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St. James' Anglican Church Newsletter

September / October 2018

St. James' Ingersoll says :

WELCOME BACK

Since our last issue it has been a very busy summer for many of us - vacations out of town; trips to cottage locales; house-sitting duties; gardening chores; camping; festivals; weddings; reunions; anniversary parties; visits to "the theatre"; car shows; ... the list goes on and on!

Now the month of September is upon us with even more activities lined up ahead of us - the return to school for many; back to regular routines, hobbies and meetings; fall celebrations such as harvest festivals, fall suppers and fall fairs; the start of new initiatives and leisure activities; ... the list goes on and on!

So in your busy schedules don't forget to make your way back to the pews of St. James' or if you are new to the community - WELCOME!



**"We are one, after all, you and I,
together we suffer,
together exist, and
forever will recreate each other." -
*Pierre Tielhard de Chardin***

Today's priest is called to many occasions in life, from birth to death. As one gains the confidence of one's parishioners, the times of personal counseling can run the gamut. I have actually had Social Workers bring their clients to me if they thought there was a spiritual crisis in that person's life.

With families often it can be mom and dad or it could be husband and wife who will reach out – not necessarily because they are ready to split but because of the demands of today's society. The workplace, both working, family, the commitments, the extracurricular, all putting pressure on the relationship. I'm thinking of one particular situation where I asked the couple to do a practice that began with simply sitting together, being present, and then answering – one at a time and with vulnerability – the question: "What am I experiencing?" Once they had spent a few minutes with this exercise, I asked them to turn their attention to a different question: "What are we experiencing?" With short words and phrases they took turns answering

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this question which required that they pay attention not to their own internal thoughts and feelings, but to something else, something between them, that place where their consciousness overlapped.

After they had been doing this practice for about ten minutes they appeared more relaxed and open. In fact, their faces were lit up with a sweetness that you could feel, and it was obvious that they had connected in a deep way. I asked what had transpired and they said that they felt like they had just found their relationship again! All these months they thought they were working on their relationship but in fact they were just two separate people working on themselves or trying to change each other. They had lost touch with the place between them, the place where their connection and their love exists.

There was no fix particularly to the problem but it just naturally seemed to fall away and the couple had a bigger place to come from in dealing with those problems that didn't fall away. They weren't trying to change themselves or each other anymore. Rather, they were developing and delighting in the living connection between them, and out of that space, they were finding creative ways to navigate their complex lives.

The point of this story is that it illustrates the most critical shift we need to make if we are interested in pursuing higher potentials of relatedness. Relatedness exists in the space between us, where we overlap and our consciousness intermingles. Now, we do not normally pay attention to that space, that "We Space" but it's real and it's an important part of human interaction. In philosophical terms it is called the "inter- subjective" domain.

We are all familiar with the concept of subjective experience, often defined as the inner, personal and private world that each of us lives in a momentary basis. And most of us are familiar with the objective domain which is the scientifically measurable world of objects that each of us observe and largely can agree upon.

The "inter subjective" domain is different: it is the shared space of consciousness which exists between two or more people. This "intersubjective" field is more than simply the sum of two individuals in communication. Because relationships have an existence of their own being. It's a shared reality where we are in full contact with the same interior experience. Our Lord gives us the ultimate "I will abide in you and you will abide in me." We can imagine this at a parish council meeting when we are in agreement with what direction we should be taking the Church. In our vision for the future of the Church. I, as a preacher, am trusting that we are sharing the experience of the homily, and each in our own way are somehow enjoying the oneness of being inside that same experience together. We can be in a state of love, compassion, joy, laughter, penetrating clarity, and a myriad of other experiences.

What is new about this approach to relatedness is that we consciously focus on awakening to the space between us. Rather than communicating across the distance between two bodies and two subjective realities, we are placing our consciousness inside the other and focus on the "We" that arises when we are in a state of true communion. It's a field of invisible yet powerful connectedness that we move into and which takes on different qualities when we relate to different people.

This is a time, it seems, of extreme polarities where we need more than ever to practice making ourselves aware of the "We" space that will allow us to relate from that kind of connection and concern for one another. Think of a ball game when everyone is rooting for the home team or the energy of a congregation. As we pay attention and become more sensitive to the "inter-subjective" field, we begin to experience more subtle levels of consciousness that permit us to sense the invisible realms of reality where grace exists and we can sense subtle energies, inner sounds, visions, smells, tastes and touch. When this unseen relational field awakens we become more alive, more vivid, more dimensional. This "We" space is vibrant and expansive; Christ exists there with us, for us, and it reveals deeper levels of reality.

- Father Paul Walmsley

Diocesan & Deanery News

Amazonia – Our Companion Diocese

In 2014 the Diocese of Huron signed a Companion covenant with the Diocese of Amazonia, a new mission diocese in Brazil, around the city of Belem.

"In this Companion Diocese relationship we join hands in the Love of Jesus Christ, to share fully in His mission and ministry. We are companions in the spirit of the early Church, together devoting ourselves 'to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.' (Acts 2) We seek to encourage one another, sharing and enriching our faith in Jesus, recognizing and upholding the gifts that each Diocese brings to Christ's mission. Ours is a relationship of interdependence and shared responsibility, of friendship and mutual support on the Way of Jesus. We expect that each of us will emerge from every step of this companionship journey strengthened and enriched by the other."



Our Covenant is a five-year covenant to: pray for one another; exchange information about our work in mission; encourage parish partnerships and visits; together uphold the Marks of Mission, especially with respect to the environment; share the Gospel in word and

From September 11 to 28, four companions from the Diocese of Amazonia will visit

Huron: Bishop, Marinez Bassotto; Dean, Cláudio Miranda; Diocesan Secretary, Joseane Paula; Lay leader, Marcia Gonçalves.

They will be visiting every corner of the Diocese, meeting with parishioners, sharing with us about their work and learning about ours. Please watch for events in the Deaneries, as follows:

Sept 11 – Brant / Norfolk

Sept 12 & 13 – Waterloo

Sept 14 & 15 – Huron/Perth

Sept 16 & 17 – London

Sept 18 & 19 – Saugeens

Sept 20 & 21 – Lambton / Kent

Sept 22-24 – Essex

Sept 25 – Delaware

Sept 26 & 27 – Brant / Norfolk / Oxford

More details to follow in our church bulletins!

ACW Announcements

Save the Date: December 1, 2018

ACW Christmas Bake Sale

Thank you to all who have dropped off jars for our upcoming sale in early December. We will put your donations to good use as we continue to make jams and preserves for our annual sale.

Schedules will soon be available for fall "work" days at the Hall kitchen to make goodies for the sale.

If you have any questions please call Rosemarie Brokenshire at 226-456-0617.



Monthly Meetings - First Tuesday of Each Month at 10:30 AM in the Parish Hall

September 4th and October 2nd

We are looking forward to resuming our planning for the remainder of 2018! All are welcome to attend.

BAC Announcements

The BAC Breakfast Meetings will resume in September as well.

Monthly Meetings - Second Sunday of Each Month

8:00AM - Said Service of Holy Eucharist followed by Breakfast and Business Meeting in the Parish Hall (approx. 8:45 AM)

September 9th and October 14th

We are looking forward to hosting guest speakers each month and we welcome everyone to attend.

Watch for details in our church bulletin.



Canterbury Folk Festival Ecumenical Service 2018

The St. James' Church Soulmates led the Sunday morning congregation at Ingersoll's annual Canterbury Folk festival ecumenical worship service. Rev'd Meghan delivered the homily to the large crowd that gathered in the Yvonne Holmes Mott Memorial Park. Members of the Soulmates that led those gathered for the service in song included: Jim Gonder, Kristy VanKooten Bossence, Adam Rayfield, Josh and Stephanie Royles, Kathryn McCullough, Gary VanKooten, Richard Clement and Rev'd Meghan Nicholls.



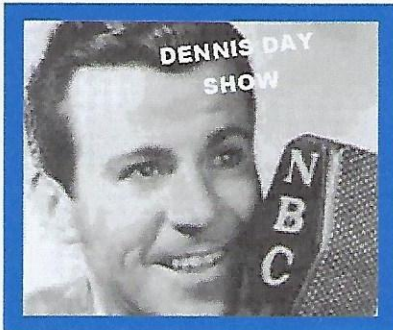
Thanks to Mike Watson for snapping and sharing the photos from the park!

Upcoming Events - Mark These Dates!

The St. James' Radio Players Theatrical Troupe presents

An Evening of Old Time Radio Shows

Saturday November 3rd



6:00 pm Cocktails
6:30 pm Hot Buffet (Roast
Beef & Chicken) Dinner
7:45 pm Radio Show



Come and join us as our talented group of actors and local celebrities including : Ingersoll's Mayor Ted Comiskey, DJ Cathy Wegner from EASY 101 Tillsonburg, ITOPA and Embro Thistle Theatre members, musicians Jim Gonder and Kristy VanKooten-Bossence, and many more talented cast and crew associates recreate the magic of two very popular 1940's radio broadcasts.



Plenty of music and comedy to entertain everyone.
St. James' Anglican Church Parish Hall
184 Oxford St., Ingersoll ON

Call
519-485-0385
for tickets
\$40.00 each

First Communion



Communion Class

With many of our Sunday School students at the age for first communion classes, we are delighted to offer a first communion class for all ages. We are excited to use the program "*Fed and Forgiven*" and would like to open the classes up for anyone interested in refreshing his/her understanding of the Eucharist, "no matter your age". Father Paul and I are looking to offer a 4-6 week session on Sunday afternoons beginning the Sunday after Thanksgiving - **October 14th**. More information will be coming out shortly.

- Rev'd Meghan

Recent Happenings



Weddings: Kathryn McCulloch and Wayne Warmington
Taurine March and Nick Mordak

Funerals: Noreen Smith
James Wardrop

*Rest in
Peace*

Nursing & Retirement Home Services

**Wednesdays - September 12th and
October 17th**

Woodingford Lodge 11:30am

Oxford Manor 1:30pm

Second Trails 3:00pm

*No Sunday nursing home services until November

VENDOR SHOPPING MALL
MOTHER/DAUGHTER MAKE OVERS
FATHER/SON GOLF HOLE IN ONE
LIGHT DINNER

UNPLUGGED FAMILY EVENT

OXFORD COUNTY Forget the Babysitter – Bring the Kids!!

SATURDAY, SEPT. 29, 2018

Doors open at 2:00 for shopping
Show begins at 3:30 – Light Dinner at 5:30
Fusion Centre
121 Thames Street N., Ingersoll

David Carruthers, Author, Children's Entertainer
Truelove Ways Duo Singers
Live Stage Play about Internet Safety
Appropriate For All Ages!!

Call Internet Sense First for tickets at 519 854 1249
or buy your tickets online - go to Eventbrite.ca
and access the event

"Unplugged Family Event Oxford"
Adults - \$5 in advance \$7 at the door;
children by donation at the door
no child will be refused!!

A Heartland i-Heart Fund Sponsored Event

Parishioner Charlene Doak-Gebauer, is Founder and Chair of Internet Sense. For more information go to : <http://www.internetsensefirst.com/>

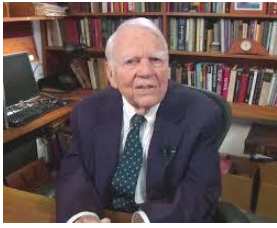
Inez Fishwick's 90th



Inez is pictured above with her special 90th birthday cake that her daughter-in-law Shauna baked for her. Inez's St. James' friends helped to decorate it! A lovely tea was held for Inez by her son, Keith, his wife, Shauna and Inez's three grandchildren. A great time was had by all at The Fishwick's home just outside of Princeton.



Submissions from Inez



Andrew Aitken Rooney (January 14, 1919 – November 4, 2011) was an American radio and television writer who was best known for his weekly broadcast "A Few Minutes with **Andy Rooney**", a part of the CBS News program 60 Minutes from 1978 to 2011.

I've learned...

I've learned...that the best classroom in the world is at the feet of an elderly person.

I've learned...that when you're in love, it shows.

I've learned...that just one person saying to me, "You've made my day!" makes my day.

I've learned...that having a child fall asleep in your arms is one of the most peaceful feelings in the world.

I've learned...that being kind is more important than being right.

I've learned...that you should never say no to a gift from a child.

I've learned...that I can always pray for someone when I don't have the strength to help him in some other way.

I've learned...that no matter how serious your life requires you to be, everyone needs a friend to act goofy with.

I've learned...that sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.

I've learned...that simple walks with my father around the block on summer nights when I was a child did wonders for me as an adult.

I've learned...that life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.

I've learned...that we should be glad God doesn't give us everything we ask for.

I've learned...that money doesn't buy class.

I've learned...that it's those small daily happenings that make life so spectacular.

I've learned...that under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be appreciated and loved.

I've learned...that the Lord didn't do it all in one day. What makes me think I can?

I've learned...that to ignore the facts does not change the facts.

I've learned...that when you plan to get even with someone, you are only letting that person continue to hurt you.

I've learned...that love, not time, heals all wounds.

I've learned...that the easiest way for me to grow as a person is to surround myself with people smarter than I am.

I've learned...that everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile.

I've learned...that there's nothing sweeter than sleeping with your babies and feeling their breath on your cheeks.

I've learned...that no one is perfect until you fall in love with them.

I've learned...that life is tough, but I'm tougher.

I've learned...that opportunities are never lost; someone will take the ones you miss.

I've learned...that when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.

I've learned...that I wish I could have told my Dad that I love him one more time before he passed away.

I've learned...that one should keep his words both soft and tender, because tomorrow he may have to eat them.

I've learned...that a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.

I've learned...that I can't choose how I feel, but I can choose what I do about it.

I've learned...that when your newly born grandchild holds your little finger in his little fist, that you're hooked for life.

I've learned...that everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it.

I've learned...that it is best to give advice in only two circumstances; when it is requested and when it is a life threatening situation.

I've learned...that the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done.

By Andy Rooney



Take Time

Take time to think;
it is the source of power.

Take time to read;
it is the foundation of wisdom.

Take time to play;
it is the secret of staying young.

Take time to be quiet;
it is the moment to seek God.

Take time to be aware;
it is the opportunity to help others.

Take time to love and be loved;
it is God's greatest gift.

Take time to laugh;
it is the music of the soul.

Take time to be friendly;
it is the road to happiness.

Take time to dream;
it is what the future is made of.

Take time to pray;
it is the greatest power on earth.

Author unknown



OFFICE NEWS

**Office closed on Monday October 8th -
Thanksgiving Day**

Rev'd Meghan will be out of the church office
on the following dates:

Sept. 10th and 11th - Course work

**October 3rd to the 5th - Diocesan Clergy
Conference - Niagara Region**

**October 9th to the 12th - Provincial Synod
in Ottawa**



The Anglican Church of Canada



Messy Church - will return to St. James' in
October. The date and time are yet to be
decided and information will be passed on
through the church bulletin and on the church
website.



**Sunday September 23rd - 10:30 AM
Children's Church Service**

All are welcome to bring their pets to the
service when the children will participate in the
service and our animals will be blessed as part
of our St. Francis of Assisi recognition day.

Stained Glass Window Feature

The stained glass window on the south side towards the back of the church is called "Dorcas". This exceptional stained glass window illustrates one of stories recounted in the Book of Acts.



Scripture Reference: Acts 9 v. 36-42

Dorcas (Greek: Δορκάς, *Dorkás*; Aramaic: ܬܒܝܬܐ *Ṭabīṭā*) was a disciple who lived in Joppa, referenced in the Acts of the Apostles (9:36–42) in the New Testament.^[1] Her name in the Textus Receptus is "Ταβιθά" (Tabitha).^[2]

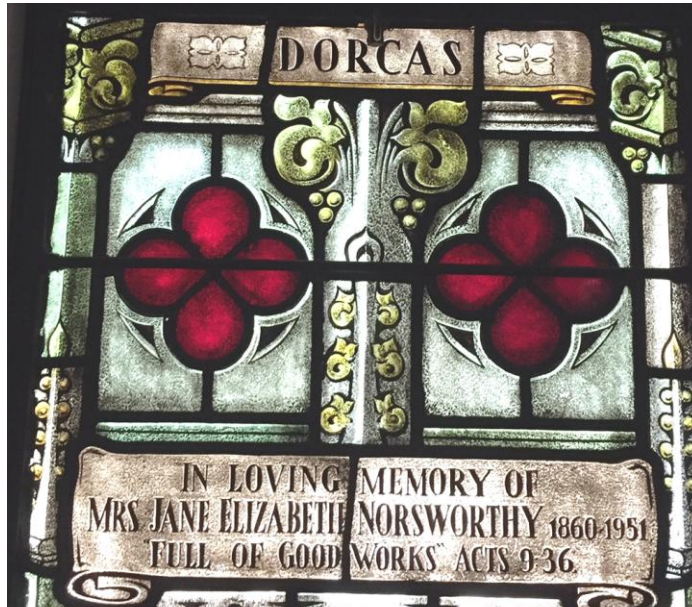
Acts recounts that when she died, she was mourned by "all the widows...crying and showing (Peter) the robes and other clothing that she had made while she was still with them" (Acts 9:39).^[1] The Greek construct used in this passage indicates that the widows were the recipients of her charity,^[3] but she may also have been a widow herself.^[4] It is likely that she was a woman of some means, given her ability to help the poor.^[5] The disciples present called upon Peter, who came from nearby Lydda to the place where her body was being laid out for burial, and raised her from the dead.^[5]

This narrative concerning Tabitha/Dorcas indicates her prominence in the community at Joppa.^{[5][6]} This might also be indicated by the fact that Peter took the trouble to come to her from a neighbouring city, when requested by the community members.

(<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dorcas>)



This stained glass window was commissioned and erected at St. James' and dedicated to Jane Elizabeth Norsworthy (nee Taylor) who died on April 22, 1951. Elizabeth was the widow of the late Captain John McDONALD, of the Lake Marine Service. She married James Norsworthy on May 7, 1895. He was a widower who lost his first wife Mary Jane (nee Cuthbert) in 1891. Sadly, Jane Elizabeth "Jennie" Norsworthy only had one child, Jennie Taylor Norsworthy who was born stillborn in 1897.



The window was commissioned by Elizabeth Jane's stepchildren and installed on June 5, 1952, almost a year after her death. It was an acknowledgement and tribute to all of their stepmother's good works spread over her life in Ingersoll. Elizabeth Jane "Jennie" was an active parishioner of St. James' congregation.



Jennie Norsworthy was also regent of one of the many chapters of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire founded in Ontario and other Canadian provinces. "Founded in 1900, IODE Canada is a national women's charitable organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for individuals through education support, community service, and citizenship programs".

Mrs. J. C. Norsworthy Is Laid to Rest

One of Ingersoll's most distinguished citizens, Mrs. Jane Elizabeth Norsworthy, widow of J. C. Norsworthy, was laid to rest April 24. She passed away April 22, at her home.

Following a private service at the residence, King Street East, a largely-attended service was conducted at St. James' Anglican Church by the rector, Rev. Carman J. Queen, with interment in Ingersoll Rural Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Glen Taylor, Grant Taylor, Jay Taylor, George Taylor, Dr. Gordon MacKenzie and Jack Smith. They also, along with Roy Jenvey, acted as flower bearers.

A great community, social and church worker during her 50 years in Ingersoll, Mrs. Norsworthy who was 90, was honorary regent of the Norsworthy Chapter, I.O.D.E., and a member of the Missionary Circle of the King's Daughters. Her funeral was attended by Norsworthy Chapter, Missionary Circle, St. James' W. A., an St. James' Guild members in a body.

Born in Adjala, in Peel County, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor, Mrs. Norsworthy was predeceased by her husband 15 years ago. She is survived by two sons: Major Stanley C., and J. A. Norsworthy of Montreal, and a daughter, Miss Helen of Guelph; a brother, John T. Taylor, Forest; a sister, Mrs. John McKenzie of Sarnia, and a number of nieces and nephews.

This window was restored and rededicated
to the Glory of God
and in memory of loved ones
by Neil and Inez Fishwick and Family
2002



June 15-1952.

A memorial window was dedicated yesterday at St. James Anglican Church, Ingersoll, when members of the Norsworthy family dedicated the window to the late Mrs. Jane Elizabeth Norsworthy. Left to right are, J. W. Norsworthy, Montreal, who dedicated the window to the church; the Rev. Carman J. Queen, rector of St. James' Church, Clark Pellow, peoples' warden and King Newell, rector's warden. (Photo by Free Press Woodstock)

Dedication of the window - Thanks to Oxford Library Technician Vicki Wahl for locating this clipping in the Byron Jenvy scrapbook located in the Ingersoll branch of the Oxford County Library.

**Dorcas Window created by Robert McCausland Limited - Toronto
(Artists and Craftsmen of Stained Glass Since 1856)**



Robert McCausland Limited is the oldest stained glass company in the Western Hemisphere. RML is also the longest, continuously owned family company in Canada. Founded in 1856 by Joseph McCausland, an Irish immigrant, the firm has survived five generations. Andrew McCausland, has captained Robert McCausland Limited since 1977. The window over the altar at St. James'

was dedicated to Elizabeth Jane's husband, James Caunter Norsworthy in 1937 who died the previous year. This magnificent window was commissioned by Elizabeth and her stepchildren, and will be highlighted in the next issue of *The Loop*.



Norsworthy Home on King Street West Ingersoll



**Norsworthy Monument Ingersoll Rural Cemetery
Plaque on bottom dedicated to Jane Elizabeth**





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Pentecost 15 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist	3 Office Closed Labour Day	4 10:30 am - ACW Meeting 1:30 pm - Needlecraft Group	5 10:00 am - Holy Eucharist	6	7	8
9 Pentecost 16 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist 8:45 am - BAC Breakfast and Meeting 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist	10 (Rev'd Meghan out of office Sept. 10th and 11th)	11 1:30 pm - Needlecraft Group	12 10:00 am - Holy Eucharist 11:30 am - Woodingford Lodge 1:30 pm - Oxford Manor Bible Study & Eucharist 3:00 pm - Service at Second Trails	13	14	15
16 Pentecost 17 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist with the Soulmates and Sunday School Pot Luck Luncheon	17 1:30 pm - Healing Study & Prayer Group at Oxford Manor	18 1:30 pm - Needlecraft Group	19 10:00 am - Holy Eucharist	20	21	22
23 Pentecost 18  10:30 am - Holy Eucharist Children's Sunday Service & St. Francis of Assisi - Blessing of the Animals	24 7:00 pm - Parish Council Meeting	25 1:30 pm - Needlecraft Group	26 10:00 am - Holy Eucharist	27 AMAZONIA Guests to Visit the Oxford Deanery	28	29
30 Pentecost 19 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist Sunday School Harvest Thanksgiving 						



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7 Pentecost 20 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist & Sunday School 	8 Office Closed Thanksgiving Day  Happy Thanksgiving	9 1:30 pm - Needlecraft Group (Rev'd Meghan at Provincial Synod in Ottawa Oct. 9 - 12)	10 10:00 am - Eucharist	11	12	13
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28 Pentecost 23 10:30 am Holy Eucharist & Sunday School	29	30 1:30 pm - Needlecraft Group	31  10:00 am - Holy Eucharist 11:00 am - Lunch Bunch			Nov. 3rd OLD TIME RADIO SHOW & Dinner 6:00 pm