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ST. MATTHEW'S  
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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

### A Season Called...

On May 20, we marked the end of the Easter season with great festivity by celebrating the Day of Pentecost, as well as the Baptism of our newest sister in Christ, Ryleigh Marie Smith. Having celebrated those two joyous events, we find ourselves entering a series of Sundays that has long been referred to as 'Ordinary Time.' The designation is an unfortunate one, as it suggests that this is a time in which nothing terribly interesting happens. What if, instead, we were to call this season of Sundays 'Extraordinary Time'? What if we decided that these weeks and months were a time for us to explore all the ways that God blesses us with *extraordinary* insights? *Extraordinary* experiences? *Extraordinary* opportunities to live as people who have been born of the Spirit? *Extraordinary* occasions to demonstrate our love for God and neighbour? What if we chose to face each day with an attitude of *extraordinary* gratitude? This reminds me of a resource that was recommended to me last year, during my time serving as Chaplain at the Chautauqua Institution. I'd like to pass along the recommendation: when you have a moment, please visit the website: [gratefulness.org](http://gratefulness.org). This site builds on the wisdom of Brother David Steindl-Rast, and it issues the following promise: "*The nourishing and transformative power of living gratefully is available to you within every page of this website and within every moment of your life.*" I can't think of a better way of becoming launched into a season of 'Extraordinary Time.' Surely this season is meant for us to be "nourished and transformed." As I consider some of the things that are nourishing and transforming me, I can't help mentioning the new ministries that have opened up for us at St. Matthew's: our English classes to our Chinese neighbours, and the Chaplaincy at Huron Lodge (please see page 4). I see both of these developments as evidence that God is doing extraordinary things in our midst. And for that, I am deeply grateful! My hope is that in exploring the situations or people that you are personally grateful for, you will recognize all those ways that God is nourishing and transforming your life in extraordinary ways. **May the practice of gratefulness accompany us all into a fulfilling season called 'Extraordinary'!**

Blessings,

Andrea



## Our Extraordinary Earth Day Volunteers

More on page 8 ...

# From Our Parish Council

Notes from the  
May 16 2018  
council meeting

The spring of 2018 has turned out to be an exceptionally busy and interesting period for the Parish Church of St. Matthew. Your wardens Janet Williams and Gordon Drake are pleased to present the following summary of recent events, as recorded by the Parish Council:

**Roof:** You will recall the need for a new roof to cover the Narthex and the north side of the church. We are pleased to say that this work is now well under way, and is expected to be completed within the next couple of weeks. A loan of \$65,000 from the Diocese of Huron has been approved to cover the work. This will be supplemented by other funds already raised through donations. Many thanks to those who have already contributed to the **Raise the Roof Fund**, and to the fund-raising committee of Jane Patterson, Mary Grace Weir, and Janice Fantinic for their energy and enthusiasm. **As pointed out by our treasurer Jane Patterson, now is the time to strengthen our contributions towards repayment of the loan, which will reduce interest payments in the long run. Please place your donations in cash or a cheque to "St. Matthew's Church" in an envelope clearly marked for "Roof Fund" and place it in the plates during collection, or hand directly to Jane.** The goal is achievable, and when done it will assure the continued viability of St. Matthew's Church for many years to come.

**Finances:** April turned out to be a very positive month for the Parish finances. The total income of \$13,647 exceeded the budgeted amount by \$1,838. This includes \$657.50 in silver maple syrup sales designated for the apportionment. The excess income compensates for lower income during the first part of the year, and higher costs for snow removal. We thank our parishioners for a very positive response to Beth Felet's request to change their auto-deductions from credit card to chequing, which lowers our costs to the diocese.

**Property:** Onorio Felet has obtained quotes for a new door for the Church Hall. The replacement cost will be around \$1300 + HST. Onorio and John Rossi have together arranged for grass-cutting services for the summer. Many thanks to Onorio for his continuing work to maintain the church property, and make sure that everything is working as it should.

**Outreach:** Our Rector Andreas Thiel reported progress on three important initiatives. **First**, English language classes for recent Chinese immigrants to our neighbourhood; they have turned out to be an overwhelming success, with attendance currently at around 25 participants. Most significantly, the classes have now been supplemented by Bible studies after each class, filled with enthusiastic participants. Jennifer McAlpine and Gordon Drake made a pitch to the Diocese for a Jubilee Grant in support of the program. We are awaiting word on the outcome. Thanks to our local realtor Terry Zhang for the initial suggestion of ESL classes for our neighbours. **Second**, Rev'd. Andreas Thiel has begun an extension of his ministry to include the role of Chaplain at Huron Lodge. The Parish Council is strongly supportive of this initiative. **The third initiative** involves our close relationship with our sister Anglican Church of St. James on Roseland Drive. Their Rector, Rob Henderson, has announced his appointment to a parish in London, leaving St. James with a period of clergy vacancy. As in the past, we remain open to future discussions with the people of St. James of ways that we can work together to advance the mission of Christ on earth.

**Best wishes for a wonderful spring filled with fresh flowers from the garden,  
followed by a bounty of fruit and vegetables.**

Your Wardens Janet Williams and Gordon Drake.

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: Wednesday June 20** (no meetings in July and August)

Meetings will resume in September. **Have a wonderful summer!**

## St. Matthew's Annual Yard Sale

### Saturday June 2 9:00 am—1:00 pm

The treasures donated to the sale will find new uses in others' homes and bypass the landfill. A double bonus for God's creation: we recycle our goods, and raise funds for the church! Delicious baked goods will also be offered.

**Invite family and friends, everybody is welcome!**

Bring your used household items (no clothing or furniture, please) during the following drop off times: Wednesday May 30, 6-8 pm; Thursday May 31, 1-4 and 6-8 pm, and Friday June 1, 10am-2pm. Baked goods: Friday 10am-2:00pm or Saturday, by 8:30 am.

**We also need volunteers for drop off times and the sale  
Please join us!**



### St. Matthew's Legacy Recipe Collection

**GET YOUR BOOKS NOW!**  
**ALSO AVAILABLE AT THE YARD SALE**

Our recipe book includes 180 recipes from our clergy, staff, and congregation. From appetizers and soups to desserts and preserves, each chapter is studded with stories about the origin or history of some of the contributions, often making connections with our own St. Matthew's events.

**Price: \$15.00/each** (cash, or cheque to: St. Matthew's Church)  
**For purchases or questions, please contact: Rev'd Andreas, Susan Bernard, Sandra Hall or [irene.savva3691@gmail.com](mailto:irene.savva3691@gmail.com)**

**BONUS:** Visit our website and download the PDF **Companion Booklet**, with lots of photographs and information to supplement many of the recipes and stories in the book.

**All proceeds go towards our Roof Fund!**

**Auto-deduction giving** – Please consider this option, which helps us meet our monthly financial obligations. To learn more about it, change amount (a small increase can make a big difference!) or switch from credit card to bank account, please contact Beth Felet, our envelope secretary, at (519) 969-3035.

## English Lessons at St. Matthew's By the Rev'd Andreas Thiel



You can't look at a St. Matthew's church bulletin without being confronted with the words of our Mission Statement: *"We are called to share God's love as we welcome and care for our community."* Earlier this year, we learned of a need in our community which caused us to consider how we might respond in a way that resonates with our Mission Statement. A growing number of people from China are moving into our South Windsor neighbourhood, many of whom are accompanying their children for the purpose of attending a school in Canada.

Approached by a local real estate agent, Terry Zhang, we learned that these newcomers are often lacking in English language skills, and they sometimes experience feelings of isolation. Given our proximity to Massey High School, Terry wondered if **we would consider offering our new neighbours English language classes**. Enter our own ESL "guru" Janet Williams, who responded with her characteristic enthusiasm. Janet immediately got us organized with resources: textbooks, workbooks, picture dictionaries, etc. (These materials had been put into storage after Janet's retirement from St. Clair College.) Armed with these resources, and equipped with teachers (Gail Henderson, Marilyn Jennings, Anya Laurence-Thiel) as well as several generous teaching and hospitality supporters, **we were ready to begin our new ministry this past April**. The response has been overwhelmingly positive. These adult learners are quick to express their gratitude, and they are enjoying this new opportunity to be learning with others in a supportive environment. **In May, our special ministry expanded as we began our first English Bible Study, with 15 participants!**

**Thank you, St. Matthew's family, for welcoming and caring for our community!  
If you'd like to become involved in this ministry,  
please speak with Rev'd Andreas.**

## Expanded Ministry at Huron Lodge LTC By the Rev'd Andreas Thiel

Early in 2014, I was invited to participate on the Pastoral Care Committee of our city-owned Long Term care Facility, Huron Lodge. This involvement included leading two worship services per month for the residents (one Holy Eucharist, one Service of the Word). This past spring, a new opportunity arose: the position of Chaplain at Huron Lodge had been vacant for several months, and I began to wonder if this might be a ministry that I could provide. After consulting with our Churchwardens and with Bishop Linda, it became clear that there was support for a move in this direction. I am pleased to announce that as of mid-May, I have assumed the responsibilities of Chaplain to the Huron Lodge community. This is a part-time commitment (flexible 10 hours per week), and although it involves me being away from St. Matthew's during that time, please be assured that I will be available by phone (my cell number: 226-345-5085), and will continue to make our parish ministry my priority. My dream is that the St. Matthew's and Huron Lodge communities will consider themselves to be active partners in ministry, and that we will discover all the ways that God is leading us into closer relationship with one another.

## Hymn-Sing Fundraising Sunday at St. Matthew's - June 17 at 10 am

On Sunday, June 17, during the 10 am service, we will enjoy a hymn-sing, featuring hymns that have been requested by parishioners.

What's your favourite hymn? Rock of Ages? On Eagle's Wings? Joy to the World? On June 17, anything goes!

**As we are currently in roof fundraising mode, we ask that each hymn request be accompanied by a \$50 donation to our 'Raise the Roof' fund.**

**Requests may be made by individuals, couples or groups.**

**Please submit your requests as soon as possible, in cash or cheque payable to St. Matthew's Church.**

**Thank you for your continuing support!**

## *Service of Choral Evensong At St. Matthew's Church*

*Our Cathedral Choir, under the direction of Andrew Keegan-Mackriell, will lead us in a special service of Choral Evensong, according to the Book of Common Prayer.*

*Preacher : The Rev'd Gayle Rawlings  
(Honourary Assistant, St. Mary's, Walkerville).*

*Sunday, September 23 - Service begins at 5:00 pm,  
followed by a light supper in the Parish Hall.*



# Our Anglican World

Photography  
by Gordon Drake

## The Bishop's Making Dinner! By Mary Louise

**Drake.** The Bishop's Friends evening is simply coming out to meet our Bishop, Linda Nicholls, and people from other Anglican parishes, enjoy yourself, and contribute to The Bishop's Friends fund to help priests in need. This year there was a silent auction to augment the fund; **Bishop Linda had graciously offered her culinary talents,** learned in India, to make dinner for a group of six. The starting donation was \$150. One group put down a price of \$160. I said to Janet Williams: "The Bishop is worth more than a \$160. Do you want to share the bidding with me?" "Of course, I do." Janet responded, so we put in a bid. Before we knew it, the original group rushed to the table, and increased the price. I thought it would be a good idea to saunter over to their table and speak to the competition. They seemed friendly enough, I even knew a few of the six of them; we exchanged pleasantries and Janet and I increased our bid. An additional bid was made by the group of six. Janet and I waited until they had finished and made our final bid. It was announced that the silent auction was over. The Bishop had paid attention to what was happening and announced that she would come to Windsor, and also make dinner for the group of six at their bidding price, so that no one would be disappointed.

The earliest Bishop Linda could come was May 3. An announcement was made at Church that anyone who would like to come could do so, for a donation of \$35, which would go to the Bishop's Friends fund; \$410 were collected and given to the Bishop for the fund. On May 3, the Bishop arrived exactly at 4 PM as she said she would. Gordon helped her carry in her bags and dishes prepared at home. Once she caught her breath, and after a cup of restorative tea, Bishop Linda set to work. The dessert was put into the fridge for safekeeping. I brought the chicken out for cooking, and showed Bishop Linda where the pots and pans and utensils were stored. Dinner was certainly on its way. The smells were enticing and interesting. She knew what she was doing and enjoyed doing it. Before long, people started arriving. Wine was poured and Indian hors d'oeuvres served. **For dinner, we all seated at the table;** Gordon wrote an original grace which was very thoughtful and appropriate for the dinner. **The menu:** butter chicken, rice with cilantro, paneer in sauce, spinach with herbs and a fabulous dessert with carrots, honey, coconut, cranberries and roasted nuts.

Conversation was lively and involved everyone in telling a little bit about themselves, and in asking questions. It also demonstrated how talented our Bishop Linda is: her original degree is in music; she can play several instruments among which are the piano, and the saxophone. She taught high school in India and Canada. Her first position was with a mission school in India. After she finished her contract there, she decided to enter the ministry and became a priest, rather than service as a lay missionary.

A token of our appreciation and a nod to her musical talent was given to Bishop Linda, in the form of a **decorative frame made by our Craft Guild (see photo).**

**Having the Bishop come and make dinner was a great experience that I am certain everyone at the table would be more than willing to repeat. So next year, join the fun, come and bid in the silent auction at the Bishop's Friends soiree.**



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## 177th Synod of the Diocese of Huron May 27-29 2018 London, Ontario

On Sunday afternoon, May 27, clergy and lay delegates will descend upon St. Paul's Cathedral in London, for our annual Diocesan Synod. Representing St. Matthew's, Margaret Kissau, Rev'd Cathy MacKendrick and Rev'd Andreas Thiel will be hard at work for the duration of Synod, absorbing information and voting on various motions. All people across the Diocese are invited to join in this endeavour through the offering of prayer while Synod meets (Sunday afternoon, thru Tuesday at 12:30 pm). You may wish to join in by offering prayers for all of God's people, and by making use of the following prayer, prepared by the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer: **God of truth and freedom, as we gather for this our 177th Synod of the Diocese of Huron, we thank you for the gift of your word, and its power to lead and guide us in all things. We ask that you would continue to teach us what it is to be a disciple of Jesus in all that we do, in all that we are, and in all that we are becoming. Help us to be open to your Spirit, and to understand afresh each day what it is to journey with you and to abide in your word. Loving God, who is above all, and through all, and in all, we ask this in the name of your Son our Saviour, Amen.**

During our Lenten Soup Luncheons, a total of \$1,354.20 was collected, going towards the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF), and to be presented at Synod.



**Saturday June 9— PWRDF Black-Tie Gala** to benefit the Huron Hunger Fund and the Canada Foodgrains Bank  
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, 106 MAIN ST. W, KINGSVILLE  
DINNER AT 6 PM, COCKTAILS AT 5:30 PM

Limited tickets available, \$100 ea. Please contact Rev'd Andreas  
Our rector will be one of several volunteers joining the kitchen & hall staff

## Deanery of Essex 6th Annual Mixed Golf Tournament Wednesday June 20, 2018 at Seven Lakes Championship Golf Course, 7200 Disputed Rd.

This year, St. Matthew's will be sending two foursomes to defend our 2017 title. A BBQ dinner will follow at St. Mary's Church, 1983 St. Mary's Gate, Windsor (Olde Walkerville); the cost of dinner is \$30.00 per person. There are also raffle tickets for \$5.00 each. Prizes are: bus trip and 2 tickets to "Come from Away", \$600 value; gift cards, \$250.00 value; Detroit Tigers tickets for four, \$220.00 value; wine basket, \$150 value. **Anyone interested in dinner or raffle tickets, please contact John Rossi (519-734-6862). All proceeds will support the Youth and Children's Ministry in Essex Deanery.**

**Have you joined our e-mail communication list?** It is the fastest way to receive communications from our clergy. Enroll at: [saintmatthewswindsor@gmail.com](mailto:saintmatthewswindsor@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  
and Development Fund (PWRDF)



[saintmatthewswindsor.ca](http://saintmatthewswindsor.ca)  
[essexdeanery.com](http://essexdeanery.com)  
[diohuron.org](http://diohuron.org)  
[Anglican.ca](http://Anglican.ca)

**AND:** [www.anglicansonline.org](http://www.anglicansonline.org)

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

[pwrdf.org](http://pwrdf.org) and [Fredsays.ca](http://Fredsays.ca)



# This Little Light of Mine

**YOUTH @ ST. M'S**



**An Invitation:** Do you ever drive or walk by our church and notice the beautiful flowers, plants and bushes adorning our grounds? To keep them that way, we all need to help; it may be a one-week commitment to water the garden; do some weeding during the summer months; or as simple as picking up a few pieces of garbage off the ground.

**Let's all do our part!**



**Huron Church Camp**

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

For more information, visit  
[www.huronchurchcamp.ca](http://www.huronchurchcamp.ca)

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... Youth @ St. M's cont.

**Our young parishioner Erica R.** has been a server and enthusiastic volunteer at St. Matthew's for several years; she is also busy at school, including her extra-curricular activities. One of these activities is the **Robotics Team, The Villanova Wired Cats**. Erica was recently chosen as a finalist on the "Dean's List" of the 2018 FIRST Robotics World Championship. *The Journey* had the opportunity to ask Erica a few questions about her experience:

**The Journey: Could you give us a description of the event, and the "Dean's List" competition?**

**Erica R.:** The FIRST Robotics World Championship is a competition where the World's top 400 FRC teams compete over three days. It was at this event, which was held at the Cobo Centre in Detroit, where I competed against 175 other Dean's List Finalists from all over the World, to determine the group of ten Dean's List Winners. The Dean's List award is given to a student who is a leader within their team and community, exemplifies creativity and entrepreneurship, and who has a passion for a long-term commitment to FIRST and exemplifies the ideals of FIRST. I was named a Dean's List semi-finalist at the Windsor Essex Great Lakes Event, and then a **finalist at the Ontario Provincial Championship (photo, top).**

**TJ: What was your favourite part of this experience?**

**ER:** My favourite part of this experience was meeting all the other nominees, finalists and personalities. I was able to connect and meet people from all over Ontario who I would not have met otherwise. A really memorable moment from my whole journey was at the World Championship Dean's List Luncheon, where the winners were announced; **I was personally invited to sit with the Governor General of Canada, Julie Payette (photo, right).** It was an honour to meet her and represent my team, Canada and FIRST Canada. I also met the Governor of Michigan, Rick Snyder; a former MIT Professor and Distinguished Adviser for FIRST, Woodie Flowers; and the founder of FIRST, Dean Kamen.



**TJ: What is next for you and your Robotics team?**

**ER:** My team is working on improving our community involvement and impact by holding camps at the LaSalle library during the summer. We are always trying to promote our team and encourage new members to join. Next season will be the last year that any founding members will still be on our team. That being said, we are hoping to continue to raise the bar and have another successful season, which would be a testament to how far we have come since we started in 2016.



Photos provided by Erica R.

## Rev'd Cathy's Corner

As we come to end of another successful school year, the **Marlborough Breakfast Programme** has had another great year. The school and our church are grateful for the financial support and the physical support of muffin and breakfast cooks. The folks doing that ministry in our name are: Pat Lown, Bev Chantler, Danielle Richer, Gail Henderson, Nicole McCabe, Mary Davis, Gwen Allsop, Cora Braidford, Pauline Patterson, Irene Paraschak, Vicky Paraschak, Patti Paraschak, Janet Williams, Doug Warford, Scott Ritchie, Bill & Ginny McAdam, Sue Bernard, Diane Iannicello, Mark Goldspink, Joan Mallender, Dorothy Knappett, Roger Wurdemann, Louise Davis, Carole Lawn, Sue Trenhaile, Kim & Nicole Sussens. Together we have fed 50 to 60+ hungry little ones twice a week, with hot food on Monday, and muffins on Tuesday. St. Matthew's is blessed to have such willing ministers. **Remember to save your loonies and toonies** over the summer months to help fund another year come September. Collection will begin on St. Mathew's Day in September and is on-going. More willing hands are always welcome on one of the teams.

**The ministry at the Detention Centre** for the sewing programme winds down in June to begin again in September. It is a joint project of St. Matthew's, St. Stephen's Oldcastle, and Church of the Epiphany, Kingsville with six teachers. The backpack ministry is on-going over the summer. **Request** — When school supplies go on sale this summer, please consider purchasing: backpacks (we will need 50) - usually about \$5 each on sale. Coloured Pencils - Last year we filled the big basket with them - lets try for two this summer.

**All that you do for those on the margins of life, directly or indirectly  
- the poor, the homeless, the ill, the grieving and those in prison you do in His name -  
because that is what He told us to do.**

**Blessings to you all**

### Did you know that in 2010...

Donors who were religiously active—those who attended religious meetings or services at least once a week—gave an average of \$1,004 while, in comparison, donors who were either not active or less active religiously gave an average of \$313?

Seniors gave more to religious organizations? While people aged 75 and over comprised 6% of the population, they contributed 12% of the total amount of donations to religious organizations.

Almost all Canadians (94%) aged 15 and over gave material goods, food, or made a financial donation?

From: <http://www.statcan.gc.ca/pub/11-008-x/2012001/article/11637-eng.htm#a6>

**This season, please remember Hiatus House,  
the Southwest Detention Centre, and our Food Cupboard  
Thank you for your continuing support!**

**THE OASIS WOMEN'S CHOIR of WINDSOR & ESSEX COUNTY  
WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO OUR SPRING CONCERT**

SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2018 at 7:00 PM

ST. MATTHEW'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

1600 Norfolk St., Windsor, Ontario N9E 2X9

**TICKETS: ADULTS \$10.00 - STUDENTS \$5.00**

Tickets may be purchased at the door Visit us at: [oasiswomenschoir.ca](http://oasiswomenschoir.ca)

# Celebrating this season

## Birthdays

### June

2 – Don Prodan  
4 – Margaret Jemison  
5 – Benjamin Hahn  
7 – Danielle Richer  
7 – Steve Sussens  
14 – Bill McAdam  
14 – Daryl Hudec  
17 – Ted Felet  
20 – Pauline Patterson  
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

## Anniversaries

### June

2 – Don & Lillian Prodan  
6 – Stan & Margaret Goldspink  
8 – Robert & Mary Grace Weir  
10 – Aaron & Melissa Bratt  
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

10 – Mark & Audrey Goldspink  
25 – Marwan & Nadia Taqtaq  
29 – George & Irene Savva

### 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

### August

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 – Joan Geml

### August

4 – Andy & Katie Hahn  
13 – Kim & Cathy MacKendrick  
30 – Gordon & Mary Louise Drake

### September

3 – Andreas Thiel & Anya Laurence-Thiel  
7 – Paul Finlayson & Danielle Richer  
15 – Jeff & Jane Patterson  
29 – Ted & Ruth Clarke

**T.N.T.** Reserve the first Friday of the month for our TNT (“Theology ‘n Tap” or “Tap No Theology”) meetings, starting at 6:00 pm, at Cramdon’s Restaurant (2950 Dougall Ave.) 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 June 1, 2018**

Richard Hucal



# News from the Pews:

We hope to hear from you soon!

*May 18, 1968  
Bride and Groom  
Pat and Peter Lown*

*Happy 50th Anniversary,  
Peter & Pat!*

Photo from Pat Lown



On Sunday May 20, 2018,  
the Smith family shared a  
very special day  
at St. Matthew's:  
the celebration of baptism  
of **Ryleigh Marie**.

**WELCOME, LITTLE ONE!**

Photography by Gordon Drake



Ryleigh received the baptismal water, a candle symbolizing the Light of Christ, and a shirt that read: "I'm an adorable member of St. Matthew's family." Amen!



**Thank you to Rev'd Bob Roberts for another inspiring and most engaging homily at our 10 am service on Earth Day, Sunday April 22.** With the imagery of dirty old Jerusalem and the gentle humility of Jesus cleansing the apostles feet, Rev. Bob encouraged the congregation to be humble too, reflecting in quiet prayer, thinking of the Son of God, with the sound of water in the basin, cleansing feet.

Photo from Sue Bernard



**Euchre Tournament and Backpack Ministry Fundraiser**  
On Saturday May 5, a group of skilled euchre enthusiasts gather in the parish hall, for an evening of cards, strategy and fun! The top players received prizes, and a total of \$50 went to the backpack ministry for the Southwest Detention Centre.



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**June 10, 2017 at  
St. Matthew's Church  
Groom and Bride  
Aaron Bratt and Melissa Goldspink**



**May 20, 2018 Parish Hall  
Baby shower  
Melissa and Aaron,  
the happy parents to-be**

**June 10, 2018  
Happy  
First Anniversary,  
Melissa & Aaron!**



Photos from Mark Goldspink and Gordon Drake.

**From our  
St. Matthew's  
Archives:**



**Ryan (left), learning the  
Lord's Prayer in sign  
language**



**Ruth and Bethany  
(left and middle),  
making crosses for  
Palm Sunday**



**Our former rector,  
Steve Harnadek (middle)**



Photos from our Archives and Margaret Jemison.

**August 12, 2017 at  
Sprucewood Shores Estate Winery**

From left: Ryan, his wife Casey and their children Jacob and Kathryn; **the groom and bride, Jay Grandmaison and Bethany Harnadek**; Ruth, mother of the bride; and Steve, father of the bride.

**August 12, 2018  
Happy First Anniversary,  
Bethany & Jay!**

**Update: Ryan and Casey are awaiting the birth of their third child  
any time now ... Please keep us posted!**

Please send your articles, feedback and other contributions to Sue Bernard and Irene Savva to [irene.savva3691@gmail.com](mailto:irene.savva3691@gmail.com) or deposit in the box provided in the narthex. Are you celebrating a milestone anniversary soon? Submit your wedding picture for publication! Also let us know of any updates needed in the birthday and anniversary announcements; **we apologize for any mistakes or omissions.**

## TRIPS by Ruth-Ann Sydor

Have you ever held a snowball  
At the top of a very high hill;  
Then dropped it, in a moment's distraction,  
Seeming to take off, of its own free will.

Together, you crash at the bottom;  
Neither resembling what you were before;  
The snowball, an unwieldy boulder,  
You, breathless...in control no more.

Problems are sometimes like snowballs,  
They gain momentum, you might find;  
Snowballs trip, while down the hillside  
Problems trip, is within the mind.

## THE JOURNEY by Ruth-Ann Sydor

There is a place just off in the distance,  
In the garden...it's just over there;  
Somehow the closer I come to it  
The path lengthens, and obstacles stare.

One night I tripped in a pothole,  
One day fell, when I hurried too fast;  
At the top of a hill I got hiccups,  
Tools silenced their braying at last.

It's not the place in the distance  
In my mind, I begin to see  
That it's the journey, with all of its pitfalls  
That makes life richer and free for me.

**Have a Safe and Blessed Summer!**

**Everybody is Welcome!**

### Sunday Services:

8:30 am (except July 22, 29 & Aug. 5, 12)

10:00 am all summer long.

July 22 and August 5: Service of the Word.

July 29 and August 12: Holy Eucharist with

The Rev'd Bill Bradley, presiding

**Sunday school at 10:00 am** (until the  
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**Holy Eucharist:**

1st Tuesday of the month 11:00 am

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