

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Family-Friendly Potluck

If you are looking for a way to share some food and fellowship with other young families in the parish, it is still not too late. **TODAY, February 12 at 4:30pm**, we will be having another **Family-Friendly Potluck** here at St. Paul's. In addition to the great food and great company, we'll have some activities ready for the kids to enjoy as well. Rob will also be sharing about the practice of praying at bedtime. If you are interested in joining us, please connect with Rob Montgomery in person, by email (rob.montgomery@anglican.nb.ca), or by phone at 506-608-1772.

Warm-Hearted Walk on a Cold Night

The Youth Group will be participating in the "Coldest Night of the Year" fundraiser held in Saint John on **Saturday February 25**. (Our team name is *St. Paul's Walking Wonders*). If you are interested in sponsoring some of us, **or joining us**, please connect with Rob Montgomery. This event is hosted locally by Outflow, and helps raise money and awareness for those struggling with homelessness and basic necessities in communities across Canada. (For more information, check out their website at <https://canada.cnoy.org/home>).

Summer Fun at Camp Medley

Camp Medley is an excellent summer camp run by the Anglican Diocese of Fredericton, with programs available for young people ages 7-17. Located just over an hour outside of Rothesay, Camp Medley provides great ways for kids to enjoy the outdoors, make new friends, and experience the Good News of Jesus Christ. Brochures are now available in the entrance way, check out Camp Medley online via Facebook or at www.campmedley.ca, and feel free to connect with Rob Montgomery for more info.

New Year, New Media

For those who enjoy spending time online, why not check out St. Paul's new **Facebook Page**? This is a great way to stay connected and up to date with what's happening here at St. Paul's, even if you can't always make it out on Sunday.

<https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsrothesaycanada/>

(Help us spread the word by "liking" us online as well.)

CHILDREN ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ST. PAUL'S

Activity Bags are available for children remaining in Church

Sunday School welcomes kids ages 3+ during our 10 am service

Our **Nursery Room** is always ready for parents to use if they wish

ST. PAUL'S YOUTH GROUP

Ages 12+ **Friday 7-9pm** at the Church Everyone Welcome

Contact Info

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Canon George Akerley

Our parish and diocese lost a good friend and faithful priest this past week, the Rev. Canon George Charles Akerley. His funeral was held on Friday, February 10 from St. Paul's, with Bishop Edwards presiding. Canon George was made a Deacon March 1, 1953 and ordained a priest June 29, 1954. He was made a Canon of the Cathedral in 1983. He was the second-longest serving priest of the Diocese. He served in the parishes of Upham and Simonds, St. James Broad Street in Saint John, Hampton, St. Clement's Millidgeville, St. Anne's Ketepec, St. Philip's Moncton, Bathurst and Upper Kennebecasis. In his retirement years, he was frequently supplying to vacant parishes. He was an honorary assistant in our Parish since 2009. Born in Springfield, NB, George studied theology at King's College, Halifax. It was in Halifax that he met the love of his life, Audrey Smyth. Audrey died just a few years ago while residing at King's Way Care Centre. George is survived by his 3 daughters, Margaret of Rothesay, Suzanne of Dartmouth and Heather of Halifax, as well as his son John of Saint John. He also has several grandchildren and great grandchildren. It was a great tragedy that George and Audrey lost their son Bruce to an asthma attack in 1982. We were blessed that George made St. Paul's his church home when he moved to the KV. He worshipped faithfully with us and assisted with many services over the years. He loved to drop into the office, and expected us to stop what we were doing and find him a cup of coffee, and if possible a cookie or two. We did not mind putting our work aside for a while. He quickly became part of the group who go for lunch after church at the *Legion*. George like to laugh and to tease and to pontificate on matters of church life. It has been almost a year since he suffered a stroke, which resulted in a long stay at the SJRH and then in June he moved to the new Shannex in Millidgeville. With the help of his daughter Margaret and Gerry and Penny McConaghy, he got out to church quite often through the fall, and up to Christmas. We celebrated his 89th birthday with him in the fall with a cake after church. We are grateful to God for gift of his life and ministry. We shall miss him and remember him with fondness.

Make him to be numbered with thy saints, in glory everlasting.

Pancake Supper – Tuesday, February 28

Neighborhood #8 is leading us in our Pancake Supper this year. They are soliciting the parish for food items, as well as volunteers in the preparation, serving and cleaning. There are sheets to sign-up and get in on all the action (and fun!). Thank you all for helping out.

Parish Annual Meeting – Next Week

Sunday, February 19

* *report booklets are available this week*

* *the meeting will begin after a light lunch following the 10 am service*

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

... we thoroughly enjoyed our third *Anglican Tea* at the Shannex residence this past Wednesday. **George Urquhart** greeted everyone as they arrived with his warm and spirited music. There were lots of treats, flowers on the table and happy conversation through the room. **Don & Lily Adams** brought **Rita Hale** from the hospital, and **Joan Buckland**, who we have not seen for a while was able to be with us. Thank you to *Mission Within* and friends for organizing this event ... a few weeks ago **Jeremiah Miller** was visiting the area and came to our 8 am service. He is living in Woodstock and doing seasonal work at a local Garden Centre. He looked very well and wanted to be remembered to his St. Paul's family ... **Bishop Edwards** wants to visit us at St. Paul's. In fact, he is planning to come twice before the summer. He will be with us on Sunday, April 2nd for our 10 am service and will return on Wednesday, May 17 for the purpose of Confirmation. I will be looking at the calendar to determine when to begin classes for Confirmation. There will likely be two sets of classes, one for adults and one for youth. If you are interested in being Confirmed, or have a child ready to be confirmed, please speak with me as soon as possible ... we enjoyed a wonderful service last week when Wandlyn was made, first a Canon of the Cathedral, and then collated to become an Archdeacon. The Cathedral choir, led by their new organist, led us in Evensong. Archdeacon Laskey delivered the sermon. A lovely reception was held at the Cathedral Hall. Thank you all for your good wishes and support ... *that's some news, from our pews. ALS.*

PAC Questionnaire

The Parish Advisory Committee to the Bishop has met with Archdeacon Marsh and is in the process of preparing a detailed profile of the parish. The Committee members are Bruce Cook, Debbie Godlewski, Ann Bishop, Peter Irish and Pam Iype. We would like to get input from the members of the parish for us to get a good picture of where we are as a parish and where we would like to see us as a parish in the next few years. We have a short questionnaire prepared for everyone to fill out. Please drop your answers in the box placed on the lobby table. You may choose to sign your name or remain anonymous. Please pray for us and the process and let us take the time to discern as to where the Holy Spirit is leading us.

Following are the questions that are on the questionnaire:

1. In your view, what are the three top strengths of our parish?
2. What top three challenges are we facing as a parish?
3. Write down five points as to where you would like to see our parish in five years?
4. What are three characteristics or qualities that are important for the rector of St. Paul's to have?

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Pam Iype @847-2559

BEYOND THE PARISH

Memory Cafe

"The **Memory Cafe** is a program of the Alzheimer's Society, for those who have been diagnosed with dementia and their loved ones. It will be held today , **February 12, 2017** at St Paul's Anglican Church Hall, 4 Church Ave, Rothesay, from 2-4 pm.

Rothesay Seniors – A note from the Town

Rothesay is engaging interested residents to discuss seniors' issues. We want to learn what you think would make Rothesay a more 'age-friendly' community.

If you are interested in participating in a forum to discuss how the Town can be more 'age-friendly' or want to suggest some ideas, please let us know by sending an email to Rothesay@Rothesay.ca or call 848-6600 and we will add you to our email list.

- Mayor Nancy Grant

Annual Mystery Auction & Supper

Please join us in the Holy Trinity Church hall, Hammond River, for our annual Mystery Auction and Supper on **Sat, Feb 18**. A supper of beans and brown bread will be served at 5:30 pm with the auction starting at 7 pm. Our very gifted auctioneer is the truly hilarious Canon David Barrett! We are looking for items to auction so if you have household items or a Christmas gift that you may not want please wrap it up and bring it with you for the auction or drop it off at Holy Trinity. Call 847-0850 or 849-3453 for more information! Bring a Friend! All proceeds are for Holy Trinity Mission Projects - of which there are many!

Breakfast at St Luke's

The Monthly Breakfast at St. Luke's Anglican Church Hall, corner of Metcalf Street and Lansdowne Avenue, will be held on Saturday, **Feb 25** from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Come and enjoy a hearty and delicious meal of sausages, eggs, toast, home fries and beverage for just \$6 per person. A joint presentation of the Saint John Y's Men's Club and St. Luke's. Proceeds to outreach ministries.

A Wonderful Opportunity for Young Singers

The New Brunswick Youth Choir will take place May 19 – 21 at Mount Allison University. The clinician this year is Marta McCarthy. The choir is open to singers between the ages of 16 and 24. It is an exceptional weekend of training and education in choral performance. Applications are due, February 22. There will be auditions for the choir. For complete details email Leo Macneil at nbchoralfed@gmail.com or visit <https://nbcfsite.wordpress.com/new-brunswick-youth-choir-2017/>