

# The Parish In Print

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## THE CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING

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### Weekly Services

Holy Communion	8:30 a.m.	Every Sunday
	10:30 a.m.	1st & 3rd Sunday
Morning Prayer & Sunday School	10:30 a.m.	2nd & 4th Sunday
Holy Communion & Coffee	10:30 a.m.	Wednesdays

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## **Parish Calendar**

### **November**

Friday 27 7:00 p.m. **Pub Night**

### **ADVENT BEGINS**

Sunday 29 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion  
10:30 a.m. Modern Morning Prayer

### **December**

Sunday 6 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion  
10:30 a.m. **Choir's Christmas Presentation  
& Candle Lighting**

Wednesday 9 11:00 a.m. **Seniors' Christmas Communion  
& Luncheon**

Friday 11 7:30 p.m. **Queensmen Concert**

Sunday 13 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion  
**Archbishop Colin Johnson –  
Guest Preacher**

Monday 14 12 Noon **ACW Christmas Luncheon**

Sunday 20 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion

### **CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

**Thursday 24 4:30 p.m. Family Christmas Eve Service  
7:30 p.m. Carols & Holy Communion**

**Friday 25 10:30 a.m. Christmas Holy Communion**

Sunday 27 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion  
10:30 a.m. Modern Morning Prayer

### **January**

Sunday 3 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion

Sunday 11 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion  
10:30 a.m. Modern Morning Prayer

**DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2010**

## Words From the Wardens

As we continue to enjoy our Fiftieth Anniversary year, the activities just keep rolling along. We have enjoyed several guest speakers and look forward to The Rev. Bob Grisdale this month and Archbishop Colin Johnson in December. What fun it has been to hear reminiscences of the past as well as welcoming old friends.

This fall has been very busy with several special events; the welcome back barbeque, book sale, Halloween party, Beat the Bounds and most recently a successful Christmas Bazaar. We can't begin to thank all those who have helped with the organization and carrying out of these activities.

Meeting our diocesan commitment is always a challenge but with the funds from the above activities as well as the wonderful return on the toonie tins and penny jars, we keep chipping away at the deficit. We are most grateful for your continuing support.

Now we're looking forward to Pub Night on November 27<sup>th</sup> and all the activities surrounding the Christmas Celebrations.

May we wish you all a very Happy, Safe and Blessed Christmas.

Jane Anderson – Rector's Warden  
Susan Akelaitis – Deputy Warden

Nancy Lou Farrell – People's Warden  
Lewis Genge – Deputy Warden

## World Wide Candle Lighting

This candle lighting is sponsored by "The Compassionate Friends" which is a non-profit self-help bereavement organization with 600 chapters in the U.S. and a national presence in nearly 30 countries around the world. The candle lighting takes place around the world on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of December. (At Christ the King on the first Sunday of December.) It is in remembrance of all children who have died no matter their age or the cause of death.

**On December 6<sup>th</sup>**, prior to the 10:30 service, candles will be lit by those parishioners who have lost a child. If you wish to participate, please let us know by leaving your name with Phyllis in the church office. We want to ensure that we have enough candles available for this special time of candle lighting

## Pastoral Care

Jackie Betts

We are anxious to keep in touch with seniors and shut-ins. If you can assist us by calling or visiting some of these parishioners, please contact me at 905-625-7695 or the Church Office (416-621-3630).

Also, please let us know if you are interested in being called or visited.

## Outreach

Carolyn Fredenburg, Chairperson

Others on the Outreach Committee are Jo Beard, Dorothy Elliott and Wendy Edgett. The committee met earlier this month to discuss the church's present outreach and what we might look at for the future.

A number of outreach projects are now happening. The Anglican Church Women supports Moorelands, contributed to Sleeping Children Around the World and the Ronnie Fund. One of our parishioners provides Christmas gifts to the Etobicoke Girls' Residence. Members of the congregation regularly bring items for the Food Basket at St. James United Church. The shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child were well supported by the congregation.

The committee felt the best way to help would be to highlight these activities and also the Out of the Cold Program at St. Matthew's Church. A list of the items needed by St. Matthew's has been updated and this list has been posted for our congregation. During the next few weeks we will publicize and focus on Out of the Cold in order to help people to remember. Christ the King will be supplying lunches on December 27. We need 20 boxes of apple juice and 20 mandarin oranges.

If anyone would like to visit St. Matthew's they are welcome to come on a Sunday afternoon as they begin to set up at 3 p.m. and guests arrive around 5 p.m.

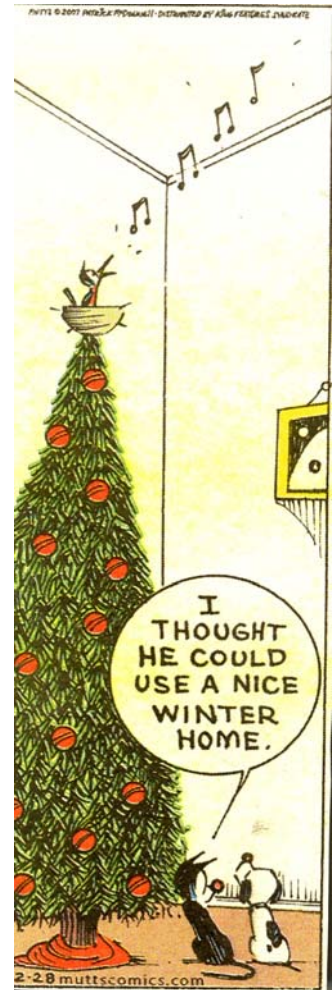
In addition to St. James Food Basket, Central Etobicoke Emergency Services also operates a food bank at Westway United Church, which is open five days a week and urgently needs supplies.

**December 6** has been designated **Out of the Cold Sunday**. Gifts will be collected and delivered to St. Matthews that afternoon. Of course, items can be placed in the bins in the Narthex at any time.

## Deck The Halls

We have the boughs and the Chancel Guild is ready to decorate the church on November 28<sup>th</sup>. It is a lot of work but we have a good time. Without our husbands, we couldn't do it. We try our best to make the church beautiful and were delighted that a photo of the church, decorated for Christmas in 2008, was used on this year's special Christmas cards. Many thanks to Fran Corkill who fetches the poinsettias every year.

We are always looking for new members. Anyone who would like to join the Chancel Guild would be warmly welcomed.



## Anglican Church Women

Vivien Brannen

A successful book, scarf and purse sale was held October 24. Thanks to all who helped with this event. We earned \$771. We have requested the unsold books be retained until the spring.

Through the efforts of Sue Moran, over \$100 was made by the sale of Christmas Angels supplied by Avon. Forty-five Church Calendars have been sold. Thank you Fran! A cheque for \$1,200 was given to the Wardens to help with the deficit.

The ACW Christmas Luncheon is December 14th at 12 noon at Tucker's Marketplace, 15 Carlson Court. If planning to attend please sign the list on the bulletin board. All ladies involved in church activities are invited to attend.

The date of the card party has been changed to February 9, 2010. Plans are being made to host the World Day of Prayer at Christ the King on March 5th, 2010.

## From the Choir Director

William Goedvolk

We often comment at how time rushes by and this is so true when we realize that Christmas is just around the corner. Soon we will sing all the familiar Carols that make Christmas real. They remind us afresh of the wonder of Christ's birth and His message of hope to all mankind.

The Choir has been preparing for our Christmas Special entitled "King of Kings." It will be presented on Sunday morning December 6<sup>th</sup> at the 10.30 a.m. service. We would invite you, together with your family and friends, to join us as we celebrate the birth of the Christ Child.

I would also like to extend a very sincere word of thanks to our Choir for the commitment and sacrifice they make week by week. Music is a vital part of worship. It is not only supportive but is a unique ministry that speaks to us all in various ways. It is my prayer that all of our choir members will in turn receive a rich blessing as they use their talents in Christ's service.

As is my custom, I would like to extend an invitation to anyone who would consider joining us. We are always in need of additional voices and you would be more than welcome to be part of our Choir. We meet every Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. in the Church. You also have the option of being either a full-time or part-time Choir member. If you are interested please talk to me after the service or give me a call at (905) 848-3538.



## Little Things Mean a Lot

It is interesting how little things can add up. Two of our simple money savers have produced very nice returns for the church finances.

Penny Jars are found at both doors inside the church. Many people drop in their spare pennies and coins, especially if they have a penny jar at home and don't know what to do with all the pennies. Well, you don't have to wrap them. Just drop them in loose and we will take care of them. Earlier this year the jars were emptied and contained \$200. Recently, they were emptied again and another \$71 was collected.

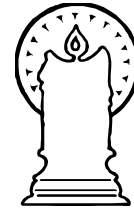
The other is the Toonie Tin program. Many people are using the Toonie Tins throughout the year and especially for the summer months when church attendance drops off. Drop in your spare Loonies and Toonies when you empty your purse or pockets each day. For many years this has brought in \$2,000 to \$3,000, which is a welcome addition to the bank account. This year they brought in over \$2,300.

Toonie Tins are available at both entrances to the church. Contributions are recorded and appear on your tax receipt for donations.

## Liturgical Colours

Thanks to John Corkill

The church year begins with Advent. Advent is comprised of the four weeks (beginning on the Sunday) leading up to Christmas. The colour of advent is traditionally purple (royalty) or an indigo blue (for the Blessed Virgin Mary). It is a season of preparation, anticipation and royalty as we await the birth of the Christ Child, God's Son and the King of Heaven, and we prepare ourselves to servants of the Lord, as Mary offered herself up in service to God. Symbols of Advent include the Rose of Mary, clouds, on which the King would come, crowns, angels and candles. Readings include the prophecies of Isaiah, John the Baptist, the annunciation of Mary (Gabriel's visit to Mary) and of Joseph, and some apocalyptic readings about the second coming of Christ.



Christmas and Epiphany celebrate the birth of Jesus, and the recognition of the Christ Child as the Messiah by the wisemen from the East. The colour for this season is white or gold, symbolizing royalty, riches, celebration, divine light and purity. Symbols include stars and crowns.

## Christmas Card Project

No doubt you have seen our beautiful Church Christmas Card. This was a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Project taken on by June Fountain and a small team of helpers. On the front of the card is a photo of our church taken at Christmas 2008. June arranged to have 800 cards produced and all have been sold. The parish will receive \$600 from the project. Just think – a photo of our church will be landing in mailboxes around the world !!!

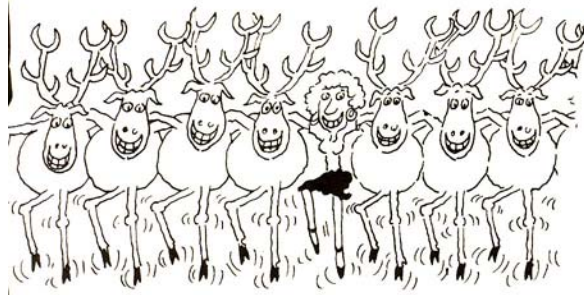
# *King of Kings*

*The Choir's Christmas Presentation*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2009

10:30 A.M.

A CELEBRATION OF THE BIRTH  
OF THE CHRIST CHILD



**Christ the King Rockettes**

## **Report on Learning Opportunities**

### **Linens and Things**

The members of the Chancel Guild, and other curious ladies, gathered in the Narthex to watch Rev. John fold purificators so they resemble chickens. Donna Withers refused to let Rev. John mess up the purificators so he ran home and grabbed all his handkerchiefs. Each of us took a handkerchief, followed instructions and created a chicken. We were ever so pleased. Rev. John now has a drawer full of chickens. Turning water into wine didn't turn out so well. The water changed colour but was not drinkable. (It looked like motor oil.) As for walking on water, Rev. John said he walked on water all summer (like the rest of us) and he wasn't interested in continuing to do so. Everyone had a good time and we ended the evening with a Wine & Cheese Party. Handel joined us for cheese.

### **A Touch of Scotland**

The choir and a large group of parishioners went into the church to sing. The choir, who gives William a hard time occasionally, didn't want to hear him play the bagpipes. But William, being William, got out his bagpipes and played anyhow. He played "Amazing Grace" which he dedicated to Phyllis and Marilyn. (Unfortunately, neither lady was impressed.) Jim Elliott, our special guest, came forward with two swords. He demonstrated how to dance a proper Scottish Sword Dance and he received a huge round of applause. A little while later, those who brought their bagpipes joined together and played Scottish songs well into the night. The rest of us sang along. The music session ended when the neighbours lodged a complaint. A jolly time was had by all, except for Handel who was seen running down the hall wearing earmuffs.

### **First Aid For Sidespeople**

A large group of parishioners came to hear Dr. John Bedell speak on a number of medical subjects. The Minor Surgery segment was quite short as no one volunteered to have his or her tonsils and appendix removed. (It's hard to find volunteers these days.) Everyone was very interested in Advanced C.P.R. and took turns practicing on each other. Fortunately no one went home with broken ribs. Basic Midwifery was of great interest to the women of the parish but the men left to have coffee, which was no surprise to anyone. It was a great evening and we are now ready for any emergency. Before we left for home, Dr. Bedell had everyone line up for a flu shot. Even Handel joined the line-up. He said it would save him a trip to the Vet.

### **Gospel Band**

May Hiscocks, wearing her drum majorette costume, got the band in a dancing mood. She made them "Dance the Bounds" while playing a musical instrument. By the end of the evening the band, and other parishioners who joined in, got the hang of it. May was so impressed with the progress that she plans to teach the band how to march. Christ the King will then have a Marching Band. (This could develop into a fund-raising project.) At the end of the evening May was seen measuring Handel's feet and muttering something about tap shoes and River Dance.

### **Health & Safety**

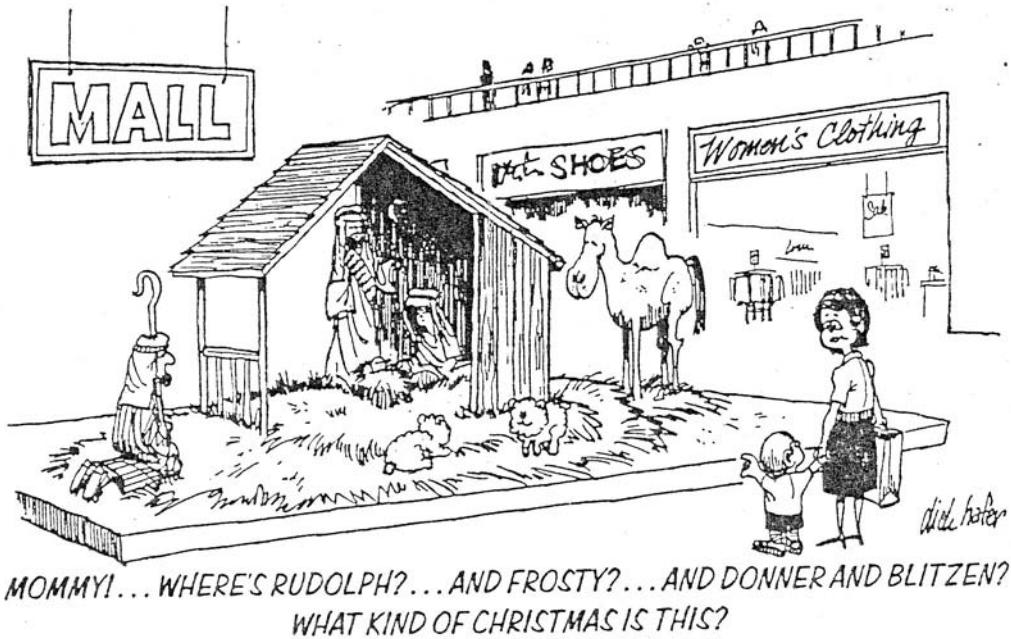
All officials of the Diocese, plus many parishioners, arrived for Bruce Bagley's course on "How to Make Your Church Safe" and "Safety at Home". The people from the Diocese were very keen and brought along a large supply of notebooks. A few years ago, the Diocese mandated that every church be made safe but they had no idea as to how to go about it. Bruce taught them everything they need to know and the course was a great success. In fact, the Diocese was so pleased that they made Bruce an Honorary Bishop. Handel says that Bruce's name must be included when we pray for the clergy.

### **Bookkeeping for Dummies**

When our Chartered Accountant, John Corkill, arrived at the church, he had to plough his way through a capacity crowd and had difficulty reaching the podium. In order to cover all the material, the course was extended to a week. (Rome and Accountants are not built in a day.) On the last day of the course all students were given a simple set of bookkeeping records and were asked to prepare a trial balance, profit and loss statement and balance sheet. John will likely spend the next six months marking exam papers. He was heard to say that Handel is a very smart mouse and will likely pass at the top of the class.

*P.S. Several jars of beans were left at the church. If any belong to you, please retrieve them.*





### A Few Thoughts, Etc.

The lovely thing about Christmas is that it's compulsory, like a thunderstorm, and we all go through it together.

No matter how carefully you stored the lights last year, they will be snarled again this Christmas.

Fatherhood is pretending the present you love most is soap-on-a-rope.

Two kids are on their way to Sunday School when one says to the other, "What do you think about this Satan stuff?" The other kid replies, "Well, you remember Santa? This could turn out to be your dad, too."

In a nutshell, loving someone is about giving, not receiving.

Faith is the voice in the back of your head that tells you to listen to the voice in the back of your head.

Santa has the right idea. Visit people just once a year, and you'll always be welcome.

One Sunday morning one of our parishioners got into his car to drive to church, a warning light appeared on the dashboard. Glancing at the read-out, he chuckled at what it said, "Time for service."

Due to the recession, to save on energy costs, the light at the end of the tunnel will be turned off.  
Signed, God.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Queensmen</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>In Concert</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>At The Church of Christ the King</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>7:30 p.m.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tickets \$15.00 p.p.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Come and Hear this Well-Known Choir !!!</b></p>
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### **From the Church Newsletter of August 1966**

Musical history notes the first organ in Canada dates from 1657, although no document exists to prove this. The Jesuits refer to an organ being played at Carnival, Quebec in 1661. This is rather significant, not only in Canadian history, but also in all North America musical history; there is no record of an organ in the United States until about 1700. The first known organist was Jean-Baptiste Poitiers du Buisson (1645-1727), a native of France who took over the post at Notre Dame in Montreal at the age of sixty. He received no salary, but, from time to time, got an arbitrary sum of money or goods depending on the monetary wealth of the parish. The man who followed him did quite well - he got an annual salary of an overcoat and a jacket.

The first composition in Canada, which has been preserved, was written by Charles-Amador Martin (1648=1711) who became a canon of the Quebec cathedral. It was a piece of plain-chant written in celebration of the Holy Family.

Certain dominations fared poorly in the field of church music. In a Baptist Church in Saint John, N.B., the deacons objected to what they called dance music in the church, but at long last the pastor was prevailed upon to let the choir sing a "copper tune" during the collection. In the same city, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Kirk permitted no organ until 1867. Next year will see the International Congress of Organists in session in churches of all kinds, with organs, "copper tunes", and much more - Canadian Church Music has grown with Canada in the past 100 years.

**IT'S PUB NIGHT !!!!!**

**At "THE KING & FIRKIN"  
(The Church of Christ the King)**

**Friday, November 27, 2009**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Adults: \$20.00 Youth: \$10.00**

(Includes one British, Italian or Canadian "Pub Grub"  
and 1 Non-Alcoholic Drink)

**Beer & Wine: \$4.00**

**Pub Games, Entertainment, Singing & Dancing**

**For Tickets: Call Art Lepper at 416-621-6189**



**How long has it been shaking like a bowl full of jelly when you laugh?**