

To the next Editor of Launching Out - this edition is to show you that the newsletter can be as simple or as elaborate as you wish to design. What is so important is the sharing of ideas, information, and news from across our Diocese from all our ACW members. Read on and prepare to volunteer your services to keep this important ministry going. ~ Patti

Diocese of Fredericton, Anglican Church Women

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ACW Launching Out

The Diocesan ACW Annual Meeting Tuesday, May 2, and Wednesday, May 3



St. Mark's Church, 28 Main Street, St. George, NB.

On Tuesday, registration starts at 9:30 am and the Church service starts at 10:15 am.
The Catholic Book Room will be there.

Registration form is on the last page.
Parking and Hotel information is on page 9.
Mark these dates on your calendar and plan to attend.

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Bishop McAllister College!

I'm so happy to inform everyone that the school web site has been rebuilt by a member of the school teaching staff, Annibo Ainebyoona, for which we are very grateful. It is a work in process, but you will be able to find my latest newsletter and other updates. The new address is....

www.bishopmcallistercollege.com

God bless!
Paul

Rev. Canon Paul Jeffries,
Rector, Bishop McAllister College & Bishop McAllister Anglican Seminary



Deadline for the next
issue: August 15

The next Diocesan ACW Executive meeting is Monday, June 26
9:30 am, coffee/tea, muffins; 10 am, meeting begins
Christ Church (Parish) Church, Fredericton.



My Dear ACW Sisters,

It is hard to believe that we are only about a month and half away from our Annual Meeting. This year, as many of you know, the meeting will take place in St. George. Please read the February edition of *Launching Out* for more details.

Also, more news is in this edition of *Launching Out* and the April edition of the *New Brunswick Anglican* concerning the National Gathering of Anglican Women in Ancaster, Ontario. Ancaster is a suburb of Hamilton. For those of you who like to sew or quilt, a trip to downtown Hamilton is a must. Two whole blocks, both sides of the street, in Hamilton are a quilters' and sewers' paradise. Hopefully, the Diocese of Fredericton will be well represented. Plan on filling your car and joining us.

As many of you have heard by now, Ruth Gorlick - Picket Scovil Fund, Patti Hoyt - *Launching Out*, and Inez Estabrooks - Memorial Book have submitted their resignations. I spoke with our Past President, Glenna Geer, and she informed me that the ACW Executive appoints these people as these positions are really Committees. This means we don't have to have elections at the ACW Annual Meeting. I also spoke to Bishop Edwards concerning the Picket Scovil Fund. He has asked us to chose an ACW member for the Picket Scovil Fund and submit the name to him for final approval. Please consider submitting your name, to any of the Executive, for these positions. If you would like more information, please feel free to contact me.

Blessings and Serenity
Rosemarie

OUR PURPOSE

- * To unite women in a fellowship of worship, study, and offering which will deepen and strengthen their own spiritual lives, and lead them into Christian service in parish, community, diocese, nation, and world.
- * To work for and sustain an informed interest in the mission of the Church.

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Deanery of Fredericton-York

Christ Church Cathedral ACW News

Saturday Afternoon, February 11th was chosen for the February Gathering. Vicki Hachey spoke on *Committing to Faith and Love: Celebrating Women in the 21st Century*.

Her talk was sincere, relevant, and encouraging. Valentine theme decorations and a quiz....the answer to each question was the name of a woman from the present or past and their involvement in our church. A very rewarding and successful event with 40 in attendance.

Gisele McKnight reminded women of their importance with her topic on March 8th. *"Why did God give Women a Voice?"* With many years in print media, and now as Communications Director, she is constantly impressed with the value and impact that women have on the whole in our society. As Editor of the NB Anglican, she urged us to submit an entry to the *Testify Column* in that paper. To quote: All of you have a story in which your faith, prayer, and love of Christ has played a role.

Our Annual meeting on March 08, approved the format of an Executive Committee to manage the work of the ACW. The Executive is as follows: President - duties shared among Committee members; Secretary: Kaye Small; Treasurer- Linda Waugh; plus 7 committee members each with a specific responsibility. During 2016, this committee participated in 21 events from January through to the end of December with 4 months off in the summer.

† On Wednesday, April 5, 2 pm, you are invited to a Lenten Season Presentation, "*Unto the Least of These*" by guest speaker Deacon Joyce Perry at the Christ Church Cathedral Memorial Hall.

St. Mary 's ACW News:

St. Mary's ACW is having a Pork Roast Dinner to be paid by a donation. It is for Parishioners and friends, and anyone may come; beginning at 5:30 pm, and everyone eats at 6 pm. They are also planning a Bridge Party and hope September will work out for it.

Notice from Judy at Farraline Place

One room now available at Farraline Place, a home for seniors in Fredericton right beside the Legislative Building on Queen Street. Please put it in your church bulletin.

St. Peter's Church News:

They held a successful pancake supper with beans, pancakes, and sliced ham on Shrove Tuesday, February 28th. Chocolate cake and Gingerbread were the delicious desserts. The ACW had a small sale table with some baked goods, winter knitting, sewing, and white elephant items. Some members of St. Peter's Scout Troop helped serve.

St. Peter's ACW, Fredericton, had two members participate in the World Day of Prayer Planning meetings for the Southside of Fredericton, and four ladies took speaking parts at the World Day of Prayer Service for their Hanwell/ New Maryland area. The church service was held at the decorated Roman Catholic Church of St. John and St. Paul, New Maryland for the Service written by the Ladies of the Phillippines. A delicious assortment of sandwiches and desserts was served downstairs with a lovely poster board on pictures of the Phillippines.

St. Peter's Choir will sing a special selection of music after each Bible reading by a member of the congregation on Passion Sunday, April 6, 2017.

Next October 11th, 2017, St. Peter's ACW will host the Fredericton/York Deanery Meeting, Registration: 9 am, Church, 10 am.

St. John's, Oromocto news:

In February, St. John's held a successful spaghetti supper.

Upcoming is a "Dining-out and Silent Auction." It is an evening-out fundraiser. A couple of great singers called "Frantically Atlantic" will be the entertainment. It is at the Hazen Centre on Friday March 24, 2017. Tickets: \$25.00; call Donna Mulholland.

The St. John's ACW has a catering for the Diocesan Council's upcoming meeting at the church hall. They are also thinking of an upcoming bake sale. Their new Executive is Donna Mulholland: President; Ellen Reid: Vice-President; Joan LeBlanc: Secretary; and Treasurer: Gwen Burns.

St. Augustine's ACW, Chipman news:

On Friday, May 5th, there will be "A Fancy Old Fashioned Tea" to celebrate Canada:150 years! It will be downstairs in the church hall from 11 am - 1 pm at \$8.00 a plate.

St. Michael and All Angels had a successful Pancake supper on February 28, 2017!

St. Thomas, Stanley ACW news:

They held a Parish Steak Dinner and were sold out!

On February 9th, they had a Gospel Concert. The proceeds went to the refugee family. The family was invited as special guests to lunch on the Sunday.

St. Thomas Church hosted the World Day of Prayer for the Village of Stanley on Friday, March 3, 2017.

On April 23, St. Thomas will host a Memorial Hymn Sing, as a fundraiser.

Parish of Kingston and Kennebecasis

On Friday afternoon, March 3rd, ladies from St. Paul's, Hampton, and Christ Church, Bloomfield, joined ladies from other denominations at the World Day of Prayer Service at St. Alphonsus Catholic Church in Hampton. We participated in a lovely service prepared by the women of the Philippines and enjoyed a beautiful lunch and wonderful fellowship following the service.

On Tuesday, March 21st, a Spaghetti Supper was held at St. Paul's in Hampton. This was a fund-raiser for a youth mission trip to Boston in May. Colin McDonald will be heading a 14-member team whose purpose is as much to lend a hand as it is to help grow our youth leaders in the Diocese.

On Friday, April 21st, Trinity Church, Sussex, will present "Trinity's Got Talent Fellowship Night" - 7-8:30 pm in the Church Hall. On Tuesday, April 25th, Trinity will host a Bridge & Auction 45's Card Party - 7 pm.

Christ Church ACW and friends (Bloomfield) gather for fellowship and quilting every Monday for the day. On Saturday, April 22, 4:30-6:30 pm, there will be a Chowder/Soup Supper and Silent Auction (viewing at 4 pm) at the Bloomfield Hall; supper is \$8, preschoolers free. Proceeds from the Auction are for Mission Outreach; donations gratefully accepted; sponsored by Christ Church ACW.

On an ongoing basis, St. Paul's, Hampton, participate in a joint venture with St. Peter's, Upham and the Parish of Central Kings to provide lunch for Hampton High School students the first and third Wednesdays of every month.

Woodstock Deanery News

St. Luke's- Woodstock:

The ladies from this Branch held their Annual "in-house" auction at their February meeting and profits from this will be donated to Camp Brookwood. On February 19th, they celebrated ACW Sunday. Members from their Branch greeted, did the readings, and hosted a luncheon in the church hall after the service. The ACW theme song "*The Love of Jesus Calls Us*" was sung during the service. The Branch held their Annual Meeting and election with Jill Craig staying on as President, Jean Collicott as Secretary, and Rosalie Brown as Treasurer. The position of Vice-President was filled by Sandra Culberson. The Branch has recently received a bequest of money (approx. \$3,000) from a previous ACW member.

Church of the Good Shepherd- Florenceville:

The Ladies from this Branch are now sponsoring a child to attend school at the Bishop McAllister's College in Uganda. This will continue until the child graduates. A very successful Valentine's Tea was held, with profits to be used for their various outreach projects. They donated money to the Carleton North High School Breakfast Program in memory of Margaret Trevors. Healthy snacks were given to the "Mother Hubbard Cupboard." In the Fall, they plan to purchase yearbooks and graduate "hoodies" for two graduates who are unable to do so. They will also be giving gifts to four graduates from their congregation who will be graduating in June. On March 25th, they will be catering to the Deanery Layreaders' Day. They have also purchased a Bible which will be given to a newly baptized baby on Easter Sunday.

Christ Church- Glassville:

This Branch's Annual fundraiser is their Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, and this year, it was bigger and better than ever. They realized a profit of over \$1,300, of which a thousand dollars will be donated to Camp Brookwood. Christ Church will be welcoming the Bishop for a Parish Service on March 26th.

ACUCW -Tobique Branch- Plaster Rock:

This Branch has several projects lined up for the Spring. They will be helping with the Breakfast Program at DFMS on two occasions; hosting a Birthday Party at the Tobique Valley Manor, catering to the Memory Cafe in April, and organizing a fundraiser luncheon for Harvest House. The Annual ACW Deanery Meeting will be held at St. Andrew's United Church through the shared ministry on Tuesday, September 12th, 2017. Branches can expect the first notice of this event to come out in May.

Submitted by
Connie Haddad (Deanery President)

Book of Remembrance and Roll of Honour

Please notify Inez Estabrooks and your Deanery representative (or President) with names of those who should be entered into the Book of Remembrance OR for a certificate for the Roll of Honour.

Inez Estabrooks E-mail: [inezw at nb.sympatico.ca](mailto:inezw@nb.sympatico.ca)

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On the Journey #8, Lent, 2017

"Draw near to God and He will draw near to you." ~ James 4:8a

In my Sunday School class last week, the children were hanging cut-outs of themselves on the wall surrounding an outline of Jesus. They were demonstrating that they were disciples, just like those we read about in the Gospels. As I asked them to place their picture, one girl put one of her hands in the hand of Jesus. I asked if this was intentional, and she said, "Yes." I told her the story of Mary Magdalene, who was so close to Jesus that she wanted to hug him, and that it was a good way to be.

As I pondered this later, I also thought of Mary, the sister of Martha and Lazarus, who also wanted to be as close as possible to our Lord. Perhaps this is part of what Jesus meant when he told his followers to become like children, if they wanted to enter the kingdom. There's a trust in the hand of a child. When I walk my granddaughters to or from school, a little hand just slips into place, as if that's exactly where it belongs. It warms my heart, and I'm sure it warms the heart of God when we do the same in our relationship with Him.

I was having my devotional time one morning not long ago and feeling anxious. I had my list of intercessions to work through, plus my mind was awl, anticipating the activities and obligations of the day ahead. I didn't want to cut short my prayer time, but I was thinking, "I have to get going, or I'll be late." Then I heard these words, as plain as day, "I'm not going anywhere." It wasn't audible, but I knew those words were from the Lord. A revelation. It was something I already knew, but God had to remind me that He is never absent, no matter where I am. So what if I'm not hunched down over a prayer list in my habitual early morning ritual? God is not going to pack up and leave just because I have to go to work!

God never deserts his children. God is the constant in this topsy turvy world. He doesn't pack up his marbles and go home. God sticks around no matter how busy and crazy our lives are. I've come to rely more and more on this truth as I get older. I may be waiting in line to pay for groceries, or folding laundry, but I am never alone. No matter where I am, I can just slip my hand into the hand of Jesus, and He walks with me. Brother Lawrence knew this, and he shared his experience of God's constant presence in Practising the Presence of God.

This is the theme of the book our Parish is reading as a Lenten discipline: Noticing God, by Richard Peace. I'm midway through, and I know I'm going to go back and re-read it. Even though I already know most of the information included in the book, the personal nature of the writing, and the honesty and humility of the writer make it compelling. He reminds me that we're never too old to learn something new. I have been blessed as I rediscover eternal truths that have sometimes gotten buried in the busyness of my life. In my walk of faith, I often re-connect with things that remind me of how much I am loved by God, and how precious is my relationship with my Lord. And what better time to do this than during Lent?

Blessings,
Eva

"When people talk, listen completely. Most people never listen."
~ Ernest Hemingway

National Gathering for

All Anglican Women

June 15-18, 2017

Redeemer University

College Ancaster, Ontario

Join in:

† Worship † Workshops *

† Conversations with Primate Fred

† Sharing with Women from across Canada

*** Prayer; Indigenous Ministries; The Church Volunteer; PWRDF; Storytelling of the Gospel; The ACC and Assisted Dying, and many more**

Registration fee: \$500 includes shared accommodation and all meals including Sunday Breakfast . Registration deadline: April 30, 2017

[Transportation costs are individual's responsibility.](#)

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Don't miss this great opportunity. Come and bring a friend!

Greetings in Christ!



On behalf of the Mothers' Union, Diocese of Fredericton, we wish to personally invite you to the Annual Diocesan Spring Rally - theme being - Family First.

The event will take place April 29th from 9 am to 3 pm at St. John the Baptist Anglican Church, 28 Woolridge Street, Riverview, NB.

This year's rally will include a special celebration service of the installation of both Diocesan and Canadian Councils. Bishop David Edwards; new Canadian Chaplain, the Rev. Thomas Stradwick; Diocesan Chaplain, the Ven. Wandlyn Snelgrove; and the Rev. Brent Ham will lead us in the service.

Guest speakers, Senator Hartling and Hope Twinamatsiko (MU from Uganda) along with a question/answer period and short breakout sessions will round out the afternoon portion of the day. We know how MU members like to shop so time has been allotted for shopping at the Mothers' Union Literature and Ten Thousand Villages tables.

Registration fee is \$10 and the deadline to register is April 15th (See below for more information).

Please join us in what will most certainly be an extraordinary day of celebration, fellowship, spiritual nurturing, learning, shopping, and, as always, great food!! If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me (email below) or Lilian's cell (506) 476-9128 (have voice mail so you can leave me a message).

"This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it." ~ Psalm 118:24

Joanne Ham (President) and Lilian Ketch (Past President)
Diocese of Fredericton Mothers' Union

Diocese of Fredericton Mothers' Union Rally

with Service of Installation of Diocesan and Canadian Councils

Family First

Where: St. John the Baptist Anglican Church, Riverview

When: Saturday, April 29 --- 9 am - 3 pm

Cost: \$ 10 Forward a cheque by April 15, payable to: "Diocese of Fredericton Mothers' Union"
to: Susan Crawford, 308 - 88 Woods Terrance, Moncton, NB E1G 1X6

Forward names to: Lilian.Ketch at gnb.ca

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2017 Quiet Day
will be in the Miramichi-Chaleur Deanery, Wednesday, September 6

ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION

Parking: The church has a small parking lot which we would like to keep for the disabled. Behind the church is the Legion, and we can park there during the day. There is also free parking on both sides of the street in front of the church.

Hotel: The only hotel opened in May is the Granite Town Hotel, 79 Main Street, St. George, NB E5C 3J4 506-755-6415 / 1-800-667-2010 On line: <http://granitetownhotel.com/>

Banquet: Our dinner will be at Magaguadavic Building right beside the Granite Town Hotel. There is lots of parking there.



PRE-REGISTRATION FORM – TO REDUCE LINE-UPS, PLEASE PRE-REGISTER BY APRIL 15, 2017

DIOCESAN ACW ANNUAL MEETING, May 2 & 3, 2017

St. Mark's Church
28 Main Street, St. George, NB.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ E-Mail: _____

CHURCH/LOCATION: _____

Please check the appropriate boxes and enclose a cheque for the total amount made payable to the "Linda Cook"

Registration fee \$ 5.00

Banquet ticket \$ 20.00

**If you have any food allergies or gluten free issues, please mention it on this registration form before the registration deadline of April 15 when the food order goes to the caterer.

Please check the following box if you plan to stay for the second day. This will help us in planning coffee break and lunch arrangements on that day.

I plan to stay the second day.

Please return this form with your cheque made out to: "Linda Cook" **by April 15** and mail it to: Linda Cook, 1171 Route 776, Grand Manan, NB E5G 1G2

~ Banquet Tickets ~

The contact person for ordering banquet tickets and registration:

Linda Cook, 1171 Route 776, Grand Manan, NB E5G 1G2

Banquet tickets are \$20 and the registration fee is \$5.

The tickets will be held for pick-up at time of registration on the morning of May 2.

Cut off date for ordering banquet tickets is April 15.

Parking and Hotel information is on page 9.