

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

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Message from the Communications & Welcoming Committee

In the last issue we appealed for a member with website and social media experience. We're grateful that *Heather McKerracher* promptly responded to the call and we welcome her on board. The committee is currently working on its terms of reference for vestry. When things start returning to "normal" (whenever and whatever that is), we will develop plans for both communications and welcoming in the Cathedral community. In the meantime, we look forward to communicating with you through these News Bulletins.

Jason Antonio & Angie Friedrich, Co-Chairs Canon Michael Jackson, Heather McKerracher, Jim Melville, Kelly Pierson, Canon Trevor Powell

News of Parishioners

Committee member *Jim Melville*, reports...

Anne Roland, long-time member of St. Paul's, former Sunday School Superintendent, Strawberry Fair contributor since year 1 and extremely good baker, is holding her own at this time. She doesn't get out and about as much as she would like, but is catching up on reading. She enjoys the online services but misses contact with her friends at the traditional Sunday services. Anne also supported the monthly Requiem Eucharist – she regularly came to the church the day before that service to help set up. Anne, the weekly leaflet-folding guild misses your delicious scones that always appeared (oh, they miss you too!).

One of the Cathedral's charter sub-deacons, *Tannis Patterson*, is busy keeping tabs on her grown children and their families. Only two grandchildren so far, but hope springs eternal! Tannis's constant companion is their 15-year-old Dalmatian, Boris. Her major disappointment through the pandemic: *Gord's* baseball is cancelled. Her mother, *Ruth Scott*, was trapped in Saskatoon after helping to care for her son who had surgery. During that time, the pandemic struck and she is not able to return to her home at Qu'Appelle House. Happy belated birthday, Ruth!

A little-known fact: Victoria Day, May 18, was former *Dean James Merrett's* 73rd birthday (yes, that makes me feel old too). James is enjoying retirement in Ontario's cottage country, finally living full time at his home by the lake. James has been acting as honorary assistant at the Parish of St. James, Fenelon Falls, and Christ Church, Coboconk, in the Diocese of Toronto. Our sympathies to the rector!

Anne Jones is keeping active, doing lots of reading and helping a friend with shopping. She stays in touch electronically with family in the UK.

Our best wishes and prayers go to *Ed Beday* and *Phyllis Isley*, who are in hospital. Our prayers are also requested for *Jordana*.

Communications & Welcoming Committee Members *Jason Antonio, Co-Chair*



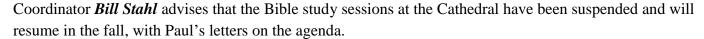
There are not too many people who can say they are a Cathedral kid, but I am one of them. I have been attending St. Paul's Cathedral since I was a wee baby, coming with my parents Paul and Angela Antonio. I eventually matured from a young tyke who ran up into the pulpit almost every Sunday to now a sub-deacon who stands at the altar a little more respectfully. I started as a young server at age 10 and eventually took on the role of head server. My loving parish eventually decided to make me a sub-deacon right after I finished university, and since then I have attempted to serve my cathedral community as often as possible. I stepped forward to help lead one of the committees

proposed by the Stewardship group, since I thought it was important that we do a better job of welcoming people here. Jesus said to love God and love your neighbour, while He also showed hospitality to people and instructed us to do the same. If we want newcomers to become followers of our Saviour Jesus, we should at least make them feel welcome so they will want to stay and learn more. Since I have a background in journalism and public relations, I also agreed to assist the communications committee. Not only do we need to make better efforts to welcome people, we also need to do better in communicating to the outside world that we exist and want people to experience the love of Jesus. Both committees have overlapping goals, so it was only natural to combine them. We look forward to serving our Cathedral parish now and in the future.

Vestry News

Vestry met by "Zoom" on May 19. *Dean Mike Sinclair* reported on the Regina parishes, online worship, and a generous response to the Bishop's Easter Appeal for help for those in need during the COVID19 crisis. Treasurer *Donna MacIntosh* reported a healthy financial situation and expressed appreciation to parishioners who have made this possible, despite not being able to gather for services. The churchwardens gave updates on parish administration, including a project of the *Rev. Ed Dunfield* to restore the original wainscoting in the nave, concealed by plywood since the 1940s. Vestry adopted a motion to proceed with the project this summer – with a big thank you to Father Ed! Vestry also voted to accept the Stewardship Committee's report, recommendations and terms of reference, submitted by cochairs *Doug Turnbull* and *Mary Wallace*. Like Communications & Welcoming, Stewardship is now a regular committee of vestry.

Bible Study



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Cathedral Prayer List and News Bulletin Items

If you would like to place people 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 to dmichaeljackson@sasktel.net.

News of a Cathedral Family







The *Henneberg* family is keeping healthy and active. Nurse and vestry secretary *Pat* helps in day surgery at the Pasqua Hospital (note face mask!). Choir member *Neil* is working from home most days. Subdeacon *Graeme* completed his second-year university on line and has got in some fishing. Senior server *Claire* is finishing her high school year online and is pleased to have a summer job. Pat tells us, "We really miss everyone at St. Paul's. It is hard being away from a community you love being a part of."

St. Paul's Live Broadcasts



Every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. join the Cathedral's live broadcasts using the Facebook link or accessing Facebook through our website address listed below in the contact information. You do **NOT** have to subscribe to Facebook or have an account to view the services. Click on the link below for easiest access. If you are accessing Facebook through the website link, you may have to refresh a time or two.



Financial Support

While we are unable to gather as a community, your continued financial support to St. Paul's Cathedral can be given by the following methods. All contact information is listed below.

- Contributions can be mailed directly to the Cathedral.
- Donate or contribute through our website address using the *Donate* button and following the instructions provided. These donations are automatically deposited, and you will receive a tax receipt immediately.
- Consider signing up for the Pre-Authorized Payment plan. Simply call or send an email to make the necessary arrangements. The PAP plan can be changed or cancelled at any time.



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