was good and worth a repeat visit next year. St. Matthew's proceeds from this annual fundraiser amounted to \$80. Be sure to mark your calendars for next year and take a night off from cooking. **It is well worth it!**

Thank you all for your contributions, please keep sending them to Sue Bernard and Irene Savva at irene.savva3691@gmail.com or deposit in the box provided in the narthex. Also let us know of any updates needed on the birthday and anniversary page; **we apologize for any mistakes or omissions.**

IN COMMUNION WITH NATURE

"... I can't tell you how often I've heard someone say that they feel closest to God when they're outside, enjoying the natural world ... And by being in natural surroundings, many of us can relate to the meaning of those words found in **Genesis 1:25-31** where God created everything, and then declared his creation to be "good" ... If it's true that we are "connected" with nature, then it's also true to say that anything we do to harm or threaten the environment actually threatens us as well ... " Excerpt from Rev'd Andreas' homily on May 8, 2016.



The Easter Flowers adorned our Sanctuary until Pentecost Day, and now frame our driveway.

These flowers, along with our gardens, will need TLC all summer long.
JOIN OUR ST. MATTHEW'S GREEN TEAM, TO HELP PRESERVE AND GROW OUR GARDENS.
THE SIGN UP SHEET IS IN THE PARISH HALL.

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

Everybody is Welcome!

Sunday Services:

8:30 am (except July 17 to August 14) and
 10:00 am all summer long.

Sunday school at 10:00 am (until the end of June; will resume after Labour Day.)

Scripture Conversations:

"Looking ahead to Sunday's readings"

Every Wednesday 10:00 am
 (Last session, June 29; will resume after Labour Day.)

Services at Huron Lodge:

Holy Eucharist:

1st Tuesday of the month 11:00 am

Praise & Prayer:

3rd Sunday of the month 2:00 pm

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