

From the House of Bishops —

A message to the members of the Anglican Church of Canada and the people of our country

As a Church, we take seriously the Biblical declaration about God and about mankind. Against the background of that declaration, we restate our understanding of human sexuality and our deep concern for the impact of pornography upon our people and upon the whole of society.

Holy Scripture affirms that God is the Creator of all human beings, both male and female, and that all persons, male and female, have a particular affinity to the Creator. The Bible states, "in the image of God created He him: male and female created He them."

This truth is the ground of our conviction that men and women, sharing this "image," share also a common responsibility to each other in their sexuality. Because both maleness and femaleness are part of God's gift in creation, we are able to claim a wholesomeness in sexuality. The relationship between man and woman is God given: beneficial to both and mutually enriching — a gift to be celebrated and enjoyed.

Although this positive Biblical attitude to human sexuality is clear in our marriage services, we are aware that the Church has sometimes failed both in its attitude and its teaching to help its members understand and express these Biblical truths. We recognize that this failure has contributed to some of the negative attitudes to human sexuality which exist today.

We recognize that many people, both men and women, need help in learning to accept their sexuality as a gift from a loving Creator: given to enable us to enter into mutually enriching relationships which affirm the intrinsic value of each person involved. Our sexuality permeates every aspect of our being. Its reality is far wider and deeper than physical contact. The mutual attractiveness which flows from it opens the possibility for relationships which express respect and affirm the dignity and value of human beings as persons to be related to, and not things to be manipulated or exploited. Such relationships are enriching and give life one of its highest meanings.

Sexuality makes possible for many the vocation to marriage which involves a total commitment within which sexual intercourse is an intimate and sacramental sign, an outward and visible expression of love and respect which provides a sense of mutual acceptance and support in the various experiences of life. It is also the means whereby human beings can share in the experience of procreation.

It is because of our belief in the beauty and the sacredness of human sexuality that we are deeply concerned by the perversion of that sexuality in the form of pornography. In recent years, pornographic literature and movies have become more and more explicit as well as more readily available. Pornography victimizes and degrades women by portraying them as mere objects, and degrades men by portraying a stereotype of aggression. Pornography increasingly uses children as subjects, and increasingly depicts and incites to violent behaviour. It not only distorts wholesome and God-given sexual relationships, but exploits them for profit, so that persons who, in God's purposes, are capable of and deserving of fulfilling personal relationships are deceived into accepting debased fantasies in place of love and commitment. A society which acquiesces in such depersonalization and such increasing incitement to violence cannot escape the consequences. Ultimately this downward spiral will bring us to the point where the very image of God in which men and women are created will no longer be recognizable in us.

The publication of pornographic material and the distribution of pornographic movies is an evil which all of us can do something about. As Bishops of our Church, representing Anglicans from Newfoundland to the Yukon, we pledge ourselves to work with other Churches, with people of other faiths and with all concerned groups and institutions. We pledge ourselves, and hopefully our constituencies, to give support and encouragement to those already giving leadership in attacking this evil. Particularly, we recognize the valuable contribution of various women's organizations in increasing awareness of the insidious nature of pornography.

As members of dioceses and parishes we have opportunity and responsibility to make our total constituency aware of the harmful effects of pornography upon the viewer or reader, and the related effects on other persons and on society as a whole.

We call upon our members to make their own individual witness. This can be done, first of all, by refusing to purchase literature or video tapes which demean or violate the human body or the human person.

Individuals can refuse to make purchases of any kind at a business or store which displays pornographic material, and by making known to the management of that store their personal position. They can encourage management who themselves are opposed to the distribution of pornographic materials. They can make their views known to our elected representatives in every level of government; federal; provincial; municipal; through comments, letters and group resolutions.

As we endeavour to combat this pernicious influence in our midst, we must challenge those who profit from the multi-million dollar pornographic industry. This includes retailers, distributing agencies, and those involved in the production of such materials.

We urge all Canadians to take seriously this evil and to work for its eradication.

THE BISHOPS OF THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA.



How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming;
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him, still
The dear Christ enters in.

O Holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in;
Be born in us to-day.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel. Amen.

PHILLIPS BROOKS, 1835-1893

**The Algoma Anglican
extends to all our readers the
Compliments of the Season**

Archdeacon of Muskoka is the Venerable W. A. Graham

The many friends of Canon William Graham, of St. Mark's Church, Milford Bay, will be pleased to learn of his appointment as Archdeacon of Muskoka. He was installed into this office on Friday morning, October 21st, at the Church of the Epiphany, Sudbury, by the Right Rev. Leslie Peterson, Bishop of Algoma, during the session of the Diocesan Executive Committee.

Archdeacon Graham succeeds in this office the Bishop, who was Rector of Trinity Anglican Church in Parry Sound and Archdeacon until his election as Bishop. The new Archdeacon is to be styled the Venerable William Graham. His territory includes the District of Muskoka and the south parts of Parry Sound District.

Archdeacon Graham has been serving as the Rural Dean of Muskoka for the past few years, and the Bishop has named in that position the Rev. William Ivey, who is the new rector of Trinity Church in Parry Sound and who until his transfer there from Chapleau had been the Rural Dean of Algoma.

Archdeacon Graham's own parish includes Milford Bay, Beaumaris, Port Carling and Mortimer's Point. He came there in May, 1975, from the Diocese of the Arc-

tic, where he had served for 19 years, lastly at Innoudjouac. In October, 1981, he was named an Honorary Canon of St. Luke's Cathedral in Sault Ste. Marie.

Service at Cathedral honors 150 years of ministry

The Anglican Church celebrated 150 years of ministry in Sault Ste. Marie with a special service Sunday evening, October 16th, at St. Luke's Cathedral.

Ringed church bells summoned the congregation to a specially adapted service using the wording from the 1820 Book of Common Prayer.

The Processional Cross used at the service was presented to the diocese in memory of Archdeacon William McMurray, who, in August, 1832, was commissioned by Sir John Colborne, Lieutenant Governor of Upper Canada, to establish a mission among the Ojibways with headquarters at Sault Ste. Marie.

Mr. McMurray left York (now Toronto) on September 20th, 1832, and arrived in Sault Ste. Marie one month later.

He was too young to receive Holy Orders, and could not conduct services or baptize his converts.

In June, 1833, he left for York hoping to meet the Bishop of Quebec. On arrival, he found the Bishop had gone east. His quest took him first to Kingston, then to Montreal and finally, to Frelighsburg in the eastern township.

There he caught up with the Bishop, who ordained him to the Diaconate although he was still under age.

He returned to Sault Ste. Marie where he conducted his first service on the Feast of St. Luke, October 18th, 1833.

At the recent service at the Cathedral the Pine family

Executive Committee met at Sudbury

By the Venerable Archdeacon W. A. Graham
The following are highlights of the Executive Committee meeting held at the Church of the Epiphany, Sudbury, October 20th and 21st. The chairman was the Bishop, the Right Reverend Leslie E. Peterson.

This was the first meeting to be chaired by Bishop Peterson. At Mattins and Eucharist on Friday, October 21st, he installed John DeP. Wright, Q.C., as Chancellor of the Diocese, Canon W. A. Graham as Archdeacon of Muskoka and the Rural Deans. The meeting was opened with prayer and after regrets were noted and announcements, the new secretary, Mrs. Jean McAlpine, was introduced. Special guests were the Most Reverend E. W. Scott, Primate, and Norman Greene, director for Algoma of Anglicans in Mission.

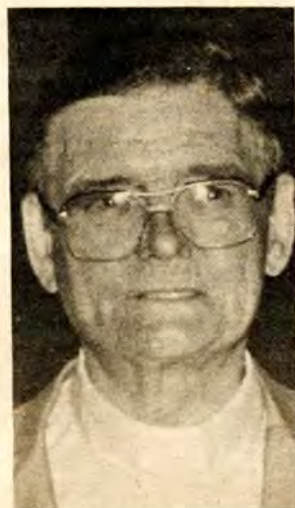
After the acceptance of the agenda the Primate gave an address on the meeting of the World Council of Churches, stressing our need to support the Third World countries.

This was followed by acceptance of the minutes of the May meeting and business arising out of the minutes, which was mainly committee appointments. Correspondence was read

followed by the Treasurer's statements. There was quite a bit of discussion on these statements and then the 1984 proposed budget was discussed. All points of the budget were considered and a suggestion of the Finance Committee was adopted that assisted parishes be responsible for the full costs of U.I.C. and C.P.P. and Church Pension plans as of the 1984 Budget. It was further passed that these parishes must apply to the Diocese for the amount of money needed to make up their Rector's stipends and travel grants.

After lunch Mr. Greene brought those attending fully up to date on Anglicans in Mission. New business was discussed: Ordinations in Sault Ste. Marie, November 30th, Bishophurst as a retreat centre, the position of Examining Chaplains and many property matters such as the sale of St. Brice's Rectory in North Bay, the purchase of a Rectory in Gore Bay and many other matters such as Stained Glass Windows in some Churches and repairs and additions in others. Before the meeting closed Archdeacon Roy Hadden congratulated Bishop Peterson for the able way he had chaired his first meeting of the Executive Committee.

The meeting closed with prayer at 5 p.m.



Ven. Archdeacon Graham

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Motto for Algoma Diocese in the coming year

*"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His
righteousness and all things shall be added unto
you."*

Bishop Peterson's Itinerary

December 5th — Confirmation — Blind River 11:00
a.m., Massey 7:00 p.m.
December 11th — St. John's, North Bay — 100th An-
niversary Year Visit.
December 18th — Goulais River — Confirmation.
December 24th — St. Luke's Cathedral, Sault Ste.
Marie.
December 25th — St. Luke's Cathedral, Sault Ste.
Marie.
January 1st, 1984 — Open House at Bishophurst.
January 17th to 19th — Ontario Provincial Consultation
on the Diaconate.
January 23rd — Retreat — St. John's, Willowdale.
January 25th and 26th — Visit Colleges.

The Lord's Day (A.D. 100-200)

By Canon John G. McCausland, S.S.J.E.

During the first part of this century under review, the Church had to meet underground because of the hostility of the Roman Government. However, there is evidence from A.D. 150 that a more structured Service for Saturday evening and Sunday was beginning to be formed. The modern experiments in revising the Eucharist have used some of the insights of the second century Church.

Many of the Christians were slaves and could attend the Christian Assembly only during their "supposed" sleeping hours. The Saturday night Vigil Eucharist was common; when possible the Sunday Eucharist was the chief Act of Worship. At Easter and Pentecost, Baptism and Confirmation, as one Act, preceded the Eucharist. The Church took a very serious view of "back-sliding" after Baptism. Those guilty of serious sin had to refrain from attending the Eucharist from Ash Wednesday (we would say) until Maundy Thursday, the Day of Reconciliation.

The Baptised and the Catechumens would assemble. The Deacons would expound the Faith of the Church, with special emphasis on the Resurrection. A letter would be read from St. Paul, St. Peter and Others. This reading was often preceded by a lesson from the Old Testament. The Deacon would read and explain a portion of the Gospel (parenthesis Mk 13:14). The Kiss of Peace or Pax was then given to all as an act of love.

The Deacons then announced that the Catechumens would go to another room or place for instruction preceding Baptism and Confirmation. The doors were closed and locked. Those inside were now required to recite a form of the Apostles' Creed and make the sign of the Cross, as proof of their Baptism. The "Breaking of Bread" or "Thanksgiving" or Eucharist began with a psalm or some very early Christian Hymn. (1 Cor 13 is a sample). The Bread and Wine was presented: offerings of food and clothes for the poor were presented. Since there was service of preparation or confession before the Assembly met, the Intercession followed the Offertory. There was no shortage of items for Intercession: (a) a raid on the Christian Assembly in some place; (b) some Leaders martyred; (c) the Faithful Departed whose names were placed on a special board; thanksgiving for converts and a new Christian Congregation.

The Bishop recited the GREAT PRAYER or Consecration Prayer. The first part of the Prayer thanked God for the Incarnation and the Crucifixion and Resurrection of His Son. The Words of Institution followed. The latter section of the GREAT PRAYER offered the Life, Ministry and Resurrection of Jesus to His Father. By Baptism, the Christians were able to offer themselves, since they had received grace through Jesus Christ and the anointing of the Holy Spirit. As a climax, those present received the Lord Jesus Christ and each other in Holy Communion.

As I said at the beginning, some of the new Eucharistic Services are based on the ancient model I have described. Our Prayer Book Eucharist represents the later experience of the Church. Baptism and Confirmation are separated. There is a consciousness of sin after Baptism. There is division among Christians so that the Assembly on Sunday no longer represents the unity between Christ and His Church. There is a genuine desire for unity among Christians today. All of us must engage ourselves in spiritual renewal. Some of the discipline and joy of the Early Church must return to our worship. Discipline and the joy of adoration are found in both the Prayer Book Eucharist and the Experimental Eucharist. In each case, the Individual and the Congregation must work at it. At every Eucharist, traditional or contemporary, the Lord Jesus Christ is present and active in the underground and secret Assembly or in your parish church and mine.

Obituary

Mrs. Murray Bradford
The sympathy of all goes to the Reverend Murray Bradford, Rector of the Church of St. Stephen the Martyr, Thunder Bay, in the unexpected death on Friday, November 11th, of Mrs. Bradford.

It was upwards of a year ago that Fr. and Mrs. Bradford moved to Thunder Bay from their home at Dorset, Lake of Bays Mission, Muskoka, when he was named to the Rectorship of St. Stephen's. They had been married by Bishop Nock at St. John's Church, Fox Point, on October 10th, 1981. Mrs. Bradford was the former Lorna Gail Purcell, and she had been a member

of the nursing staff of Huntville and District Memorial Hospital.

Richard Pine

The death has occurred of Chief Richard Pine, whose funeral service took place at the Garden River Indian Reserve. Chief Pine, 88, was the hereditary chief of the Ojibway band at Garden River because of his direct descent from Chief Shingwauk, the first known chief of the band near Sault Ste. Marie. He was respected as a leader of Indian peoples in Northern Ontario. He was elected band chief at various times, until he retired in 1972. He leaves his wife and 12 children.

A Christmas Reflection

By John McLean,
Lay Reader,
All Saints' Parish,
Huntsville

I've been through many Christmas-times. Not more than I care to remember, certainly; but many. Many and most have been happy ones, filled with good feelings about family and friends and warmth toward just about everything and everybody I know. I'm looking forward to this Christmas-time and intend to celebrate it fully — God willing, with twinkling lights, gifts, visits, and with hearty exchanges of "Merry Christmas" and many expressions of "God Bless You" to my friends and neighbors.

It's a wonderful time of year. It has particular joys for each generation. It's different too, in that we assign high priority to doing things and to going places that, at other times of the year, aren't normally a major part of our style. There's a kind of joyfulness prevailing. There's a kind of love, and caring, and sharing, about the community, that isn't usually present.

Strange, isn't it, that at Christmas-time we feel this overwhelming need to give gifts, to light up our houses, and to be generously concerned about the less fortunate.

Some call it "Christmas-hype"; a lot of emotion generated by and for the good of commercial enterprise. Others take it as a time to be excessive in their fellowship and still others use it as an opportunity to exhibit. Poor souls, for they miss so much of what we call "the true spirit of Christmas."

For others it's a most sad and lonely time. Loved ones are gone, or far away. The memory of better times overwhelms, and Christmas is seen through tears and the emptiness of a solitary existence. Poor souls. If only someone could fill a little of that void. If only someone would seek out, and reach out, and care, and share, with them the true spirit of Christmas.

And it's these extremes that I reflect on at this Christmas-time. The spirit of Christmas: What is it that makes us act as we do at this time of year?

For almost all of us, it's a result of being caught up in The Season. Yes, the hype helps. We're moved to act by the advertising. There's pressure to do, whether we really enjoy it or not. There's pressure to be the "hail fellow" whether that's our style or not. Sometimes even, we have this feeling

that we'll be judged by the value of the gift we give!

It gives a person pause to think whether it's Santa Claus friendliness or the love of God that's at the root of our celebrations. I think that maybe it's both.

I think that at Christmas we all get a feeling of wanting to do something nice for someone. (It's been known that even neighborhood feuds are reconciled at this Season!) I think that in all of us, at Christmas especially, there's a feeling within us that love has reached out to us, and we respond to this feeling by reaching out ourselves, to others.

I think that at Christmas particularly (and maybe even prompted by the hype) ordinary man senses a nearer presence of Something that he's not ordinarily familiar with, and he sense a Love that he's moved to respond to. And he responds in the best way he can. For a short time (at least) he tries to reflect that feeling of Love's near presence by giving gifts and acts of fellowship — uncharacteristic as these may be!

For the Christian, that feeling of Love reaching out is recognized! We know it to be God acting to bridge the gulf between us and Him. We celebrate joyfully His gift to us of a Redeemer, the Saviour of all who accept the Gift, and we express this joy in celebration and by giving gifts to others.

But how hollow our giving is, if, among all the packages we can't give to God the gift he so dearly seeks from us: our love in return for His.

His Gift to us was life itself, manifest in the caring and sharing life of Jesus. God's gift was pure love in action. Our gift in return can simply be a response in kind: love for Him offered in sacrificial acts of caring and sharing toward others of His Creation.

The Star that shone over Bethlehem at the first Christmas-time proclaimed in its own way, the Light of the World, Very God of Very God, born and given to us in human form. Jesus, born to bridge the gulf between a loving God and searching man. Christ here among us to redeem us and to guide us into that special relationship for which we were created.

The Star of Bethlehem can shine just as brightly over our homes this Christmas if Christ is born anew in us, and shines forth through our frailty in acts of genuine caring and sharing toward even the least of these, the poor, the lonely and the unloved of His Creation.

May God's near presence be in your heart this Christmas.

Letter from the Bishop —

True sexuality needs to be valued

My Dear fellow Anglicans, by the time this message reaches you, a letter from the House of Bishops will have been read in your parish church concerning the blight of pornography in our society, and stating positively the value of human sexuality as a gift of God.

I hope that people all over our diocese will take time to become informed about this subject, and act, but with a genuine concern for the person who is a user of pornographic materials. I am not anxious to see the Church branded as being against sex, or that our sexuality is sinful. What we want is for every person to see themselves as a valuable human being who can learn to relate to other human beings in meaningful and harmonious ways.

The Coming of our Lord Jesus Christ into our lives, which we celebrate this Christmas again — has brought about in society respect for the value of each person.

To see these values slipping away, and people being represented in images that debase and devalue them and treat them as objects is an offence to our Lord who held children, lepers, and even prostitutes, in respect as people — I am reminded of the words of St. Paul to the Church at Philippi:

"Rejoice in the Lord always: again I will say, Rejoice. Let your forbearance be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, shall guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus."

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honourable, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."

Certainly these words speak timelessly to us all. Have a Happy Christmas with your friends and family.

Yours in Christ,

Leslie Algoma

Clergy Appointments . . .

Bishop Peterson announces the following changes in clergy appointments:

The Reverend Robert Russell has been appointed Assistant Curate at St. Thomas' Church, Thunder Bay, effective November 1st, 1983.

The Reverend Jerry Smith has been appointed to the Parish of St. John's, Chapleau, effective December 1st, 1983.

Bruce Finkle, Church Army, completed his duties at Marathon as of November 1st, 1983.

The Reverend Wayne Putman has been appointed Rector of St. George's Parish, Espanola, as of November 1st, 1983, including the Churches at Nairn, Whitefish Falls and Webbwood.

A parable for today

By the Reverend W. Gary Dobinson
in The Manitoulin Expositor

I would like to share a true story with you. On the second Sunday of September, the cross on the top of the tower of Holy Trinity Church in Little Current fell off and was found lying in the dirt at the front of the church. The cross had pointed west, toward the parking lot, and backyards of neighbouring homes. After the cross was given a fresh coat of white paint, the following Saturday we tried to put it back in place. It wouldn't fit! Someone suggested to the men who were at the top of the tower that they turn the cross around. They did, and the cross fell into its sleeve. It now points toward the south, the street, and the town. To sum it all up, the cross fell off the church and we had to turn it around before we could get it back up. Perhaps it's time to turn the church around, stretching out its arms to all people.

The cross is to the church what colours are to a regiment: soldiers follow their colours into battle just as soldiers of Christ (and that is what we are called to be when we are baptized) follow their colours, which is the cross of Christ, wherever it leads. Thus, just as a regiment respects and reveres its colours, so Christians look up to the cross as they live each day, watching for its direction and its leading, taking the healing love of Christ to a sick and troubled world.

This is the call of Christ to each one of us, to follow His banner, the cross, out into the streets of the town, taking the good news to all people that life is not a fleeting moment upon the stage of humanity but a time filled with meaning and purpose which ends at death at the very throne of God. This is the challenge of the cross, this is the challenge of life; to live a life following the cross of Christ as sons and daughters of God and brothers and sisters to each other.

Building debt all paid, Consecration took place at Church of the Resurrection, Sudbury



CONSECRATION OF CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION: In the picture above, left to right, are Mrs. Pat Flowers, People's Warden; Ted Latrielle, Rector's Warden; Jim Dopson; the Rector, as Bishop Peterson "claimed this place for Christ Crucified." The picture below shows the Reverend Rod Brazill, former Rector; the Bishop receiving the Sentence of Consecration from the Rector, the Reverend R. Kelsey, prior to signing it; Jim Dopson, Parish Lay Reader, the Bishop's Chaplain, and John Flowers, server.



Twenty-five years is a long time in anyone's life, and many things happen in that span of years. For a number of people in Sudbury, a great event took place in 1958, which was the culmination of many years of work.

In 1938, the first religious Anglican service was held in the Chapel of the Resurrection, a Mortuary Chapel, situated on Regent Street in Sudbury. The late Reverend P. F. Bull was the clergyman responsible for this action, on January 9th of that year. A Sunday School was started, well attended. Within a year, a Ladies' Guild was in operation, and became very successful, even though the war years slowed things down a bit.

In 1950, the basement was renovated, and the Reverend F. F. Nock, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, helped with plans to make the Mission self-supporting. At this point, the mission became "The Church of the Resurrection." On January 6th, 1952, the "first" service was held in the newly established "Parish Church," by the Reverend George Doolan, Rector of St. James', Sudbury, at 9:00 a.m. The 11:00 a.m. service was led by A. Maddison, Parish Lay Reader. During the months ahead, Clergy from the Church of the Epiphany assisted with the services.

In September, 1953, the Reverend George Honour became the first Rector of the Parish. The Parish grew, and so did the building, as 16 feet were added to it, all done by members

of the Parish. But this was not enough, so plans were made in 1957 for a new building. The old building was demolished in the spring of 1958, and the cornerstone of the successor was laid on October 5th, 1958, by the Right Reverend P. R. Beattie, Bishop of Kootenay, former Rector of the Epiphany. Archbishop W. L. Wright officiated at the dedication on February 17th, 1959.

The Reverend Mr. Honour was succeeded in 1959 by the Reverend Fred Roberts, who spent some 10 years at the Resurrection. He, in turn, was succeeded by the Reverend R. B. Brazill, in 1970.

It was during the tenure of Fr. Brazill that the bank mortgage was cleared, and the "burning ceremony" held. A total of \$66,000 had been wiped out, finally. But lurking just around the corner was a loan from the Archbishop Wright Building Fund, totalling \$61,000, to be paid. This was being worked at during the leadership of the Reverend Canon (later Archdeacon) George Doolan, who had succeeded Mr. Brazill in 1974.

Finally, in October, 1983, some 16 months after the arrival of the fifth Rector, the Reverend Robert Kelsey, the last payment to the Archbishop Wright Building Fund was made, and arrangements were made with the Right Reverend L. E. Peterson to come to Sudbury, and "Claim This Place For Christ Crucified, Who is the First, and the Last, and the Lord of All" (B.C.P., p. 684).

The Church was full, and a great sigh of relief was heard at the pot-luck luncheon afterward, as the final mortgage was burned, allowing the parishioners to be able to "get on with the work of the Church," without the burden to bear. It is noted by Fr. Kelsey

that, "In 1988, the Parish will celebrate its 50th Anniversary, an event we shall be working towards, as we work in Christ's Vineyard . . . workers together with God. We shall 'Continue in Prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving.' (Col. 4:2)."



THE ACT OF CONSECRATION: In the above picture Bishop Leslie Peterson is shown signing the Sentence of Consecration at the Church of the Resurrection, Sudbury, on October 23rd. The picture below shows the Right Reverend Leslie Peterson presiding at the Eucharist following the service of Consecration. The banner was blessed as a permanent memorial of the service.



Primate was a Centennial visitor to St. John's, North Bay

By Mrs. Ivy Glenday
In mid-October the congregation of St. John's, North Bay, were privileged to have Archbishop Ted Scott, the Primate, as one of their special visitors during their Centennial Year.

On Saturday, October 15th, he was the guest of honor at the Parish Centennial Dinner held at the Pinewood Park Motor Inn. The event was greatly enjoyed by the many who attended, including visitors from Victoria, B.C., and from White River and Toronto. Mrs. Delphine Large, widow of Canon Charles Large, the eighth Rector of St. John's, sent a congratulatory telegram from Victoria, B.C.

The Rotary Songsters of North Bay provided the musical portion of the pro-

gram, their selections including Christian renewal songs introduced to the congregation in April by Fr. Terry Fullam.

Archbishop Scott began his address by noting how important in the life of a Primate is the visiting of parishes in various parts of Canada. He then challenged the congregation of St. John's to see themselves more and more as the People of God who served His Kingdom of love rather than as a group who are trying to preserve an ecclesiastical institution. Each member should be encouraged to offer his or her skills and talents to the ministry of the congregation.

The Primate was introduced by Biff Gigg, and thanked by Tom Chambers, who also presented him with a

substantial cheque for the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund, pooling the donations of many parishioners.

The next day, Sunday, October 16th, the Primate was the celebrant and preacher at 9:00 a.m. and the preacher at 10:30 a.m. Many stayed after the second service to greet Archbishop Scott in the Parish Hall, where refreshments were served by members of the A.C.W.

On Sunday afternoon, at his personal request, the Primate spent almost two hours visiting a number of Anglican shut-ins in private homes as well as in institutions in North Bay.

During his stay in North Bay he was the house-guest of Michael and Christine Whatmore.



PRESENTATION: At St. Matthew's Church, Sault Ste. Marie, at a farewell gathering honoring Canon and Mrs. Fred Roberts, Hazel Armstrong presented one of the several gifts to their former Rector and his wife.

St. Matthew's, Sault Ste. Marie, bids farewell to the Roberts

The Parish of St. Matthew's, Sault Ste. Marie, bid Canon Roberts, his wife, Jean, and family, good-bye, Sunday, September 25th. After nine years of faithful and dedicated service to St. Matthew's, Canon Roberts becomes Rector of St. John's Church, Thunder Bay.

The Roberts family have many fond memories, and, although there was sadness and regret they were leaving, it was tempered by the fact that the Roberts were looking forward to a new and exciting challenge.

In his final sermon to the congregation Canon Roberts expressed his deep feeling of gratitude to everyone for their co-operation and genuine loving friendship shown to him and his family. He thanked the parish for their prayers and support during his lengthy illness in 1981. He also expressed his family's appreciation for the special functions held in

their honor commemorating his 25th year since he was ordained, and his and Jean's 25th wedding anniversary. Canon Roberts stated they would miss their many friends at St. Matthew's, and would look back on the past nine years as a very special time in their lives.

Following a 10:00 a.m. Eucharist service, the congregation gathered in the Parish Hall for a hot pot-luck buffet. The occasion was organized under the direction of Norma Hankinson and Sheila Brideaux who, along with their Social Committee, did a great job in decorating the hall in the Fall Festival motif. This also marked the first time the ladies were able to use their new kitchen, which, except for some finishing touches, had just been completed.

Rector's Warden, Jack Denny, thanked Canon Roberts on behalf of the Parish for his dedicated ser-

vice to St. Matthew's. He went on to say how his jovial personality and friendly manner, particularly with the new people in the Church, would be missed. He wished the Roberts family all the best in their new life in Thunder Bay and hoped the would find time to drop in and visit in the future.

The Parish presented the family with a purse, along with a beautifully framed picture of a sunset at the Roberts' family cottage in Muskoka. Presentations were also made by Hazel Armstrong, on behalf of the Sunday School, and by Alison Weir, representing the Girls' Auxiliary.

Prior to their departure, the Roberts were entertained by the choir in the home of organist Gordon Root; also William Kidd hosted a party with the Anglican Clergy, and Jean was the guest of honor at the coffee party held by the A.C.W.

Senior members of congregation

honored at St. John's, Sault Ste. Marie

By Margaret Barton
Four long-time members of the Church of St. John the Evangelist in Sault Ste. Marie were honored at a banquet on November 1st.

The dinner was preceded at 6:00 p.m. by Eucharist and the Church was filled to capacity by relatives and friends of the honored guests. The service was conducted by the Rector, Archdeacon Frank Coyle, assisted by Dr. Geoffrey Secord, Rector's Warden.

Mrs. Phyllis Brideaux, Mrs. Mable Stares and Mrs. Fred Boileau have attended this Church for a combined total of 177 years. Mrs. Stares holds the record with 75 years' membership. She has been very active in

the women's organizations and serves on the advisory board.

Mrs. Brideaux is envelope secretary for the parish. She joined St. John's in 1926 after her marriage to Edwin Brideaux. Mrs. Brideaux attends Church regularly as well as being active in the women's organizations.

Fred and Edna Boileau joined St. John's in 1938. Fred has been Warden and served on the advisory board, as well as being "jack-of-all-trades" for years, without which St. John's would not function properly. As one speaker at the dinner remarked, "If we paid Fred for all the hours he has worked at the hall, church and rectory, he would hold the mortgage on

all three of them!" Edna is church treasurer and is a member of the choir. She helps in numerous ways with the parish work.

Their families are also very active and take a keen interest in Church life.

The dinner was sponsored by the Men's Club. Harry Burry was master of ceremonies and speakers from the congregation were Ken Jones, Myra Robinson, Archdeacon Coyle and Margaret Barton. The members of the Girls' Auxiliary served the dinner, supervised by their leader, Mrs. Barbara Sherwood, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boileau.

At the Eucharist a list of memorials in the Church was read.

Around Algoma

The Induction service for the Reverend Canon Frederick G. Roberts, B.A., L.Th., as Rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Thunder Bay, took place on All Saints' Day, November 1st, and was conducted by the Archdeacon of Thunder Bay, the Venerable E. R. Haddon. Canon Roberts in his new appointment is returning to the city of his boyhood, for he went to the old Central School and Fort William Collegiate, was a member of St. Paul's congregation and for awhile worked at Chapple's Ltd. Mrs. Roberts, Jean, is a daughter of the late Archdeacon Julian Smedley, who at one time was Rector of St. John's Church.

"Christian Healing Rediscovered" was the theme of the third annual Conference on Healing sponsored by the Sault Ste. Marie chapter of the Order of St. Luke, which opened on October 14th at Trinity Centre and Holy Trinity Church. Theme speakers were the Reverend Robert W. McKewin, an Episcopal priest from St. Paul, Minnesota, and Dr. Carl Heggestad, member of the board of directors of Sanctuary House, a centre dedicated to the healing of the whole person. Also attending as one of the resource people was Sue Lincoln, a family counsellor from St. Paul, Minnesota.

A first workshop for "present and potential" Church School leaders and clergy provided a helpful day of discussion on October 29th at Christ Church, Lively. The workshop was led by Beth Heale, a community and program worker at the Pastoral Institute of Northern Ontario. The program included a film presentation, "What do You Think?" in which Dr. David Elkin, of New York, a psychology professor, was seen interviewing children of ages from four to 11 on subjects physical, moral and religious. Those attending are hopeful that similar workshops will be arranged in the future. They also felt there would be an advantage in having a centre for the Diocese, probably in Sudbury, from which films and other aids could be made available for those engaged in Church School work.

The Reverend W. Gary Dobinson, who earlier this year became Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Little Current, and the other churches of the Parish at Sucker Creek and Sheguiandah, has advised that Holy Trinity Church has just purchased a lot of land immediately behind the Church, 170 feet wide and 66 feet deep. This additional property will be used as a garden in which teas and other activities can take place. The whole church property is being landscaped and beautified by volunteer help, which includes two construction companies and the use of heavy equipment.

A memorial fund to honor the late Reverend William S. Morris is being established to enable Lakehead University at Thunder Bay to sponsor an annual lecture series on Religion and Reason, to be called the William S. Morris Lectures in Philosophy and Religious Studies. Contributions payable to the Morris Fund may be sent to the office of the Vice-President Finance, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, P5B 5E1.

Elsewhere in this issue is a report of the visit to St. John's Church, North Bay, of Archbishop Ted Scott, the Primate, honoring the centennial of the congregation. There have been special services throughout the year, with former Rectors among those coming to take part. Captain the Reverend Ken Blaber, a former associate Rector, was a preacher in July and on other Sundays of that month commemorative services were held for two Rectors. The late Canon Harry Sims, Rector 1927-1937, a period in which the upper parish hall was built, was represented at one service by his daughters, Mrs. Grace Fischer, North Bay, and Mrs. Lillian Barrett, New Liskeard. Mrs. Margaret Greene, widow of the Reverend Lee I. Greene, Rector in 1937 and 1938, was able to be present for the service honoring the memory of her husband, who after leaving North Bay had been on the staff of the Cathedral at Johannesburg, South Africa, before becoming Rector of St. Mary Magdalene Church, Toronto, and afterwards at two parishes in succession in New Jersey.

The Fall tea and bazaar at St. Luke's Cathedral, Sault Ste. Marie, was held October 15th. Convener for this event was Mrs. Cleo Young. The upper hall was decorated in a Harvest theme with two gigantic scarecrows as the focal point. The guests at the tea were pleasantly entertained by Eric Shaw at the piano. Bazaar tables filled with Christmas items were in the lower hall.

The Laymen of St. Luke's, Sault Ste. Marie, held a turkey supper on November 1st. The full course supper was very well organized by George Hale. The men proved to be expert waiters, efficiently serving 400 people a delicious dinner.

The Ladies' Fellowship Group of Christ Church, North Bay, held their annual

"Snowflake Tea" on Saturday afternoon, November 5th, the Archbishop Wright Hall. The beautiful weather, crisp, cool and sunny, helped bring out an excellent attendance. Snowflakes decorated the entire hall. Wise Men or Angels sat on gay red cloths with other tables adorned with red and green gingham cloths. These table decorations were hand-made and sold to guests. The craft table was laden with an assortment of knitted goods, three-piece baby sets, booties, slippers and tree decorations. Grandma's Kitchen was set up and there was baking galore. The ladies were well rewarded in the very good sales and received many compliments from guests. Men of the Parish turned out to assist in setting up and dismantling the tables and decorations. Father Bill Ellam mingled with the guests but spent a great deal of his time at the kitchen sink along with his father, doing the dishes.

Following the service of Morning Prayer at St. Thomas' Church, Bracebridge, on Sunday, October 30th, members of the choir and congregation gathered at R. M. Browning Memorial Hall for a luncheon, on the day which Robert J. Boyer was retiring from the position of organist and choir director. Mr. Boyer had held the position since January 1st, 1972, almost 12 years. Church Warden Leslie Goodfellow, a longtime choir member, spoke and after paying tribute to the retiring organist presented him with records of music and a framed message of thanks from the congregation. The Reverend Stanley Tomes also spoke and presented Mr. Boyer with a symbolic key "to the church and pipe organ" so that he would be free to come in to practise at any time. The luncheon was arranged by the A.C.W., who presented Mr. Boyer with a decorated cake. The new organist of St. Thomas' Church is Mrs. Ruth Walsh.

Ministry of Healing conference held at St. Brice's Church, North Bay

A conference on the Ministry of Healing sponsored by the North Bay Chapter of the International Order of St. Luke was held at St. Brice's Church, North Bay, on October 29th and 30th.

The conductor was the Reverend Dr. C. Daniel Matheson. Dr. Matheson is a Maritimer who retired this June from a lifetime of serving the United Church. He is presently Retreat Master of Temple Pastures Mission, Gatineau, Quebec, and is a Chaplain for the Order St. Luke in Ottawa.

Subjects discussed during the morning and afternoon sessions on Saturday were: (1) Healing in Community; (2) Healing of the emotions and (3) Healing maintained.

The sessions closed on Saturday with Evening Prayer and Praise at 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Matheson was guest preacher at the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist at St. Brice's Church and the 10:30 Eucharist at the Church of St. John the Divine on Sunday, October 30th.

The conference closed with a Healing Service at 7:00 p.m. at St. Brice's followed by a reception in the church hall.

Those in attendance were

COME AND LISTEN

By Gary Tenhunen

*In long past ages
The sages rang
The song of bells*

*To tell people
To come and listen
To wisdom they spoke*

*Under the stars that
glistered
Near to candle smoke.*

*For each would handle
Wax lights
And spread the flame*

*To teach facts
Of keeping The Word
alive*

*Even though rain
May be seeping
From the sky*

*Or wind blow
Or pain may cause
One to cry.*

Church of the Ascension, Sudbury, enjoyed Silver Anniversary celebration

By M. I. Deeks
1983 seems to have been a special year for celebrations throughout the Diocese of Algoma, Diamond, Golden, Silver Jubilees especially, and the Church of the Ascension in New Sudbury was not to be left out.

This Church celebrated 25 years of Service to our Lord with a special Silver Jubilee Celebration on September 18th. First of all a new church sign was built by Del. Gates and William Bills, who were vice-chairman and chairman of the Jubilee Committee respectively, and erected by Bill Martin, Bob Corrigan and Bill May and paid for by the Men's Club.

The Day of Celebration began with Holy Eucharist at which Bishop Leslie Peterson was celebrant and Canon Henry Morrow (retired) was the preacher. All the members of the original congregation who could be contacted were invited as well as all the Clergy who had served the parish, also the Clergy of Sudbury Deanery. The founding priest, now Canon Morrow, as well as the Reverend Al Reimers, who was the second Priest, attended.

A new Silver Jubilee Banner was prepared by William Bills and blessed by Bishop Peterson during the Service. In the evening an invitational dinner was enjoyed by about 140 original

and present members and Clergy from the Sudbury Deanery. An evening of entertainment followed. Archdeacon Paterson told the story of "The Lady Known as Lou" and "Sam Magee" in his own inimitable style; his wife and daughter played and sang beautifully; Jamie Martin played two selections on the piano, followed by Laura and Lane Cochrane playing guitar selections.

It was unfortunate that William Bills had suffered a heart attack and was unable to enjoy the fruit of his labours. The Reverend Bill Ellam and Canon John McCausland, past Clergy of the Ascension, were unable to join in the celebration because of illness.



BANNER: W. C. Bills displays the Silver Jubilee banner at the Church of the Ascension, Sudbury.



CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION SILVER JUBILEE: Part of the head table party is seen in this picture, which shows, left to right, Canon Harry Morrow, Mrs. Hankinson, Bishop Peterson, Mrs. Peterson, Fr. Hankinson and Mrs. Morrow. Also at the head table were: Iris Mahon, church organist; the Reverend Al Reimers and Mrs. Reimers and Mrs. Paterson.



AT INDUCTION OF THE REVEREND WILLIAM IVEY: The Induction service for the new Rector at Trinity Church, Parry Sound, the Reverend William P. Ivey, was held on the Feast of All Saints, November 1st, and was attended by visiting clergy from Muskoka Deanery as well as a large turn-out of the congregation. Shown in the photo, left to right, are: front, the Reverend Stanley Tomes, Bracebridge; the Reverend Elliot Sheppard, Sundridge; the Reverend Ray Porth, Lake of Bays Mission — centre, the Reverend Herbert Coote, Port Sydney, and the Reverend Robert Davies, Rosseau — back, Archdeacon William Graham, Milford Bay; the Reverend William Ivey and the Reverend Jerry Smith, Manitowaning.

New Rector for Trinity Church, Parry Sound, Inducted in a moving ceremony

On Tuesday, November 1st, the feast of All Saints, the Reverend William P. Ivey was formally inducted as the 13th Rector of Trinity Church, Parry Sound.

Father Ivey was brought to the church doors by Archdeacon William Graham, the representative of Bishop Leslie Peterson. Archdeacon Graham read aloud the Bishop's mandate, a letter formally appointing Fr. Ivey as Rector of Trinity Church. Rector's Warden Don Cameron and People's Warden Betty McDowall, representing the congregation, then stepped forward to acknowledge their new Rector and to present him with the keys of the Parish.

In a beautiful and moving ceremony Fr. Ivey was conducted around the church to the Baptismal font, the prayer desk, the lectern, the

pulpit and, finally, to the altar. At each place one of his fellow clergymen read a short passage from the Bible encouraging and exhorting the new Rector to lead his people to Christ, to baptise, pray for, teach and spiritually feed his people as a true pastor. The Archdeacon then admonished the congregation to pray for, assist and encourage their pastor.

As the choir and congregation sang the ancient Gaelic hymn, "Be Thou My Vision," Fr. Ivey knelt before the altar to be vested by his fellow clergymen for the celebration of Holy Communion which followed.

The capacity congregation listened with rapt attention to the guest preacher, the Reverend Jerry Smith, of Manitowaning. Fr. Smith has had a long and close association with William

Ivey since they attended Huron College together, and he will shortly become Rector of Mr. Ivey's former parish in Chappleau.

Miriam Gabel played the organ as the choir under the direction of Carolien Murch sang an introit, "The Lord is in His Holy Temple," and anthem, "See what Love hath the Father." The Junior Choir sang a gradual, "Father in Heaven."

After the service the ladies of Trinity ACW hosted a reception in the church hall where the congregation congratulated their new pastor and his wife, Bonnie, and welcomed the visiting clergy. The joyful fellowship of the reception made a fitting conclusion to a memorable and inspiring occasion in the life of one of Parry Sound's pioneer churches.