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CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD AT ST. PAUL'S

You can feel it in the air! Winter is coming and that means...Christmas! On December 13th St. Paul's Cathedral will be holding *Christmas Around the World*.

Needed: Volunteers to perform!



Christmas Around the World offers a chance for both individuals and groups to share cherished Christmas traditions through music, dance, instruments, storytelling, poetry, or skits. Don't let nerves hold you back—take this opportunity to showcase your family's customs or cultural practices to others. Please remember that performances must be suitable for audiences of all ages.

To enhance the event, we are eagerly waiting for a list of your favourite Christmas carols and special holiday recipes. The carols will be featured in the sing-a-long during the afternoon, while the recipes will be compiled into a shared booklet. Please ensure your submissions are sent promptly so they can be organized in advance.

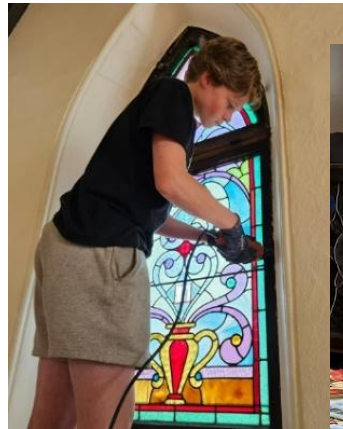
For more information or to join these festivities, please contact Susan Gorges at susan@gorges.ca . Let's create wonderful memories together as we celebrate Christmas together. Act quickly—there's not much time left!

STAINED GLASS SERIES, PART VI: SOME COME BACK...OTHERS LEAVE



The first of the restored windows have come back home! This is the restored “Architect” window with the sun shining through in all its glory and incredible colours. The faces, robes and even the unique background is accomplished through a delicate hand painting process. Once the painting is complete, the pieces are moved to the kiln to ‘stain’ the glass during the heat process. The amount of work is astonishing. On your next visit to the church, take a moment or two to look closely at the actual window.

A few weeks ago, Matthew from Prairie Glass Studio arrived with his twin sons to install the restored windows and removal of the next seven windows being taken to their studio for restoration. The removal of a window is slow meticulous work. Just one window can take up to 6 hours as the caulking, glue and cement are chiselled away!

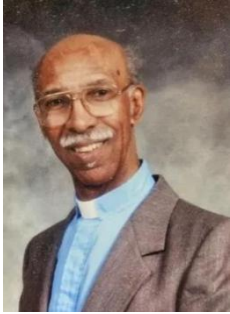


On this trip, Matthew also inspected the frame of the *Rose Window* housed in the west wall. If anyone is interested in the details, contact Susan (susan@gorges.ca) and a video showing the condition of the frame can be sent to you.



**Thank you, Prairie Glass Studio for
your continued dedication and care!**

FUNERAL SERVICE FOR REV. CANON BLAIR DIXON



Rev. Canon Blair A. Dixon departed this life peacefully in the morning of October 12, 2025, at the age of 89. Canon Blair was ordained Deacon in 1965 and Priest in 1966 in the Diocese of Ottawa. He came to Diocese of Qu'Appelle in 1991 as the rector of St. Matthew's, Regina. Before retiring in 2008, he held the position of Regional Dean and Canon.

Blair was a devoted Anglican pastor, a compassionate police chaplain, a gifted youth camp director, and a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend. His ministry spanned decades, touching countless lives through his wisdom, warmth, and unwavering faith. Known for his eloquent sermons, gentle humour, and tireless commitment to justice and reconciliation, Blair embodied the spirit of servant leadership. He was a mentor to many, a lover of music and theatre and a passionate advocate for the most marginalized.

Blair is survived by his children Lisa, Lance and Beau (from former late wife Linda), and their spouses Mark, Kelli, and Andrea, his wife, Karen, his thirteen grandchildren, and his many cherished nieces and nephews from his twelve siblings.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 20 at St. Paul's Cathedral, Regina.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The annual Christmas Bazaar will be held Saturday, November 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Gently used Christmas décor, baking and handicrafts will be available for purchase. Tea, coffee and goodies will also be served. Admission by freewill donation.

Tubs of Christmas décor take up much needed space in your basement or garage. If downsizing is something you need to do, this is the chance to donate those difficult-to-part-with items for someone else to love. Donated items can be dropped off the church office.



ALL SAINTS' DAY AT ST. PAUL'S

All Saints' Day is recognized on November 1st and it was a busy day at the Cathedral.

Columbarium Requiem Eucharist Service

The Columbarium's Requiem Eucharist service held at 10:00 a.m. held a special service for All Saints' Day which acknowledged each of the dearly departed inurned at St. Paul's Columbarium. Over 35 people were in attendance with Rev. Deacon Rita Brann presiding at the service. A reception followed.



Ordination to the Priesthood

At 1:00 p.m., Bryan Clarence Kernwell and Jessie Leigh Rae Johnston were ordained into the priesthood. Many family members, clergy and well wishers were in attendance.



BEHIND THE SCENES

Most of us attend the Cathedral without ever noticing what has been replaced, fixed or added to the church and yard. Just like your home, the Cathedral needs dedicated volunteers who take care of the “small” stuff to avoid calls to plumbers, electricians and other professionals. It may be something as simple as changing out the light bulbs, adjusting doors that shift every season, touching up paint or finding out why the toilets or taps are not shutting off properly.

Once the wardens or the office is notified of a problem, a call is placed to get the problem fixed. And that call is usually to Lionel Bonneville. Lionel has been a member of St. Paul’s Cathedral for a long time and very humble about the work he does for the church. He loves to remain “behind the scenes.”

Another behind the scenes guy is Mike Markesteyn who diligently, expertly, and artistically repaired the shifted back stairs from the choir room to the church as well as other items around the church. The stairs will last another 50 years!

Shelley Proulx heads up the few member of the building. Their task is to worry about the physical condition of our church and to fix the small things before they become big things. Shelley spends hours at the church cleaning up outside, sourcing out contractors for safety issues or discovering the best materials to improve our church experience. Together this committee keeps the property in tip top shape.

You could be part of this ‘behind the scenes’ group. Simply, bring your skills and a little of your time. (We can provide the tools.)

VESTRY MEETING BRIEFS

Vestry met on October 21 at 7:00 p.m. Below are items discussed at the meeting.

- Significant fundraising will be needed for the restoration expense of the stained glass windows. Any ideas can be sent to Susan.
- Beyond Strawberries was not the success we had hoped for. At this time, it does not appear that early strawberries from the US will be available. Brainstorming has begun on how we can add to the event to make it more profitable such as Canadian greenhouse-grown strawberries or holding the event later in the summer to access Canadian strawberries.
- Restoration of the seven windows taken to Winnipeg may begin before the end of the year. A grant from City of Regina of \$26,000 has been awarded for the 2025 year.
- A decision has not been made yet for the approval of the grant from the federal government to add fencing and maintenance work for safety enhancement to our church. That puts all work on the landscaping project on pause until that grant has been approved.
- Matt and Mike Tree Services has been approved as the company to trim the trees and remove the debris on the north side of the property for a total cost of \$888.
- The Fall Supper raised \$4605 after expenses. The Puzzle Sale for the choir fund made approx. \$1100.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. Next meeting is November 18.

FUTURE EVENTS

November 22	Christmas Bazaar
November 30	Advent Tea
December 13	Christmas Around the World



Join us for FELLOWSHIP following the 10:00 a.m. Sunday service. Come for the coffee and tea but stay for the people.

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