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In first charge to Algoma

Bishop Nock pays moving tribute to his predecessor at beginning of Synod

At the very beginning of his charge to Synod '76, Bishop Nock paid a warm tribute to the Most Rev. William L. Wright:

"This is my first Charge as your new Bishop, and it has been difficult to restrain my pen as so many issues have crowded upon me which demand consideration. But I would be completely remiss if I did not first of all recall with gratitude the episcopate of my immediate predecessor, the Most Reverend William Lockridge Wright, D.D., D.C.L., LL.D., 30 years and three months bishop of this diocese, and 19 years Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario.

"From every point of view, Archbishop Wright made a significant contribution during his long episcopate, to the life of the Church in this diocese, nationally and internationally. Under his leadership as Diocesan, Algoma

flourished and became self-supporting, and witnessed much growth and expansion. His spiritual depth and his joy in the faith were a great inspiration to his clergy and people, and he was much sought after as a counsellor.

"As Metropolitan of Ontario, he guided the seven dioceses under his care throughout vast changes with great wisdom. As Acting Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, his kindly and deep love for people helped to bridge a difficult period of transition between the primacy of Archbishop Howard Clark and the primacy of Archbishop Edward Scott. As an active executive member of the World Council of Churches, Archbishop Wright brought a broad view of ecumenism in its best sense to the deliberations of this tremendously significant organization in the life of the world wide church.

"In expressing our gratitude to him, we also express our gratitude to his wife, Margaret. In spite of the responsibilities of raising a fine family of four children and managing Bishopurst, which is no small bungalow, Mrs. Wright made her own distinctive contribution to our Diocese, and the church beyond and upheld the Archbishop with great devotion during his busy episcopacy.

"We thank God for sending us William Lockridge Wright, and sustaining him as our Father-in-God from 1944 to 1974, and we wish for him and his wife a happy and satisfying retirement."

When Bishop Nock concluded these remarks, he presented Archbishop Wright to the Synod, and there was prolonged applause and a standing ovation for several minutes.

Epiphany, Sudbury

Special Lenten program

The observance of Lent at the Church of the Epiphany in Sudbury proved to be a stimulating and challenging experience for all who took part. The general theme of the season was "Christianity in the Contemporary Society".

With this theme in mind, the Eucharist was celebrated several times each week, with a very encouraging response. In addition to the established Wednesday morning and evening celebrations, there was one at noon on Thursday for business people, and another on Saturday evening for those who found it difficult or impossible to be present on Sunday. Both these new times of worship will continue as a part of the parish life of the Church of the Epiphany.

The Sunday sermons during Lent were directed towards a consideration of the Christian's responsibilities in some of the fields of human activity — the professions, business, labour, politics, and the world-at-large.

Mid-week studies took as their focus, some of the social issues of the day—sexual relationships, marriage, divorce, work, employment and leisure, the acquisition and use of money, betting and gambling, euthanasia, abortion, death and dying. In each case, the Christian's attitude to the issue was explored. Those participating in the program have asked that a similar series be conducted in the fall of 1976.

In addition to the traditional services of Holy Week, Good Friday afternoon saw a dramatic presentation in

the Church entitled, "Watchers at the Cross". The script was written by the clergy of the parish, and consisted of a series of monologues by some of the characters present at or involved in the crucifixion. These were placed within a framework of prayers and readings with an opportunity for meditation. Those taking part were Caiaphas (Mr. Michael Solomon), Pilate (Mr. W. J. P. Thompson), Judas Iscariot (the Rev. M. C. Eldred, Curate), St. Peter (Mr. Frank Mason), St. Mary Magdalene (Mrs. Barbara Bolton), and the Roman centurion (the Rev. E. B. Paterson, Rector). Prayers were read by the Rev. Dr. Frank Peake, Honorary Assistant, and the organist was Mr. Larry Blatchford.

INSIDE

The ALGOMA ANGLICAN is pleased to present a preliminary report of Algoma Synod '76 along with some pictures. Some of the material will be left over until next month, and there will be some excellent photos by the ALGOMA ANGLICAN'S roving photographer, the Rev. Reg Inshaw.

On page 7A, read of the GA Festival held in Haileybury during April of this year. This edition contains the written report, and the summer issue will contain some photos of the event. They arrived too late to be included in this edition.



Courtesy of the Sault Star

Algoma's 27th Synod in session at the Sault from May 3-5

Here delegates to the Synod sessions hear the Ven. David A. P. Smith, Archdeacon of Temiskaming, and Rector of St. Brice's in North Bay, speak on one of the issues before the gathering. At the presiding table, from the front of the picture, are the following: the Very Rev. I. Lawrence Robertson (Dean of Algoma, and Rector of St. Luke's Cathedral); Mr. D. Lawson (Chancellor of the Diocese); the Rt. Rev. Frank F. Nock (Bishop of Algoma); the Rev. H. G. Phillips (Clerical Secretary of Synod); Mr. Din Oosterbaan (Secretary-Treasurer of Algoma); and Mr. J. Littlefield (Lay Secretary of Synod). For further stories, see pages 2A, 3A, 4A, and 5A.

EDITORIALS**Thank you, Bishop Nock**

Instead of mentioning the following excerpt from Bishop Nock's Charge as a news item, we would like to comment upon it editorially:

"The ALGOMA ANGLICAN continues to be a publication of vitality and interest and is widely read throughout the Diocese. The vitality of the ALGOMA ANGLICAN is due in no small measure to our Editor, the Rev. Roger W. McCombe. While Fr. McCombe is no longer resident in our Diocese and is bringing a breath of fresh Algoma air to Huron Diocese, we are grateful to him for placing his skilled journalistic expertise at our disposal."

May we first of all thank the Bishop of Algoma for his all-too-gracious compliment. We would like to think that it is all true, but we would be remiss if we did not point out that any diocesan paper is only as successful as the contribution of its correspondents and readers. You people in the vast Diocese of Algoma have made and are making the ALGOMA ANGLICAN what it is. We only put it together each month.

Algoma Synod '76 also accepted the report of the ALGOMA ANGLICAN Standing Committee, which recommended that "Fr. McCombe's contract as Editor of the ALGOMA ANGLICAN continue until Synod, 1978". May we thank the Synod for that vote of confidence, and we will try to continue to produce a diocesan paper, which will be something of pride for the Diocese of Algoma in terms of format and content.

In terms of format, we are also pleased that the Synod saw fit to endorse the Committee's recommendation that the ALGOMA ANGLICAN continue to be published at Charters Publishing Company in Brampton. The Editor has developed a very workable and pleasant relationship with that company, and has learned to respect and follow their judgment. The Editor also approves of the quality evident in papers published at Charters.

Let us close by an appeal to those parishes, which do not seem to be represented in the pages of the ALGOMA ANGLICAN. Appoint a parish correspondent (and photographer), who will send a monthly report of significant events, which could be of interest to the rest of the 'family' in the Diocese.

To those future correspondents and the present ones, let us remind you of that pesky deadline. We must have the material on the Editor's desk by the tenth of each month in order to be included in the following month's paper.

In case it appears that being the Editor is the easiest job in the world, this self-centred editorial will end on the following note:

THE JOYS OF BEING AN EDITOR

Getting out this paper is no picnic.

If we print jokes, people say we are silly.

If we don't they say we are too serious.

If we clip items from another paper,

we are too lazy to write.

If we don't, we are stuck with our own stuff.

If we omit news that we're never told about,

we should have picked it up from local newspapers.

If we print news about anyone who reports it to us

more than once, we are showing favoritism.

If we don't print contributions, we don't appreciate true genius.

If we do print them, the paper is filled with junk.

If we make a change in other fellow's write-up, we are too critical.

If we don't, we are asleep.

Now, like it or not, some guy will say we swiped this from some other newspaper.

... we did!

RWM

Algoma Synod 1976

The Editor of the ALGOMA ANGLICAN could not be present at the Synod held in the Sault in early May. However, reports, pictures, and letters have been arriving on our desk, which indicate that the opinion expressed on this page by Bishop Nock in the "Bishop's Letter" is an analysis which is widely shared.

The pictures we have received along with the reports exhibit proof that it was a really warm and family-type Synod, with real evidence of the Holy Spirit in the expressed and experienced love and charity among the delegates, clerical and lay.

It seems that Bishop Nock can take courage in the whole experience that his vision (expressed in his Charge) is becoming a reality:

"My vision of the Diocese is that we are a family—bishop, clergy and laity—committed to Christ. Each member has his or her own function within the family and no one function is more important than another. It is my hope that this spirit of mutual trust, mutual fellowship, mutual love and mutual responsibility will mark the life of this Diocese during my episcopate."

It seems that Bishop Nock has a dream. If our reports are any indication, this Synod showed that God is beginning to show him his dream.

RWM

The bishop's letter**Synod '76 — in retrospect**

My dear fellow Anglicans:

I am writing this letter in Sudbury, where I am present for Confirmations, three days after our Diocesan Synod 1976. In it, I would like to share briefly with you some personal reflections about the Synod. I hope that your delegates have reported back to you and have given you their impressions. I leave the major actions of Synod to be described elsewhere in the ALGOMA ANGLICAN.

While I could be accused of being partial in my reflections, one impression was that it was a happy Synod. It was happy because love, goodwill, understanding, and good humour abounded. Even in very sensitive areas such as the debate regarding "the Ordination of Women to the Priesthood", there was no evidence of harshness or rancour. The views of both sides were respected and given a fair hearing.

I was also impressed with the fellowship which blossomed throughout the Synod. The geographical dimensions of our Diocese—from Muskoka to Thunder Bay and from the Manitoulin Island to Charlton—present a problem in this regard. But the intermingling of clergy and lay delegates, which began at the reception on Sunday evening at Bishophurst, increased during the days of Synod, and I am sure that we were all enriched by the experience and that the corporate life of our diocese has been strengthened. Such a growth of fellowship is all the more remarkable as 68 of the lay delegates were in attendance for the first time.

The attention given to the agenda was also a significant fact. The sessions were consistent in attendance and it

was one of the rare Synods where the presence of the members did not drop markedly during the final session. For this sincere attention to business, I offer my thanks to the clergy and lay delegates.

Perhaps my most significant impression was the spiritual depth of the Synod. This was evident in the full attendance at the three Eucharists. But what was much more moving to me, was the sincere devotion of the members as they joined together in the central act of the Church's worship. For me, the Eucharists were services of great beauty and joy, and I am sure, they undergirded all our work at Synod.

I am looking forward to our Theological Synod of 1977, when we will have time to consider matters of

Christian Doctrine as well as the application of our Christian Faith to the moral and ethical issues which face us in our world today. Preparation and materials for this Synod will begin soon, and I hope that during the coming months the delegates will be diligent in doing "their homework" in their deaneries and parishes. If we do our homework, it promises to be a fruitful Synod.

My thanks to all the members for making my first Synod a happy and memorable experience. I thank God for it.

Your friend
and bishop,

Frank: Algoma

The bishop's itinerary**June**

19 All Saints', White River

20 St. Paul's, Wawa (11 a.m.)

St. John's, Chapleau (Confirmation and Eucharist, 7 p.m.)

21-24 Thunder Bay Deanery East (formerly Superior)

28 Meeting with several of the Ontario Bishops and the Deans of Divinity from Huron, Wycliffe, and Trinity Colleges

July

4-6 Camp Gitchigomee, Thunder Bay

7 Missinabie (Confirmation and Eucharist, 7:30 p.m.)

8 St. John's, Biscotasing (Eucharist, 7 p.m.)

9 St. Andrew's, Ramsey (Eucharist, 7 p.m.)

18 St. James', Port Cunningham (Eucharist and Dedication of Memorial Window, 11:30 p.m.)
St. John's, Fox Point (no time scheduled at press time)

19 Visit to the Sundridge parish

25 St. Augustine's, Whitefish Falls (Eucharist, 9 a.m.)

St. Christopher's, McGregor Bay (Eucharist, 11:30 p.m.)

ALGOMA'S DIOCESAN GAZETTE

The Rev. R. J. Inshaw, Rector of All Saints' (Onaping) and St. Michael and All Angels' (Azilda) will retire from the active ministry as of June 30, 1976.

The Rev. Gilmour Beattie, Rector of St. Paul's (Manitowaning), St. Francis of Assisi (Mindemoya), and St. John's (South Baymouth), will retire from the active ministry sometime during the summer of 1976.

The Rev. David Bowring, recently ordained to the priesthood at North Bay, has been appointed to the parish of Onaping and Azilda, as of July 1, 1976. Fr. Bowring will be in charge of Christ Church, Windermere, until the end of June.

The Rev. Kenneth Ostler, recently ordained to the priesthood at North Bay, has been appointed to the parish of Manitowaning-Mindemoya-South Baymouth, as of September 7. During May and June, Fr. Ostler will be working under the Rev. Canon Lorne R. A. Sutherland, Rector at Espanola; then, during the summer months, he will be priest-in-charge of St. Christopher's, McGregor Bay.

The Rev. Jerry Smith, recently made a deacon at North Bay, has been appointed as Assistant Curate at Holy Trinity in Sault Ste. Marie, working under the Rector, the Rev. William Stadnyk. In addition to this post, Mr. Smith will have the responsibility for extension work at Heyden and Searchmount.

Mr. Timothy Delaney has been appointed to work on the CPR line for the summer months under the direction of the Rev. William Ivey. Mr. Delaney is a theological student from Trinity College, Toronto.

Mr. Larry Winslow has

been appointed to work at Magnetewan for the summer months under the direction of Rev. Gregory Lynn. Mr. Winslow is a theological student at Wycliffe College, Toronto.

Mr. Frank Gower has been appointed to work at Powassan for the summer months under the direction of the Rev. Dalton Woodward. Mr. Gower is a theological student at Wycliffe College, Toronto.

The Rev. Canon Alvin J. Thomson has once again been appointed chaplain to the Lakehead Missions to Seamen in Thunder Bay for the summer of 1976.

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RECEPTION

Informal start
for Synod

A delightful reception at Bishophurst on Sunday evening, May 2, marked the beginning of Algoma Synod '76. It was an informal and friendly introduction to a wonderful Diocesan gathering.

The gracious old mansion on Simpson Street, which is the official residence of the Bishop of Algoma, seems to glow and grow in dignity and graciousness as more and more people invade its rooms.

Bishop and Mrs. Nock greeted all friends, and ladies of St. Luke's Cathedral served tea and coffee. Punch was also available in the Bishop's study.

Those attending the reception were encouraged to see the display in Heritage Centre. The display featured former Synods, with pictures of many of them on exhibit. Many commented upon the pictures of each of the seven bishops of Algoma, which were on one of the walls.



Courtesy of the Sault Star

Bishop Pappin is seen addressing the delegates as they have lunch at the Windsor Hotel. Head table guests, from left are as follows: Mr. Din Oosterbaan (Secretary-Treasurer of the Diocese of Algoma); the Rev. Irvine Johnston (Minister at St. Andrew's United Church, where Synod sessions were held); the Most Rev. William L. Wright (former Archbishop of Algoma); Mr. Nick Trbovich (Mayor of Sault Ste. Marie); Bishop Pappin; the Rt. Rev. Frank F. Nock (hidden by Bishop Pappin); Mrs. Elizabeth Nock (First Lady of the Diocese); the Rev. Peter Reid (Vice-Chairman of the Christian Clergy Association); and Mr. D. Lawson (Chancellor of the Diocese of Algoma).

Bishop Pappin addresses
delegates at luncheon

Bishop Bernard Pappin, auxiliary bishop to the Roman Catholic diocese of Sault Ste. Marie, encouraged a spiritual ecumenism during an address on May 3, to the 27th synod of the Anglican diocese of Algoma.

He found the division of the church primarily one of structure. "This framework cannot be denied, but it doesn't stand in the way of mutual respect," Bishop Pappin said.

The division and the floundering so far of attempts toward ecumenism as it applies to the organization of the church is the product of history. A Christian unity exists nonetheless. "We are all seeking Christ."

Concerns of the Anglican Church and the Roman Catholic Church and other followings are similar. "Those topics scheduled for discussion during the synod cover many of the basic questions faced by Roman Catholic clergy and laity

during recent deliberations," he said.

Their search continues for answers to questions of marriage, youth, the placement of clergy, and the role of women in the church. The over-riding concern, however, is "to build the family of God."

"We all have moments in which we rise above the real but man-made things that keep us apart," Bishop Pappin said. "Those moments encourage us to struggle on to the time when we will really all be one."

The daily task of those in Christianity is to lead others to faith so "they can take to heart the real conviction and the faith that we share.—It is also to help people live it so they freely practise the faith."

With this in mind, and mutual respect to aid it, Christian unity can be found.

Bishop Pappin came as representative for Bishop Alexander Carter who was



Courtesy of the Sault Star

The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie, Bishop Bernard Pappin, addresses the delegates to Synod '76, at a luncheon at the Windsor Hotel, on May 3. Bishop Nock listens to his remarks on ecumenism.

unable to attend. About 180 Windsor Hotel for lunch and delegates gathered at the the welcoming address.

Opening session handles usual preliminary business

Synod '76 convened in the J. C. Pinch Auditorium of St. Andrew's United Church at 9:30 a.m., Monday, May 3. The Synod was formally announced organized when Bishop Nock asked the Rev. Fred F. G. Roberts, Chairman of the Registration Committee, to announce the totals of registered delegates. There were 99 lay delegates present, and of a total of 88 clergy eligible, some 58 were present. There were nine youth delegates, three Church Army Officers, and seven official observers. This gave a total of 157 voting members present, and a

total attendance of 175.

The Clerical Secretary elected was the Rev. Gordon Phillips, from Thunder Bay, and the Lay Secretary elected was Mr. Joseph Littlefield.

Acting throughout the Synod sessions as Domestic Chaplain to Bishop Nock was the Ven. Charles B. Noble (of Christ Church, Korah). Archdeacon Noble also undertook to record the whole proceedings of the Synod on tapes.

The Most Rev. W. L. Wright, former Archbishop of Algoma and Metropolitan

of Ontario, along with Bishop Pappin, the Rev. Peter Reid, and the Rev. Bill Wiedrich, were all present to hear Bishop Nock's first charge to synod.

Courtesies of the House were extended to three G.A. members Miss Shirley Locke, Miss GA of 1975; Miss Libby McKay, Miss GA of Thunder Bay; and Miss Katie Coyle, Miss GA for 1976. Courtesies were also accorded to Mr. Larry Winslow, and Mr. Frank Gower, both theological students.

The allowed length of speeches was announced and

limitations of five minutes by a mover, three minutes for a seconder, and three minutes for other speakers, with two minutes for the mover's final remarks. It is worth noting that only once during this Synod was the limiting bell ever necessary.

Bishop Nock asked those who were attending an Algoma Synod for the first time to stand. Some 68 stood, and of these, five were clergy—Frs. Crouch (Copper Cliff), Flowers (Lively), Graham (Milford Bay), Pulker (Gravenhurst), and Wilkinson (Parry Sound).

This and that
at Synod

The vote presently given at Synods and Executive Committee meetings was removed from the office of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Diocese. It had been so requested by Mr. Din Oosterbaan, the Secretary-Treasurer.

In addition to the other items supplied by parishes in the rectory (such as stoves and refrigerators), parishes will now have to provide the rectories with drapes, as the result of a motion by M. Nilsen (and seconded by P. Nilsen).



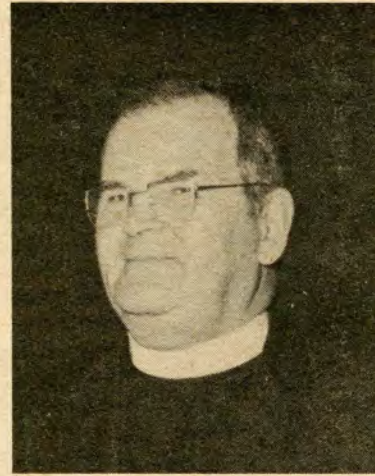
The Rev. Jack Crouch
(SUDBURY)



The Rev. Harry Morrow
(THUNDER BAY)



The Rev. Canon D. Mitchell
(MUSKOKA)



The Rev. Canon A. Chabot
(TEMISKAMING)



The Rev. Fred Roberts
(ALGOMA)

Diocesan Executive Committee includes new Rural Deans

In presenting his report to Synod, Mr. Bill Kosny (Chairman of the Survey Committee) included the words: "I have a dream for this Diocese and its potential".

His report was accepted and passed, and this made official the newly formed five DEANERIES, instead of the former eight. It also regularized the new ideas about the role of an Archdeacon, and the four-year term for such officials. These archdeacons are to be

associated with the Bishop in "basically a supportive pastoral role".

With this report in mind, the Executive Committee of the Diocese was then announced:

The Rt. Rev. Frank F. Nock (Bishop of Algoma).

The Very Rev. I. Lawrence Robertson (Dean of Algoma).

The Ven. E. Roy Haddon (Archdeacon of Thunder Bay); the Ven. Frank Coyle (Archdeacon of Algoma); the Ven. J. George M. Doolan

(Archdeacon of Sudbury); the Ven. David A. P. Smith (Archdeacon of Temiskaming); and the Ven. Jack Watson (Archdeacon of Muskoka).

The Rev. F. G. Roberts (Rural Dean of Algoma); the Rev. H. Morrow (Rural Dean of Thunder Bay); the Rev. Jack Crouch (Rural Dean of Sudbury); the Rev. Canon A. Chabot (Rural Dean of Temiskaming); and the Rev. Canon David Mitchell (Rural Dean of Muskoka).

Dr. David Gould and Mrs. Eileen Peacock (Lay Stewards for Algoma); Mr. Lockland Locke and Mr. A. Vansetter (Lay Stewards for Muskoka); Mr. C. Varney and Mr. Ross Corless (Lay Stewards for Sudbury); Mr. F. Joy and Mr. Bob Black (Lay Stewards for Temiskaming); Mr. Bill Kosny and Mr. David Stephens (Lay Stewards for Thunder Bay).

Chancellor D. M. Lawson (Chancellor of the Diocese).

Mr. Din Oosterbaan (Diocesan Secretary-Treasurer).

Mr. E. P. Lee (Registrar of the Diocese).

The Rev. Eric Paterson (Bishop's Clerical appointee).

Mr. John Corbishley (Bishop's Lay appointee).

(Ed. Note. In previous editions of the ALGOMA ANGLICAN, we have presented pictures of the newly appointed and installed Archdeacons and Canons. In this edition we are pleased to present the new Rural Deans of the five deaneries.)

The ordination of women to the priesthood

Most controversial issue debated at Synod 1976

by Richard Plaunt

Delegates to the 27th Synod of the Anglican diocese of Algoma remain divided on the question of ordination of women to the priesthood, but voted in support of such a move by their church.

Even though the General Synods of 1973 and 1975 have made it possible for bishops to ordain women following Nov. 1 this year, the controversy, running close to an hour beyond schedule, overtook discussions slated Monday night, leaving at least four of six items of business untouched.

The debate grew at times into an emotional one. A majority of speakers indicated their resistance to the move. Many remained undecided or wanted it deferred. Some who favored it during the 26th Synod during 1973 had by Monday night changed their minds.

Their decision on Tuesday, however, reaffirmed their original choice. A minority of about 33 per cent remains opposed to the earlier decisions by the two recent General Synods and by the House of Bishops. They agreed to the motion supporting Church leaders after the synod's committee reporting on the Bishop's Charge presented it. They urged respect for the feelings of those whose opinions differ in connection with this.

A second motion passed by a greater majority, a vote of 116 to 44, requested bishops use caution in implementing the canon and asked them to present the question to the next Lambeth Conference in 1978 before taking action. They voted that discussion of the matter with the Roman Catholic and Orthodox churches continue.

The feelings of the synod should be conveyed as soon

as possible to the House of Bishops so they will be aware of the position of the Algoma diocese. This also required a vote. Most of the speakers during discussion Monday night were clergy. Three of 20 were members of the 100 lay delegates attending the four-day conference. A total of about 180, including clergy, laity, church army officers and observers were asked to consider the question.

The Rt. Rev. F. F. Nock, Bishop of Algoma, holding the first synod since his enthronement last year, deferred the resolution, so delegates could consider the motion after giving it further thought overnight.

Bishop Nock prepared for Monday night's discussion by earlier providing clergy with material on both sides of the question.

"I am personally prepared to recognize the ordination of any woman to the priesthood by my brother bishops after Nov. 1, 1976, as valid and regular," he said in his charge to the synod Monday morning.

He spoke in favor of women priests shortly after his consecration but added Monday "whatever action I may undertake in the diocese regarding the ordination of women to the priesthood in the future will take into account the mind of the synod."

Bishop Nock said he has confidence in the "careful and serious steps taken by the General Synod and the House of Bishops." He referred to decisions on the matter made since 1971. "Whatever position we may hold about (their) actions, it cannot be said that they acted irresponsibly and without due procedure."

The comments heard during the present diocesan synod and its choice, none-

theless "... will engage my serious consideration before I reach a final decision."

Decision in the meantime by Episcopalian bishops in the United States to go ahead and ordain women has caused a wide split in the church there. Particularly clergymen who voiced opposition Monday night fear a similar split in the Anglican Church of Canada. A substantial minority of bishops and laity oppose the move even after the 1975 General Synod, and more recent discussion.

The Rev. William Stadnyk of Holy Trinity Church in Sault Ste. Marie voiced strong opposition because of his fear of a split in the church.

"I moved the motion approving the principle of the ordination of women to the priesthood," during the 26th synod of Algoma diocese, he said. He recently signed a manifesto against such ordination of women.

Events between 1973 and now justify the contradiction, he explained. "I am concerned about what I see happening to the church on this issue." He wonders if it isn't "a red herring to dissuade us from our central task," that of supporting the overall goals of Christianity.

Larry Winslow, an out-of-town delegate and one of the many Anglicans affected by

the decisions of the synod, said he cannot see how the church can ignore a call to the priesthood felt by a woman.

The Rev. Colin Clay of Capreol suggested tradition is all that made a male priesthood. Women should have a full part to play in the church as in other professions. He urged a decision soon. The church has moved slowly on the matter.

Kay Merrifield, Sault Ste. Marie, a lay delegate, said those who oppose the ordination of women to the priesthood "... may be conjuring up a boogeyman." Other churches have had freedom to appoint female ministers and no disaster has occurred. She finds support in scripture for such ordination. "Even Paul finds equality in men and women."

Norine Kane, of the Sault, on the other hand finds it "difficult to locate scriptures" supporting the ordination of women priests. "Women should maintain their role in the divine order intended by God."

Most of those opposing the move felt the matter was "diversive," and should be laid to rest. Those favoring the decision recognized the problems inherent in it, but suggested it is the only fair choice left to the church, and that the church should be willing to change.



Mr. Tom Menzies

Honorary Diocesan Lay Reader

At the special Eucharist on Tuesday morning of Synod, Mr. Thomas Menzies of Bala, Ontario, was appointed an Honorary Diocesan Lay Reader.

In his Charge to Synod, Bishop Nock commented about Mr. Menzies in the following way:

"For 25 years, Mr. Thomas Menzies of Bala, Ontario, has been a parish Lay Reader. He is known far and wide throughout the widespread Deanery of Muskoka for this humble, unselfish, sacrificial devotion to the Church.

"At 81 years of age, he is still going strong and an apt description of him would be 'Mr. Church'. It is a great personal pleasure and privilege for me to license him at tomorrow's Eucharist as an Honorary Diocesan Lay Reader. Such a position gives him the opportunity to serve in any parish in the Diocese at the request of the Bishop. It also marks the esteem in which this fine Christian gentleman is held as he continues to do his Lord's work."

Joyful Eucharist ends Synod

Algoma Synod 1976 ended with a most joyful and warmly experienced Eucharist in the Cathedral, which began at 12 noon on Wednesday, May 5. Bishop Nock was the celebrant, assisted by four of the newly installed Archdeacons. A woman lay delegate read the Epistle, and the Rev. M.

Wilkinson (Parry Sound) read the Gospel.

The new Diocesan Executive met in St. Luke's Hall at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 5, for a special luncheon, served by the ladies of St. Luke's. The Executive convened for a meeting at 2 p.m., which lasted until 4 p.m.



Courtesy of the Sault Star
These are some of the delegates who attended the 27th Synod of the Diocese of Algoma in Sault Ste. Marie, from May 3-5. They are listening attentively to one of the many subjects being presented for the Synod's consideration. Many materials were sent to the delegates for careful study prior to the Synod.

Theological Synod slated for 1977

A special synod is planned by the Anglican Diocese of Algoma, to take place some time in 1977.

Some business remained unfinished because of discussions which upstaged other scheduled events.

The questions of abortion, Christian initiation and matters affecting the Church's relations with the Roman Catholic Church and other sects, may be discussed during the special synod.

In order to deal with other important matters originally scheduled for this synod, the

special session has been arranged.

Delegates passed a resolution requesting each deanery council keep tabs on the potential for new parishes capable of development during the next five years. Deaneries should also report on the number and suitability of sites presently owned for future church locations. New sites should be studied as well.

The diocese's financial activities through its investment of funds in various enterprises which may employ

business practices running counter to the Church's moral principles, was questioned on Wednesday morning of the Synod.

Rather than pull its money from those companies, delegates decided it would be better to follow the lead of senior levels of the Church. The policy leaves the Church as a shareholder in such companies in order to maintain a voice during shareholders' meetings. Thus there is a better chance of bringing public attention to inequities, it was agreed.

Thunder Bay Deanery Council

Inaugural meeting held in Nipigon

"Tonight, here in Nipigon, we are making history." With these words, the Ven. E. R. Haddon, Archdeacon of Thunder Bay, opened the inaugural meeting of the new Thunder Bay Deanery Council at St. Mary's Parish Hall, Nipigon.

The meeting was well attended with 54 clergy and lay people, including youth delegates crowding around the tables in the parish hall. All parishes were represented

and some had travelled approximately 175 miles to be present. Although the majority present were from Thunder Bay and the immediate area, Nipigon was chosen for the meeting to emphasize the unity of the new Deanery.

The new Deanery includes the parish of Nipigon (along with Red Rock, Dorion, and Schreiber), and the parish of Manitouwadge (along with Marathon). These parishes

had formerly been in the Superior Deanery, which under the re-structuring of the Diocese no longer exists.

It was an amicable meeting, and business flowed easily. In two hours the historic meeting was over, and the ladies of the parish provided refreshments before those present returned home.

It is anticipated that future meetings will be held in different parts of the Deanery.

Cathedral Choir presents concert

At Church of the Epiphany, Sudbury

The St. Luke's Cathedral Choir presented a Choir and Organ Recital at the Church of the Epiphany on Sunday, May 16, at 8 p.m.

The *Epiphany Star*, the parish publication of the Church of the Epiphany in Sudbury, contained the following information:

"St. Luke's Cathedral Choir, under the direction of Mr. John Wood, is one of the few men and boys' choirs in Ontario. Mr. John Wood assumed directorship of the choir in January, 1974. The Choir consists of 18 trebles, 6 male altos, 6 tenors, and 8 basses.

"As a matter of interest there are five father-son combinations in the choir, and some of the adult members started in the Choir as young boys.

"The Choir practises on the average of 4-5 hours per week, and also enjoys activities together other than musical events. Several concerts of organ music and choral works have been presented in the past year. The choir is now hard at work building up a repertoire for its summer trip to England and Scotland."

An offering was taken at the Epiphany visit to help

defray the expenses of the choir. A reception was held in the parish hall after the concert.

Synod approves Dental Plan

A motion by Dr. Denston (and seconded by the Rev. R. Lumley) to accept in principle the development of a pre-paid Dental Care Plan on behalf of the clergy, Church Army captains, and Synod Office employees, on a shared-cost basis was carried.

Bishop's charge

Reaction with ACTION

On Monday evening, May 3, the Ven. D. A. P. Smith presented the Report on the Bishop's Charge. The substantive clauses in this report later appeared in Synod as definite motions, most of which were adopted.

Many felt that this was a significant forward step in the Charge - Report syndrome, in that on this occasion, the Synod did react, and act upon serious direc-

tions that the Bishop had indicated and proposed.

One such motion was the holding of a *Youth Caucus* during Synod to improve the outreach to youth and ways of doing so were suggested. This was an attempt to assure the young people of the Diocese that they had the full support of the Synod. It was passed at once, and was a direct result of Bishop Nock's comments about youth in his Charge.

Algoma responds

Appeal from Moosonee

Just prior to the Synod '76, the village of Kashechewan in the Diocese of Moosonee was flooded. Some 400 people had been evacuated. The Diocese of Algoma received a telegram from Archbishop J. A. Watton, of Moosonee, asking for funds to assist the victims of this disaster.

Already 3,000 lbs. of clothing had been flown in, and the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund had allocated some \$5,000.

The Archbishop's Appeal is entitled, "*Cash-for-Kash*", since clothing needs appear to have been met. The province of Ontario has agreed to match dollar-for-dollar for

relief, reconstruction, and re-equipping of the community. Many native peoples were particularly hard hit by the loss of food. The goose hunt was at its peak period and all refrigeration has ceased as the diesel electric generator has been put out of service (perhaps until Sept.)

The Diocese of Algoma responded to this need while it was meeting in Synod at the Sault by earmarking the offering at the Closing Eucharist of Synod for Kashechewan. It amounted to \$351.46.

In a letter to the clergy and Church Army personnel, Bishop Nock asked them to "*present this need to the people of the parishes in Algoma as soon as possible*".

Synod dissatisfied with insurance company's service

Much disappointment was expressed by members of the Synod over the frustrations experienced with *Reed, Shaw, & Stenhouse* concerning the insurance coverage throughout the Diocese. A lack of response to letters, and ponderous tardiness to move and send money when claims are processed were the chief reasons for dissatisfaction. A motion by

the Rev. Canon Alvin Thomson (and seconded by the Rev. H. Morrow) was carried that the Diocese contact this company and express the Synod's discontent with their service to date, and request the Executive Committee to look into another insurance broker to handle the coverage, if Reed, Shaw & Stenhouse does not respond satisfactorily.

Synod elects delegates - - -

To General Synod

Clerical
The Ven. D. A. P. Smith
The Ven. E. Roy Haddon
The Rev. Noel Goater
The Rev. D. M. Landon

Lay
Dr. David Gould
Mr. W. Kosny
Mrs. Eileen May
Mr. Ross Corless

Alternates
The Rev. W. Stadnyk
The Very Rev. I. L. Robertson
The Rev. Fred Roberts
The Rev. Les Peterson

Alternates
Mr. F. Joy
Capt. H. Willems
Mr. H. Johnson

To Provincial Synod

Clerical
The Ven. D. A. P. Smith
The Ven. E. Roy Haddon
The Rev. W. Stadnyk
The Rev. D. M. Landon
The Rev. E. B. Paterson
The Rev. Noel Goater

Lay
Dr. David Gould
Mr. W. Kosny
Mrs. E. May
Mr. Ross Corless
Major Case
Mrs. E. Peacock

Alternates
The Very Rev. I. L. Robertson
The Rev. Fred Roberts
The Rev. J. McCausland
The Rev. Canon David N. Mitchell

Alternates
Mr. F. Joy
Mr. R. W. Kegan
Mr. Leonard Payne
Mr. J. McCausland



Courtesy of the Sault Star
The Rev. Herbert Coote of Wawa, stands beside a number of antiques, part of his collection. Fr. Coote was recently raised to the priesthood at St. John's in North Bay.

Newly ordained priest tells of parish work

(Ed. Note. Last month's ALGOMA ANGLICAN carried photos and biographical sketches of the candidates for ordination at St. John's in North Bay, on May 16. At that time, we did not have a photo or much information about the Rev. Herbert Coote, one of the ordinands. Since that time, we have received a photo and article which appeared in the Sault Daily Star, and we are pleased to reprint it here.)

By Isabel Lawson

The Rev. Herbert Coote says he's happy in his new vocation.

Life as a mission pastor serving Wawa, White River, 59 miles west; Hawk Junction, 17 miles east; and the isolated community of Franz, reached by railroad budd car has to be a sharp contrast from the seven years he served in a monastery, but Father Coote says he enjoys it because "each community has its own particular flavor."

Born at Point Edward near Sarnia, Father Coote entered the religious order in 1967 at the invitation of the Society of St. John the Evangelist (SSJE).

Ordained a deacon after taking his three-year junior vows, Father Coote was known as the Reverend Brother Patrick James SSJE there.

"Monastic life at that time consisted of silence, enclosure, work in area mission fields, general rounds of office, private meditation and general house and ground duties," Father Coote said.

Approximately 15 priests and brothers were located at the Bracebridge house.

During his time there Father Coote said he was involved in youth work in

the community of Bracebridge and served in an unofficial capacity at the Ontario Hospital for the Criminally Insane at Penetanguishene and the Queen Street Mental Health Centre in Toronto.

In answer to a question about the quality of treatment at Penetang, Father Coote said, "It's a good place for individuals who require that particular type of help." He said he was familiar with various cases that showed marked improvement and eventual release.

Reviewing the congregation he serves, Father Coote said he makes monthly trips to Franz. In summer, he can generally have a freight train flagged down in order to return that night, but in winter he stays a full three days. Trains won't stop at unscheduled stops during sub-zero weather because the brake lines freeze.

Franz, an isolated settlement "with 26 souls, all Anglican except the teacher who is a Roman Catholic," must be rather unique in church life today. Father Coote says he has almost 100 per cent attendance from his congregation and all except the teacher, station master and his wife are Indian.

Father Coote said although life must be rough there with no electricity and severe isolation, the congregation appreciates the services it receives.

St. Stephen's at White River has a larger congregation, with 40 to 50. A well-appointed and active church, Father Coote holds service each Sunday evening.

St. Giles' at Hawk Junction provides yet another facet to the diversified area Father Coote serves.

Although they have only seven families, they form a

Trinity Church, Marathon

Religious drama held on Good Friday

The congregation of Trinity Church, Marathon, remembered Christ's Passion on Good Friday as a Religious Drama Service held at 7:30 p.m., April 16, in Trinity Church.

Religious drama had its beginning in the Church of the Middle Ages. There were both miracle plays and mystery plays; miracle plays concerned themselves with the miraculous deeds of Christian Saints, while mystery plays presented Old and New Testament narratives. The earliest form of religious drama combined the elements of dialogue, impersonation and action in an elaboration of the liturgical service of the church. The purpose of the dramatization was to instruct the congregation. If one is interested in the history of modern theatre, one can trace the development of the miracle and mystery plays from the early church beginnings out into the secular world and on down through the ages of modern day theatre.

As each person is a unique personality, so it is with each congregation. The members of Trinity Church, Marathon have become interested in developing their own special approach to religious drama. The purpose behind their using religious drama as a form of worship for their Good Friday service was to

project into reality their spiritual understanding of Christ's passion, his supreme sacrifice made for our redemption. One must have empathy with Christ's suffering to fully realize the miracle of our redemption and the great triumph of the resurrection of Christ on Easter morning.

It is well-known fact that in any undertaking of a new art or skill one must go through the early stages of development, the speed of which one progresses is again unique to each individual, so it is with Trinity Church members. The religious drama presented by the church on Good Friday is at the simple stages of development. The scenes are portrayed by mime and tableaux. The story is carried by the reading of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the music of the organist and the singing of the Good Friday hymns by the congregation.

Faith and prayers were the life blood of this presentation; based on these two attributes, the approach to the dramatization of Christ's passion was made in a loving acceptance of each group member's thoughts and ideas.

Throughout the practice session there had grown a spiritual awareness of the worth and dignity of each participating member. This

is the miracle of religious creative drama, this awareness of each individual member's dignity in his own right but a oneness with each other in the bond of Christ's love. It is this spiritual awareness the congregation felt at the service on Good Friday.

Capt. R. Nicolle, Church Army Captain, in charge of Trinity Church, Marathon, described religious drama as a "form of creative drama, where there is a rehearsed performance of an adopted role. Creative religious drama is an experiencing, a projecting of ideas into reality . . . it is intangible, moved by the Holy Spirit."

Mrs. James Averill was the director of the production. Charlie Wesley, portrayed Jesus; Donald Doucette was Peter and Chuck Slade played the part of Judas.

Capt. Nicolle was not left out. He played the part of Pontius Pilate. The three Marys of the Bible were played by Mary Doucette, Marianne Doucette and Susan Slade.

Sam Baxter, Stan Petten and Capt. Nicolle were readers for the play. Representing the 'crowd' were Mesdames Kay Baxter, Ella Slade, Dora Gellison and Iris Dyer. Donald Henry worked the lighting and sound effects and Jane Linton was the organist.

West Thunder Bay

Three members of parish receive inscribed plaques at special event

At the conclusion of the Easter Sunday Eucharist on April 18, a special presentation took place at St. James', Kakabeka Falls (in the parish of West Thunder Bay).

Three members of that parish received an inscribed plaque, bearing a Cross and the Praying Hands, in recognition of their faithfulness. The plaques were inscribed, "With love".

The recipients were Miss Irene Pool, a former church treasurer for many years, and Mr. and Mrs. James Beaney. Mr. Beaney is a former Warden, and Mrs. Beaney is a former ACW President.

News of this presentation was published in the "Mission Bell", the popular publication of the West Thunder Bay parish. In addition, in a letter to the ALGOMA ANGLICAN, Mr. John Sovereign, Lay Reader in that parish, commented: "Mr. and Mrs.

Beaney and Miss Pool have long been deserving of such recognition. It is through the faithfulness of Christians

such as these over the years that the visible Church is given much of its credibility and substance."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Parish paper is edited by the Rev. J. Turner

To the Editor:

Thank you for your kind words in the ALGOMA ANGLICAN, April edition, but I should point out that the Rev. James Turner, Rector of the West Thunder Bay parish, is actually the editor of the "Mission Bell".

I am merely the one who addresses many of the copies of that parish magazine, sticks on the stamps, and staples the sheets together. These have been my duties during much of the maga-

zine's 30 years of life.

(Mrs.) M. Knowles,
Parish of West Thunder Bay.

(Ed. Note: The ALGOMA ANGLICAN takes note of this error, and apologizes to Fr. Turner. May we also take this opportunity of adding our congratulations to him for his part in producing this excellent parish magazine. We hope Mrs. Knowles will continue to address, stamp, and staple for him for a long time in the future!)

thriving, mixed parish with individuals from various faiths participating and sharing in the church work.

St. Paul's in Wawa, like St. Giles', has an active Sunday School and an industrious women's group. Approximately 22 families actively support it.

Father Coote sets his particular objective as preaching the faith and doctrine of the church to provide moral and spiritual guidance.

To speak of Father Coote and not mention his per-

sonal interests and collections would be difficult.

He says he loves decorating and beautiful things and the rectory he occupies mirrors the fact.

From the front entrance on, his home shows his taste and the decor includes antiques, collectibles and other interesting objects.

Part of his 300-piece clock collection is displayed there and it ranges from a magnificent grandfather model to tiny antiques and unusual time pieces.

Terming himself a royalist, pictures of the present and Past Royal Family are hung in places of importance along with a wide assortment of other conversation pieces.

In addition to his other collections, Father Coote has a wide assortment of religious robes, both past and present. One room is set aside as a private chapel with a prayer desk dating back to the early days of the sister order of St. John the Evangelist.

GA FESTIVAL IN HAILEYBURY

Held on a weekend for the first time in history of GA festivals

The GA girls from Muskoka and Temiskaming arrived early on the evening of April 23 at Haileybury, for the Annual GA Festival. They were met by the Deanery Secretary, Barbara Garvin. The Sault Ste. Marie bus with the remaining girls from Algoma and Sudbury arrived just before midnight.

Sixty-seven girls and their leaders (from 8 branches) as well as Bishop Frank Nock were the guests in the homes of the parishioners of St. Paul's, Haileybury, for this twenty-first GA Festival. This was the first time in the history of GA Festivals that a week-end was chosen for the gathering.

GA Chairman, Barbara Sherwood, from St. John's in Sault Ste. Marie, presided throughout the Festival.

The program began at 8 a.m., Saturday morning, when Bishop Nock celebrated the Eucharist in St. Paul's. He was assisted by Fr. R. A. Locke (Rector, St. Paul's), Fr. R. Brazill (St. John's, New Liskeard).

The wardens of St. Paul's (Mr. Andrew Bishop and Mr. Brian Thorniley) joined the GA gathering for breakfast, and welcomed the girls to St. Paul's. The Bishop in his message to the girls after the breakfast urged each girl to become leaders in the GA throughout the Diocese in order to carry on the work among the young people. He also made everyone present repeat the following: "This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it".

Bishop Nock also told the girls that "today", April 24, was his wife's birthday. After the meal, all the girls gathered in the Rectory around the telephones to sing "Happy Birthday" to the First Lady of the Diocese.

The Group Project during the past year for the GA girls had been the embroidering of tea-towels, which are to be given to the several Church camps. They were judged in two categories — Junior (Temiskaming, first; Algoma, second; and Muskoka, third), and Senior (Temiskaming and Muskoka tied for first; Algoma, second; and Sudbury, third). The judges were Mary Abraham, Pat MacPherson and Susan Hoffman.

The same judges reached the following decisions concerning the Craft Competition: Junior (Algoma, first; Sudbury, second; and Muskoka, third); Senior (Algoma, first; Muskoka, second; and Sudbury, third). For this competition, the Junior girls had crocheted a ring belt, and the Senior girls had crocheted a purse.

The Haileybury Public School auditorium was used for all the Saturday activities. In the morning, four demonstrations were performed, while other groups laid out displays of sewing, crafts, and art. Each of the eight branches contributed something for the enjoyment of all.

Lunch was served at St. Paul's parish hall, where the Mayor of Haileybury, Mr. Cecil Blackwell, welcomed

the visitors officially to that community. Other noon-time guests were Mrs. Blackwell, Canon and Mrs. Chabot from Christ Church, Englehart, as well as two of the judges who had been busy all during the morning.

Drama

By 2 p.m., the Drama Competition had started, with Rick Hoffman and Elizabeth Bishop acting as adjudicators. The Temiskaming entry ("The Beginning of Summer", performed by the GA girls of Christ Church, Englehart) placed first. "Marco", an inside look at a cabin at a girls' camp, presented by St. John's, Sault Ste. Marie for Algoma Deanery, placed second. Third place was a tie between "The Christening" (by St. Thomas', Bracebridge for Muskoka), and "Campfire" (by St. George's, Espanola for Sudbury).

At dinner, which was served by a group of girls from St. James', Cobalt, who hope shortly to form a GA branch, the Vice-president of the Deanery ACW, Evelyn Valley, brought greetings from the Deanery of Temiskaming ACW. The GA Ring of Achievement girls, and Miss GA 1975 were seated at the head-table.

Singing

The Singing Competition that evening was judged by Marjorie Weir and Pat MacPherson. Each of the four deanery groups sang four verses of "Good Joseph had a Garden", to the tune

"Cherry Tree Carol", as well as a piece of their own choice. Algoma placed first; Temiskaming, second, and Muskoka, third.

Mr. Norman Abraham and Fr. R. Locke were the commentators for the Fashion Show, which followed. About 20 girls and leaders took part by wearing something they had made during the past year.

The leaders and the girls conducted a meeting, chaired by Shirley Locke, with Diane Wreight acting as Secretary. The purpose of the meeting was to plan the competitions for 1977.

After the girls were sent off to their billets, with a reminder to turn their clocks ahead for "Daylight Saving Time", the leaders met at the Rectory to consider the girls' suggestions and other GA matters.

On Sunday morning, the girls had breakfast with their hosts and arrived at St. Paul's parish hall, along with their luggage shortly after 8.30 a.m. A tour of the Haileybury Campus, Northern College (Haileybury School of Mines) had been arranged for 9 a.m. Three members of the College staff conducted the tour, explained equipment, and machines. The tour was enjoyed by the girls, and perhaps some will decide to return there when they complete their secondary education.

The GA members then joined St. Paul's congregation for the regular Sunday Eucharist, with Fr. Locke as celebrant. Bishop Nock de-

livered the sermon, and effectively set forth the Eastertide theme, and the importance of that faith in our lives.

The Legion Auxiliary catered to the delicious turkey dinner which was held in the Legion Hall. Miss Muriel Newton-White made a "Get Well" card for Mrs. Wright (wife of the former Archbishop of Algoma), and a "Birthday" card for Mrs. Nock. These were passed around the table for each of the girls to sign.

Following the banquet, Bishop Nock presented the awards for the Competitions. Those winning first place in each of the six categories received a wooden plaque, which has the Winchester Cross mounted on it. Other winners received ribbons.

The Archbishop Wright Trophy was presented to Algoma Deanery who had received some 35 points. Temiskaming came second with 28 points, and Muskoka, third, with 27 points.

Bishop Nock read a letter from Mrs. Nock, who related how difficult it was to choose one from the 'Miss GA' entries, without names, which had been sent to her, as each of the girls recommended was worthy of the honour. Barbara Sherwood checked Mrs. Nock's choice against her list with the names, to disclose that, Katie Coyle from St. John's, Sault Ste. Marie, is this year's "Miss GA 1976".

It is hoped that the 1977 GA Festival will be held in Thunder Bay, Ontario.

St. Luke's Cathedral

Youth group performs modern Passion play

The parish of St. Luke's Cathedral in Sault Ste. Marie recently staged a modern Passion play which suggests that our values have remained much the same for 2,000 years. The youth group of the Cathedral rehearsed for six weeks in order to produce "Christ in the Concrete City".

This play was written by a young English priest, Philip Turner, and staged for the first time some 10 years ago in Leeds. It portrays the Passion from three levels, dealing with a historical perspective, the effect of present-day society, and the timelessness of the crucifixion.

Mrs. Kathleen West, the Director of the Sault group, commented: "The group of teenagers here at the Cathedral have done it with a great deal of devotion and love."

Assistant - director, Mercedes Coggon said the play is

done in contemporary costumes of blue jeans and tights, and was staged on the steps of the chancel of the Cathedral. It presented a contrast between contemporary values, and the values at the time of the crucifixion of Christ.

Mrs. Coggon continued: "The actors swing from comments about modern values to step back into the roles of characters of the period of the crucifixion and then revert again to today's reactions. What it boils down to is, if Christ were alive today, He would be crucified again."

Cast members included Jennifer Coggon, Helen Davis, Jim Gould, Andy Carscadden, Jamie Warner-Smith, and Mark Robertson. Crew members included John Gould, Jay Johnson, Stephen Crawford, Susan Bowers, Carol Geddes, Jane Reid, Peter Bowers, and Mary Robertson.



Simon is forced to take up the Cross in a Passion Play, presented at St. Luke's Cathedral in Sault Ste. Marie. Mark Robertson, 15, James Gould, 18, and Andy Carscadden, 14, were among many who had worked on this particular production.

Over 200 at Coffee House

More than 200 older teenagers and young adults came to the St. Paul's fourth "Coffee House" on Friday, April 2 in Babe Hall.

The songs of blind guitarist, Walt Gibbons, were

much appreciated. The film, "The Gospel Road" (with the narration and songs by Johnny Cash), with its down-to-earth portrayal of Jesus' life, death and resurrection, stirred all who viewed it.

AROUND THE DIOCESE OF ALGOMA

In the recent edition of the "Epiphany Star", the parish publication of the Church of the Epiphany in Sudbury, there is a very interesting article about "P.K.'s at the Epiphany". P.K.'s are "priest's kids". There are nine such members of the Epiphany—Laura and Katherine Paterson, Mrs. Joan Block, Mrs. Mollie Gray, George Meades, Philip Belyea, Ron Browne, Alan Sauerbrei, and Dr. Robin Bolton. . . . June 6 was the "Centennial Dress-Up Day" for the parish of Holy Trinity in Sault Ste. Marie, when parishioners came to the service in their best Centennial outfits. . . . At the time of the publication of their last newsletter, the parishioners of St. Brice's in North Bay had collected \$10,000 of the required \$20,000 (for the construction of the new narthex). . . . St. Stephen the Martyr in Thunder Bay has received donations to the amount of \$1,610 for the Carpet Fund (to cover the cost of \$1,712, required to pay for the new carpet for the Church). The parish has also been the recipient of a lovely window, donated by the Somerton family. . . . Some 140 children registered for "Christian Adventure Week" at St. Thomas' in Thunder Bay. Miss Eleanor Moyer of the Christian Supply House was the theme speaker, using the story of *Pilgrim's Progress* as her theme. Miss Shirley Koza, Mrs. B. McIlwain, and Mrs.

M. Landy were responsible for the services, assisted by the three clergy of the parish — Archdeacon Haddon, the Rev. J. Armstrong, and the Rev. H. G. Phillips. . . . St. Brice's in North Bay has been the recipient of a gift in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Reddaway. It is a *Paschal Candle Stick*, which was made by Mr. Doug Shail. The *Paschal Candle Stick* is a large floor model to hold the huge Paschal (or Easter) candle which symbolizes the Risen Life of Christ. . . . The parish of St. Paul's, Thunder Bay, held its fifth "Coffee House" on Friday, April 30, with contemporary Gospel music by "His Band", and the film, "The Girl who ran out of Night", about a lonely, misused and ashamed Susan, who is reached by a group of caring and daring Christians. . . . Congratulations to Miss Rosemary Dawson, from the parish of Holy Trinity in Sault Ste. Marie, as she has graduated from the Church Army Training College, and was commissioned as a Church Army Officer on May 7. Bishop Nock was present for the *Commissioning Service* in Toronto. . . . Members of the Senior Youth Group of St. Brice's in North Bay have prepared a 20-minute play, with the help of Mrs. Dorothy Cue and Fr. Noel Goater (Rector of St. John's in North Bay). Players are Jamie McCausland, Leslie Bastien, Nancy Dodgson, and Charles Cue. It was produced for the ACW An-

nual. St. Brice's saw the venture as a Sunday Sermon on May 16. Other parishes will probably wish to invite the group to their Sunday services as well. . . . The Church of the Resurrection in Sudbury held a "Pancake Brunch" on May 9, after the 10.30 a.m. service. . . . The *Rectory Garage Fund* of the West Thunder Bay Parish has passed the \$1,000 mark (\$1,001.85 to be exact), and they hope to collect \$1,500 before starting the construction. . . . Holy Trinity in Sault Ste. Marie held its annual "Yard Sale" on Saturday, May 8. . . . The residence for the new parish assistant of Holy Trinity Church in Sault Ste. Marie is 93 Lucy Terrace. The Rev. Jerry Smith, his wife Marjorie, and their daughter, Adrienne, moved in late in May. . . . St. George's in Thunder Bay sponsored a *Lenten Renewal Service* late in March addressed by Fr. Ron Armstrong (Diocese of Toronto). . . . The Rev. Michael Eldred, Curate at the Church of the Epiphany in Sudbury, says in a note to the parishioners there, "A neatly tended garden with bright flowers is the nicest sermon of all, especially in a grey, downtown area." Fr. Eldred, an avid gardener himself, has undertaken to "provide a green spot . . . an oasis in a desert of concrete and steel". . . . Four Board members of the Church of St. Paul in Thunder Bay have offered to begin the 1976 program of lay visits to parishioners. . . . The SSJE of Bracebridge is again offering its "Summer Vacation Program 1976". For information, please write to Brother Gordon Walls, SSJE, Box 660, Bracebridge, Ontario. P0B 1C0.

David Nock to teach at Lakehead University in fall



Mr. David Nock

The ALGOMA ANGLICAN was pleased to learn, just prior to press time, that Mr. David Nock, son of the Rt. Rev. and Mrs. Frank F. Nock, has been appointed Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology of Lakehead University in Thunder Bay. This appointment will begin in September of 1976.

David was born in Sudbury in August, 1949, and attended public schools in Sudbury and Sault Ste. Marie. He graduated from Carleton University, Ottawa, with a B.A. in 1970; he then received his M.A. from the Institute of Canadian Studies of Carleton University in 1973. He then pursued a Doctoral Programme in Sociology at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, and held the position of Teaching Assistant.

David has attained his Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Alberta, and will receive the same at the fall Convocation.

The Diocese of Algoma, and the ALGOMA ANGLICAN, would like to congratulate this member of the episcopal family of Algoma, and to welcome him back to the Diocese at Thunder Bay to begin a teaching career there. We are certain Bishop and Mrs. Nock will be pleased to have him that close to home once again.

Special events at St. John's

by Ann Lovekin

A small group of women in the parish of St. John's, Thunder Bay, have started a *Nearly New Shop*, which is open one evening a month for the sale of used articles. It has raised some \$700 to reduce the church deficit.

The women of this parish are also busy in other areas. On April 24, there was both an *ACW Rummage Sale*, and an *Antique Sale*. The Young Church Women held their third annual "Fashion Show and Tea" on May 1. Finally, the ACW held a "Musical and Tea" on Wednesday, May 12, during both the afternoon and evening.

There were two other notable events within the parish of St. John's recently. During Lent on each Tuesday, a series of noon-hour concerts were held. Their intent was "to provide a quiet interlude to recapture the serenity of life and to refresh the spirit, amid the hurly-burly of life".

A special Evensong was held on March 28, as part of the Lenten preparation for Easter. It was in the form of a devotional period directed by projected pictures by Nelson Merrifield, with appropriate music entitled, "The Worship of God in Nature", performed by the organist, Mrs. Marianne Still.

CAMP GITCHIGOMEE

June 20 begins season

To ALGOMA ANGLICAN readers:

At a Deanery Camp meeting held on April 22, 1976, at St. John's Parish Hall in Thunder Bay, it was decided that Sunday, June 20, should be set aside to promote Camp Gitchigomee in every church in Thunder Bay Deanery.

Specially designed bulletin covers pertaining to Camp Gitchigomee have been sent to each church in the deanery. These will be used at the various church services that morning to explain this year's activities, as well as to invite every one to the Camp that afternoon for an informal picnic, with each family supplying their own food. This will be followed by a church service, conducted by the Rural Dean of Thunder Bay, Fr. H. Morrow (of St. John's in Thunder Bay).

During the spring we have been giving slide presentations to as many interested deanery groups as possible. On Saturday, May 1, the presentation was made to the participants in the GA Festival at St. Paul's, Thunder Bay.

Brochures for the 1976 season have been printed, and will be available from all the Rectors within the Deanery of Thunder Bay upon request.

At the deanery meeting on April 20, at St. Mary's in Nipigon, a large uniform poster was given to each of the 18 churches within the Deanery.

The Property Committee is planning various work parties to help get the Camp in shape for the 1976 season. The Ladies' Auxiliary to Camp Gitchigomee, through funds raised by two desert-bridge parties, and various other activities, has planned new additions to the Camp facilities.

See you at Camp Gitchigomee!

David Hamilton,
Chairman, Promotion Committee.

1976 Schedule

Camp	Date	Age
Junior Girls	June 27 - July 3	8 to 10 years
Intermediate Girls	July 4 - 10	11 to 13 years
Boys' Camp	July 11 - 17	9 to 12 years
Senior Mixed	July 18 - 24	13 years and up
Mixed Senior Canoe Trip	July 25 - 31	13 years and up

Special Note: Bishop Nock will be at Camp Gitchigomee for a visit during July (tentatively July 4-6).



Courtesy of North Bay Nugget

Honorary assistant leaves for Winnipeg

On Palm Sunday, the Church of St. John the Divine, North Bay, a Parish Pot Luck supper was held to bid farewell to Lt.-Col. Canon Paul DeLong, who is a Command Chaplain (Protestant) for the Air Defence Command, and has been posted to Winnipeg, Manitoba. He was the Honorary Assistant at St. John's for the past 2½ years. Paul, Betty, Chris, Anna, and Joyce will be greatly missed as they took an active part in Church life in North Bay. A presentation of an engraved silver tray was made on behalf of the parish by the Rector, the Rev. Noel Goater. Light entertainment was provided by the Rector and the members of the Orpheus Choir. Pictured are, from left, Bill Nichol (People's Warden), Thelma Nichol, Jan Goater, Doris Gigg, Betty DeLong, Wilfred (Biff) Gigg (Rector's Warden), Col. DeLong, and Fr. Goater.