



**SAINT THOMAS'S CHURCH**  
 celebrates its   
**130th Anniversary**

**MICHAELMAS-DEDICATION  
CELEBRATION &  
PROVIDING FOR OUR FUTURE**

*"This Fall, our Parish celebrates its 130th Anniversary by gathering the congregation, former parishioners and new friends in a programme of liturgy, teaching, fellowship and music. Even as we reflect on our traditions, we look towards our future by laying foundation stones which will provide for Saint T's future ministry in worship, in education, in music and in outreach. On behalf of Corporation and the Planning Committee, I invite you to join enthusiastically in our celebration, and at the same time to respond to the challenge set before us."*

FR. MARK ANDREWS, RECTOR

# CELEBRATION

SEPTEMBER 24 – OCTOBER 3, 2004

*Except for the Vestment Display, for which tickets are required, the other events of the programme are provided at no charge. Free-will offerings at the different events, combined with the 130th Anniversary Foundation Stones challenge outlined inside, give all parishioners and friends an opportunity to attend the celebrations, and to respond with prayerful generosity according to their ability.*





# THE PARISH NEWSLETTER

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THOMASTIDE 2004

An occasional Newsletter for Parishioners and Friends of Saint Thomas's Church, Toronto

## PARISH CHOIR WINS CBC NATIONAL CHORAL COMPETITION



The Saint Thomas's Parish Choir, July 4, 2004

by Jeffrey Creighton

Congratulations! The Choir of Saint Thomas's Church was awarded First Prize in the Church Choir segment of the CBC's bi-annual National Choral Competition on Wednesday, April 28th. The Choir, conducted by John Tuttle, sang *Ubi Caritas et Amor* by Maurice Duruflé and the Sanctus and Benedictus from the *Mass for Double Choir* by Frank Martin. The finals, held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on King Street, featured Toronto-area choirs singing live, and choirs from other regions via audio feed. *John Tuttle*, who has served as organist and choirmaster at St. Thomas's for over fourteen years, also saw his Exultate Singers take first prize in the Chamber Choir category. While gratified at the double victory, John maintains that the greatest value of the

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## Choir To Sing At English Cathedrals – Summer 2005 Tour Planned

The choirs of St. Thomas's have been invited to sing at York Minster and Gloucester Cathedral in 2005 and the St. Thomas's community is invited to join us. We will be singing daily services at York from August 15 to 21, and at Gloucester from August 22 to 28, 2005. Most services will be Evensong, but we will be responsible for singing a mass on Sundays, as well as on Monday, August 15, the Feast of the Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary.

Those who have not visited York or Gloucester before are in for an incredible treat, for these great English Cathedrals are aptly described as being prayers in stone and glass. York Minster is England's largest medieval cathedral, built between 1220 and 1472. Gloucester Cathedral dates from even earlier, from 1089 to 1530, and includes a blend of Romanesque, Early English and Gothic architectural styles.

The entire St. Thomas's community is invited to join the choir and participate in the tour. A Planning Committee has been established and will keep everyone informed as work progresses. Several fund-raising initiatives will be designed, with the proviso that they will not have a negative impact on regular church givings. The first of these is a series of

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### PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PROGRAMME

The arrival of the summer months finds many parishioners out of town. However, the Parish's ongoing needs and obligations remain constant. If you have pledged a regular donation, or would like to do so, perhaps you would consider utilizing the PAG Programme. It allows givers to arrange regular deductions from their bank account without the hassle of cheque-writing; it assures the Parish a steady flow of funds. Barb Obrai in the Parish Office has a pamphlet available for pick-up or mailing explaining how PAG works. Please think about using the PAG Programme!

*Anna Kennedy, Parish Treasurer*

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# Saint Thomas's Priests & Delegates Participate in Election of new Bishop of Toronto

## An Impression of the Electoral Synod

by Bruce McEachern

With the Parish's other Synod delegates (Jeff Creighton, Suan Seh Foo, and Phyllis Garden, as well as our clergy), I had the privilege of representing St. Thomas's at the Diocesan Synod of June 12th to elect a new Bishop of Toronto.

Archbishop Finlay announced his retirement (to take effect on June 11th) only after our hotly-contested parish Vestry meeting in February at which we were elected Synod delegates. So we had to unexpectedly put aside any preoccupation with the same-sex blessing issue and consider who should be the leading successor of the Apostles in our community.

Initially I thought I was the only lay delegate to have a poor sense of who amongst our diocesan clergy might be the best bishop to lead our Catholic faith and Anglican tradition in Toronto. I invited feedback, only to discover people were either very secretive about their preferences, or equally puzzled. To some degree the process seemed like a high school student council election where impressions were partly formed more on the basis of vague rumours than first-

### Choir Wins...

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CBC competition lies in its potential to build contacts between choirs from different regions of the country. "It knits the entire choral community together in Canada," he said. The St. Thomas's choir comprises about 30 people drawn from various walks of life: from M.Mus candidates to computer specialists, Latin scholars, lexicographers, librarians, and movers. For many singers, reports John, St. Thomas's has been their first "serious Anglican experience." Our choir's repertoire of liturgical music is broad and challenging, drawing on continental European motets and Mass settings, in addition to music from the Anglican cathedral tradition.

The entire Parish family is tremendously proud of John and the Choir's latest achievement!

hand knowledge of the candidates and solid information. In the absence of open and lengthy campaigning by the candidates (which might pose other problems), there may be no alternative. I assume the clergy have a more intimate and solid understanding of the candidates. At least I hope so. That said, I consulted fairly widely and received some good feedback from various parish members.

The Diocese mailed us a package of information in late May with biographies of the then-nominated candidates (only two at that point). Unfortunately the Diocese was apparently a little brusque with at least one of our alternate Synod delegates when contacted for information. This failure to keep alternates involved might explain why only 391 of a possible 503 lay delegates registered at the Synod, an absentee rate of 22%. (The absentee rate for eligible clergy members was even higher at 28%.)

In any event, two more candidates were nominated by Synod day and their biographies were available at registration. It was very regrettable to hear that Bishop Victoria Matthews of Edmonton had to withdraw her name because of her being diagnosed with breast cancer.

Phyllis Garden says "business" Synods meet somewhere near the Airport strip, but electoral ones meet at the Cathedral. So on Synod day, a Saturday morning, each of us made our own way to St. James' Cathedral's annex and handed in

our "tickets" at a very efficient registration booth. Then we made our way through a confusing series of tunnels to the Cathedral itself, at first hearing rumours we were to be sequestered like a Roman sacred consistory. The smokers, of course, were the first to breach this discipline, while those parked at street meters broke the remaining constraints. But we were asked to refrain from commenting to outsiders about the progress of the balloting until it was over.

The Synod commenced with a BAS mass, celebrated I believe by the Acting Metropolitan of Ontario (the Bishop of Moosonee). Delegates then separated ourselves into two groups: the clergy in the pews on the north side of the nave, and the lay delegates on the south side. The four St. T's delegates found each other and sat together with Glen Spurrell, representing St. Stephen's. We also cornered Fr Andrews and found time to chat with Frs Ross, Freeland and Little.

The voting commenced without any nominations or speeches. Each delegate simply wrote the last name of a candidate on the slip of unmarked coloured paper we had been given at registration. (The clergy had a different colour than the laity.) Then we stepped forward en masse and deposited our pieces of paper

### Choir Tour...

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monthly bake sales, launched by Katharine Barber's offering of assorted brownies after the Masses of the Patronal Festival. Non-choir members may e-mail me at [djm@trinity.utoronto.ca](mailto:djm@trinity.utoronto.ca) or phone (416) 925-2251, ext 226 with questions or a request to be placed on the e-mailing list. There will also be a tour bulletin board established that will keep the congregation apprised of our plans. These types of tours not only enhance the calibre and reputation of the choir, they also strengthen the sense of parish community and provide profound experiences of music, spirituality, and historical and architectural grandeur. Come join us!

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in inelegant ballot boxes (foil-wrapped cardboard). As each delegate voted, a nearby official handed out another piece of differently coloured paper for the next ballot. You were out of luck for the rest of the Synod if you didn't get your next ballot then, because officials don't waste time on further lists or verification! You vote, you get another ballot then, or you do without!

As a result, the balloting took surprisingly little time, with the first ballot completed around 11:20 am. While the counting took place "off-stage", many of the delegates participated in a hymn-singing.

These results were announced at 12 noon, delegates summoned to return by a traveling hand bell. Bishop Colin Johnson of Trent-Durham received 99 clergy and 151 lay votes, Bishop Ann Tottenham of Credit Valley received 87 clergy and 110 lay votes, Dean Douglas Stoute of the Cathedral received 56 clergy and 61 lay votes, and Bishop George Elliott of York-Simcoe received 52 clergy and 61 lay votes. 13 ballots were spoiled and 14 members present didn't vote.

A candidate must secure a majority of each "house" of Synod to win (clergy and laity). I was suitably motivated when it was announced a mechanism to break a deadlock between the houses would be implemented only after the 12th ballot!

The second ballot started almost immediately, again without speeches, apparent lobbying, or indeed anything but quiet chatter. It was finished by about 12:30 pm, and the results were announced just before 1 p.m. Bishop Johnson remained in the lead in both houses with 128 clergy and 183 lay votes. Bishop Tottenham stayed in second place with 111 clergy and 136 lay votes. The Dean fell to 35 clergy and 32 lay votes, while Bishop Elliott secured only 18 clerical and 32 lay votes. 5 ballots were spoiled and 11 delegates didn't vote.

Two minutes later the announcement was made that both the Dean and Bishop Elliott had withdrawn from the race, making it a contest between Bishops Johnson and Tottenham.

The third ballot took less than 20 minutes to conduct. 30 minutes after, the announcement was made: Bishop Johnson had received 5 more clerical votes than required to be elected (147 to Bishop Tottenham's 135), and a more comfortable majority of 34 from the lay delegates (219 to 149 for Bishop Totten-

## Garden Focus of June Benedictine Day

by Jennifer Grange

The church and rectory gardens were the recipients of a lot of tender loving care during the June 5 Benedictine Day.

Although outdoor work began in April to have the gardens ready for the Doors Open weekend at the end of May, there were still weeds to pull, shrubs to prune and compost to spread (thanks to Rob Kennedy). Betsy Duncan, Marion Connelly, Mary Wilson, Nigel Wright, Myra Placounouris, and Lindsay Squire were among the volunteers outside while Susan Clark headed the team preparing lunch inside. Fr Ross made hay, so to speak, with the lawnmower while Fr Andrews washed windows. Suan Seh Foo, camera in hand, recorded it all for posterity.

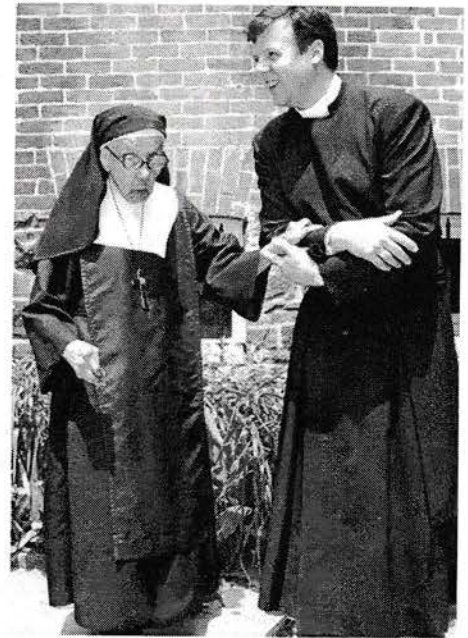
Through donations, there are a number of new additions to the gardens. As a memorial to her mother Margaret Robinson, Marilyn Ramsingh has given four roses – "Intrigue", "Day Breaker" and "Winchester Cathedral" to the south border along with "Martin Frobisher" in the rectory garden. One of our resident rose experts, Doreen Stanton, planted "Constance Spry" to commemorate the centenary of Sister Constance's birth. (This was blessed by the Rector and Sister after High Mass on June 13th.) In the rectory garden Betsy Duncan made a memorial donation of the rose "Golden Celebration" along with a clematis. Marion Dorosh has donated plants from her spectacular garden. Ruth Wyllie again made a donation for the planting of the urn. Parishioner and Spadina House gardener Wendy

ham). I calculated 30 delegates spoiled their ballots or didn't vote.

There was of course a great deal of applause at that point, barely 3 hours after the voting started, and Bishop Tottenham's motion to make the vote unanimous was carried without objection.

While well-wishers lined up to speak to Bishop Johnson and all of the other candidates, many simply left the church to enjoy the day, and things began to quiet down. Bishop Johnson spoke briefly but well.

Several days later the Diocesan web site announced that Bishop Johnson's installation will take place in September, and he has fixed November 12th as the date to elect a suffragan bishop to replace him. The same-sex issue, originally



Sister Constance addresses the post-Mass congregation after joining the Rector in blessing the Rose "Constance Spry" given in honour of her 100th birthday by Doreen Stanton.

Woodhurst is giving generously of both her expertise and plants.

In the raised bed at the back of the church, we have started a shade garden featuring hostas. At the front, two pots with vines, coral bells and petunias add some colour by the north doors. Despite the proliferation of tree roots in the front border, the planting done over the past few years is thriving and drawing more people to stop and to take a longer look at St. Thomas's.

scheduled to be decided on the latter date, has been moved to November 27th. I have a feeling at least one of our alternate delegates may see some action in November!

In the meantime all six lay delegates and alternates are, I believe, considering the issues for the fall very seriously, and I hope we will meet to discuss and share our views before the special Synod meets. That doesn't mean we will agree – after all we have our "constituencies" in the parish to represent!

The foregoing constitute some of my observations, although I am sure they capture only a fraction of what was there to see and sense. I encourage anyone interested to speak to the other delegates about their impressions and views.



# PARISH NOTES

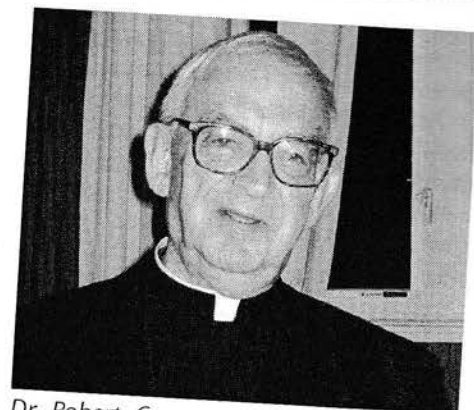
Rummage Sale... Doors Open... Kitchen Renovation... Organ recitals...  
 Royal Visit... Hardacre birthday... rave reviews for Helwig novel... Parish Newsletter Appeal...



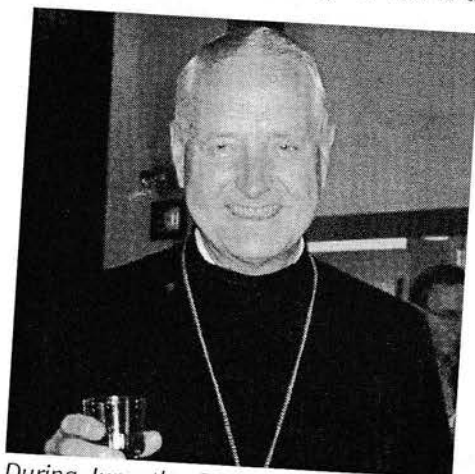
Fr Mulholland offers The Princess Royal a mug of coffee to start her busy day in Toronto, then chats with HRH during her visit to the Toronto Mission to Seafarers.



Mary Suddon reports that the **Spring Rummage Sale** was a happy event, resulting in a profit of nearly \$1100! She extends thanks to all the volunteers who helped before, during and after the Sale... The Parish's participation in **Doors Open** on May 29th and 30th brought a steady stream of visitors to see the Church, including a number of vestments and photographs specially displayed. A special thanks from convenor *Marilyn Ramsingh* to all who volunteered as greeters and guides... The **Church School** season ended on Trinity 3; it will resume on that well known liturgical observance, the Sunday after Labour Day... The new exhaust system having been installed in April, major work on the long-anticipated **Kitchen Renovation** began on June 21, and is expected to last until September 1st. The meeting room beside the kitchen is being used by the contractor for storage; in addition his dumpster will



Dr Robert Crouse, noted Dante scholar from Nova Scotia, returned to St T's for the Feast of the Annunciation, and gave two lectures on *The Divine Comedy* under the auspices of the Society of Mary. occupy the rear parking lot, and he will have access to the Parish Hall via the back door. Summer coffee hours will thus occasionally have to be cancelled, and otherwise accommodated on tables in the Hall. Access to the kitchen will be off limits all summer, and similarly, access to the meeting room will be extremely difficult for most of the time. "Please plan accordingly," asks Parish Administrator *Barbara Obrai*... The **Minnesota Boychoir** presented a concert in Church on June 23rd. The choir was welcomed by the Parish when a last-minute change of plans rendered impossible its previously-scheduled venue... Son of the Parish and weekday Mass officiant *Fr David Mulholland* is Chaplain and Chief Administrator of the Toronto Mission to Seafarers, whose Commonwealth President is *HRH The Princess Royal (Princess Anne)*. During



During June the Parish welcomed guest preacher Canon Hugh Mybrew, Vicar of St Mary Magdalen, Oxford. Canon Mybrew was in Toronto as keynote speaker of *Light from the East: Anglicans and the Eastern Orthodox World*, a conference organized at Trinity College by Fr Neelands



The Rector and other parishioners meet The Princess at Monarchist League Reception



Vestments on display during Doors Open weekend



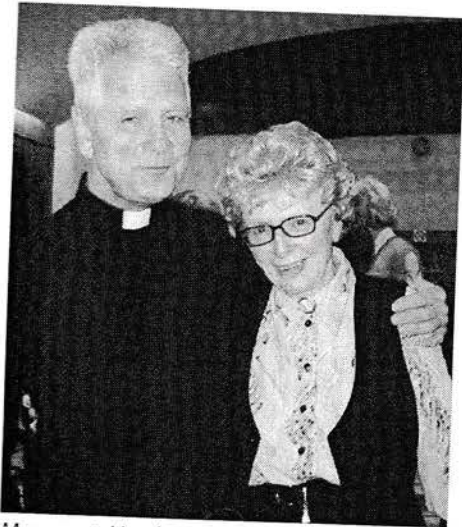
HRH's June 8 visit to the Mission and subsequent events hosted by the Monarchist League of Canada, Fr Mulholland and John Aimers were able to present to the Princess The Rector and a number of parishioners, including Ruth Baillie, Earl Barnsley, Fr Jim Hunt, Barb Obrai, Linda Russell and Mary Suddon... Spring Organ Recitals held at the Church featured two students of John Tuttle at the Faculty of Music, University of Toronto, who are also members of the Parish's Evensong Choir, Andrei Streliaev and Satomi Akao – both hailed as "brilliant players." ...April 19th brought parishioners together after the 11 am Mass to a buffet luncheon, generously hosted by Walter and family as a surprise celebration of the 80th birthday of Margaret Hardacre – *ad multos annos!*... Congratulations to parishioner Maggie Helwig, whose new novel *Between Mountains* was published in the Spring by Knopf Canada to critical acclaim. Many parishioners have read laud-



Trinitytide brought two baptisms during High Mass – those of June Sarah May Ryerson, daughter of Douglas & Wendy Ryerson, and of Jamieson John Sutton Crowe, son of Christopher & Alexandra Crowe

atory reviews in diverse publications ranging from Toronto newspapers to *The Daily Telegraph*. The work is Maggie's 11th book in a diverse output which included six volumes of poetry. Copies are

widely available at local booksellers, or on-line – the ISBN number is 0-676-97628-X... The Editor thanks those Parishioners who gave generously to the Parish Newsletter Appeal, which appeared in the *Passiontide* Issue. From April, some \$1660 has been given in support of Newsletter expenses. The Appeal is not being repeated in this issue, as customary, in order that the congregation may focus on the 130th Anniversary events and Foundation Stones Appeal.



Margaret Hardacre's surprise 80th birthday party included an embrace from Fr David Mulholland as well as cake-cutting at the end of lunch.



Another post-Mass celebration honoured Fr David Astle's 80th birthday



Fr Mark and Grace share a birthday – and cake – during coffee hour after High Mass



At the May Festival hosted by the Society of Mary, the Crowning of the Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary was undertaken by Andrew Manore, son of Mark and Elizabeth



# Financial Update

	As of June 30, 2004	
	Actual	Budget
<b>Income</b>		
Congregational Givings	115,601	123,353
Other Donations etc	11,062	17,099
Rental Income	17,118	15,329
Total:	143,781	155,781
<b>Expense</b>		
Operations	15,226	19,688
Outreach	38,095	37,920
Property	40,431	42,707
Staffing	113,139	115,992
Total:	206,891	216,307
Net Ordinary Income	(63,110)	(60,526)
<b>Other Income – Transfer</b>		
from Trust & Endowment	36,443	35,000
Net Income:	(26,667)	(25,526)

Although our income is down, the expenses have also been minimized so far this year. This is partly because the Parish Committees' income and expenses are lower than the very optimistic budgets set in January. So overall, our deficit is very close to what we thought it would be at this time.

	Actuals		Budget
	2003	2004	2004
Open plate	6,424	7,022	6,000
Envelope	110,711	108,578	117,353
Total Givings:	117,135	115,600	123,353

June givings were down a bit more than hoped and so compared to last year at this time, we are about \$1500 lower in terms of income. Our hopes were that we would exceed last year's givings but there is still 6 months left to see a further increase in overall donations.

“God’s Christmas present to us is his Word made flesh, his Son. It was misunderstood by Herod at the beginning, whose murderous intent for Christ was frustrated by God until Christ’s hour came before Caesar in Christ’s passion. It took a while, and a lot of agony, for Christ’s disciples to realize what a gift they had been given. It often takes us quite a while, and some pain, to realize it as well. But if we stay with Christ, and give ourselves to him, and persevere to the end – as our patron Saint Thomas did – then we will reach Easter, and be able to confess (as Thomas did), My Lord and my God. What Saint John declared concerning the Word at the start will be ours, personally, at the finish.”

*Fr Andrew C Mead, Rector, Saint Thomas Church New York City, preaching on Christmas Day, 2003.*

## Kitchen Renovation Givings

Donations up to Dec 2003	\$61,003
Donations in 2004	\$ 9,910
Total Donations:	\$70,913
Expenditures – fridge/dishwasher etc	\$11,438
Net Donations:	\$59,475

The congregation has shown tremendous support of this project since the first donations started being made two years ago. With the ‘Net Donations’ of \$59,475, we now have enough funds in hand to cover the complete renovation of the kitchen.

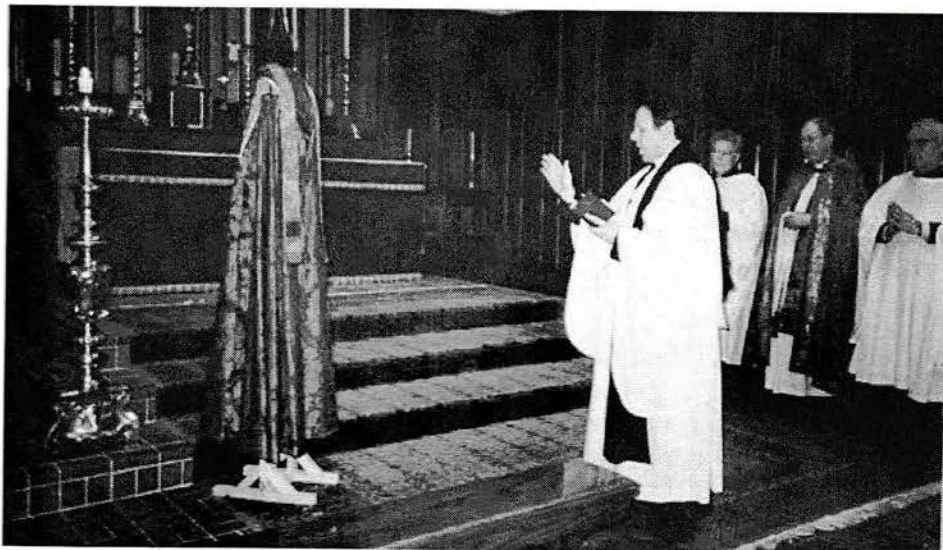
Thanks to the many donors and committee members for their continued efforts. It will be wonderful to see the final results by the end of this summer.



*Jennifer Grange at work in the Parish Garden during Spring Benedictine Day*



# LLOYD COPE DEDICATED



The Rector blesses the Lloyd cope

Evensong on Laetare Sunday (Lent IV) included the dedication of a beautiful new cope, presented to Saint Thomas's by frequent officiant and friend of the Parish Fr Michael Lloyd together with his daughters. Designed in London by the well-known vestment makers Watts and Company, the cope is fashioned of silk damask in a traditional model, with a ground of rich Marian blue accompanied by apparels of rose and intricate gold thread embroidery. It was



Fr Michael Lloyd with his daughter Erika Loyd and her husband Paul Friedberg

given in memory of Fr Lloyd's father, Francis John Lloyd, who died last year. Those many parishioners who know the devotion of Fr Lloyd's service to St T's understood well the appropriateness of

the post-dedication prayer offered by the Rector, "that the adornment of Thy Liturgy may be unto us an act of joyful service." 2004 finds Father celebrating the 40th Anniversary of his Ordination as Priest.

## Communications Committee Seeks Volunteers

The Communications Committee needs help in updating St. Thomas's media list. We use the list to help publicize our services and events to the community. Volunteers are needed to verify local newspaper, magazine, and radio/tv contacts' addresses, phone numbers and e-mail. Time Commitment: a total of two week-day hours. Please contact Ann Welsh at (416) 972-1930 or awc@interlog.com if you can help.

“We are compassed about by a cloud of witnesses, whose hearts throb in sympathy with every effort and struggle, and who thrill with joy at every success...They have overcome – have risen...but still they remain to us, our assistants, our comforters, and in every hour of darkness their voice speaks to us: ‘So we grieved, so we struggled, so we fainted, so we doubted; but we have overcome, we have obtained, we have seen, we have found – and in our victory behold the certainty of thy own’.”

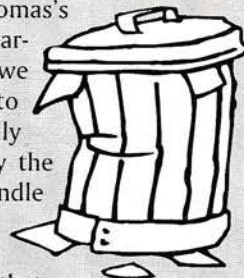
Harriet Beecher Stowe, quoted in 'Daily Strength for Daily Needs.'

## Trash Talk at St T's!!!!

by Barbara Obrai, Parish Administrator

In October of this year, Toronto goes green! As some of you will already be aware, the City of Toronto will be joining the green bin collection program already installed in Etobicoke and other places.

As Saint Thomas's has municipal garbage pick up, we are obliged to participate fully in this effort by the city to get a handle on the overall garbage problem. I believe that we



must organize ourselves in such a way that this will be an easy transition when the time comes.

Fact: Did you know that it takes a *minimum* of approximately two hours solid work to get our garbage to the curb? There is no reason that this time frame should increase if we all cooperate a little bit more.

Fact: A very high percentage of our garbage would be considered green bin material – ie, coffee grounds, paper towels, food scraps, diapers and similar materials. If interested, I can provide a copy of the city's list of green bin items.

Fact: Did you know that recycling is mandatory? To quote from the City's latest calendar, "Toronto's waste disposal by-law states that recycling is mandatory at all residential locations receiving municipal garbage collection, including apartment buildings." The Parish is lucky to still be able to have municipal garbage pick up. If the city ever refuses to take our trash then we would have to pay for private pick up.

The Huron Play School will be implementing the new rules when they start their next school year in September. As well, some of them have been worked into the design of the new kitchen. I will be asking for suggestions from everyone how they think we can make the green bin plan work for the church. For more information please check out [www.toronto.ca/greenbin](http://www.toronto.ca/greenbin)



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### WORSHIP AT SAINT THOMAS'S

#### SUNDAYS

Masses: 8:00 am (BCP, plain celebration);

9:30 am (BAS, Sung); 11:00 am (BCP,  
Solemn High)

Mattins (said) 10:30 am – Solemn

Evensong & Devotions 7:00 pm

#### WEEKDAYS

Masses: 5:30 pm Monday & Friday –

12:15 noon Tuesday & Thursday

7:30 am Wednesday, 10:00 am Saturday

Morning Prayer is said daily 8:30 am,

Saturday 9:30 am

Evening Prayer is said daily at 5:00 pm,

except Tuesday and Wednesday at

5:15 pm. Candelight Meditation follows

Evening Prayer on Wednesday.

Confessions: At times announced or by  
appointment with any of the Parish Clergy

## PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES

As you read of the diverse life of this church, it becomes clear that Saint Thomas's offers a host of ways for parishioners and friends to become more closely involved in the work of the Parish as well as of the many organizations which make their home here. Here are contacts who would welcome your inquiry and assistance. You can find them at mass, or leave a message at the Parish Office.

#### ORGANIZATION/ACTIVITY

Canadian Tire Money/  
Cookbook purchase

CD/ROM project  
loans of archival materials

Church School  
teaching, enrolment

Communications Committee  
Writers, copy-editors, proof-readers. Desk-top publishing and word processing support (need own computer and software) to assist in creating flyers and posters. Parishioners with media relations expertise and fax/internet access capability.

Confraternity of the  
Blessed Sacrament

Daily Offices  
officiating, reading Lessons

Education Committee  
planning Parish teaching events

Parish Newsletter  
Writing, production, delivery

Pastoral Committee  
Support of parish community:  
visiting, driving, encouraging

Property Management  
Committee

Light maintenance, carpentry & general clean-up

Social Committee

Event planning and kitchen volunteers

The Society of Mary

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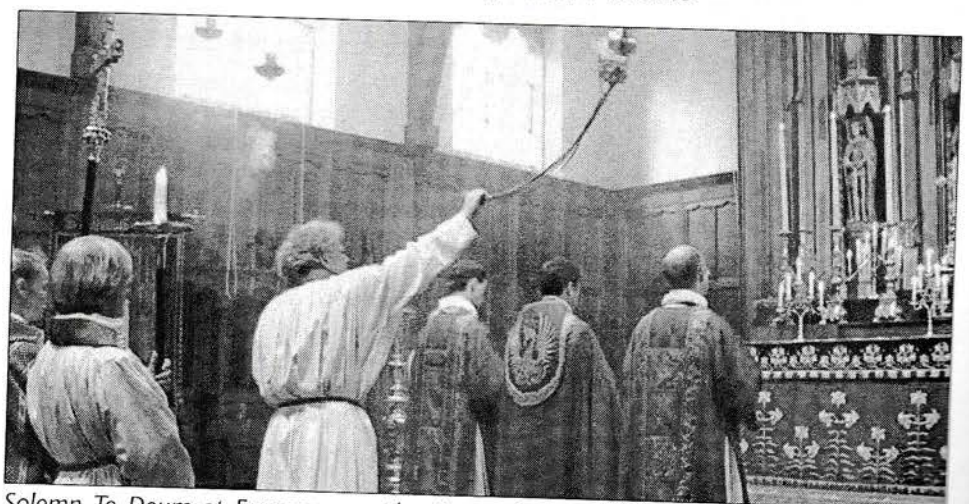
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Solemn Te Deum at Evensong on the Feast of Pentecost, John Gardham offering the praises of the thurible. The Rector is wearing the "Phoenix" cope, designed by Keith Murray of Watts & Company, London



# PROVIDING FOR OUR FUTURE

WORSHIP • EDUCATION • MUSIC • OUTREACH

The 130th Anniversary celebrations would be enjoyable in and of themselves under any circumstances. But their significance is diminished if they do not lead to a lively understanding of the needs of the Parish, and a faithful re-commitment by all members of the Saint Thomas's family towards four areas of its corporate life. The special nature of Saint Thomas's today is possible only because many others – notably our greatest benefactor, Gerald Larkin – made provision for the financial well-being of the Parish. Prudence suggests and faithfulness requires that we in our turn act in a provident way to build on the foundation they laid with love and commitment.

Our Anniversary reflections have led the Parish to establish a FOUNDATION STONES programme which provides both a vehicle for some current needs of the

Parish, and also one element of a more permanent structure to encourage members and friends to support the ongoing work of Saint Thomas's. It offers opportunities for givers to honour 130 years of faithful witness, a new avenue whereby all may join in the work of benefaction which has made viable the Parish we know and love.

*As in so much of Anglican practice, the old saying remains apt: ALL MAY, SOME SHOULD, NONE MUST. The Parish presents its needs, and a programme whereby congregants and friends may feel called to support that witness. Neither clergy nor wardens will call on anyone to solicit their help; they will of course be delighted, on request, to explain any aspect of the plan and to explore means of creative giving and specific needs with anyone who may be interested.*

## FOUNDATION STONES

BLESSED WITH THE GIFTS OF YESTERYEAR,  
TODAY'S SAINT THOMAS'S PROVIDES FOR THE FUTURE

THE 130th ANNIVERSARY FUND represents the beginning of a process, not its end. It marks the start of an opportunity for donors to assist in securing the future of the Parish in ways reflecting the central emphases of its very being.

Gifts to this Fund received during the Anniversary Year – September 1, 2004 – September 1, 2005 – reflect the thank-offering of Saint Thomas's people during the 130th Anniversary celebrations. Funds will be, in the first instance, devoted to the renewal of the White High Mass set of Vestments, and then to other urgent needs of the Parish as outlined below. Over the years, any surplus in the Fund will grow, and so add to the financial foundation which supports the well-being and traditions of the Parish as do the existing Larkin and Heritage Funds.

### THE 130th ANNIVERSARY FUND

#### WORSHIP

*"Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness"*

#### Worship through the 130th Anniversary Fund

provides for the renewal of Saint Thomas's beautiful vestments, whose exquisite workmanship reveals the determination of their creators to offer the best of their talents to God. Whether through the renewal of the white High Mass set, the provision of a purple High Mass set, or the refurbishment of many historic items now consigned to a vault and rarely seen, the Parish emphasizes its own commitment to offer the praises of the Almighty with solemn dignity. Wherever possible it

will seek new Canadian sources for traditional artistry in order to encourage the development of the creative talents of our own era. As always, it maintains the expectation of donors by valuing our heritage through commissioning only the highest standards of design and workmanship. The Anniversary Fund will thus help to sustain the worship of the Parish through the living tradition of its vestments.

#### EDUCATION

*"And He sat down, and taught them."*

#### Education through the 130th Anniversary Fund

reflects the traditions of the Parish as a centre of informed teaching about the traditions of Catholic Christendom, and the application of the Sacramental life of the Church to the lives of Christian men and women in the world. Reflecting St Thomas's long-standing relationship with Trinity College, a cardinal element of the Parish's teaching ministry is the Larkin-Stuart Lecture Series, presented annually as gift and inspiration to the wider community. Through the Anniversary Fund, the Parish will be better equipped to maintain the trust of those who established the Series, and broaden its outreach, by engaging the most distinguished speakers and promoting the Lectures as broadly as possible.

#### MUSIC

*"Sing ye praises with understanding."*

#### Music through the 130th Anniversary Fund

maintains the choral and organ programme as integral to the liturgy of the Parish, and to its growth as a gather-



ed community, justly known for the highest standards of music and musicianship offered to the praise of the Almighty. The eventual endowment of an organ scholar and choir section leads will assure the continuity of St Thomas's musical tradition. The concomitant removal of these and associated items from the Parish's operating budget will in time free funds for other aspects of its work. The Anniversary Fund will help to assure that the beauty of holiness found within Saint Thomas's walls will continue to be known to all whose footsteps lead them to Huron Street.

**OUTREACH**

*"Love thy neighbour as thyself."*

**Outreach through the 130th Anniversary Fund**

enables the spread of the Gospel imperative to those who come to Saint Thomas's seeking material assist-

ance. It builds on the traditions of yesteryear: Humewood House for unwed mothers, Camp Artaban for children, St Thomas's House for seniors. It affirms the current outreach projects such as the "Out of the Cold" experience, the offering of dinners on Thanksgiving and the provision of Friday evening sandwich suppers in summer and hot meals throughout the winter. This burgeoning emphasis of the Parish's life envisions future programmes made possible through a Parish Nurse, a Parish Visitor and a portion of a Curate's responsibilities. So Saint Thomas's will continue to welcome to its doors not only those seeking sustenance, but also that unqualified accepting love so central to the Anglo-Catholic urban tradition. The Anniversary Fund encourages parishioners and friends to realize that at this Church the social Gospel will continue not simply to be preached, but to be acted upon.

**FOUNDATION STONES NEED BUILDERS!**

Our 130th Anniversary offers every parishioner and friend of Saint Thomas's the opportunity to be a builder. We invite you to respond in faith at one of the suggested levels – or at any amount which you feel reflects your appropriate and responsible gift to the Parish at this time. *Most helpful are unrestricted gifts, but, as always, the opportunity is provided for you to designate an area of special concern, if you prefer to do so.*

*"This is the Lord's doing; and it is marvellous in our eyes."*

- I wish to pledge \$13,000 in honour of the Parish's 130th Anniversary
- I wish to pledge \$ 1,300 in honour of the Parish's 130th Anniversary
- I wish to pledge \$ 130 in honour of the Parish's 130th Anniversary
- I wish to pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in honour of the Parish's 130th Anniversary

*I wish to designate my gift*

IN THANKSGIVING FOR \_\_\_\_\_

IN MEMORY OF \_\_\_\_\_

*(the names of all those remembered through such gifts will be remembered at Mass during the Feast of Dedication Octave in 2005 and provided to Vestry at the conclusion of the Anniversary Year.)*

My pledge:  cheque enclosed herewith for entire amount  
 enclosed post-dated cheques totaling the entire amount  
*(Receipts will be issued at year-end for all contributions)*

**Please indicate if you would like to discuss any aspect of your gift, or designating it for any particular need of the Parish with the Rector  or with one of the Wardens**

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