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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 Christmas Is For Children??

Some years ago I overheard someone make the comment that "after all, Christmas is really for the children." That statement made me uncomfortable at the time but I wasn't in a position to respond. Consequently I've been carrying this discomfort with me, from Christmas to Christmas. And so, in an attempt to finally resolve the issue (and to ease my suffering!), I offer a response to what I heard several years ago: "after all, Christmas is really for the children." On the surface, the statement rings true, especially if we consider how many of our Christmas celebrations consist of "Jack Frost nipping at your nose" and yuletide cheer. If the focus of the celebration is all about "having fun" then, yes, Christmas is a holiday that has great appeal to children. For most people though, living "on the surface" doesn't quite cut it. Our lives aren't superficial and young children frequently move beyond the experience of having fun, so that they might engage with the deeper issues that life presents. When it comes to Christmas, the deeper issue is nothing less than the Incarnation, the taking on of human flesh by the second person of the Trinity, Christ Jesus, Son of God. God becoming incarnate – enfleshed – leads us to ask some questions: Why? Why was it necessary for this to happen in this way, at this time? Why did the eternal Word come to us in bodily form? And what difference does it make? The list of those who have attempted to formulate answers is lengthy indeed. I'm not certain that any single answer can do justice to such big questions. Fortunately however, many artists, poets and musicians throughout the ages have provided us with vehicles for pondering and reflecting on the mystery of the Incarnation, along with its implications. The 15th century anonymous poem "Adam Lay Ybounden" is one of many examples. Never mentioning Jesus by name, the song refers (indirectly) to the Incarnation, connecting it with the events in the Garden of Eden. The undoing of Adam's bondage is what compels people of faith to sing out: Deo gracias! Thanks be to God! My prayer is that this poem, with its strange (to us) language will give us something to treasure, long after "having fun" has lost its charm.

Adam lay ybounden, bounden in a bond;
Four thousand winter thought he not too long.
And all was for an apple, an apple that he took,
As clerkes finden written in their book.
Ne had the apple taken been, the apple taken been,
Ne had our lady a-been heavenè queen.
Blessed be the time that apple taken was.
Therefore we moun singen Deo gracias!



A most blessed Christmas to you all! *Andreas*

Interestingly, in Medieval times, fir trees were decorated with apples, and called Paradise Trees, commemorating Adam and Eve's day on December 24, later giving origin to the Christmas tree (From <https://www.britannica.com/plant/Christmas-tree>). **Christmas tree at the top by The Rev'd Andreas Thiel; Manger Square, Bethlehem, Palestine, 2019.**

From Our Parish Council

May your Christmas season be filled with joy, love and compassion for others.

Advent Greetings from your Wardens, Gordon Drake and Janet Williams. We are pleased to present the following summary of recent events, as recorded by the Parish Council.

Roof: The balance owing as of October 31, 2019 is **\$20,375**. As a result of our regular monthly payments of \$667 and over \$15,000 in lump sum payments, we have reduced the principal by \$21,185 since January 1, 2019. We currently have donations totaling \$6,600 in our roof fund that will be used to make future payments. We will make another lump sum payment this month.

Finances: At the end of October 2019, after our loan payments, we have a small deficit from operations of **\$2933**. We have paid \$22,625 in apportionment which demonstrates our commitment and care for the wider church. As a result of your generous donations, we have \$1530 in our fund for the Marlborough Breakfast Program and \$727 in the Detention Centre fund. This is a very good position for us to be in at this point in the year. Winter is coming and that means we will have increased costs for snow removal and utilities.

Property: Thanks to Bob Kissau for supplying the cold patch asphalt material and Onorio Felet for filling in the pothole at the driveway entrance. In the spring, Onorio hopes to get quotes from contractors for any additional work needed in the parking lot. We received information from the Province of Ontario reminding us of the need to comply with the legislation that regulates hazardous materials (e.g. asbestos) and the need to inform contractors of presence of such materials, even before they bid on work. Information from the Diocesan Land and Property Committee also provides a warning that we must hire only ONE contractor to be on site doing work on any given day. That contractor can hire subcontractors, but the church must not hire a second contractor. We have a contract in place for snow removal and salting from November 1, 2019 -April 1, 2020 at a cost of \$960.50 per month. Work on the tile at the front entrance will be done in the spring.

Outreach: Rev'd Cathy - The Marlborough School Breakfast Program continues to provide healthy breakfasts early Monday mornings. The Angel Tree program for children of prisoners will provide Christmas gifts. Backpacks and the popular Sewing Program continue to assist those at the Detention Centre. Rev'd Glenda continues her work with "Feeding Windsor" and with the help of 2 volunteers conducts a monthly service at Huron Lodge. She also works with the Lighthouse in the downtown area to start groups to assist those suffering from complex trauma.

May your Christmas season be filled with love, joy, hope and compassion for others.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only son, that everyone who believes In Him may not perish but may have eternal life." John 3:16

Please mark your calendars for our Annual Vestry Meeting

Sunday February 2, 2020, in the parish hall,
immediately following the 10:00 am service

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 January 15, 2020

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.

Special Services



*Christmas Eve at
St. Matthew's
O Come, All Ye Faithful!*



Please join us in celebrating the birth
of our Lord with a special
candle-lit family service
Tuesday, December 24 at 7 pm

The evening will begin with a festive
Carol-sing at 6:30 pm



*Christmas Day
Wednesday, Dec 25*

10:00 am

Eucharist service

*Sunday after Christmas
December 29
- 10:00 am service only*

Photography by Gordon Drake

Our Anglican World

Churches in our Deanery with recently appointed rectors

Last winter, there were two parishes in our Deanery of Essex that were in a period of transition. They both have now inducted their newly appointed rectors: The Rev'd Sharla Malliff at St. James' (Roseland), and The Rev'd Elise Chambers at St. Andrew's (Harrow)/Christ Church (Colchester).

Diocesan Bishop Election and Consecration Date

The Reverend Canon Dr. Todd Townshend, the Dean of the Faculty of Theology at Huron University College, was elected 14th Bishop of Huron on October 26.



Dr. Todd Townshend was ordained deacon and priested in 1992. He has served as rector in different parishes in London, Ontario. Dr. Townshend has a long academic record that started with university instructor positions in 1999. He was Associate Professor of Contextual Theology at Huron University College from 2011 to 2013. Dr. Todd Townshend was appointed the Dean of the Faculty of Theology at Huron College in 2013.

Dr. Townshend was elected among five candidates by the diocesan synod convened at St. Paul's Cathedral in London, Ontario. He received a majority of the vote of both laity and clergy after three ballots. The election process began after his predecessor, the Most Reverend Linda Nicholls, was inducted as the head of the Anglican Church of Canada in July of this year.

Our new Bishop of Huron will be consecrated on January 25, 2020 at St. Paul's Cathedral in London, Ontario.

From: <https://diohuron.org/we-have-a-bishop/>

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

Diocese of Huron

Anglican Church of Canada

Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF) pwrdf.org

Anglican sites around the world

saintmatthewswindsor.ca

diohuron.org

Anglican.ca

pwrdf.org

www.anglicansonline.org





Christmas Craft & Food Market November 9

On Saturday, November 9, community members of all ages delighted in the work of the St. Matthew's pie makers, crafters and bakers. This year, we also welcomed "Emma's Dog Treats" as a way to include gift ideas for our four legged friends. Shoppers left with big smiles and an understanding that their purchases help to support our wider community. This year, our combined efforts under the excellent guidance of Beth Felet and Danielle Richer resulted in the highest ever "on the day" sales. Proceeds to date are just under \$11,000.00.



Photography by Irene Savva and Jen McAlpine

St. Matthew's Legacy Recipe Collection

AN EXCELLENT CHRISTMAS GIFT!

Our book includes over 180 of our favourite sweet and savoury recipes from St. Matthew's clergy, staff, and congregation.

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

ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS OUR ROOF FUND

A Life-Changing Reality: KAIROS Delegation to Palestine/Israel, 2019

An Interview with Our Rector

The Journey: Could you tell us a little about this KAIROS delegation and its itinerary?

The Rev'd Andreas Thiel: First of all, it's important to know that KAIROS Canada is an organization which promotes human rights and ecological justice. Formed in 2001, KAIROS's membership includes representatives from the Canadian Indigenous community as well as ecumenical groups: *The Anglican Church of Canada; Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace; Canadian Religious Conference; Christian Reformed Church in North America; Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada; Mennonite Central Committee of Canada; the Presbyterian Church in Canada; The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF); Religious Society of Friends (Quakers); The United Church of Canada.* The purpose of the 10-member delegation was to strengthen advocacy and partnership work in Palestine/Israel, and to express solidarity with denominational partners in the region, with a view of deepening advocacy work for peace and justice.

TJ: Was this delegation the first of its kind in this region?

Rev'd Andreas: KAIROS continues to form delegations to many regions (including right here in Canada). There have been a number of smaller trips to Palestine/Israel, as well as another delegation in the early 2000s.

TJ: Did you meet someone who made a special impression? How?

Rev'd Andreas: The easiest answer would be to say "yes, everyone!" But there were a couple of experiences that left me with a profound feeling of gratitude. We had a one-on-one meeting in Ramallah with **Dr. Hanan Ashrawi**, a respected Palestinian leader. She also happens to be an Anglican! Our conversation was broad in scope, and she helped us to understand some of the disastrous effects for Palestinians who are living under Israeli occupation. As our meeting concluded, I had the honour of presenting Dr. Ashrawi with a crocheted comforter, courtesy of our St. Matthew's Craft Guild. Ashrawi was delighted and assured me that she would use it with pleasure.



This photograph from Anita Omberbasic

A few days later, a sub-group of the delegation travelled to Gaza. This area qualifies as being one of the most troubled regions on earth, and the United Nations has deemed Gaza to be "unlivable" by the year 2020. In the midst of extreme poverty and illness, I saw God's grace at work in the Al-Ahli Hospital (supported recently by our own PWRDF), and two (segregated) vocational schools. I was literally swarmed by a group of youngsters who brought their recently made creations for my "inspection": several wrought iron pieces along with woodworking projects. The joy and enthusiasm they offered was not what I expected to see, and yet it gives me hope that somehow, these youngsters will acquire the skills that will help them to find a way forward in life. Gaza was an extremely difficult trip for me, and I'm afraid I left a piece of my heart there.



Photographs by The Rev'd Andreas Thiel

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... Cont. An Interview with Our Rector

TJ: Did you get to experience new customs, food, other cultural aspects?

Rev'd Andreas: Hospitality is ingrained in Palestinian society. We were offered endless small cups of Arabic coffee (flavoured with cardamom seeds), and each meal seemed to be larger than the previous one!



Walking through the old cities of Bethlehem or Hebron results in being greeted by shopkeepers from every direction: "Welcome."

I came back to Canada with a few pieces of exquisite Palestinian embroidery (including two priest's stoles). These pieces are created by the women who live in Refugee Camps, and they witness to a vibrant artistic heritage as well as a determination to keep these traditions alive for future generations. A poignant message that is embroidered along the hem of a scarf reads (in Arabic): "On this land there are people who deserve to live."



Photographs by
The Rev'd Andreas Thiel

TJ: What are some of the plans for the delegation in the future? (Next steps.)

Rev'd Andreas: I have just begun the process of de-briefing with my PWRDF colleagues, and in a few days will do the same with the KAIROS team. Some of the delegation members will be asked to do some intentional follow-up work, in particular with the media and public audiences. Our goal is to share our learnings and insights with the public – especially among church communities, so that we can maintain and build upon the advocacy and support that was integral to our recent trip. On a local level, my hope is that the St. Matthew's community will recognize the great humanitarian need in Palestine, and that we will find ways of reaching out with a spirit of generosity, with a view of helping to support the Christian generosity that I witnessed among hospital administrators in Gaza.



KAIROS unites Canadian churches and religious organizations in a faithful ecumenical response to the call to "do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God" Micah 6:8
<https://www.kairoscanada.org/>

This photograph from Anita Omberbasic

A presentation at St. Matthew's about this mission is being planned. **Stay tuned for details!**

A Note from Glenda



Hello everyone. I just wanted to take a few moments to share with you about one of my outreach ministries, “Feeding Windsor”, in which I am involved on a weekly basis. Feeding Windsor was launched in 2014 by my friend, Roger Fordham. Roger’s goal at that time, as it continues to be now, is “to serve people in our community who are struggling with issues of food insecurity, as a result of living in poverty and isolation”. The program (mainly preparing and serving meals) saw its beginnings in partnership with St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church in the heart of downtown Windsor. With the eventual closure of St. Andrew’s in 2017, a new partnership was formed with New Song Church, Windsor.

In keeping with Roger’s philosophy of building community, the working poor, single parents and their children, and isolated seniors are nourished, breaking bread together within their own communities. Thus, breakfasts, lunches and community suppers are served at various locations throughout the city, 4-5 days per week. In the first year of the program’s existence (2014), 12,000 meals were served; last year, 200,000 meals were served! There are currently 13 community dining centres across the city church halls included such as St. John’s Anglican. Besides free meals, there are also “Lunch Clubs” whereby low-income people pay \$20.00 per month for 25 lunches, and, the “Food Club”, where low-income people can purchase food staples at discounted prices. The Food Club, along with a Pet Food Bank, are located at the New Song Church location.

Feeding Windsor is funded by donations provided by individuals, businesses and churches throughout Windsor-Essex. Completely volunteer based, opportunities are provided for community members to volunteer their skills and services. Training opportunities are also offered to those facing severe barriers to employment. Participants are referred by community organizations and upon training completion, they are offered assistance in finding paid employment in the food services industry.

[For more information on Feeding Windsor, please view a ‘7’ minute video on ‘YouTube’.]

*I wish to take this opportunity to wish you and your family
a truly Merry and Blessed Christmas, and the best in 2020.
~ Glenda*



Second Wednesday Worship

Join us for an informal evening service of music, scripture and prayer on the **second Wednesday of every month, at 7pm.**

This is a perfect opportunity to invite friends and neighbours!

Our next service is scheduled for: January 8, 2020

Rev'd Cathy's Corner

Angel Tree Christmas— This year folks from St. Matthew's and some friends have sponsored 17 children in our local area and in Saskatchewan with a gift from an inmate within the prison system in various parts of Canada. This is almost 3 times the number that we sponsored last year. I discovered that we can use donated money to provide gifts at a distance. A gift card is used and delivered by mail to the caregiver to purchase the gift or let the child buy their own gift. One of the caregivers I spoke to knew about the programme and she was willing to do what needed to be done for the children. She had even discussed the gifts with the inmate. Their gratitude was palpable. Although at times it is difficult to make contact, it is a wonderful ministry opportunity offered by Prison Ministry Canada.

Food for the Hungry— It has been pointed out to the Parish Council that students at the University are in need for food products. The government has cut back on student loans and often food is the last thing on their list for purchasing. Canterbury College operates a food cupboard. The Council agreed that the items collected so far this quarter would be taken to that Food cupboard for the students to utilize in the winter term.

Marlborough and Detention Centre Ministries— These ministries are going along smoothly with a busy 8 groups of folks doing the cooking. We have new ministers for both of these outreach activities.

A huge THANK-YOU to everyone who has contributed with time, talent, practical items, and resources to support our outreach to those who are largely forgotten or ignored by our society.

Outreach Update



A bountiful Thanksgiving display provided a van—full load of food for our local food banks this fall, as shown in the photos above.

Our Children's Aid Society Christmas Tree gradually lost all of its wish-list ornaments, returned by our congregation with the corresponding gifts, a few days later (photos, left).

Photography by Gordon Drake and Irene Savva

This season, please remember Hiatus House, the Southwest Detention Centre, and our Food Cupboard. Thank you!

A Special Dedication

St. Matthew's own Anya Laurence (pictured, right) has just had a new piece of music dedicated to her: **"The Last Dance"**, by prolific American composer Eugénie Rocherolle (see below). This is not the first time Anya has been so honored; several years ago, the American composer Mana-Zucca, composer of the famous song, "I Love Life" dedicated a virtuoso piano piece to Anya, which she often played in concert.



Photo from St. Matthew's archives



Eugénie Rocherolle was born in New Orleans in 1936. She graduated from St. Martin's Episcopal School and obtained a BA in music from the Newcomb College of Tulane University. She very successfully released her first piano solo collection in 1978 and was soon recognized as one of the leading American composers of piano repertoire. Throughout her career she has composed works for solo voice, chorus, and orchestra, musical theater, as well as chamber music for a variety of instruments.

Facts from: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eugénie_Rocherolle
 Photo provided by Anya Laurence

Advent Soup Luncheons

Another successful fundraiser was held every Sunday in Advent After the 10:00 am service in the church hall



Photo from Gordon Drake

Parishioners and friends enjoyed delicious donated homemade soups and breads, and shared a special time of fellowship!

All proceeds from the free will offering will go to The Ministry of The Council of the North

This Little Light of Mine

YOUTH @ ST. M'S

KIDZ CHURCH MINISTRY

Hi Everybody =^..^= Just Checking In with some news!

We **love** our Kidz Church and we are learning lots of awesome things about God and Jesus and all the Bible people. Over the past few weeks, we have been learning a lot about 'hope' and about 'John the Baptist' and about 'waiting patiently' for Jesus' birthday. Also, we each take a turn to pray for people who need us to pray for them.....like homeless people and like kids in our class at school who may be feeling sad or all alone.....and we pray for 'you', too. Sometimes, Ms. Carol brings her guitar and we sing along with the guitar. Ms. Joanna and Ms. Mary Grace are awesome 'singer leaders' too. The song we are singing lately is called "Light One Candle.....for hope, for peace, for love.....it's an Advent thing. We now have WiFi in our Kidz Church space.....YEA!!!! This means that sometimes we can watch a Bible video on a Tablet.....not a tablet like Moses' tablet.....more like an iPad kind of tablet.

Of course, just like in an adult's life, things don't always stay the same..... even if it's just for a short time. Well, like we told you in our last newsletter, we have three awesome leaders: Ms. Mary Grace, Ms. Carol and Ms. Joanna. Well, Ms. Mary Grace has to leave us for four whole months because she has a lot of teaching to do at the university and she is acting in a play. We 'were' worried about not having enough leaders and said some big-time prayers to God. Next thing we knew, Reverend Glenda told Ms. Carol that she would LOVE to help us out. We are sooooo happy and she has been 'in training' for the last few Sundays. But guess what? We get to be like "MEGA happy" because we just found out that at St. Matthew's parish Christmas party, Ms. Karen said she would be a leader too and Ms. Louise wants to be her Grandmentor (cuz they did this awesome kidz stuff together a few years ago and had lots of fun.) Still, we will miss Ms. Mary Grace.....BUT, she will be back in May. YEA!!!

Well, have to go now, but not without wishing our awesome St. Matthew's family a
BIG "Merry Christmas" and a BIG "Happy New Year"

from ALL OF US at KIDZ CHURCH

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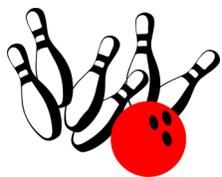
Photo left: Rev'd Glenda and Alexis sharing a fun moment at Kidz Church.



Photo right: Lighting of the Advent wreath, Second Sunday of Advent.

Photography by Carol Caverzan and Gordon Drake

All are welcome! To the Deanery hosted, **Family Bowling & Pizza Party**



Sunday January 5, 2020 2:00pm Rose Bowl Lanes, 2482 Dougall Ave.

RSVP with names, ages and name of parish by December 22 to

Cynthia Connell at cynthiaconnell2@gmail.com

or text 519 981 9603

Please bring a donation of canned fruit or veggies, pasta sauce, peanut butter or hot cereal for the Campus Food Bank

Celebrating this season:

Birthdays

December

- 11 – Iris Marie Donlon
- 13 – Maddie Hancock
- 14 – Carol Bulley
- 14 – Patty Paraschak
- 16 – Andy Hahn
- 21 – Linda Boyd
- 22 – Sarah Henderson
- 22 – Irene Paraschak
- 25 – Mike Herrington
- 27 – Helen Cahill
- 28 – Cory Yednoroz

January

- 1 – Dora Donlon
- 10 – Linda McDonald
- 13 – Sabrina Weir
- 13 – Carol Caverzan
- 15 – Jessica Hitchcock
- 18 – Mary Davis
- 18 – Jennifer Hitchcock
- 27 – Max Hahn
- 28 – Sophia Savva
- 29 – Nicole McCabe
- 30 – Ella Hahn
- 31 – Erica Rossi

February

- 1 – Ann Hucal
- 1 – Kim MacKendrick
- 6 – Isabella Chantler
- 6 – Jennifer Goldspink
- 8 – Darren Bernard
- 12 – Mark Bernard
- 14 – Anya Laurence-Thiel
- 18 – Nadia Taqtaq
- 22 – Elissa Weir
- 25 – Edwin Levergood
- 26 – Neil Cowley
- 27 – Stephanie Allsop
- 28 – Dorothy Knappett

Anniversaries

December

- 21 – Scott & Laurie Ritchie

February

- 5 – Bill & Ginny McAdam

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

10th Annual Potluck and Talent Show— Saturday, January 25, 2020; dinner at 5 pm. Come on out if you have a talent you would like to share: Performing Arts, Crafts, Cooking or if you just like eating well and good entertainment. Stay tuned for more information soon. Contact: John Rossi or Jen McAlpine.

Annual Vestry Meeting— Sunday, February 2, 2020 in the Parish Hall, immediately following the 10 am service. Stay involved, stay informed.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper!— Tuesday February 25, 2020; 4:00-7:00 PM. Mark your calendars to volunteer, bring your family, and invite friends to the best pancake supper in town: pancakes, sausages, bacon, desserts and drinks.

Ash Wednesday— Holy Eucharist with the imposition of ashes. Wednesday, February 26, 2020; 7:00 PM.

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 Friday, January 3, 2020 Richard Hucal

News from the Pews:

We hope to hear from you soon!



The St. Matthew's English as a Second Language (ESL) class celebrated the end of the term with a Christmas potluck party. There was a delicious variety of savoury and sweet Chinese and Western style dishes. All the teachers and helpers were presented with beautifully framed Bible quotes in English and Chinese. Classes will resume in January.

Photos by Irene Savva



Chrismon on front page from the St. Matthew's collection.

Photo by Gordon Drake



This year's Parish Christmas party took place on Saturday December 14 at the home of Steve and Alisa Yednoroz. It was a joyful celebration with hors d'oeuvres, desserts, carol singing and fellowship.

Photos by Doug Warford



Stay tuned for Gordon Drake's article on his and his wife Mary Lou's recent trip to China and Egypt, in the next issue of *The Journey*

Photos by Gordon Drake



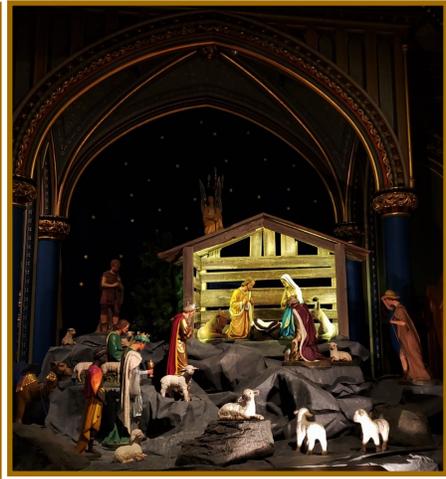
Thank you all for your contributions, please keep submitting them to Sue Bernard, Irene Savva or send to irene.savva3691@gmail.com. Any milestones? Submit a photo for publication! Also, let us know of any updates needed on the birthday and anniversary page; **we apologize for any mistakes or omissions.**

"I bring you good news of great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord" Luke 2:10-11



Left: Church of the Nativity; Bethlehem, in the West Bank.

Photographs by The Rev'd Andreas Thiel

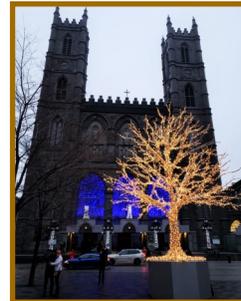


Right: Notre-Dame Basilica; Old Montreal, in Montreal, Quebec.

Photographs by Sophia Savva



A Blessed Christmas to All!



Everybody is Welcome!

Sunday Services:

8:30 am & 10:00 am

Kidz Church at 10:00 am

Services at Huron Lodge:

Holy Eucharist:

1st Tuesday of the month 11:00 am

Praise and Prayer:

3rd Sunday of the month 2:00 pm

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Check out "The Journey" in full colour and our Facebook page 