

St. Paul's Cathedral Diocese of Qu'Appelle Regina, Saskatchewan

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Message from the Communications & Welcoming Committee

Dear Friends in Christ:

As we slowly begin to adjust to what may become the new normal of self-distancing into the foreseeable future, a person cannot help but feel unnerved by the drastic changes that have happened so quickly. The Communications & Welcoming Committee is pleased to bring you the second news bulletin from St Paul's Cathedral. These updates validate that the work of Christ continues to move forward; although by appearance it would seem a slumber has been cast upon all aspects of our lives.

Be assured, St. Paul's Cathedral is continuing to work within the guidelines given during this pandemic and is patiently waiting to once again open wide the doors to lovingly greet all comrades in Christ. St. Paul's is the beacon of sturdiness we are seeking and, as Canon Michael said it so perfectly in the first news bulletin, let us remain united in prayer and hope and fellowship, keeping in mind the motto of St. Paul's Cathedral: *Rejoice in the Lord Alway*. We pray you stay safe, stay strong and continue to trust in the Lord.

Angie Friedrich, Co-Chair

for Jason Antonio, Co-Chair, Canon Michael Jackson, Jim Melville, Kelly Pierson, Canon Trevor Powell

Message from the Deacon



Dear friends: We have been very conscious since mid-March of the painful gap in our Christian lives caused by the suspension of public worship. For me, this was particularly acute during Holy Week and Easter, when, for the first time in over forty years as a deacon, I was unable to take part in the Geat Triduum from the eve of Maudy Thursday through Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Day. This feeling was undoubtedly shared by members of our liturgical teams, who normally would have been fully enaged in multiple ways in Cathedral worship in this season.

As coordinator of liturgical duties, I am privileged to associate with sixty individuals, ranging from four-year-old boat-boy Owen through young servers, teen-age and adult sub-deacons and intercessors, greeters, readers, and communion ministers – not to mention the vital contributions of our musicians and altar guild. As liturgical ministers, we are conscious of two dimensions in what we do: first, worship is a *community endeavour* where we all play our parts, as our patron the Apostle Paul calls us to do in Ephesians 4:1-16; and second, as *Cathedral of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle*, St. Paul's is called to set an example in liturgy and music. We look forward to these challenges and opportunities when we meet again. Peace be with you!

Every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. join the Cathedral's live broadcasts.

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News of Parishioners

Committee member Jim Melville reports...

Tom Hannan – In early February, our longest-serving member of St. Paul's, moved from his College Avenue apartment about two blocks south into College Park 2. While it was a "big change for this old man," he was getting used to his new surrounding and neighbours when that new routine was upset with Covid 19 adjustments. He is walking the halls and reception areas to keep active and visits his new acquaintances at a distance. Rather than eating in the dining room, meals are brought to his suite. Tom is healthy and happy but missing contact with his St. Paul's family, especially his pew-mate, *Pat Henneberg*!

Margaret Hammond – Another College Avenue resident, Margaret is doing well in isolation but missing her trips to tend to St. Paul's archives and preparations for the monthly requiem Eucharists in the Columbarium. Margaret has been researching which grocery stores have the widest aisles with the fewest shoppers. On pleasant days she is also enjoying walks in Wascana Park, and has found lots of places to walk where others don't.

Margaret and Ian Gliddon – Both Gliddons are disappointed to hear that the St. Paul's Welsh Cake streak will come to an end with the cancellation of the 2020 Strawberry Fair. Margaret is continuing to have some health concerns and home care visits daily to help. Like everyone else, they are looking for warmer days and short walks around the neighbourhood. They are both missing the 9:00 worship and the coffee group discussions that follow that service.

Margaret Ball stays in touch with *Phyllis Ilsley* and former choir member *Muriel Burnett*, who do not have Internet, and is forwarding Cathedral communications to them through "snail mail."

At its April 22nd meeting (rest assured, conducted via Zoom!), the Cathedral Vestry agreed to appoint the Communications & Welcoming Committee, originally an ad hoc group for the Stewardship initiative, as a standing committee of Vestry. So we are here to stay! *Jim Melville* is our liaison person with Vestry. Please note:

- If there are people you would like placed on the Cathedral prayer list (first names only), send them to Elvira at office@stpaulsaregina.ca They will be mentioned in future issues of the News Bulletin.
- If you have any news items for the bulletins, send them to dmichaeljackson@sasktel.net

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