

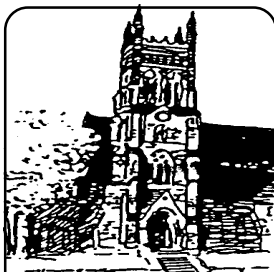
# The Georgian

Pentecost 2008



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## VIEW



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William Raso  
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**Organist and Choir  
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**Services Sundays**  
9:00am Holy Communion  
10:30am Main Service

**Wednesdays**  
12:15pm Holy Communion  
5:30pm Holy Communion

**Open your hearts to  
the Holy Spirit.**

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### From the Rector's Desk...

Happy Pentecost! I hope in this season when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit, that the Lord will greatly bless you.

It seems to me that recently the Holy Spirit is moving powerfully amongst us at St. George's, stirring things up, and making things new.

After our Vestry meeting several Committees have been hard at work. The Congregational Development Team has been busy contacting various parishioners inviting them to specific services and events. They are planning a Volunteer Appreciation Day for June 8th. There will be a New Members Dessert and Coffee gathering at the Rectory on May 1st. And plans are underway to have a 3 day Children's Camp this summer.

The Fundraising Team is also hard at work. Bill Raso's event for April 25 was sold out. Now plans are underway for the big Variety Show "Between Friends" to be held at St. George's on Friday May 30th. Plan to get your tickets soon. There will be a Summer Day at Sylvia White's on August 9th.

Many other committees are at work also. The Worship Committee has been meeting to review our worship patterns and to try to improve our liturgy. A Pastoral Care Team has been established, and is visiting shut-ins regularly. The Men's Fellowship is meeting regularly. There is a Building Development Committee looking into the long term uses of our property and buildings.

And finally, Bishop Eddie Marsh, and his wife Emma will be with us Saturday May 24th for a day of refreshment and renewal. It starts at 10a.m., plan to come, they are inspirational speakers.

Come and join in as the Spirit moves among us.  
Ralph+

### Welcome to our New Members

There was a "New Member" Dessert and Coffeetime at the Rectory on May 1st. We wish a hearty welcome to all our new members:.

Jean and Joan Chapman, Chantal Kilpatrick & Dev Cheema, Jeremy Dearling Elizabeth Raoult & Mark Hounsell, Michelle Lack and Rowan Kunitz, Jennifer Martin and Martin Mainguy, Neil Mancor, Sateesh and Madhavi Mandapalli, Protima and Pervaiz Nasir, and Alexandria and Geoff Riggs.

## Treasurer's Report

For the first 3 Months of 2008

When St. George's Finance Committee began to look at our church's prospects for 2008, things looked pretty glum. All forecasts pointed to a large operating deficit. In addition, we were looking at \$167,600 in major repairs, of which \$114,600 would be covered by government grants, leaving \$53,000 to be covered by our fundraising efforts in 2008.

But, at the Annual Vestry Meeting held in February, members of the congregation took heart. Changes were made to the budget in ways that would maintain our expected spending on the church's operations on a break even basis. Furthermore, a special effort would be made in 2008 to raise the \$53,000 needed for our major repairs. This meant increased giving from all of us each Sunday and a series of major fundraising events throughout the year.

So, how are we doing so far? And, what have you done so far? Our parish giving for the first 3 months to the end of March was \$29,093 versus a budget of \$29,525. Not bad, and better than the \$26,300 parish giving last year for this period.

However, our fundraising efforts so far have produced only \$2,080 versus the budget of \$7,750. We have much to do. I recently attended a meeting of the church's Fundraising Committee chaired by Tony Hadley. Many events are planned for the rest of this year as groups within the church take up the challenge. It seems to me this is bringing out the best in us. It is very encouraging. We will all need to support these efforts in a major way. Let's see what the people of St. George's can do!

Tom Burpee

## Volunteer Appreciation Day at St. George's

Are you a volunteer at St. George's? We want to show you our appreciation on Sunday, June 8th at the 10:30am service. Plan to come as we thank all of our volunteers.

## Men's Breakfast

The next two men's breakfasts are scheduled for May 31st and June 28th. At the last event held on April 26th, there were twelve of us enjoying fellowship, a fantastic breakfast provided by Paul Hachey, and a terrific talk by Neil Mancor. We encourage all the men at St. George's to come join us!

## Next Georgian View

Submissions for the next issue of the Georgian View are due August 3rd, 2008. You can e-mail these to Marleen and Ron O'Connell at [ronmar@videotron.ca](mailto:ronmar@videotron.ca) or leave them in the mail slot outside the church office.

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## Abundant Life

Jesus says in John 10:10 that HE has come that we might have life and have it more abundantly, and in verse 28 promises us, HIS sheep, eternal life. This is a great promise and is one that I desire to see fulfilled in my life. How will this happen?

The Bible is full of GOD'S ways for successful living. In the Old Testament Moses says to the people in Deuteronomy 30:19,20: "I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life that both you and your descendants may live, for HE is your life and the length of your days".

In Joshua 1:8, I find his recipe. He says "this book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe to do all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous and then you will have good success."

Proverbs is full of GOD'S ways of how I should live. I particularly like the first four chapters, and two of the verses that I pay particular attention to are Proverbs 4:20-22. I am told to give my attention to HIS words, to incline my ear to HIS sayings; to not let them depart from my eyes and to keep them in the midst of my heart, for they are life to those who find them and health to all their flesh.

These are just a few of GOD'S promises from the Old Testament, and of course the New Testament presents me with so many wondrous promises. In the Gospels JESUS says HE is the way, the truth and the life, the bread of life, the living water, the good shepherd and the resurrection and the life. I pray these promises each morning and also claim HIM as my rock, my fortress, my health and strength, my shield and my deliverer.

These many promises in the Bible are truly what I need to see operating in my life. To return to the question how this will be, the answer comes in Acts 1:8, "you shall receive power when the HOLY SPIRIT has come upon you". Yes, this is what I need – the HOLY SPIRIT empowering me to live the life GOD intends for me.

St. Paul has much to say about the role of the HOLY SPIRIT in our lives. I frequently read chapters 6 through 8 in Romans. I often meditate on Romans 8: 1,2 which says "There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in CHRIST JESUS, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the SPIRIT. For the law of the SPIRIT of Life in CHRIST JESUS has made me free from the law of sin and death. Another key verse is found in Ephesians 5:18 – "Be filled with the SPIRIT". This is a daily necessity, if not a minute by minute requirement. With CHRIST all things are possible, so I pray constantly that HE may live and move and have HIS being in me. (Acts 17:28)

Abundant life, what a promise! May I indeed live to see it fulfilled in my life. AMEN.

Jane Wigglesworth



**Saying farewell to Pam and Bob**



**Bishop Barry presents award to Bill**

## FUN(D) RAISING

It's exciting and it's fun - fund raising at St. George's that is. A small group of us are making phone calls, practicing music, getting ideas and planning them. H-m-m-m! What are we planning? While this is not a complete list since the ideas keep flowing, there will be a Strawberry Festival in the summer, visiting a country place next to a lake, hosting an Antiques Show and Tell, having supper with the Rector, organizing a Wine and Cheese party, putting on a musical variety show, producing an Underground Railway show and a host of other events with a target of raising \$25,000 in the fiscal year of 2008.

I can't wait to see these events come to fruition and of course if you would like to contribute ideas, participate or come to one of our planning meetings (next one on Sunday, May 14th after the 10:30 service), please do not hesitate to see me. Maybe you can post a flyer for us or invite friends to come to our events.



The next major event is the St. George's Fund Raising Variety Show – “Between Friends” and will be held on Friday, May 30, at 7:30 p.m. at the church. Members of our choir and their invited guests, Octet Plus, aim to please your visual and auditory senses, heal your spirit and raise some funds. The ticket cost is \$20.00 and will be on sale in the Parish Hall after services or in the Church Office during the week. Hope to see you there!  
Tony Hadley

## BENEFIT DINNER & BISHOP'S AWARD

The first fundraising event of this year, a Dinner and Silent Auction organized by William Raso, was held Friday, April 25th in the Church Hall. What a success! A sumptuous five-course dinner, prepared by Michelle Hakel, was served efficiently and pleasantly by a team of our young parishioners to eighty people. During the course of the meal, we were treated to musical interludes by Tracy and Tom Davidson and Jonathan Davis. Once the auction's bidding was closed, the winners and their new acquisitions (donated by many people) were announced. Everything necessary for the evening was donated, so that \$5000 was raised for the building restoration. Bravo, Bill! The generous support of the sponsors, the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Michelle Hakel, Mount Royal Commemorative Services, William and Nicole Borntraeger III, and the Guild of St. George's is gratefully acknowledged.

A special highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Bishop's Award, by Bishop Barry Clarke, to William Raso. This honour is for his longstanding contribution to the life of our parish and to the Diocese.

Congratulations, Bill!

## **The Guild of St. George's**

### **Millennium Scholarship**

The Millennium Scholarship programme has been created to support any recognized Lay member of St. George's Church who is attending a post secondary educational or vocational institution as a full time student, in good academic standing.

The maximum value of each scholarship shall not exceed \$1,000 per annum. The scholarship will be granted for a one year period and may be renewable for an additional period of up to two years.

Please complete the information requested at the bottom of this form and submit with a copy of your most recent academic record, a letter from your institution confirming your full time status, and a personal statement concerning your goals regarding education and employment.

You may submit your completed application to The Guild of St. George's, c/o the President.

All documents must be in the hands of the Selection Committee by Aug. 20, 2008.

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### **Millennium Scholarship Application**

**Please consider my application for the Guild of St. George's Millennium Scholarship as I am a recognized member of the parish who is a full time student, in good academic standing, at a post secondary or vocational institution.**

**Family Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Christian Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Civic Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Province:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Postal Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Number:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Educational Institution you are attending:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Dated:** \_\_\_\_\_



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IN THE SPIRIT OF YOUR MINDS  
EPHESIANS 4:23**

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Emma has served on the Board of Anglican Renewal Ministries and has taught at the Leadership Training Institutes. She has Missions for the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer and worked also with SOMA (Sharing of Ministries Abroad). Emma practices a ministry of Spiritual Direction in Central Newfoundland.

Eddie is retired as the Diocesan Bishop of Central Newfoundland. He is a strong supporter of the Cursillo movement and he is involved with the North American Order of St. Luke.

Together Eddie and Emma practice and teach Ignatian Spirituality. They have three children and five grandchildren who are a special joy for them.

**SATURDAY, MAY 24TH  
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

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