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Sunday Services

8:00 a.m. — Said Service and Eucharist.

9:15 a.m. — Traditional/Choral Holy Communion. Nursery available. Children's Ministry meets downstairs for lessons and crafts.

11:00 a.m. — Praise Music Holy Communion. Nursery available. Children's Ministry meets downstairs for lessons and crafts.

All services are available online through the church website. <u>The Book of Alternative Services</u> is also available online: https://www.anglican.ca/wp-content/uploads/BAS.pdf

Other Services

Wednesday 10 a.m. Bible Study In-person on the first week of each month and via Zoom other weeks. See inside for details.

Memorial Prayers The first Sunday of September, November, January, March and May, at 12:30 p.m.

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A message from Father Stephen

Pentecost and Growth

Spring is a favourite season for many people. After all, we live through a cold, dark winter and that can be a heavy burden. By the time March 21st comes around we are usually very ready to see green, and to feel warm sun on our faces once

again. Yet I often find that March 21st is a bit of a letdown: it's usually cold, snow is usually still on the ground, and the first buds on the trees are nowhere to be seen. Spring's first days give us the certainty of new life, but don't provide much evidence to support that certainty. Instead, we wait in hope that what past seasons have brought us will be brought once again this year.

The church festivals of Pentecost and Ascension are similar. They tend to be days full of promise, but without much excitement or evidence of future growth. Christmas, Easter, and Good Friday all have important liturgies, and each draws large crowds to church. Ascension and Pentecost are different. One of these celebrates Jesus leaving us as he ascends to the heavens. The other celebrates a miracle of tongues which few today have experienced. Perhaps for this reason, the celebrations of these days can seem lacklustre. They don't have that sense of vibrancy and meaning that the others do, and they can lack the crowds which other festivals attract. How-

ever, just as Spring brings the promise of a full flowering we cannot yet see, we should remember that these festivals herald the coming of a powerful new life in Christ.

We get a hint of why when we read Jesus' words in John 14: "You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I." Here, Jesus is gathered with his disciples on the night of his betrayal. He knows that he will soon die, and that after his resurrection would be ascending to heaven. Yet he says they shouldn't be troubled by it.

His friends must have grieved at the thought of Jesus leaving them, and could not have seen much hope for the future. So why be hopeful? Jesus tells them to hope and be glad because his leaving will mean that soon his Father will send the Holy Spirit on His people.

Up until then, Jesus had helped his friends from the outside. He instructed them, led them, and provided for them. With the coming of the Spirit, they would begin to experience not only Jesus' guidance and help. They would experience a transformation from within. When Jesus walked with them, God emphasized what Jesus could do. When the Holy Spirit came to live within them, God emphasized what the Spirit of Jesus could do *through them*.



We see this in the change that happens once the Holy Spirit comes at Pentecost. When Jesus leaves at Ascension, the disciples remain huddled in a room full of fear. Yet when God sends down the Holy Spirit, the disciples change immediately. One moment they are a tiny group of demoralized orphans, the next moment they are standing up in a crowd, preaching courageously to thousands of people. At one mo-

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ment, the church is a handful of dejected disciples. At the next, it is a throng of thousands. This hope is available to us as well.

This month, we celebrate both the Ascension and Pentecost. We may be tempted to wonder what all the excitement is about. Yet when we gather to celebrate these feasts we will hear the promises made to the ancient disciples and be reminded that those same promises are being made to us. Like the disciples who feared what the future will hold, we may fear what the church's future will be. Yet like the disciples who were transformed and filled with new life, we can be transformed and given the vibrancy we need to face an uncertain future.

The modern church needs to hear this. We need to be reminded that the same God who breathed energy, life, and power into a handful of fishermen and tax collectors will breathe new life into the engineers, nurses, and retirees of our modern age. Let's approach this Pentecost with genuine hope and expectation. Let's gather assuming that God's promises are just as true today as they ever were. And let's gather knowing that while the future is always hidden from mortal eyes, we mortals can be confident it will be good because God is on our side.

Vestry Theme for this year

Let's therefore draw near with boldness to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and we may find grace for help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:16

Thy Kingdom Come

May 19 Compline Service, 8pm

Thy Kingdom Come (TKC) is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost (May 9-19) for more people to come to know Jesus.



Specifically, we again invite each and every Christian across the globe to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 people who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call. Every person, household and church is encouraged to pray during the 11 days in their own way. It is our hope & prayer, that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and His love for the world, will hear it for themselves and respond and follow Him. Visit the TKC website for more information: https://www.thykingdomcome.global/.

We invite everyone at St. Paul's to participate in Thy Kingdom Come this year. **Prayer cards** are available in church for you to use as reminders to pray for the 5 people you choose from your circle of friends, family, neighbours and co-workers, specifically that they will come to know Jesus. The Sunday School children will be creating sets of **prayer beads** as an additional reminder, also available in church. You don't

tell anyone who the 5 people you have chosen are, or approach them to talk about faith.

We will conclude this prayer initiative with a Service of Compline on Sunday, May 19 at 8pm. Compline is a service at the end of day, committing all the day's labours to Christ. In the same way, we will be committing our prayerful labours to him at the end of Thy Kingdom Come and asking that he blesses those for whom we have been praying.

Church Happenings



On April 5, we enjoyed a Trivia Night led by Trivia Master Gordon Smith. Members of the winning team are pictured here proudly sporting their first-place medals. The event raised \$375 for the church. Photo submitted by Alison Stortz.

On April 13, Garry J. Dowd (CWO Ret'd) was honoured as a Veteran at the Ottawa/Montreal hockey game. Mr. Dowd says: Approximately 14 months ago, veterans from the area were invited by the Legion to submit a bio to Ontario Command, who selected a veteran to be honoured at every Ottawa home game. The program, sponsored by Lepine Apartments in Ottawa, provided a suite, free tickets, parking passes, food, beverages and a team Jersey presented by Jason York (Member of the Alumni). Of course, I took my family LOL. It was quite the honour and I feel humbled to have received it. Photo submitted by Garry Dowd.





Parker Thibault was baptized at the 9:15am service on April 21. Photos submitted by the Thibault family.



Growing Your Legacy

by the Stewardship Team

What is a legacy?

We're all familiar with the concept of a legacy – something of value passed down or received from someone who came before us. Traditionally, a legacy would be a monetary gift, basically a gift of money or other personal property that's granted by the terms of a will.

But in a much more expansive sense, a legacy can be a gift of knowledge, or kindness, or a service to others. A legacy isn't just a memory. It's an echo of our actions, beliefs, and the impact we've had on others. It's about crafting something that outlives us, something that speaks of who we were and what we stood for.

St. Paul's legacy - past and present

Here at St. Paul's, examples of legacy abound. The community of St. Paul's formed when faithful stewards followed through on an idea, a dream, a vision. On land donated by James and Alice Mulligan in 1873, and Elmer Elias in 1958, St. Paul's was built and then rebuilt, not once, but twice more. Over time, the community of St. Paul's, with contributions of support and service from innumerable parishioners and community volunteers since has collectively grown and enhanced that legacy providing us today with a modern facility to worship and serve our God and our community.

We have been truly blessed and have greatly benefitted from a huge variety of bequests, memorials,

and many acts of sacrificial service. Some of these legacies were recounted during our 150^{th} anniversary celebrations in February. Looking through our church will reveal a number of memorials dedicated to those who have passed on but have left their mark of service. A few examples: the cross carried by our crucifer each Sunday, the communion vessels, and the lectern. More recently, funds placed in trust years ago have now been used to repair the foundation associated with the walkway replacement over the former food cupboard.

What will your legacy be?

Although a legacy may be what's left after you're gone, the work of making one is done while you're still here. And the luckiest of us may even get to see and enjoy the fruit of our legacy as it is being built. Though your most enduring and powerful legacy might be one you never expected or intentionally cultivated, you can get started by asking yourself two simple questions:

What do I have of value to pass on? Who is within my circle of influence?

Your legacy value:

This does not have to be complicated—start small and with what you know. For example, your love of celebrating, your care for your garden, your desire to be of service to others, your easy conversation with new friends, your ability to lead a complicated conversation—all things worthy of being passed on. For your monetary assets, you may undertake an

inventory and make a plan for how you would like to see your property and money distributed when you pass.

From there, like all good things, legacies are created one step at a time—one hug, one lunch, one conversation, one email, one "are you busy" or "do you have a minute" at a time. Your legacy might add up to something monumental one day, but it will be built from the smallest blocks. Each choice, every day, is a brushstroke in the portrait of your legacy.

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Your circle of influence:

In thinking about and creating your legacy, your circle of influence might include one or more of your spouse, children and grandchildren, siblings, neighbours, best friends, students, nieces and nephews, colleagues, a favourite charity, an art gallery or museum, and yes, your church. In fact, anyone with whom you have a relationship, and who would appreciate, benefit from, and honour your legacy gift qualifies within your circle of influence.

Your legacy's impact:

A legacy is not measured in material wealth or personal achievements. It's gauged by the depth of our impact on others. It's the stories you create, the lives you touch, the service you give, and the difference you make. Your legacy is not just for you. In the end, it's a gift to the future, a testament to the life

Calling all Knitters!For the Kanata Food Cupboard

We are looking for people to knit or crochet hats or scarves to be distributed by the Kanata Food Cupboard. Yarn will be provided.

If you are able to help, please contact Ann Piche at pkatolson@hotmail.com.



Cenotaph memorial stones Kanata Legion Branch 638

Honour a veteran family member or friend with a memorial stone in front of the Cenotaph on Village Green Memorial Park in Colchester Square, Kanata.. The stones are 6x6 inches in the ground, 4 lines of 12 characters max per line. The cost per stone is \$150. Please contact me for more information. I will be happy to deliver an application to you.

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Lest We Forget



you have lived, and the difference you have made.

<u>Stay tuned.</u> Next month's issue of Cornerstone will include some additional ideas on how growing your legacy at St. Paul's can be started and accomplished.

The Stewardship Team

To learn more about the gift of legacy in the life of the church, please talk to Fr. Stephen or any member of the Stewardship Team:

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Wednesday Bible Study

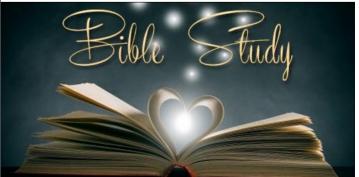
10 a.m. In-person or via Zoom

Each week we discuss the Bible passages for the coming Sunday and consider how they apply to our lives. The study is led by one of our clergy. Participation is encouraged, but listeners are always welcome!

On the first Wednesday of each month, the study will be held in person only in the church and will be combined with the Eucharist. On the other Wednesdays, it will be held only on Zoom. To join our Zoom study, please use this link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82271983630? pwd=REF1dEVRQWJFUVp3VS9yRXBsWENZdz09 Meeting ID: 822 7198 3630, Passcode: 360679

Every session (in-person and Zoom) will be recorded for our Youtube channel: https://www.youtube.com/StPaulsAnglicanChurch



Hazeldean Kanata: From Countryside to City

by Roger Young

Rural Hazeldean had been a busy farming community since the first settlers arrived in 1818. It was widely known for its prosperous farms and lovely stone houses, many of which are still standing today. It boasted a cheese factory, harness and carriage maker, blacksmith, general store, churches, school, and Post Office in the early 1900s. It was always an active place, located on the main highway running west of the city to Kingston and Toronto. In addition to farming, services were provided in the mid 20th century to the traffic passing through as highways were improved. The local store, school, lodges, and St. Paul's church were important to community life. A few new houses were built by people moving "to the country." But by the late 1950s, significant change was coming.

The 1950s and 1960s saw large population growth in urban centres, including Ottawa. The Green Belt around the city led to developers buying land adjacent to its boundary. To the west, this was the Nepean "Town Line," now Eagleson and March Roads. Although the whole community is now called Kanata, it didn't begin that way. There were two distinct developments. The one built by William Connelly (Conarm Developments) along Highway 15, now Hazeldean Road, was called Glen Cairn in the then Township of Goulbourn, south of the Queensway. The other development, called Kanata, was



Looking east at farmland with Glen Cairn in the background through the trees. The Sparks barn on the right is near the present site of the Hazeldean Branch of the Ottawa Public Library. Picture by Roger Young.

built by developer Bill Teron in the then March Township, north of the Queensway. The Queensway did not extend past Eagleson Road until the 1980s.

Glen Cairn was originally built with the nickname "Canada's Centennial City." During the opening week of the model homes in 1963, approximately 90,000-100,000 people visited the site. I was there the day it opened. The sales office was the present Kunstadt Sports shop. Billboards said "Glen Cairn – So Nice to Come Home To." Promotional material emphasized underground wiring, oil lines, and television cable, which were very new concepts then. St. Paul's was the only local church building at that time.

The need for these newly-developed areas of Kanata and Glen Cairn to join together, due to water, sewage, and infrastructure issues, led to incorporation as a city by the Province in 1978. Bridlewood was added from Nepean. The name "Kanata" was chosen by plebiscite. Interestingly, the other choices were "March," "Hazeldean," and "Kairnwood." The City of Kanata was merged into the City of Ottawa in 2001. At the time of amalgamation with the City of Ottawa, Kanata was the fastest growing city in Canada. Today, Highway 417 divides the community into Kanata North and Kanata South, the area south of the Queensway comprising the parish. schools, places of worship, shopping areas and restaurants, medical offices, seniors homes, and recreational facilities continue to serve an increasing population.

The communities comprising Kanata are Beaverbrook, Glen Cairn, Bridlewood, Katimavik-Hazeldean, Morgan's Grant, and Kanata Lakes, as well the adjacent rural areas. Not only is Kanata residential, it is also a place of significant employment, especially in computer technology. Today, new residential and commercial areas are being built as Kanata continues to be a popular place to live. As of 2021, the former City of Kanata had a population of 98,938.

Thanks to former Mayor Marianne Wilkinson, who helped provide information for this article.

A letter from Bishop Shane Parker

The path forward as we change, learn and thrive

I have written before of how the people and clergy of our diocesan church joined me in a three-year long journey of honestly assessing where we are at, and of carefully and collaboratively discerning what God is calling us to do. The infographic accompanying this column summarizes where that journey has led us.

The top of the infographic shows the path we took during the 2020-23 Shape of Parish Ministry Consultation (SPMC)—from hearing how our parishes are challenged by volunteer fatigue, property and administrative responsibilities, finances, aging congregations, and evangelism. We worked hard together as the people, clergy, and bishop of our diocese to listen, respond, discern, shape, revise, and propose what we believe God is calling us to do at this time. We drafted three action-oriented proposals designed to strengthen and nurture parish ministry, and to find a better way to engage with the world—in rural areas, villages, towns, and cities.

We gave overwhelming support to these proposals. We said we are ready to step away from being changed to guiding change, so we can share the Gospel of Christ's love and healing power from a place of strength and hope. We said we want to consolidate our overall parish ministry structure and the operations that support it in order to have well-resourced churches. We said we want lay leaders across our diocese to be well-supported and well-equipped to share in robust parish ministries. We said we want to learn how to share the love of God in an age where many are very wary of religion.

We said we want to change and thrive.

As we move forward, we will reframe our three-year budget cycle as a triennium period within which we seek to achieve certain planned results. As you can see on the infographic, we are in year one of the Triennium 2024-2026—and the SPMC and its Eleven Actions have led us to spell out 6 Results we want to achieve. We have budgeted to do this and we have expressed our will to do this: now we will do it!

The infographic shows each of the 6 Results and who is responsible for setting up the means to achieve

them. Results 1, 2 and 3 are largely the responsibility of myself and the staff of Ascension House. Result 1 will involve focusing on developing our central resources so we can continue to offset or cover the costs of our shared operations and staffing—leaving more money in parishes. Just as every one of our parishes must seek to engage in effective financial stewardship and develop three streams of revenue from offerings, property, and investments, we, as a diocesan church, must do the same.

Result 2 is already manifest in the ready and able service provided to parish leaders by the directors and staff of our communications & development, financial ministry, human resources, and property & asset management departments. We are blessed with very capable people serving our parish lay leaders and clergy from Ascension House.

Result 3 is also happening in the number of conversations I have with parishes facing major changes. I am always ready to meet with parish leaders to discuss options. Soon we will hear more about the work of the Innovation & Collaboration Panel as they consider specific ways for us to work together in order to serve with greater impact.

You can see in the infographic that Results 4, 5, and 6 will be addressed by the new ADO Learning Commons—which will be managed by the Education Committee of Diocesan Council. The Learning Commons (LC) will be a critical driver of change during the next triennium—and long afterwards, as we must keep informed and always ensure that successive generations of clergy and lay leaders learn how to do the work of parish ministry.

The LC will achieve Results 4, 5 and 6 through four distinct thrusts: a) parish leaders and clergy will receive training and learning opportunities in order to effectively administer their parishes; b) parish councils will receive development modules that will provide practical instruction on all essential aspects of parish ministry; c) resource hubs and knowledge networks will gather and share resources, expertise and

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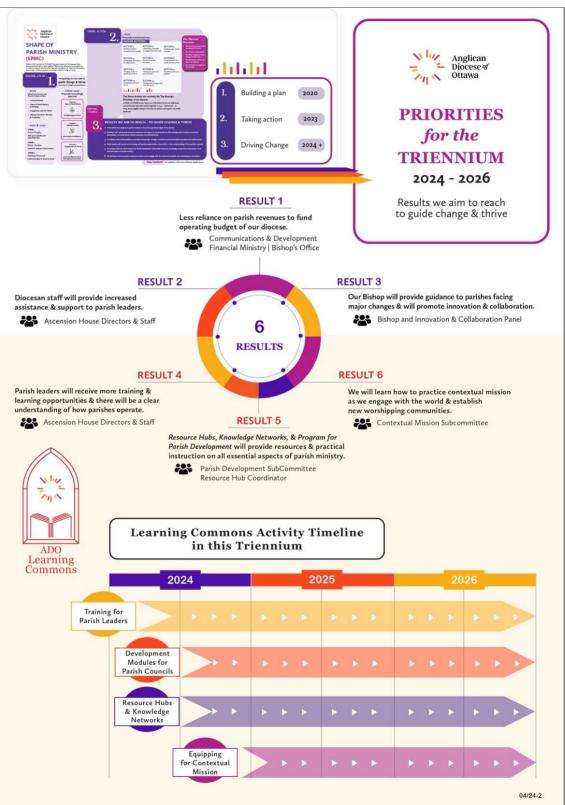
knowledge for parish clergy and laity; and d) we will learn how to practice contextual mission as we engage with the world.

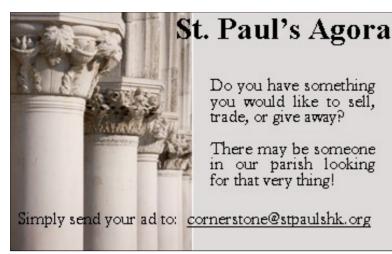
This triennium will be significant in the life of our diocesan church as we seek to implement and firmly embed all we carefully discerned and overwhelmingly agreed to during the last three years. We listened to one

another and sought the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and we have done our best to bring it all into clear actions and desired results.

We must continue to be disciplined and focused, and encourage everyone to engage in the Learning Commons activities.

God has shown us what we need to do to guide change and thrive, so let's do it together!





'Quilts for Kids'

The Tuesday morning Quilters have beautiful hand-quilted items for sale. Prices range from as low as \$20.00 This is a fundraiser up to \$55.00. for the church. Please support us.







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