

Annual Report  
for the year 2006

# **Saint George's Round Church**

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## Parish of Saint George

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**PARISH OF SAINT GEORGE**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**February 11, 2007**  
**Agenda as per Canon 35**

1. Opening Prayer
2. Minutes of the Annual Meeting of February 26, 2006
3. Business Arising from the Minutes
4. Correspondence
5. Financial Statements for 2006
6. Insurance Reports for 2006
7. Rector's Report
8. Priest in Charge Report
9. Warden's Report
10. Interim Music Director's Report
11. Standing Committee Reports
  - Finance Committee
  - Spiritual Development Committee
  - Pastoral Ministry/Outreach Committee
  - Stewardship Committee
  - Property Committee
12. Proposed Budget for 2007
13. Elections
  - Warden
  - Parish Council Members
  - Synod Delegates
  - Youth Delegate to Synod
  - Secretary to the Parish

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- Treasurer to the Parish
- Auditors
- Delegates to Regional Council
- Correspondent to the Diocesan Times

14. Other Business

15. Adjournment and Prayer

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### Annual Meeting Minutes, Parish of St George 26 March 2006

The meeting convened at 1:15 p.m. John Swaine, Senior Warden, acted as Chair. Approximately 75 parishioners were in attendance.

1.0 Father Purchase opened the meeting with prayer.

#### 2.0 MINUTES

Jan Connors moved and Craig Savoury seconded that the minutes of the 2005 Annual General Meeting of Saint George's be approved as circulated. Carried.

#### 3.0 BUSINESS ARISING

Gai Thomas asked why there is nothing in the Annual Report about the Friends of Saint George's. Jan Connors explained that it is not a parish organization. It does not contribute to general parish funds and has no obligation to report to the parish.

#### 4.0 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Jan Connors handed out a revised "Year End Income & Expense Statement as of December 31, 2005" and referred to the original statement on pages 40-42 of the Annual Report. She pointed out some figures which are changed in the Jan – Dec 05 column: on page 40, General Offering is \$188,760; Total Offerings is \$235,187; Total general parish income is \$263,468; Total Income and Gross Profit is \$292,478. On page 42, the Net Income is \$26, 219. (These figures replace \$188,580; \$235,007; \$263,906; \$292,916 and \$25,658 respectively).

Comparing the Income and Expense Statements for 2004 and 2005, she pointed out the definite increase over 2004. These figures do not include nearly \$40,000 received for debt reduction. A considerable effort was made last year to keep down expenses.

On pages 45 and 46 of the Annual Report is a "Checklist for auditors of Church and Parish Accounts for the Diocese." Jim Brown asked why the blank spots were not filled in. Jan Connors replied that this is a question of timing and would be done soon by Carmichael Wallace and Daniel Watson. Jim asked if next year the Checklist could be included with the figures filled in.

Gai Thomas asked why the cost of the Ordained Ministry increased by \$4000. Jan Connors replied that the increase is for a non-stipendiary ordained minister and because of the new requirements which the diocese has for clergy housing allowance.

Gai Thomas asked about the \$10,823 figure for "Other Income". Jan Connors replied that it is the income from the Yard Sale.

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Gai Thomas asked how much the Deaf Ministry costs since it shows up as “0” in the statement. Jan Connors replied that in the new budget, revamped income lines include a line for the Deaf Ministry. It has been a problem for the Budget Committee.

Jan Connors moved and Robert Martin seconded adoption of the Financial Statements for 2005. Carried.

### 5.0 INSURANCE REPORTS

Don Sinclair presented the “Statement of Insurance”. (on page 44 of the Annual Report. Lowell Perry moved and Carmichael Wallace seconded acceptance of the Insurance Report statement. Carried.

### 6.0 RECTOR’S REPORT

John Swaine pointed out that there are two Reports, a final one written by Father Thorne and an anticipatory one by Father Purchase.

### 7.0 WARDENS’ REPORT

John Swaine is retiring as warden. He remarked that the year had started out with two rather than three wardens. He was gratified to report that the financial difficulties experienced by the parish at the beginning of the year had turned round over the course of the year. The year had seen much good work in the parish. He noted that the parish had said farewell to Father Thorne, our Rector of sixteen years at the end of 2005. He referred to Father Thorne’s devoted leadership over the years.

Susan Harris spoke as Chair of the Parochial Selection Committee. A Parish Profile was prepared by the committee, with input from the parish, in November. The position of our parish priest was open to applicants world-wide. The Committee has had its first meeting with the Bishop. Diocesan Canons permit neither the names of potential candidates nor the deliberations of the committee to be divulged.

Susan Harris commended John Swaine’s sacrificial leadership as Senior Warden.

### 8.0 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### (a) SYNOD

John Swaine spoke of the Synod meeting. There were many presentations and no real divisions. More clearly than ever before, both the BCP and the BAS were said to be legitimate for use in parishes. He detected increasing respect for our parish’s Prayerbook tradition.

#### (b) SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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Gai Thomas asked about the position of David Buley as Music Director. In November, he signed a one-year non-renewable contract. She expressed concern about the future of the music programme. Jim Brown asked for an explanation.

In reply, Gary McGonagill referred to the report of the Spiritual Development Committee contained in the Annual Report. We require a serious music programme in the parish. However, due to years of financial constraint, we have not been able to give adequate financial support to the programme. For example, the stipend for the Music Director has been unchanged for a long time and we are unable to pay David properly for his skills. According to the scale of payment allocated by the Royal Canadian College of Organists, the number of hours of work which we can expect from him gets less and less as his years of experience and training increase.

### (c) PASTORAL MINISTRY/OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Rosanne Reeve-Newsom volunteered to take charge of the Christmas gift baskets in 2004. She thanked the many people who contributed food, money and time to preparing and delivering 34 bags.

Rhonda Newcombe gave the YouthNet Report. She remarked that over 90 volunteers contribute to its work, including donating money, preparing food, supervising play, tutoring, driving the children places and so on.

### (d) PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Jim Brown remarked on a number of badly needed repairs and upgrades to the parish properties.

Gai Thomas asked why the Hall Planning Committee had not met. The first part of planning for our new hall is to raise money. John Swaine replied that because of the dismal financial situation at the beginning of 2004, there had been little energy, time, or enthusiasm for such.

Don Sinclair reported on a fire inspection of the Round Church and the various upgrades required for insurance purposes

Jens Jensen was nominated as replacement for the outgoing Property Warden. He reported that last year, an application was made to the Halifax Regional Municipality for a programme which will grant up to \$25,000 to non-profit organizations to support upgrading of property. It was rejected because the parish is on record as intending to demolish the hall. Mr. Jensen suggested that the parish seek a second opinion concerning the feasibility of continuing to use the hall, including a second architectural evaluation. The next application date for the programme is 31 March, 2006. John Swaine remarked that the incoming Parish Council will handle this concern, and suggested a special meeting soon.

Jim Brown suggested that there are sources where funds may be available for heritage properties which the parish ought to look into.

Carmichael Wallace moved and Jan Connors seconded acceptance of the reports of the Standing Committees. Carried.



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### 9.0 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2006

Noting that the Proposed Budget in the Annual Report lacked a vital middle column, Robert Martin handed out a replacement. He reported that the budget was prepared with the assistance of the Chairs of the Standing Committees.

There are some differences this year in the budget presentation. Various designated funds including the Altar Guild and the Deaf Ministry are now broken out. They formerly appeared together under "Short Term Fund Accounts".

He pointed out that Ordained Ministry shows a one-time saving (\$58,045 rather than \$80,094) because Father Purchase will be with us on a part-time basis until a new rector is appointed.

Mr. Martin pointed out the footnotes. Application for a \$5000 grant for the Deaf Ministry is included in footnote 3 in the budget. As for footnote 6, there is less in the actual budget because some money was left in the account from 2005, being the difference between what we have on hand and actual costs.

Mr. Martin pointed to the heartening comparison between the budget and the actual costs for December 2005. He made a plea for continuing "careful stewardship".

Gai Thomas asked about budgetary increases: a 100% increase in the amount allotted to YouthNet, a 200% increase for guest speakers; a \$2000 recruitment fund. It adds up to \$8500 which would probably increase the funding available for a music director. Gary McGonagill explained that the last one was a crisis-year budget and did not reflect our priorities. Every committee in the parish had to reduce every line. Spiritual Development completely eliminated guest speakers.

As for YouthNet, the amount given by the parish remains the same. John Swaine pointed out that \$2000 is a small amount in relation to their budget and provides a tremendous amount of pastoral care to the community.

Jim Rawding asked if the parish would be able to keep David Buley as Music Director. John Swaine replied that the parish is unable to afford the salary assigned by the RCCO, as explained earlier by Gary McGonagill.

Robert Martin moved and Vaila Mowat seconded acceptance of the Proposed Budget for 2006. Carried with two abstentions.

### 10.0 ELECTIONS

Susan Harris, chair of the Nominations Committee, drew attention to the list on page 50 of the Annual Report.

Carmichael Wallace volunteered to be alternate Synod delegate for the October 12 meeting in Halifax.

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Father Purchase explained why the parish needs a “2010 Contact Person”. 2010 will be the 300th anniversary of the beginning of Anglican worship at Port Royal, the 200th anniversary of the opening of the Cathedral Church of Saint Paul’s, and the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Royal Canadian Navy. The climax of the celebrations will be a diocesan service at the Metro Centre in October, 2010 to celebrate three centuries of continuous worship in this diocese. The General Synod will meet that year in Nova Scotia to mark the anniversary. Each parish is to choose a contact person to serve as a go-between between the planners and the parish. Elizabeth Haigh volunteered to act as the contact person.

The chair asked for people to speak to the wardens if they wished to fill other positions. Lorna Wallace, the PWRDF contact person, needs persons to assist her.

Robert Martin nominated and Jim Brown seconded the appointment of Daniel Watson and Carmichael Wallace to be auditors for 2006. Carried. (They had already agreed to do the job for 2005).

Robert Martin is our contact person for the Diocesan Times.

Jeffrey Reed has agreed to be our parish archivist for one year.

Susan Harris moved and Gai Thomas seconded acceptance of the slate of nominations. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth V. Haigh

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### Rector's Report:

It is a privilege and a blessing to be at St George's as your new rector. Karen and I are glad to be here after some months of waiting and preparation. Clara is enjoying the excitement of new things and making new friends, and Charlotte seems to be happy to be along for the ride.

In the Parish Profile prepared for candidates for the post of rector, the selection committee outlined both the priorities of the parish and the challenges facing St George's. The Profile emphasized the importance of worship at St George's.

The heart and the well-spring of parish life is the worship of God the Holy Trinity. In our worship we lift up our hearts and voices to adore the Father who is revealed in the face of our Lord Jesus Christ as we are enlivened and transformed by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit: "But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord" (II Cor 3.18). This worship is shaped by the parish's use of the Book of Common Prayer, and by the rich musical traditions of the parish. Elsewhere in this report, the importance and significance of this ministry of music for the worship and the life of the parish is considered.

St George's is a diverse community and people are drawn to the parish for a whole variety of reasons. One of the best brief descriptions of Christian community is given by St Paul in the Epistle to the Galatians: "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ." (Gal. 6.2). We bear one another's burdens simply by

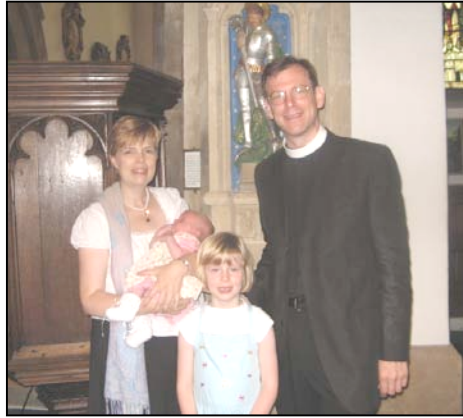
praying together, by standing alongside one another and confessing the Creed week after week when there are so many other things that we could be doing. We bear these burdens by care and concern for one another, by giving of ourselves to support

the life of the parish, and by offering and taking part together in opportunities for Christian education and formation.

Gazing upon the face of Christ and being drawn into the life of the Trinity is the way of transformation for us as individuals and as a community. This

transformation is not for us alone, but is the source of the practical work and outreach which is another feature of parish life which was emphasized in the Parish Profile. St George's has sought to serve and engage the inner-city community in a variety of ways over the years. The soup-kitchen, the work of parishioners on community bodies, and the parish's support and connection with YouthNet are just a few examples. The challenge of this ministry is expressed by the vision statement which is on the front of the bulletin each week: "Open to the community which surrounds it, Saint George's dares to be shaped by the Inner City, yet seeks to transform our neighbourhood by preaching, in Word and action, the Gospel of Jesus Christ." This ministry will continue to be a burden for the parish – a burden in the sense of being a compelling call or vocation, and a burden in the sense of being a challenge which stretches us.

The priorities of the parish grow out of these emphases of parish life. In the Parish



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Profile, parishioners ranked spiritual development and pastoral care as the top two priorities of the parish. The Profile also stressed the importance of proper care and stewardship of property and finance. Attention to these matters is knit together with the ministry and mission of the parish. Again, all of this is discussed elsewhere in this report.

I am grateful to all those who worked so hard to support parish life over the past year. This report is a testimony to those efforts, and to the life of the parish. The picture of rich life which it presents is a source of thanksgiving, and also a challenge.

Part of the process of appointment for a rector in the Diocese of Nova Scotia/ PEI involves the preparation of a Covenant in Ministry between the new rector and the parish. This covenant considers in some detail the vision and priorities which will

guide both the ministry of the new rector and the Christian life and witness of all members of the parish. The covenant between the parish of St George's and me will be read at the service for the "celebration of a new ministry" at which your new rector will be inducted and which will take place soon after the annual meeting, on 13 February. Whatever its deficiencies or omissions, the covenant provides good material for prayerful reflection and consideration of how we seek to live out our lives as disciples of Christ in this place, and of the way in which we can be led to participate more and more in the divine life of God the Holy Trinity. In the year to come, may we seek to continue to offer ourselves as a living sacrifice to our Lord, so that we and the community and world in and for which we live and pray may return more and more into unity through Him by whom all things were made.

*Rev. George Westhaver, Rector*

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### **Covenant in Ministry**

The Diocese requires that a Covenant in Ministry be in place between every Rector and Parish. In compliance with Diocesan policy, this document was completed by Fr. Westhaver and the Parochial Committee, with the assistance of Archdeacon Armstrong. The Preface and Conclusion to this document are provided by the Diocese for inclusion in every Covenant drawn up within the Diocese. The rest represents the deliberations and discussion of Father Westhaver and the Parochial Committee, bearing in mind the focus of the parish, as discussed at the parish meeting of November 6, 2005, and expressed in the Parish Profile.

## COVENANT IN MINISTRY

between

The Parish of Saint George and The Rev. George D. Westhaver

This covenant affirms such documents as the Episcopal Guidelines for Healthy Parish Life, and the Constitution, Canons and Guidelines of the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, as well as the Parish Profile received by Parish Council.

We affirm that the position of Rector assumes the ministry of a person ordained to the Office of a Priest. This ministry is described as the work of "pastor, priest and teacher" which includes: "to

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proclaim by word and deed the gospel of Jesus Christ . . . to fashion life in accordance with its precepts . . . to love and serve the people . . . preach, declare God’s forgiveness . . . to pronounce God’s blessing . . . to preside at the administration of holy baptism and at the celebration of the mysteries of Christ’s body and blood, and to perform other ministrations entrusted . . .”

We affirm the context of parish life as it is described in Canon 35, Parochial Government, in the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, recognizing in its provisions the vital parts of our common life. The Office of Rector provides for primary leadership throughout the parish, and is best expressed through a consultative, shared ministry in the community of the baptized.

***Being ever mindful** of the inestimable love of God shown us in Jesus Christ who has washed us in His own Blood, made us children of God, members of his Body, inheritors of the Kingdom, and even partakers of the Divine nature; and*

***Responding** with His Spirit of love to our call to be lights set on a hill, the salt of the earth, ambassadors for Christ entrusted with the ministry of reconciliation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation and stewards of the divine mysteries; and*

***Desiring** that holiness without which no one will see the Lord; and agreeing to bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ (being quick to forgive one another);*

***Upholding** the practices and traditions of our Parish: its liturgy, music, and outreach, to enable us to deepen our love of neighbour and to take this love to the community and beyond;*

**We offer**, in a spirit of deep thankfulness and humility, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be reasonable, holy and living sacrifices unto God, and commit ourselves to this Covenant:

The rector agrees, with God’s help...	The people agree, with God’s help...
<b>1. Spiritual Development</b>	
to seek to be shaped and to shape the parish according to the spiritual pattern of the Book of Common Prayer and its Lectionary as a spiritual pattern embodying the Mind of Christ as He has been revealed to His Church in Holy Scripture;	to seek to be shaped according to the spiritual pattern of the Book of Common Prayer and its Lectionary, as a spiritual pattern embodying the Mind of Christ as He has been revealed to His Church in Holy Scripture;
to be attentive to private prayer and other spiritual disciplines; and to encourage the people in the same;	to work toward undertaking a discipline of praying and reading Holy Scripture daily according to the lessons and prayers prescribed in the Lectionary and Offices of the Book of Common Prayer, along with other spiritual disciplines as those found in the Rule of Life in the Book of Common Prayer;
diligently to study God’s holy Word, according to the solemn promise made at his Ordination; and to share the fruits of that study with the parish through preaching, Bible studies and other adult educational opportunities and by being a wholesome example and pattern to the flock of Christ;	to consider the boldness of their spoken witness to their faith in Christ and to endeavour to bring the teaching and example of Christ into their everyday lives;
diligently to preach God’s holy Word, and to use public and private monitions and exhortations, as well to the sick as to the whole; according to the solemn promises made at	to challenge the priest constructively and with charity if they believe he is not preaching the gospel and to question him about things that he has not made clear;

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his ordination;	
diligently and frequently to celebrate the Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ and to encourage the people to attend Public Worship, especially Holy Communion;	to attend public worship frequently, especially Holy Communion;
to prepare or oversee preparation of parents and Godparents of infants, youth and adults seeking baptism, to catechize and prepare for Confirmation by the Bishop, those who have been baptized; and to prepare couples seeking Holy Matrimony;	to contribute to the spiritual development of young and new Christians and one another by their good examples and, for those so gifted, in teaching;
to work diligently with the Music Director in order that music might be provided at services of public worship which will be consonant with the liturgies of the Book of Common Prayer.	to pray the texts that the choir sings on their behalf, and to sing "lustily and with good courage".

### 2. Pastoral Ministry

diligently to say public prayer, and devoutly and reverently to order the service of God's house;	continuously to pray for the parish and for the priest;
diligently and frequently to celebrate the Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ and to encourage the people to attend Public Worship, especially Holy Communion;	to afford their minister at all times all needful help and encouragement in his work;
to admonish frequently the people that they defer not the Baptism of their children; and diligently to seek out and bring any unbaptized persons in the Parish to the holy Sacrament of Baptism;	to attend public worship frequently, especially Holy Communion;
to take up those whose spirits are broken, the poor, the oppressed, the outcast, in prayer and worship, and to carry the love of Christ out from the altar and into the lives of those who live in a broken world in this neighbourhood, this city, and beyond;	to take up those whose spirits are broken, the poor, the oppressed, the outcast, in prayer and worship, and to carry the love of Christ out from the altar and into the lives of those who live in a broken world in this neighbourhood, this city, and beyond;
to encourage and support the people in the way of Christian discipleship and in response to the life of God the Holy Trinity;	to encourage and support one another in the way of Christian discipleship and in response to the life of God the Holy Trinity;
to visit as a priority those in medical or spiritual crisis, shut-ins and to make general visitation of parishioners a regular part of his ministry.	to participate in the visitation of the sick and infirm, the prisoners, and to make the minister mindful of those in need of special pastoral care (the unbaptized, those in medical or spiritual crisis, shut-ins, prisoners, recent arrivals to the parish, and any who are lost).

**The rector agrees, with God's help...**

**The people agree, with God's help...**

### 3. Stewardship

to help the congregation in the discernment of their gifts and to encourage them to exercise them for the building up of the body of Christ, the communities in which we	to discern their particular spiritual gifts and to exercise them for the building up of the body of Christ, and reaching out to our communities and beyond;
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live and beyond;	
to give of his substance to support the work of the Church in the Parish, in the Diocese, the National Church and overseas;	to give of their substance to support the priest (through regular church offerings); so that being free from worldly anxieties, he may devote himself wholly to the preaching of God's Word and the ministration of the sacraments;
to strive to ensure that all things be done in decency and in good order for the well being of the Parish in the service of Christ.	to strive to ensure that all things be done in decency and in good order for the well being of the Parish in the service of Christ.

### 4. Administration and Finance

to provide spiritual leadership to encourage broad based participation in and support of the parish in temporal matters;	regularly to consider the offering of money according to their means for the support of the work of the Church in the Parish, in the Diocese and the National Church and overseas.
to conduct such temporal business in the Parish as he should be involved in a faithful and timely manner and not to take away ministries that are properly those of the parishioners.	to provide from their ranks those who will help in the faithful and timely administration of financial and other temporal aspects of the parish.

### 5. Property

to do his part in seeing that the physical properties are maintained in good condition, recognizing the particular responsibilities required in the stewardship of our National Historic Sites.	to continue in the faithful care of our properties, recognizing the particular responsibilities required in the stewardship of our National Historic Sites  to provide from their ranks those who will help in the faithful and timely administration of property and other temporal aspects of the parish.
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We covenant to carry out our ministries in partnership with the Bishop and the whole Church as the People of God in the Parish of Saint George, Halifax.

We commit ourselves to review annually our performance within the Covenant, and to review this Covenant under the oversight our of Bishop through our Archdeacon in one year's time and thereafter on a bi-annual basis.

Together, and on behalf of the Parish Council and Parish Family, we make this Covenant commitment on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

### Priest-in-Charge Report:



#### Priest-In-Charge Report

When I was asked by the Diocesan Bishop to act as Priest-In-Charge at St. George's it was to be for five months (January-May), Sundays plus two days a week and any emergencies, but instead, it lasted for a full year. It has been an interesting year, but a most enjoyable one, and I am grateful for the opportunity to have been with you.

#### 250th Anniversary of the Little Dutch Church

On September 24th a 'Service of Thanksgiving for 250 years of the Worship of the Almighty God' was held at the Little Dutch Church, Brunswick and Gerrish Streets. Dr Henry Roper gave a brief talk on the history of the German Congregation. A reception was held after the service in the parish hall.

This was an 'interim' year between the resignation of Rev. Canon Gary Thorne and the arrival of a new Rector, the Rev. George Westhaver. An interim year implies that things will not be the same as they have been, and also involves a greater involvement of Lay leadership. The leadership of St George's certainly rose to the occasion, and all the usual and necessary business and activity of the parish was carried out. The Parish Wardens, Kate Freeman, Jens Jensen

and Susan Harris were kept very busy and carried out their duties with great care and diligence. Kate received an opportunity to further her studies midway through the year, and had to step down as warden. Much responsibility fell on the shoulders of the parish wardens and I am most grateful for their ministry. The various committees of council went about their ministry as well. The Spiritual Development Committee under the chairmanship of Gary McGonagill, organized and arranged for all the special services and events during the year, as well as the ministry of Sunday School.

Unfortunately, in the fall, the number of pupils was down. It appears that most of our children are pre-school age for the time being, and I would suggest that the 'nursery' be more than a 'babysitting service' during worship and a proper course for preschoolers be considered. There are Sunday School materials for nursery aged pupils available, and I'm sure could be adapted to the needs of the children at St George's. Story telling time is also an important element in worship, and perhaps this could be looked at again. The Stewardship Committee under the leadership of John Swaine, held a number of information sessions in the parish hall after services and kept the parishioners well informed of the financial needs of the parish. The efforts were well received and I am sure



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the reports that follow will show this. The property committee attempted some volunteer work over the summer but did not seem to have much success. However, in the fall, major repair work and painting was carried out in the main hall with the help of volunteers from the 'United Way'. Jim Wilson also did a number of painting and repair projects in the hall as well and William Naftel continues to scrape and paint the main front doors of the church. I must say, all of these projects have made a great improvement, but there is still a lot of work needed yet in the parish hall. Need I say more! The Pastoral Care committee continues very active in its various outreach programs for those in need of food vouchers, bus fare etc. (a lot of this ministry is carried out by Laura Bartlett) as well as the Christmas Outreach. Gai Thomas organized the annual "Shoebboxes for Seafarers" which were well received. St George's Soup Kitchen, under the leadership of Karen Wheeler and her cohorts with the assistance each week of the other Anglican Congregations, continued its ministry to the needy of the city each Saturday evening. The Annual Service for the Homeless was held at St George's in December and was well attended. Representatives of other faith communities also assisted in this prayer and Remembrance service. The seashells on the Retable at the Altar represent a family member or friend who has lived and died on the streets or from AIDS, and we are asked to remember them in our prayers during the year and then pass the vase on to the next faith community who will host the service next year. The Finance Committee met regularly, and its members are to be commended for their work. Our treasurer, Jan Connors, certainly deserves praise for her recording, depositing and paying the bills, not to mention her meticulous financial reports to council. There are so many funds people contribute to, and some funds are allocated

specifically to certain organizations and projects-keeping them straight must be mind boggling- but, with the help of the finance committee, Jan has been on top of things. Jan submitted her resignation as treasurer in November effective at the next Annual Meeting, and council is most grateful for her faithfulness, dedication and long hours given to this vital parish ministry. YouthNet continued its vital ministry among the children of the neighbourhood with its afterschool programmes and summer programmes. They received a wonderful grant from the RBC Foundation this fall which will enable the staff to carry on. YouthNet director, at the beginning of the year, was Duncan Neish, who had to resign because of his work with the Armed Forces at the end of August. Andrea Puzskar has taken over his place. The big fundraiser-the annual yard sale- did well despite the pouring rain after the first hour. Our thanks to all the organizers. Because so few volunteers do the setting up and organizing in the months before- and fewer still remain behind for the cleaning up, it can be discouraging to the organizers. But our hats go off to all who helped in any way.

With the resignation of David Buley as choir director in June, Alex Tilley has been appointed interim director. Under his leadership, the ministry of music has continued and the choir has continued to play a vital role in the worship at St George's. All are to be commended not only for their talents but their dedication and devotion as well. The parish has selected a new director, Paul Halley, who will take up this position in July 2007.

To the Servers, Lay Readers and Lay Ministers at the Altar, we extend our thanks for their faithfulness and dedication in the exercise of their ministries which enable our worship of Almighty God to be dignified and reverent. Thanks also to Vaila Mowat and the members of the Altar Guild who so

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lovingly prepare the Altar and linens for the celebration of Holy Eucharist each Sunday and Holy Day as well as other special services. Thanks also to Scott and Kimberley who gave their time to the cleaning of the church building in readiness for Sunday worship. Another ministry, which perhaps we forget, is that of Bell Ringer – so a special recognition and thank you to Dick Gallagher who so faithfully rings the bell on Sundays, Fridays and special occasions.

The Ministry to the Deaf is a very important part of the outreach at St George's and it has been a great joy and blessing to me to have been made able to be a part of it. I was asked by the Lunenburg and St Margaret's Regions to speak at the annual meeting of their combined Regional ACW'S on 'the ministry to the Deaf', in the fall. Laura Bartlett, our interpreter, and a few of our Deaf parishioners came along. We had a wonderful time and the ACW's plan to raise \$5,000 toward this Diocesan Ministry (we have applied for funds from the 'Growth for Ministry Fund' of the Diocese) and I understand the United Church women plan to do the same in 2007. Words cannot express enough gratitude to Laura for this ministry she exercises each and every Sunday and Friday on our behalf. And to our Deaf Parishioners a special thank you for gracing us with your presence. Your faithfulness is certainly an inspiration to us all. Thanks also to Rev. Debra Burleson and Vivien Hannon for their assistance at the Friday Eucharist and helping with the Homily.

This year saw three parishioners studying for, or being accepted as Postulant for Holy Orders. Stephen Harnish has completed a year and a half of studies at AST and has been placed at St Andrew's, Port Wallis under the supervision of Father Trevor Lightfoot. Vivien Hannon has been accepted as a Postulant, and is a part-time

student at AST. Duncan Neish has also been accepted but his studies have been postponed because of his preparation for deployment to Afghanistan in the new year. My best wishes to all of you as you prepare for the Sacred Ministry.

Another ministry which has been most helpful to me over the past year has been that of Sheila Jackson, Elizabeth Jones and Tracy Lenfesty who checked the hospital lists each week and informed me of who was there. Sheila also would visit those in hospital and nursing homes. This was a great help (not being familiar enough with the names of parishioners) and I am most grateful.

We cannot forget to thank you, the parishioners who sit in the pews and support St George's so faithfully with your presence Sunday by Sunday, not to mention your tremendous financial support throughout the year. It is you who enable all the ministries of the Parish carry out their work, and who witness to your faith in Jesus Christ by your very presence. Your participation in worship, parish activities and all other events are what enable the parish to continue its mission in downtown Halifax. To all of you, our gratitude for your dedication. On a personal note, thank you for your friendship, support and encouragement to me during the year.

If I have forgotten anyone in this report, I beg your forgiveness. To your new Rector, Father George Westhaver, I pray for God's blessing upon your ministry at St George's and I am sure that under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, you and the people of the parish will continue on that life long journey of faith and commitment to Jesus Christ.

Your faithful servant in Christ,

Rev. James Purchase

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### Parish Visitation

Parish visitation occurred during the following periods of time:

March 13 (Mon.) - March 15 (Wed.)

April 3 (Mon.) - April 7 (Fri.)

May 10 (Wed.) - May 12 (Fri.)

June 6 (Tues.) - June 9 (Fri.)

Sept. 11 (Mon.) - Sept 15 (Fri.)

Oct. 4 (Wed.) - Oct. 6 (Fri.)

Oct. 30 (Mon.) - Nov. 3 (Fri.)

Accommodations and hospitality were provided in Trinity House and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Prior for his consideration and forethought.

The number of visits has been filed in the Parish Office and total 131.

Once again I would like to thank the parish for the privilege of having been in your midst. May our Lord and God Jesus Christ bless you and your new rector, Fr. Westhaver, in this and the following years.

Respectfully submitted,  
(the Rev.) Gordon Neish

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### The Wardens' Report

The year 2006 began with the departure of our Rector. On January 1st, Fr. Gary Thorne conducted his final services as Rector of St. George's. After so many years under his faithful and visionary leadership, the parish looked ahead with some trepidation to a difficult and challenging year, with a Priest in Charge with us only part time and the arrival of an as yet unknown new Rector later in the year.

When Bishop Hiltz appointed our Priest in Charge, he assured the Wardens that Fr. James Purchase was a fine parish priest who would take good care of us during the interim period between rectors, however long that might be. *However long that might be...* In December, the parish held a party to express our gratitude to Fr. Purchase for a full year of faithful ministry with us!

As the work of the Parochial Search Committee dragged on, parishioners showed great patience and restraint as they waited for word of a new Rector. Finally, at the

beginning of July, we were happy to be able to announce the Bishop's appointment of the Reverend George Westhaver as our Rector, to take effect January 1st, 2007. Fr. Westhaver has been serving in the Diocese of Oxford in the United Kingdom, where he served as a parish priest and most recently as Chaplain of Lincoln College, Oxford. As 2006 ended, he and his wife Karen, both native Nova Scotians, were settling into their new home with their two daughters, Clara and Charlotte.

In March, our Music Director, David Buley, resigned effective the beginning of June, in advance of taking up a position at Laurentian University in Ontario. Parishioners expressed our profound thanks and good wishes to David for his many years of service to our parish at a farewell event on June 4th. Another Search Committee had to be formed and the committee was pleased to be able to announce the appointment of Paul Halley as Music Director of St. George's, beginning

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July 1st, 2007. With another lengthy interim period before us, we were fortunate that Paula Phillips and Brian Start were willing to carry the musical leadership for our parish through the summer. In September, Alec Tilley was appointed as Interim Music Director until the arrival of Paul Halley. We are grateful to Alec and to Brian Start, who agreed to stay on as organist for this interim period.

Then in June, we said farewell to our third warden, Kate Freeman, who had to step down, when she left the province to take up studies at Smith University in the United States. Kate's steady focus on expressing God's love to friend and stranger was a great and constant reminder to us of the need to look beyond our own concerns and to bear one another's burdens. We were unable to fill this position as the year progressed and thus completed 2006 with only two wardens in place.

This has been a formative year for our parish. The conventional wisdom is that parishes go into a real slump between rectors, but it proved not to be so for St. George's. Our congregation rallied to meet the many challenges that faced us. Many parishioners offered time that they did not

really have to make sure that we remained faithful in our worship and mission, within our parish and in our neighbourhood. People prayed for the parish and offered themselves to its work in sometimes extraordinary and unexpected ways.

The reports in this Annual Report reflect the active year the parish experienced in 2006 and there is no need to mention here what will be described elsewhere. It should however be noted that the activity and health of the parish worship and ministry were matched by continuing financial support for the parish which you will see reflected in the financial statements included in this Annual Report package.

In conclusion, we would simply say that it has been a privilege to serve as wardens through this year of transition for St. George's. Now we look forward to an exciting year ahead, with our new Rector and the arrival of our new Music Director in the summer. May God bless our parish and may we continue to offer ourselves for the advancement of his Kingdom.

Susan Harris  
Senior Warden

Jens Jensen  
Property Warden

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### **Report of the Interim Music Director**

I am pleased to submit this report on the Music program at St. George's Round Church for 2006. Like other aspects of the life of this parish, 2006 has been a year of many changes in the music program. 2007 will bring even more musical changes.

#### **Departure of David Buley - Music**

**Director:** In the spring of 2006, St. George's received the resignation of David Buley as Music Director. Over a period of almost two decades, split among different

periods of service, David Buley provided this congregation with substantial musical leadership. During that time, he not only contributed his own considerable musical abilities to the Organ playing and choral direction, but also added some of his own creative work to the Music Library here – I think of his *Mass for St. George's*, or his editions of some of the plainsong masses that are so much a part of the colour of our musical life here during the penitential seasons of Advent and Lent. These are a

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legacy to the future of the church's music program. Most importantly, David Buley nurtured the sense that at least here at St. George's, good music would be central to the liturgy. We have all been the beneficiaries of that sensibility.

David's work here during the period after the fire helped assure that the new Organ at St. George's would be an appropriate instrument, as it has turned out to be – appropriate to accompany the liturgy, appropriate to accompany solo, choral and congregational singing, appropriate to a wide range of keyboard repertoire (from Bach to Buley!), and appropriate to the acoustic of the building itself, an acoustic both rich and receptive to melody. The church was fortunate to have had David Buley for such a productive period.

### **Departure of Choral Scholars/Section**

**Leads:** Over the spring/summer, two section leads/choral scholars left the Choir – Jan Buley and Luke Fraser.

### **Appointment of Paul Halley – new Music**

**Director:** In July 2006, the church appointed Paul Halley as Music Director, effective July 2007. He comes with a reputation for excellent work over many years, mostly in the United States, as a composer, organist and choral conductor. He is an extraordinary musician, who seems comfortable and “at home” in many musical languages. His arrival will be a real gift to the church.



### **Appointment of Alec Tilley – Interim Music**

**Director:** In August/September, I became Interim Music Director. There were three initial concerns from my point of view:

1. To secure an appropriate Organist to accompany services. This role, Brian Start has taken on, with his usual quiet competence, musicality and dry sense of humour. We are very lucky to have him.
2. To find appropriate replacements for our section leads/choral scholars. This has been done – Mary Dan Johnston began as Alto lead in October, and Kai Miller began as Baritone lead in November. And
3. To be able to fill in some of the existing Choral Library – it contains some very good music, but several pieces are not “do-able” as there are insufficient copies. I have been given some resources to begin to create usable sets of 30 copies for several pieces in the Library. I have started by ordering copies for some of the collections that we have, for they provide the “biggest bang for the buck.”

**The Choir:** Since my arrival, we have been fortunate to have a number of new choristers join our Choir, and at the moment we are at an active strength of 22 singers - 7 Sopranos, 7 Altos, 3 Tenors and 5 Bases.

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Being a member of this Choir is a large commitment, and our singers are very loyal to our program. In addition to regular Thursday rehearsals and Sunday services for 40 weeks a year or so (a time commitment of almost 5 hours or more each week, not including travel time), the Choir does a number of extra services through the church year. For example, from September to Epiphany this Fall/Winter, the Choir sang 10 additional services, from Michaelmas on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, to the Eve of Epiphany service on Jan. 5th.

I would like to express my gratitude to the members of the Choir for the positive way that they have welcomed me to the very special world of the St. George's Music program. Our choristers are very generous with their time, and always rise to a new musical challenge. They are a very large part of the reason that our Music program flourishes while Music programs in other places are, relatively speaking, not so strong.

I would like to say a special "thank you" to Gai Thomas, member of our Alto section and Choir Librarian for many years. Regretfully, late this fall Gai had to step down from her important role in our choir. She will be sorely missed, for her musical and personal contributions. Thank you, Gai, for all your work and dedication.

**The Music:** The Choir has continued to offer a separate motet or anthem, as well as a separate mass setting, at each of the services they have done. I have continued the pattern, long established by David Buley

and others, of doing a wide range of choral repertoire. Our music has ranged from medieval plainsong and works by Renaissance masters, to pieces by contemporary composers, and almost everything in between. We have sung a few of my own choral compositions, carol arrangements and editions of earlier music as well, and 30 copies of each of those are now part of the St. George's Music Library.

In relation to the Music Library, it is my view that the job begun this season, of increasing the number of usable copies of motets, masses and other choral music to 30 copies of each, will have to be continued for many years. This is necessary to create a really stable core of music for the church year. Here at St. George's Round Church, we "go through" music at a much faster pace than other churches – our Choir sings more different masses each year than the average Anglican choir does in a decade. This requires a lot of music.

May I conclude with a "thank you" to Susan Harris and Gary McGonagill, both of whom were helpful to me during the transition this fall, and to Laura Bartlett, Father Jim Purchase and Father George Westhaver, who all have been supportive of the "new boy" in the Music program. It has been a pleasure to be here during this interim period.

Alexander (Alec) Tilley  
Interim Music Director

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### Report of the Parochial Committee

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On October 9th, 2005 Father Gary Thorne submitted his resignation as Rector of St. George's, in order to take up the position of Chaplain at Dalhousie and King's on January 1st, 2006. Archdeacon Peter Armstrong convened a Special Parish Meeting on November 6th, 2005 to elect a Parochial Committee to advise the Bishop in the appointment of a new Rector for St. George's and to solicit comments from parishioners which could serve as a guide to the Parochial Committee in the making up of a Parish Profile describing our parish and the kind of priest we would be seeking. The Parochial Committee was composed of the three wardens – Kate Freeman, Susan Harris, and Jens Jensen, plus Tracy

Lenfesty, Neil Robertson, Mary Martin and Gary McGonagill. The Parish Profile was made widely available and applications were solicited. Applications closed on January 31st, 2006. After several meetings with Bishop Hiltz, the committee interviewed candidates and was pleased to recommend to the Bishop the appointment of the Reverend George Westhaver as Rector of St. George's. The announcement of the Bishop's appointment of Father Westhaver as our Rector was made on July 2nd, 2006, with the appointment to take effect on January 1st, 2007.

Susan Harris  
Chair

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### Synod Delegates' Report

I will begin by saying that it was a difficult three days at Synod this year and that my opinion in this matter might sound to some rather unrefined and coarse but it was mainly due to my frustration with the lack of sensitivity in dealing with the business at hand in a timely manner and giving a voice to all those who brought concerns forward regarding motions before Synod Council. The agenda did not give ample time to handle resolutions, and at the end of Synod, we had to extend the meeting for a full hour. The presentation by the Archives had to be cancelled just to rush through the remaining motions. The presentations were informative and well thought out with much detail given in accompanying brochures.

The 139th Synod was opened with liturgy followed by the Bishop's Charge in which he points out that we must continue our efforts to

- Develop Healthy Congregations

- Form People for Ministry
- Embrace Youth
- Organize Ourselves for Effectiveness in Administration and Program

I found to my concern the lack of a strong youth presence at this Synod and just by looking at Bishop Hiltz Charge found that there is much to be done in two of his four points. It was very clear that we have aging congregations and few who appear to be stepping up to pick up the reins to carry our church forward in the Diocese. There is a need for not just youth but for all in our congregations to act and preserve the Church of God.

The 139th session of Synod was an education on the work of the Diocese not only locally but nationally and internationally. There were presentations outlining the programs of:

Letting Down the Nets  
2010 Celebrations



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PWRDF

Leap for Faith

Living Stones

Cursillo Movement

Presentations were also given by/for:

Atlantic School of Theology

Campus Ministries

Healthy Congregations

Youth

Resource Centre

Committee on Ministry

Archives – this was not given due to time constraints

The keynote speaker was Mr. Bruce Rockwell. He spoke primarily on stewardship. A leaflet that far more accurately describes his talk is available.

There were a total of 15 motions before the house and those wishing to know the results of them are asked to see Craig Savoury who will provide a full report on the motions and actions taken.

Respectfully Submitted by Craig Savoury

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### **Spiritual Development**

Once again during the past year the spiritual strength and depth of this parish were exhibited in the great number of parishioners who take responsibility for the various ministries that fall under the rubric of Spiritual Development.

Parishioners offer prayer and praise and read Holy Scripture in the church both morning and evening, so that day by day, hour by hour, this parish “might continually profit more and more in the knowledge of God and be the more inflamed with the love of His true religion (Preface to the Book of Common Prayer (1549)).” Parishioner’s faithful attention to the sacred duty of the Daily Offices anchors this parish as a Christian community. Sung Evensong is offered on Sunday evenings, conducted by Jan Connors, with Aniko Lewton-Brain leading the music, and members of the parish regularly deliver meditations which are profound and challenging. In addition, parishioners sing Compline each Sunday evening.

This year saw the departure of our Music Director, David Buley, to take up academic

and parochial positions in Ontario. We are grateful for the important contributions he has made to our music program over many years. It was clear that the position of Music Director needed to be reassessed, since our budget and our aspirations for our music program were incongruous. After discussion with the University of King’s College and the Atlantic School of Theology, we advertised jointly for an Organist and Music Director to serve simultaneously at the three institutions so as to offer a full-time position that might attract highly qualified candidates who would be likely to remain with us for the long term.

The response to our advertisement was extremely gratifying: more than a dozen musicians from across Canada, the United States, and Great Britain, the vast majority of whom were well-qualified and highly experienced, responded to our advertisement. As a result of a careful and thorough interview process, the position was offered to Paul Halley, and we are very excited that he will be joining us this summer. Susan Harris, Paula Philips, Neil Robertson, Janet Ross, and Craig Savoury undertook the work of assessing the



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applications and interviewing the finalists, and the parish owes them a debt of gratitude for their care and devotion to this crucial process.

We are grateful to the choristers who devote many hours each week to practice so that this parish might worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness Sunday by Sunday and on each of the holy days of the Book of Common Prayer, and to Alec Tilley and Brian Start for keeping things going until Mr. Halley arrives.

Parishioners administer and teach in the Sunday School so that a new generation is raised up in the knowledge and fear of the Lord in His Church. Pam Hunter and Heather Neish, are Co-superintendents of the Sunday School. Under their leadership, the Sunday School has been reorganized so as to be more welcoming to younger children and easier to attract volunteer teachers. The Sunday School curriculum, based on the Book of Common Prayer and its lectionary, is a creation of this parish and is used in parishes across Canada and in the United States. One of the most important challenges that confronts us is to attract more children to regular attendance at our Sunday School to benefit from this excellent resource.

We have undertaken a new initiative aimed at young people, beyond the age of confirmation. Laura Bartlett and Sarah Stevenson are co-chairs of the committee that oversees this. Dan and Michelle

Wilband, Benjamin and Andrea Lee, and Shannon Parker plan and execute the programming. The committee's first initiative was a very successful trip for a number of our young people in the fall to New Brunswick for a weekend-long condensed version of the St. Michael's Conference, and since then they have conducted a session on the character of Advent.

The adult education program included two wonderful series of Evensongs in Lent and in Advent. Aniko Lewton-Brain very ably directed a small volunteer choir for these services. In Lent, Professor John Baxter of Dalhousie University offered a series entitled "Perilous Stuff: Poems of Religious Meditation," in which he discussed the poetry of John Donne, J. V. Cunningham, Helen Pinkerton, Ben Jonson, and George Herbert. In Advent, Dr. Neil Robertson offered a series entitled "A Modern Advent: Meditations on Pascal's Pensées." Those who attended these liturgies found them deeply nourishing.

The Chair of the Spiritual Development Committee would like to thank The Rev'd James Purchase for his careful attention to us during his tenure at St. George's, and all of the parishioners who work hard at maintaining so extensive a program of deep spiritual enrichment.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gary McGonagill, Chairman

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### ***Report on the Daily Offices for 2006***

Apart from the well known Sunday worship, Morning and Evening Prayer are said Monday to Saturday in the Parish, through the summer in the Little Dutch Church and

the rest of the year at the Round Church. This is the response to the ancient example of the Church and the order set by the Book of Common Prayer. Of the more than one

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thousand occasions of public worship in the parish each year, this contributes the greatest part. In the depth of winter both Mattins and Evensong are said in the lit Church while the world is dark. In the summer, both are said while all around is warmly lit by the sun itself.

The Daily Offices are said by members and friends of the Parish according to a set schedule. About ten people are committed to this work. The number of the congregation

varies from one to more than a dozen. We often have visitors, and, very frequently at the Little Dutch Church, this is the only exposure to Scripture and the worship of God many people will have in a long time, if ever. The Church, the Parish, and the World are held up in public prayer twice daily, year in and year out; the worship of God is publicly offered. This constant and deep rhythm of life is much appreciated by those who come; it takes the form of a heartbeat of life. O Come, let us Worship.

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### **Servers**

I would like to thank the following individuals for their years of service at Saint George's; Nick Baker and David Wallace.

There was no presentation of crosses this year to acknowledge years of service for servers at St. George's. I would recommend that this presentation occur this year in order for servers to receive appropriate recognition.

Thank you to all servers who are currently serving, including: Andrew Thorne, Sebastian Labrie, Elliot Kavanagh and Alex Purcell. New servers this year are: Vivien Hannon, Duncan Neish, Alex Easton, Brie-Anna Bartlett and Benjamin Lee.

More servers are always welcome regardless of age and experience! Younger children

can serve in the role of boat boy or boat girl during services requiring incense. Older children and adults can serve as a taperer, a crucifer, a server or as a thurifer.

Respectfully submitted  
Scott Connors, Head Server



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### **Altar Guild**

The membership of St George's Altar Guild for the year 2006 was as follows:

Team 1: Diana Lowe, Nadine Savoury, Dorothy Coons

Team 2: Tracy Lenfesty, and Vaila Mowat

Team 3: Sandra Thorne, Shannon Parker, Andrea Lee

Team 4: Margherita Mendel & Jean Milsom

Team 5: Anne Tilley and Dinah Savoury

Team 6: Joyce McCulloch and Vaila Mowat  
After September 2006, Team 3 ceased to exist as Sandra and her co-workers received a call to look after the Altar Guild at King's. We thank them heartily for the work they have done in past years, and feel confident that King's will benefit from their ministrations! Thanks also to all the Altar Guild members who filled in for them in the fall and particularly to Dorothy Coons, who

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was always willing to take someone's place here and there in the fall months. We are happy to announce that we have some new members. Team 3 is now made up of Dorothy and Jim Rawding, and Heather Neish (with occasional help from her husband Duncan) is going to make up Team 2 with Tracy Lenfesty. The other teams remain as they were. Thanks to all and to our other helpers on Holy Saturday.

Special thanks to Dinah Savoury for her care of the altar cloths and credence cloths, to Flo Grandy for her care of the small linens and to Jean Milsom for laundering the gear worn by the servers, and other altar assistants. Thanks as usual to Helen Johnson for the gift of flowers for the altar.

We were exceptionally fortunate this year to have presented to the church a new altar cloth and matching credence cloth made for us by Dinah Savoury. You may be interested to know that this is the only one we own which exactly fits our new altar and is the length we prefer.

In addition to the usual polishing and preparations for communion for Sunday and feast days, the Altar Guild looked after 2 baptisms, 6 weddings, and 15 funerals in the course of the last year. We have also helped at other church functions.

There is one sad note, however: we ran a deficit. I have felt it proper to show this deficit as consisting of \$261.37 rather than the horrible amount \$890.49, which the bank statement shows on their December statement. However, the bank statement ends at 22 December and on 31st December I received from the parish \$609.12, which is income belonging to the past year. I am also paying the parish \$20 to cover the cost of the banks imaging cheques for me, a supplementary service which I wished to use to make things easier for myself, whom am no financial wizard. Our account at the bank stands at \$1996.85 as of December 22nd. In that the charges this year include some for

the care of vestments (dry cleaning and repairs of a chasuble, and the acquisition of three new cinctures) I am not unhappy that we should pay this out of our back revenues, as in years past, when we are not paying allotment, the parish was really paying this for us. Bank charges have gone up considerably and we also needed to buy new cheques this year. Also revenues last year were down from \$2200.47 in 2005. I, however, realize that I have really spent too much last year on flowers especially at Easter, and I shall take care that we live within our means hereafter. Please note that the \$550 of the expense for flowers was taken care of by fees for weddings.

### Financial Statement

#### Debits:

Flowers	\$1599.03 (includes Christmas 2005 and half of Christmas 2006)
Cleaning Supplies	\$126.07
Care of Vestments	\$100.21
Candles	\$86.98 (Christmas, Easter, and AIDS candle)
Allotment	\$478.60
Bank	\$ 35.86 (Printing of new cheques)
Bank	\$35.25 (Cheque printing charges)
<b>Total Debits:</b>	<b>\$2462.00</b>

#### Credits:

Parish	\$1021.49
Weddings/Funerals	\$550.00
Bank interest	\$ .02
Total Credits as of Dec 22, 2006=	\$1571.51
<b>Total Credits as of Dec 31, 2006=</b>	<b>\$1571.51 + \$609.12 (Parish) + \$20 (Altar Guild head) = \$2200.63</b>
<b>Final Status for 2006: \$ 2200.63-</b>	<b>\$2462.00= \$-261.37</b>

**Amount in bank as of December 22,2006:**  
**\$1996.85**

Sincerely, Vaila S. Mowat

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### **Nursery**

As usual, our nursery has been one of the merriest and most entertaining parts of the St George's scene. (It's hard for adults to compete with the under 5 crowd.) In September, I was concerned that our nursery space was becoming too small for the numbers of children who might attend in it. Actually, this did not happen. However, I feel that it is indeed apt to become a problem in the future, and a very nice one too, even a desirable one, but still a problem. We need also, I think, to think more about possible accommodation for babies, and if our daily numbers increase, a second person to help out in the space. It is certainly lovely to be able to have a space in the church for children where they can be near their parents, but we should, I think consider seriously if a space in the hall cannot be provided for them in the future if the numbers grow as we would wish they should.

I wish to thank Roseanne Reeve-Newson and Diana Kulnys for their help in the nursery, and we wish to thank the mothers and fathers of the young children for loaning us their children on Sunday mornings so that we can enjoy their company. If anyone has small toys in good condition suitable for this age-especially for ones and twos-we would be grateful.

Sincerely, Vaila S. Mowat



### **Sunday School**

Saint George's Sunday School was full of accomplishments in 2006 and as a parish, we should thank God for our many blessings.

In the winter months of 2006, the Sunday School continued its outreach to the children of the north-end neighbourhood. Due to the increase of children that showed interest in attending Saint George's, and because of the various ages, we put out a call for extra volunteers. In turn, we were blessed with many who responded to the call for help and were especially blessed that one person spent significant time each Sunday picking up the children from their homes and ensuring their safe arrival at church. The volunteers helped teach, mentor (sit with the

children), make crafts and assist at snack time. In the fall of 2006, we realized that with the volunteers available, we would be unable to continue the neighbourhood outreach and also have a class for the growing group of little children in the parish, so the Sunday School refocused its energy on the children in the parish and reached out to the congregation. Many volunteers stepped forward to help and there was an increase in attendance of parish children. We hope to bring the older neighbourhood children back when we are able to do so.

The Sunday School would not be a success without the hard work and dedication of our teachers, the young adults and the parents

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who continue to support the work of Saint George's Sunday School.

We would like to thank our Priest-in-Charge, Father Jim Purchase for his constant support, leadership and the children's talks that were enjoyed by all.

As Sunday School Co-Superintendents, we have been blessed in many ways.

Heather Neish & Pam Hunter

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### **Youth at St George's**

In October 2006, by the initiative of the Spiritual Development Committee, a group of St George's parishioners convened to discuss the need for ongoing Christian education of our young people. It was made clear at that meeting that youths in the parish from ages thirteen to nineteen, of which currently there are at least twelve, occupy a substantial gap in St George's ministry, finding themselves beyond the capacity of what Sunday School can offer yet often not attracted to the Adult Education programme. The annual St Michael's Youth Conference has been successful in providing an opportunity for common prayer, religious instruction, and fellowship; indeed, three youths of the parish attended this week-long retreat last August, and four attended a similar weekend conference, the "Mini-Mike's," in October. However, given the lack of a more continuous spiritual direction and integration into the life of the church throughout the rest of the year, it was agreed that the creation of a parish youth programme was appropriate and necessary. A Steering Committee was established consisting of Laura Bartlett, Sarah

Stevenson, Benjamin Lee, Dan and Michelle Wilband, with Laura and Sarah as co-chairs.

The most attractive proposal for structuring such a programme seems to be in the form of one-day retreats according to the church's liturgical seasons. In this way, teaching and activities can focus on commemorating the important events in our Lord's life in conjunction with the traditional pattern of the church's worship. An initial retreat took place on November 25th. It consisted of Morning Prayer, teaching on the Collect for Advent I as found in the Book of Common Prayer, a shared meal, and a scavenger hunt which led participants both into truths about our soul's desire as articulated by the ancient *O Antiphons*, as well as into some less than well-known locations on the church's property. Plans for upcoming retreats are underway, in the hope that, by God's grace, the faith and the devotion of youth at St George's might be nurtured, trained, and increased, bearing abundant fruit.

Benjamin Lee

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### **Deaf Ministry**

Deaf Ministry at St George's continued to grow strong this year. With funding donated by parishioners and applications for funding from the Diocese,

we are looking forward to another year of worship.

The Deaf community was particularly grateful to have spent this past year with Fr Purchase having discussions during Friday

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meditations and spending an afternoon having lunch at his home this past Christmas; Fr Purchase will be missed.

Although Blois is no longer able to serve at the Altar due to ongoing health issues, Bill Comerford has been able to take over where Blois left off. The Deaf and Laura look forward to joining the Wednesday morning Eucharist group where Bill will continue to alternate serving duties with Ken Pringle.

In 2007, we will continue to build on our small (approximately 12 Deaf in all) but faithful group as well as continue to look for funding opportunities. We also hope to get to know more of you as we continue to journey with Christ together so don't be shy to say hello!

Submitted by Laura Bartlett

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### **Lay Readers and MCs**

This is a small but highly trained group of people who assist in the Sunday and Feast Day liturgies.

The Lay Readers undergo specialized training in church history, music, Bible study, and conducting worship. They are then licensed by the bishop to serve in our parish in a variety of capacities.

They are:

Jan Connors  
Alex Easton  
Vivien Hannon, postulant  
Duncan Neish, postulant  
Craig Savoury  
Nadine Savoury  
John Swaine

This year we said farewell to Stephen Harnish as he trains for ministry in another parish. We welcomed Duncan Neish and Vivien Hannon, postulants in the process of discerning their ministry in the church. Five of our lay readers regularly conduct the service of Morning Prayer on Sunday mornings, and are licensed to administer the sacrament at the Eucharist. They often assist in that capacity as Sub deacons. They are:

Vivien Hannon, postulant  
Duncan Neish, postulant

Craig Savoury  
Nadine Savoury  
John Swaine

The MC's are the people who organize and co-ordinate each liturgy. Behind the scenes before each service they are busy organizing the servers and clergy, assigning tasks, making sure that candles are lit, checking that the sanctuary is ready and that the service starts on time. During the service they stand near the celebrant to anticipate and assist him, and to unobtrusively provide cues and direction for the servers. The goal is for the liturgy to proceed smoothly and reverently. After the service they help the Altar Guild by clearing the sanctuary, putting away the vestments and keeping the Vestry tidy. They are:

Scott Connors (who is also Head Server)  
Sebastien Labrie (MC in training)  
Alex Purcell (MC in training)  
Nadine Savoury  
Craig Savoury  
John Swaine  
Chelsea Thorne

John Swaine  
Sacristan



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### *Trinity House Annual Report*

#### Trinity House

“Bear ye one another’s burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ.”

Trinity House is a non-registered Christian community whose sole purpose is to support the worship and mission of Saint George’s Parish and to foster priestly vocations

#### TO GOD BE THE GLORY.

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The last calendar year has been one of considerable change for Trinity House. The diminishment in membership experienced in 2005 continued in 2006, and there was no successful recruitment. The loss of both our Spiritual Father and our Prior was a considerable blow.

In this past year we have been very fortunate to have Fr. Gordon Neish assume the responsibilities of Spiritual Father; he has been available to both the Prior and members of the House for counsel. Despite diminished numbers, a good portion of our ministry has continued. The House was able to provide hospitality for Fr. Neish when he was doing his regular parish visiting, to clergy traveling through Halifax or serving the Parish, guests of the Parish more generally, as well as offering refuge to persons in trouble and the opportunity for people to make individual retreats over the course of days and longer. We were also

able to continue the hosting of potlucks and receptions following the worship in celebration of greater church festivals and as a place of hospitality for many who worship in the weekdays.

Trinity House continues to support daily parish worship and the lunch program at YouthNet. Its members in the last year have also contributed time and effort to many of the ongoing works of the parish and its outreach.

The Community looks forward to 2007 with hope and ask your prayers for the continuing work of the House, as well that persons may discern a call to life in a community under the ancient and comfortable order of the Church's worship, prayer, and rule of life.

Submitted by the Prior of Trinity House

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#### ***Baptism Preparation Team***

During 2006, most Baptism preparation for families was carried out by our Priest in

Charge, Fr Purchase, with some support from Vivien Hannon and Duncan Neish. .

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### Pastoral Ministry

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#### **YouthNet**

Saint George's YouthNet—2006, A Year of Transition

As the year began Saint George's YouthNet was still reeling from the loss of its founder, inspiration and permanent board chair, The Reverend Gary Thorne. Anne West had taken over as interim-chair, with the task of strengthening the board and raising funds to pay for 2006 programs. We were barely into the year when we learned that our dedicated and much-loved executive director Duncan Neish would leave at the end of the summer. Nor was it only staff and volunteers who left. Several families moved away from Uniacke Square, including the Colleys, four of whom were regulars at YouthNet. This changed the demographic of YouthNet somewhat.

The miracle is that programs for the youth of our neighborhood continued uninterrupted throughout the year, and funds were raised to pay for them, although there were some bumps along the way.

Under the leadership of Rhonda Newcombe, the lunch program continued to provide nutritious meals for 20-plus children each day thanks to funding for staff from the province, and food contributions from a dedicated band of parishioners and other volunteers and Feed Nova Scotia.

In January, Jordan Miller joined the staff as part-time Physical Activity Coordinator, thanks to a grant from the Government of Nova Scotia. As a result, all programs, especially after-school activities, acquired a more formal physical component. New activities included karate, skipping and tobogganing on Citadel Hill. Basketball continued to be a favorite with the youth. Jordan also helped to organize the summer programs and has now become a member of the board.

Throughout the year the C@P computer site remained very popular with the youth, in many cases providing the draw which brought them to YouthNet.

March break provided an excellent week of activities, including an art class with Sandra Thorne and a visit to the Museum of Natural History.

With help from the federal and provincial governments three students were hired to run summer programs: Erin Elliot Doucet, Dawson Wambolt and Ardelle Piper. An ambitious program was planned and executed despite the considerable difficulties caused by Duncan's absence for six weeks on military duties during the run-up to summer. Programs included a Junior Leader Camp, a week-long day camp, three wilderness camping trips, gardening, a one-week music camp led by former parish music director Garth MacPhee and a week-long art camp led by NSCAD professor Gene Daniels.

Volunteers remained important throughout the year. A group of King's students helped with the breakfast program at Joseph Howe School and a small group of faithful volunteers, including parishioners, helped with other programs.

September saw the arrival of new executive director Andrea Puszkas, who spent the remainder of the year trying to find a way of offering programs which would appeal to youth and fulfill YouthNet's mission without burning out our meagre staff. She also worked to build a greater pool of volunteers and to begin a training program for staff and volunteers. By the end of 2006, we saw the numbers of our youth rise to an average of 20 per day and saw considerable improvement in youth relationships.

During the fall the United Way, which supports YouthNet with generous funding,



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provided volunteer labour and materials to paint the hall, the YouthNet offices, the stage, the Guild Room and the lunch room. This made a huge difference to the morale of both YouthNet and the parish.

### Governance

Throughout the year efforts were made to rebuild the board. It was decided that board members should assume specific responsibilities as well as providing advice. New members were recruited whose talents and skills enable the board to provide leadership and guidance to the executive director. Several of these came from outside the parish. Because making the executive director responsible for raising funds as well as running the program had caused severe stress problems in the past, responsibility for fundraising was transferred to the board. A fundraising committee was set up under the chairmanship of Andrew Black. Work was carried out on preparing a code of conduct for staff and volunteers and work began on various other policy documents which are necessary to enable the organization to run smoothly. Marc Paris was asked to join the board in the position of chairman. New board member Rebecca Pitts became vice-chair.

The 2006 Board consisted of:

Parish: Susan Harris, Elizabeth Jones (Secretary), Jan Connors (Treasurer), Henry Roper, Anne West

External: Marc Paris (Chair), Rebecca Pitts (Vice-Chair), Andrew Black (Chair, Fundraising Committee), Lesley Hartman, Jordan Miller.

### Fundraising:

Parishioners continued to support YouthNet with great generosity, either direct, through parish envelopes or through the United Way. The Parish also continued to provide space, utilities, volunteers and a generous financial contribution. YouthNet was successful in obtaining a prestigious \$35,000 after-school program grant from the RBC Foundation. In November, Symphony Nova Scotia gave a wonderful benefit concert for YouthNet in the Round Church. YouthNet received various government grants for lunch program, summer students, a physical activity coordinator, and C@P site. A number of generous individuals from outside the parish rounded out the wide range of sources that were tapped.

Anne West



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### **CANs (Community Advocates Network)**

For the past 3 years I have represented St George's Church at the CAN meetings.

Our Mission Statement:

We are committed to full community participation in the decision making process of Social Assistance Reform. Real issues must be addressed and community based solutions achieved to ensure well being for all.

Our Objective:

To mobilize province wide community involvement in Social Assistance Reform  
To develop a common front on Social Assistance policy

To lobby for change in the Social Assistance system to meet real needs

To put Social Assistance reform on the agenda

In other words, we are trying to give a voice to marginalized peoples and to help them to advocate for themselves. Our strategy does not change with changes of government. We hope to educate the public and our politicians as to the real challenges faced by those who live in poverty and the huge task it is to get out of poverty.

For more information contact Evelyn Mann

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### **2nd Halifax Scouting**

This year was a busy year for all the levels of Scouting at St. George's Round Church. 2nd Halifax had three active and busy sections this year, the Beavers (ages 5-7), the Cubs (ages 8-10) and the Scouts (ages 11-16).

The Beavers had an exciting year with a wide variety of activities and crafts.

Highlights included the Scouting Mooseheads hockey game and camping in the mud at Lodges and Lairs. A big thank you to the Beaver Leaders: Andrew Thorne (TicTac), Kim Lickers (Sunshine), Scott Connors (Hawkeye) and Vaila Mowat (Rusty). There were 12 Beavers registered with the 2nd Halifax Colony and 2 Assistant Leaders. Special thanks to Vaila Mowat for her years of dedication to the Beaver Colony at St. George's and we will miss her greatly!

The Cubs were also active at St. George's. Highlights of the year included: Winter outings to the cabin at Miller's Lake and earning various badges. Thank you to the Cub Leaders: Derek Mitchell (Akela), Chelsea Thorne (Chill) and Laura Bartlett

(Bagherra). There were 4 Cubs registered with the 2nd Halifax Cub Pack.

The Scouts were very busy this year, especially with preparations to attend the Canadian Jamboree from July 25-August 1, 2007 in Camp Tamaracouta, Quebec. The Scouts need to raise approximately \$10,000 in order to be able to attend the Jamboree and have been working very hard selling chocolate bars. Thank you to the Scout Leaders: Don Connors, Tanya Connors and Jason Taylor. There were 7 Scouts registered with the 2nd Halifax Scout Troop.

Special thanks to our Group Committee members: Lowell Perry and Fred Bishop. 2nd Halifax Scouting Group welcomes adults interested in volunteering at any time in the year

Next year promises to be exciting as we celebrate 100 years of Scouting in Canada! Bring on the adventure!

No financial statement was available at the time of this printing.

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### **Soup Kitchen**

The Soup Kitchen continues to operate each Saturday. No report or financial statement was received in time to be published in this report.

### **Christmas Outreach 2006**

*Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. (Matthew 25:40)*

### **Mission to Seafarers Christmas Shoebox Program**

Once again, thanks to your generous donations (and not to forget the awesome hand-knitted items) to this program, St. George's was able to assemble 32 boxes. Special thanks go to 'Elves' Joyce McCulloch & Barb Richardson (the assemblers), 'Captain' Patricia Martinson (the packer), and most especially to 'Chief Elf' Anne Tilley who solicited the boxes from Winsby's, decorated them all, transported and delivered them all to the Mission. Deo Gratias!

This is my last year as Coordinator of this Christmas Outreach program. Anne Tilley has kindly agreed to be the new Coordinator. Her father was the Mission to Seamen priest in Halifax for many years. Respectfully submitted,  
Gai Thomas, Coordinator

### **Outreach to Families**

Six families received a full Christmas dinner, groceries and gifts this year. Each year this program is able to be offered due to the generosity of parishioners and friends of our parish. It requires a great deal of careful shopping, wrapping, packing and delivery. Thanks to the volunteers who participated and to all who offered financial support. The program was headed up this year by Kim Lickers and Elizabeth Jones.

### **Christmas Bags**

Twenty-eight bags of Christmas cheer were distributed to some of our parishioners this year, especially to those who may not often get out to join with us for worship and fellowship. Thanks go to the many parishioners who contributed small gifts for these bags and to the volunteers who packed and delivered them. Jan Connors and Kim Lickers were in charge of this program this year.

### **The Stepping Stone Dinner**

The dinner was a great success this year. Thanks to all who supported it financially, as well as Karen Wheeler and the great kitchen staff for preparing and serving the delicious turkey dinner, Andrew Killawee and Nicholas Veltmeyer for providing the splendid music, Daina Kulnys for the fabulous face painting, and to Andrea Puszkas and YouthNet for other fun activities for the kids. As we enjoyed this celebration, the Homeless Memorial was going on nextdoor at the church and we were very mindful of those who were no longer with us. This year's dinner was coordinated by Laura Bartlett

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### ***Primates World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF)***

The PWRDF is the outreach organization of the Anglican Church of Canada. Fundraising is done through individual congregations across the country. The work carried out by the fund falls into the two categories of (1) relief, working through the global organization ACT (Action by Churches Together), and (2) community

development and social justice, working with indigenous Canadian communities, African, Latin American and Asian countries to improve the quality of life for vulnerable populations, to promote self reliance and to address root causes of poverty and injustice. We are very grateful to Lorna Wallace, who has now stepped down, for serving as our Parish PWRDF Contact Person for a number of years.

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### ***St George's Website***

In 2006, the website was an important resource in the recruitment of staff to the parish as well as parishioners. In November 2005, as part of our search for a new Rector, Bishop Hiltz gave permission for the parish profile to be posted to the site. We advertised both the Rector and Music Director positions on the site, and candidates for both positions were specifically directed to the site as a means of becoming acquainted with the parish worship and community.

The web bulletin continues to draw regular readers. Some are current parishioners, many are former parishioners and friends of the parish. The online bulletin is a wonderful resource for these people to stay in touch with what is happening at St George's.

The site continues to attract visitors to our worship. In October, two visitors to the city

arrived at Compline on Sunday evening, specifically because they had read about the service on our website.

The major project for the coming year will be a complete review of all site content in consultation with the Rector, Wardens, new Music Director and others.

Finally, I am indebted to Vivien Hannon for updating the site when I am unavailable; to Vivien Hannon and Laura Bartlett for making it possible to post the bulletin to the site; to the parish historian for answering historical queries that come to the webmaster's email account; and to everyone (most notably Susan Harris) who informs me when there are typographical and other errors to be corrected.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Stevenson

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### ***Neighbourhood Activity, Community Happenings and Advocacy***

The North End community that surrounds Saint George's continues to be influenced by our efforts at Saint George's Parish. The community has experienced many changes as we have here at Saint George's over this past year.

One of the biggest changes in the community this past year was the passing of our dear friend Holly Gushue. Holly was a consistent face which could be seen around both the church and the hall. Holly lived, like many of our brothers and sisters of this community, a life in poverty. Although

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Holly's life was one filled with struggle, disappointment and frustration it was also a life filled with determination, love and compassion for others. Holly's memorial was a testimony of her steadfast friendship and commitment to advocating for community. Holly will forever be missed and remembered by us all.

Struggles, like the ones experienced by Holly, have also been celebrated in the annual homeless memorial which this year took place at Saint George's. This was a wonderful opportunity for friends and family members of those who have lived and died in poverty, to give thanks and come together as a greater community in remembrance.

The Stepping Stone Association has seen staff changes this past year, including a change of Executive Director. The board at Stepping Stone currently does not have a representative from St George's and if anyone is interested in fulfilling this role please contact the parish office.

I have had the opportunity to attend a workshop held this past December by the

Dalhousie Legal Aid. The workshop was a chance for front line advocates to get together to share frustrations, pool resources and advocate for change. Several representatives from the NDP party, mental health sectors, church organizations, Halifax Collation Against Poverty (HCAP) etc were in attendance. This group continues to meet and advocate for change on issues such as tenants rights, affordable housing and increased funding to sustain such programmes.

A hopeful sign of things to come is a new initiative this year called 'Circle of Chairs'. Several Churches in the North End have come together to discuss outreach. Meetings are held at The All Nations Christian Reform Church and include representatives from St Patrick's, Faith Tabernacle, St George's and others. This has been a great source of encouragement and a real witness to Christ at work in all of us.

"Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ."

Respectfully submitted, Laura Bartlett

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### ***Parish Visitors Report***

This ministry is rather less structured. Originally suggested by Father Thorne to include those members of the Parish who, for various reasons, could no longer participate as much as they would like.

A list was compiled and visitors introduced to alleviate this need.

To all those who are, and who have in the past, been involved and given so generously of your time, thank you.

There is, at this time, no formal group, or even a current list. Again, for various reasons, circumstances have changed.

I suggest it is time for a reassessment of our needs and resources.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheila Jackson



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### **Hospital Visiting**

This ministry has continued through the past year.

With two dedicated ‘checkers ‘ to compare the Parish list with the Hospital lists twice a week and then to notify the Rector and myself of any members who have been admitted or discharged.

St. George’s has been blessed this year in that the admissions have been few.

Elizabeth Jones and Tracy Lenfesty are the current volunteers. Our sincere thanks to them and to those who have given their time in the past.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheila Jackson

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### **Sunday Fellowship Teams**

With a few new Team members we again had enough volunteers to fill all 24 positions. It really runs itself once the list of dates is distributed to team members. Teams provide sandwiches & sweets, and help clean up after the 10:30 Service. Each volunteer spends about 4 hours once every 6 weeks providing this much appreciated program.

A reminder to notify Teams when another event (Pot Luck Luncheon, Reception in the Church itself) is planned to replace the usual Fellowship hour fare would be appreciated.

This was my last year as Coordinator so if you are interested in joining a Team please call the Wardens through the Office.

Respectfully submitted, Gai Thomas,  
Coordinator



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### **Stewardship**

This is the second year that we have had an active Stewardship Committee working to bring people up-to-date on parish activities, plans, and their associated costs. The Committee was originally prompted by the 2004 Annual General Meeting and has now successfully completed its assigned tasks two years in a row.

Task 1: To keep parishioners up-to-date about the activities and finances of the parish. With this in mind, we held several potluck brunches with various speakers to

explain their organization’s activities and issues through the year. We planned timely information for the weekly bulletin, gave brief, after-Sunday-service chats, and sent letters to parishioners about how we had been doing. Minutes about the work of Parish Council became available at the back of the church. Information about the work of the rector selection committee and the search for a new music director was provided regularly. We hoped that by doing so, the parish would see the complex, diverse work being done by volunteers in the parish, encourage participation, and also

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to reflect about our financial situation as it changed through the year.

Outcome: This information was well received, and we have been encouraged to continue with this process in the future. Clearly, providing ongoing, direct information about a wide range of parish activities, programs, services and our financial state is appreciated.

Task 2: To ensure regular giving in order to cover the budget and to avoid an end-of-year campaign for funds.

People seemed to appreciate knowing our financial state as it developed through the year. Information was provided in the Bulletin, in chats, in letters, and in the Stewardship Brunches. However, by October, parish income had fallen behind budget and an end-of-year campaign for funds became necessary.

Outcome: With the concerned support of parishioners, we completed the financial year in the black, with a modest surplus. Many thanks to the individuals and groups who pulled together to make this possible!

Task 3: to consider whether a Stewardship Committee is really necessary. It is always a fair amount of work to collect and prepare

information, to arrange for speakers and food, to copy and mail out letters, and to speak to the congregation. All of this work is shared by parish volunteers who have busy personal lives and commitments.

Outcome? We believe that a Stewardship Committee has been a worthwhile contributor to the success of the parish over the past two years, and ought to be continued. The time has not only been enjoyable, but was also well spent.

Stewardship is clearly a very healthy way to regularly think about the way we participate in and contribute to our parish life. It is not just financial giving, but is also about the way we give of our time and talents for helping with worship, meetings, singing, cleaning, welcoming others, tutoring, feeding, visiting and leadership. We encourage others to join us!

Many thanks to this year's Stewardship Committee:

Jan Connors	Rob Martin
Susan Harris	Vivien Hannon
Mary Martin	Bruce Russell

John Swaine, Stewardship  
Chair

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## **Finance**

Budgeting for 2007 remained a challenge in 2006 as the parish continues its transition to a new rector and music director. However, the job was made easier by the fact that parishioners met their own challenge of donating enough to meet budget requirements and present the incoming incumbent with a balanced budget for 2006.

The Budget Committee is a subcommittee of Finance and there is a considerable overlap of membership since Budget consists of the Finance Committee plus the chairs of the major areas of expenditure, Spiritual Development, Pastoral Ministry, Property and Administration

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major areas of expenditure, Spiritual Development, Pasto The budget developed by the committee for parish council and presented elsewhere in the annual report contains a challenge for the parish in that it anticipates about a 13 per cent increase in undesignated giving in order to balance. \$235,000. Undesignated giving declined in 2006 in the absence of a full-time rector but with one in place in 2007 and, given the Committee is cautiously optimistic in presenting the 2007 budget to the parish for its approval.

A number of new measures adopted in 2006 appear to have worked well and been accepted by parishioners and, therefore, will be retained. The allocation for costs associated with Stewardship Committee fundraising efforts has been a success as a few hundred dollars in mailing costs have been rewarded with several thousand dollars in donations that would not otherwise have been received. The change in budget presentation to include designated offerings as both donations and expenses has given parishioners a better understanding of how their money is used.

A system is now in place to standardize the payment of suppliers and contractors so that

The increase from \$223,000 actually received in 2006 to a budget amount of \$253,000 in 2007 should be seen in the context of actual giving in 2005 of

continuing sterling efforts of the Stewardship Committee and the response of parishioners, the Budget there is accountability for all items and the parish is able to document payments appropriately to the Canada Revenue Agency in order to obtain rebates of the GST.

I would like to thank parish treasurer Jan Connors for the endless hours required to produce monthly statements, budget drafts, diocesan reports and general number-crunching as well as all her wise and patient counsel as Finance worked to establish systems that would establish accountability and allow parishioners to see how their donations are spent. She retires from her three-year term as treasurer at this year's annual meeting and will be sorely missed.

Robert Martin  
Chair  
Finance Committee

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### **2006 Counters Report**

Counters are the people who disappear each Sunday after church to count the weekly offering while the rest of the congregation gathers for fellowship in the church hall.

Working in pairs as required by the canons of the diocese, they count and record contributions to ensure that all money received is accounted for and that every identifiable giver can be issued an annual receipt for income tax purposes. Six teams

of two each count for a month of Sundays twice a year. The other 10 months a year, they too can share in post-worship fellowship.

The counters are grateful that 2006 saw more parishioners sign up for direct debit contributions to the parish from their bank accounts as they do reduce the workload.

At the moment, the teams are: Betty Haigh and Elizabeth Jones; Ian Porter and



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Benjamin Lee; Roger Marsters and Dorothy Coons; Lowell Perry and Sarah Stevenson, Chuck and Barb Richardson; Martin Yeatmen and Michal King.

Thanks go to Gary McGonigall who had to resign to assist Doris with their new twins; welcome to new member Benjamin Lee and

to returning member Elizabeth Jones. People interested in assisting in this ministry, please give me a call.

Robert Martin  
463-7115

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### **Property/Maintainer's Committee**

Property matters during 2006 included the following major items, as well as numerous minor concerns:

- Keeping up the program of protection and maintenance of the Church building, including security, minor repairs, painting and cleaning. We have installed a better alarm system, kept up the exterior painting cycle, painted the choir room floor, and put routine weekly cleaning on a secure paid footing. Security and access to the church and hall were handled conscientiously throughout 2006 by Scott Connors and Kim Lickers, after Brother David had to step down from his duties due to ill health. Also, we have had a good roofing company try to find the leak in the roof or windows at the front of the church and improve the window caulking in that area. We hope the leak has been found and when we are sure it has been, then the plasterwork inside the building will be repaired.

- Responding to the requirements of Halifax Regional Municipality and our insurer, concerning fire and security matters affecting the Church. We were the subject of a detailed fire safety inspection of the Church in 2006 by HRM, which identified a number of mandatory improvements to building systems and housekeeping; we should anticipate a similar inspection of the Hall and Rectory in the near future, and a

list of items to address. For the Church, this has meant dealing with some upgrades to emergency lighting and smoke/heat sensors, access to the upper areas in the cupola, and eliminating storage of items in the furnace room. Some work remains to be accomplished in 2007, including development of a proper Fire Safety Plan, staff training in first response fire suppression, and systematic monitoring of fire prevention and detection features.

- Keeping the Hall and Rectory in operational condition to support St. George's mission. This included a long-needed major project in which the walls and ceilings of the assembly hall, stage area, washrooms, and stairwell were repaired and painted; we were greatly assisted in this through a contribution of volunteer labour and paint through the United Way (related to our housing of the YouthNet program) and we invested in the project as well from our own funds. We also painted the Sunday School room floor and carried out numerous smaller repairs and replacements of deteriorated items. The alarm system in the Hall was upgraded to a good standard. These items address immediate needs, but there is still much to do, and the long term plans for Hall and Rectory need to be worked out before much more is done. Major, non-essential work on either Hall or Rectory should wait until this is sorted out.

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- Reassessing our options concerning the Hall and Rectory. Both our financial situation and this year's revelation that the Hall property is indeed a registered heritage property now have made it very important to better understand how the existing structure can serve our needs at least in the medium term. To that end, Parish Council has retained an architect experienced in dealing with heritage buildings such as ours, to carry out a building condition and restoration plan. We have received some financial assistance from HRM's Community Grants Program for this. The objective is to assess how and whether the Hall (and perhaps the Rectory) can serve our purposes, which were identified in the needs assessment carried out while plans for an entirely new Hall structure were considered three years ago. The architect began his work at the end of 2006, and is scheduled to finish in March, 2007. Concerning the Rectory, the challenge for 2007 is to determine the future of Trinity House and its relationship to the Rectory building. This will be considered concurrently with the review of the Hall's future, and hopefully can be concluded by mid-year so that these property matters can be considered at the same time.

- Sorting out the fragmented state of our property holdings. Special recognition of an important task accomplished by Lowell Perry is in order: for a very, very long time, likely back to the building of the Church in 1800, the property holdings of the church have been somewhat of a jumble. The Church itself, the Hall and Rectory, and adjacent outdoor and street areas, have been

located on a patchwork quilt of small, separate property holdings, including a part of Maitland Street. Lowell lead the lengthy and complex process of land surveys, title searches, and negotiation with HRM that this year has resulted in rationalizing the boundaries and ownership of the Church properties. This has been accomplished at no cost to the Church and will provide us with the clear title, secure boundaries, and freedom from related entanglements that will ease future property transactions of all kinds.

Finally, it is a pleasure to note that the Little Dutch Church property has continued to be superbly protected and maintained by the Little Dutch Church Management Committee, who have quietly attended to it on behalf of Parish Council. The work of the Little Dutch Church Management Committee has been wound up this year, upon the fulfillment of its mandate to bring the church to a good state of repair and according to the wishes of its members. Property management matters will revert to the stewardship of the Parish Council.

As an overview and look forward to 2007, much was accomplished during 2006, but much remains to be done. The deteriorated state of the Hall and Rectory exteriors, plus the need to deal with immediate concerns affecting fire safety and the needs of our programs and administration, must receive substantial attention (and money) in 2007.

Jens Jensen, Property Warden

## 2006 Annual Report: Other Organizations/Groups

### *Little Dutch (Deutsch) Church Management Committee*

For the last 13 or 14 years, management and maintenance of the Little Dutch Church has been in the hands of the Little Dutch Church Management Committee, a joint committee of the German Canadian Association of Nova Scotia and the Parish of Saint George. This committee held its final meeting in October 2006 and subsequently handed responsibility for the building back to the Parish of Saint George. It might be useful to record that activities carried out during this period included:

- Hosting chancellor Helmut Kohl and obtaining funding from him
- Applying to the Province of Nova Scotia for funding to repair the church (undertaken by the German-Canadian Association of Nova Scotia because the Parish of Saint George was engaged in restoring the Round Church and had applied to every possible source for funding for that purpose)
- Lifting the church and replacing the foundation with concrete, covered by brick facade for appearance
- Removal of bodies from under church, research at Saint Mary's University, reverent reburial of bodies
- One new window, south east corner
- New wiring throughout
- New roof installed over old roof
- Fan installed in roof to reduce risk of rot. This fan to run at all times
- Plaster skim on barrel vaulted ceiling and walls
- Replacing the weathervane
- Painting the exterior and interior of the church
- Restoration of the Lochman hatchment and the 1801 wooden grave marker to the daughter of The Rev'd Mr Wright.
- Other minor repairs
- Successful application for National Historic Site status

Finances:

The Treasurer reported that there had been little activity in the account in the last few years and that there was a balance of \$10,408.26

It is noted for the record that the committee started its work with a donation of 10,000 Deutschmarks from the German government, via Helmut Kohl (Can. \$9,504.45). To this was added \$10,000 which the Parish of Saint George had in an endowment fund for the Little Dutch Church. Between May 1995 and October 2006 a total of \$128,619.29 was spent on the church. The largest part of this was donated by the Province of Nova Scotia in 1997 as an Infrastructure Works Grant for restoration purposes. The rest was donated by many individuals and organizations. One donor who should be noted is Mr. Glenn Turple of 4 Somerset Close, Red Deer, Alberta, T4N 0E6 who has been a consistent and generous donor throughout the life of the committee. Mr. Turple is a descendant of Johann Gottfried Torpel, the first schoolmaster of the German congregation, who arrived in Halifax in 1760.

After discussion about the future of the committee, the following motion was proposed by Liselotte Sawh, seconded by Janet Ross and passed unanimously.

Moved: that the Little Dutch Church Management Committee be dissolved and the funds presently in the account be handed over to Saint George's to be held in a separate endowment fund to be specifically used for the purpose of maintaining and preserving the Little Dutch Church.

The committee is pleased to be able to return to Saint George's slightly more than was given to it in 1995.

## 2006 Annual Report: Other Organizations/Groups

The Parish of Saint George expressed sincere thanks to members of the committee and to the German Canadian Association of Nova Scotia for all the hard work which had been carried out over the life of the committee. The church is in infinitely better condition than it was before the formation of the committee.

Members: Anne West (Chair), Liselotte Sawh (Treasurer), Heidi Grundke, Janet Ross, Chris West

Anne West  
January 16, 2007

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### ***Gabriel Guild***

No report of activities or financial statement was received in time to be published in this report.

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### ***The Live Poets' Society***

The 2005-2006 season must be considered a quiet success. And yes, the Live Poets Society is alive and well. But, alas, now without Br. David, and Jan Buley in Sudbury Ont. There is a small, hardcore of enthusiasts who have met together several times in the current year 2006-2007. No 'great work', no 'grand opus' has appeared but some minds are composing and pens are being pushed. Dates for meeting for the rest of the current season are Sundays on the following dates: Feb 18th, March 18th, April 15th, May 20th. The suggested topics are

dreams, spring, a new world (Easter) & "Summer is icumen in".

We will meet in the Sunday School Room after the 10:30 service with a pot luck lunch.

We would welcome new members to our monthly meetings. One does not have to be a Keats or Shelley but rather to have both a listening ear and some appreciation of the sound and value of words, their content and intent.

Vaila Mowat & Patricia Martinson

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### ***Parish Archivist***

In the past year we have made further progress toward identifying the different types of Parish records on hand, and the responsible custody which should be taken of them. We are working to complete the classification system so that individual records will be easily sorted for Archives, Parish Records, or destruction, as appropriate. This will assist in keeping essential and necessary documents, and avoid keeping duplicates and non-parish records. The work has been complicated by new requirements for privacy standards and

controlled access to documents which contain personal information about individuals. Sarah Stevenson has been instrumental in building on the recent work of co-op students who sorted through a great deal of stored records and set out a very good subject and classification system for us.

We have received some additions to our historic archive holdings, the most important of these was the Parish ledger for the period 1900 to 1917. It had been in the family of

## 2006 Annual Report: Other Organizations/Groups

the then Parish Treasurer and now has been returned. It gives a wonderful insight into an important period of the Parish's development.

Among the enquiries has been the Welch Fusiliers, who have enquired after the monument in the Church to several members of their regiment who died in service in the

early 1800's. Their archive indicated that a monument had been placed in St. George's, but had no particular record of it.

It is planned that the work begun in this past year may be completed in this coming year.

Submitted by the Parish Archivist

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### ***St. George's Restoration Quilters***

We continued as a small but dedicated group of quilters meeting Monday mornings from 9:30 am - 12:30 pm usually in the Church Hall Guild Room. Several of us work on individual Crib Quilts for Children in Crisis, and 2 members (with good vision) continue work on a large quilt using traditional Quilting apparatus. We chat & laugh, and enjoy a great cup of tea & sweets joined by hall occupants when they drop in.

There were many weeks when we were unable to meet or access the Guild Room due to heating problems, Yard Sale Clothing sorting and most recently because the Guild Room was cluttered with 'stuff' cleared out from the Hall when it was

painted. Moving our equipment & supplies several times is not an easy task. Thanks to Lynn Stevenson we were welcomed to her home so we could continue our work.

We had a lovely Pot Luck Luncheon at Jean Milsom's Halifax home joined by Fr. Purchase in June, and a Christmas one at Susan MacRae's Glen Haven home overlooking beautiful St. Margaret's Bay.

We welcome new members any time, at any age. There is always someone to teach the basics & help out. For information & if interested in joining us call the Coordinator Gai Thomas @ 455-2612

Respectfully submitted,  
Gai Thomas, Coordinator

### ***Report on the Parish Library***

The big story on the library this year: we grew. First of all we got smaller (when we gave back to Father Thorne the books which he had lent to the library so that the parish could have the use of them) and then it grew much larger, when he gave us a parting present of about 400 books. There were more, but some of the more technical ones went to a parishioner who needed them, or to other clergy who could make better use of them, but the remainder are now catalogued and in our parish library. This has greatly increased the books that help explicate the scriptures, and the selection of the library on the church and on Christian belief. Besides these acquisitions-free!-I also bought out of the \$200 allocated to the library by the parish budget a number of books, including the second volume of Sue Careless' book on understanding the Prayer Book, the three

volumes of C.S. Lewis' The Cosmic Trilogy and a replacement of the novels of Charles Williams which had to be returned to Father Thorne.

We have not had room to shelve all these new acquisitions in our present facilities. (We need another lockable cabinet) The library thanks the GEM program for allowing us to shelve the books on the scriptures and our children's section in their office space. I hope to make the library more 'user friendly' in the new year- and also to be more fierce about having books returned on time! I open the library on selected Sundays, but anyone is welcome to return books to me at any time, and also if they wish to look into the library at other times, I will gladly help them to do so, if this is at all reasonably possible for me.

Sincerely,  
Vaila S. Mowat

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## **Baptisms, Marriages, and Funerals**

### **HOLY BAPTISMS**

February 26	Molly Margaret Huajie Robertson
July 30	Alyssa Pearl Ada Bagatin
November 26	Ryann Olivia Hendsbee

### **MARRIAGES**

March 17	Andrew Patrick O'Donnell & Christine Eleanor Keirstead
May 20	Marc Raymond Comeau & Colleen Juanita Margaret Drover
July 29	Michael Peter Roy Crowe & Dawn Lyn Tymchuk
August 29	Patrick William Graham & Naomi Rachelle Blackwood
September 9	Ronald Wayne Nicks & Kelly Ann Quinn
October 7	Jeffrey Anthony Beanlands & Colleen Patricia Ryan

### **FUNERAL RITES**

February 21	Georgina Myles
March 25	Martha Kendall
April 22	Roland William Ashe
June 8	Renata Kartsaklis
July 17	Beatrice Rockwell
July 18	Burton Carvell
August 2	Leslie Jackson
September 16	Elizabeth Kearley
September 19	Mary E Clarke
September 22	Clarence William Billard
October 4	Vera Audrey Judge
October 16	Kathleen Margaret Mitchell
November 9	Eleanor Francis Rhymes

**Parish of St. George**  
**Income & Expenses**  
January through December 2006 (unaudited)

Accrual Basis

	Jan - Dec 06	Jan - Dec 05
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
GENERAL PARISH INCOME		
Offerings		
General Offerings		
Envelope Offerings	173,164	188,760
Direct Deposit	49,737	35,174
Loose	6,286	11,253
Total General Offerings	229,187	235,187
Designated Offerings		
Sunday School	100	
Altar Guild	1,476	
Deaf Ministry	3,255	
Music	386	
Outreach (formerly Poor) Fund	9,428	
Soup Kitchen	3,817	
TH Offerings	9,600	
YouthNet	7,138	
Total Designated Offerings	35,199	
Total Offerings	264,385	235,187
Church Preservation Endowment	11,484	9,504
Investment Income	180	191
HST Income	5,298	7,703
Grant Income	7,190	
Yard Sale		10,883
Other Income	12,031	
Total GENERAL PARISH INCOME	300,568	263,468
RENTAL INCOME		
Parking	9,505	7,265
Church Rental	1,490	1,640
Hall Rental	4,940	4,505
Rectory Rent		15,600
RENTAL INCOME - Other		
Total RENTAL INCOME	15,935	29,010
Total Income	316,503	292,478
Gross Profit	316,503	292,478
Expense		
584 - PST Expenses		
600 - GENERAL PARISH EXPENSES		
Prev. Year's Expenses/(Recovery)	36	(984)
Synod Travel & Accommodations		800
HST Expenses	10,104	10,596
Office Expenses		
Computers & Equipment	85	207
Office Manager	3,707	5,000
Photocopier Lease/Maintenance	3,766	3,868
Telecommunication	1,704	2,829
Internet	549	542
Photocopying	76	134
Supplies & Postage	2,094	2,116
Total Office Expenses	11,982	14,695
Allotment	44,586	45,684
Bank Service Charges	1,663	1,757
Total 600 - GENERAL PARISH EXPENSES	68,372	72,548
700 - ORDAINED MINISTRY		
Priest-in-Charge	19,497	
Recruitment & Relocation costs	15,204	
NSOM		1,000
Priest's Assistant		150
Stipend - Rector		39,504
Housing Allowance		22,824
Travel Reimbursement		5,700



**Parish of St. George**  
**Income & Expenses**  
**January through December 2006 (unaudited)**

Accrual Basis

	Jan - Dec 06	Jan - Dec 05
Benefits		10,416
Vacation Replacement	500	500
<b>Total 700 - ORDAINED MINISTRY</b>	<b>35,201</b>	<b>80,094</b>
<b>800 - PASTORAL MINISTRY</b>		
Deaf Ministry	9,255	
Outreach (formerly Poor)	10,686	711
Scouts	1,000	1,000
St George's YouthNet	12,068	5,000
<b>Total 800 - PASTORAL MINISTRY</b>	<b>33,009</b>	<b>6,711</b>
<b>850 - STEWARDSHIP</b>	471	
<b>900 - SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT</b>		
<b>A - General Expenses</b>		
Advertising	1,893	1,299
Altar Guild	1,332	
Gifts	130	200
Guest Speakers	475	505
Lay Readers Annual Dues	90	80
Liturgical Supplies	2,597	3,024
Parish Library	163	72
Special Events	200	200
Supplies		461
<b>Total A - General Expenses</b>	<b>6,880</b>	<b>5,842</b>
<b>C - Music Program</b>		
Stipend - Director	9,500	19,000
Fees-Interim Director&Organist	7,125	
Music Director Recruitment	1,655	
Vacation Replacement		550
Music Expenses	4,180	3,544
<b>Total C - Music Program</b>	<b>22,460</b>	<b>23,094</b>
<b>D - Sunday School Program</b>		
Supplies & Materials	702	163
<b>D - Sunday School Program - Other</b>		
<b>Total D - Sunday School Program</b>	<b>702</b>	<b>163</b>
<b>Total 900 - SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>30,043</b>	<b>29,099</b>
<b>1000 - PROPERTY</b>		
<b>A - General</b>		
Development	98	
Snow Removal	3,900	4,050
Insurance	16,578	19,307
<b>Total A - General</b>	<b>20,576</b>	<b>23,357</b>
<b>B - Hall (5429 Cornw&amp;2227 Mait)</b>		
Grant-Matching Funds	7,500	
Security	1,103	260
Janitorial Services	450	4,500
Maintenance & Repairs	18,806	1,625
Supplies	756	419
Taxes	534	287
<b>Utilities</b>		
Electric	5,188	4,514
Oil	9,871	12,040
Propane	1,343	950
Water	620	541
<b>Total Utilities</b>	<b>17,022</b>	<b>18,045</b>
<b>Total B - Hall (5429 Cornw&amp;2227 Mait)</b>	<b>46,171</b>	<b>25,136</b>
<b>C - Rectory (5435 Cornwallis)</b>		
Maintenance & Repairs	423	287
Taxes	3,063	2,702
<b>Utilities</b>		
Oil service contract	137	115
Water	431	768
<b>Total Utilities</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>883</b>

Accrual Basis

**Parish of St. George**  
**Income & Expenses**  
 January through December 2006 (unaudited)

	Jan - Dec 06	Jan - Dec 05
Total C - Rectory (5435 Cornwallis)	4,054	3,873
E - Deutsch Ch. (2393 Brnswck)		
Utilities		
Electric	156	226
Total Utilities	156	226
Total E - Deutsch Ch. (2393 Brnswck)	156	226
F - Church (2222 Brunswick)		
Organ Maintenance	1,238	1,223
Maintenance & Repairs	4,066	7,021
Security	3,653	3,379
Taxes		203
Utilities		
Electric	1,405	2,130
Oil	10,177	10,642
Water	575	617
Total Utilities	12,158	13,389
Total F - Church (2222 Brunswick)	21,114	25,215
Total 1000 - PROPERTY	92,072	77,807
Total Expense	259,168	266,258
Net Ordinary Income	57,336	26,219
Net Income	57,336	26,219

**Parish of St. George**  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of December 31, 2006 (unaudited)

Accrual Basis

	Dec 31, 06
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
<b>Chequing/Savings</b>	
Direct Debit TD/Canada Trust	66,249
RBC General Account	58,377
<b>Total Chequing/Savings</b>	124,627
<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	
20 - Accounts Receivable	2,234
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	2,234
<b>Other Current Assets</b>	
Prepaid Expenses	3,079
<b>Committed Investments</b>	
Little Dutch Church Endowment	10,408
Preservation Fund	235,931
Diocese - Memorial	879
Diocese - Altar Guild	819
Diocese of NS #4 (Wright)	300
Pickford Choral Scholarship	9,129
<b>Total Committed Investments</b>	257,466
<b>Un-Committed Investments</b>	
Diocese of NS (Rectors Funds)	2,010
Diocese of NS (J. Shaw)	500
Diocese of NS (Rec. & Wardens)	5,500
<b>Total Un-Committed Investments</b>	8,010
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	268,555
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	395,415
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>395,415</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
<b>Liabilities</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
<b>Accounts Payable</b>	
Accounts Payable	5,232
<b>Total Accounts Payable</b>	5,232
<b>Other Current Liabilities</b>	
210 - Deferred Revenue	
HRM Heritage Grant (hall)	
Grant	7,500
Matching Funds	7,500
<b>Total HRM Heritage Grant (hall)</b>	15,000
Trinity House	808
Soup Kitchen Fund	2,434
Rector's & Wardens	2,021
Rector's Discretionary Fund	485
Quashie Fund	2,425
Pickford Scholarship	664
Outreach (formerly Poor) Fund	2,141
Deaf Ministry	3,485
Curacy Fund	1,552
Corporate Grants	1,517
Christmas Outreach Fund	1,854
Next Year Allotment	
2004 Debt Reduction	5,038
Next Year Allotment - Other	479
<b>Total Next Year Allotment</b>	5,517
<b>Total 210 - Deferred Revenue</b>	39,903
<b>Short Term Fund Accounts</b>	
Choir Chair Fund	4,020
Hall Building Fund	2,270
PWRDF Appeal Fund	35
Restoration-for DioEndowmentFnd	50

Accrual Basis

**Parish of St. George**  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of December 31, 2006 (unaudited)

	<u>Dec 31, 06</u>
Shining Lights	20
Total Short Term Fund Accounts	<u>6,395</u>
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>46,298</u>
Total Current Liabilities	51,530
Long Term Liabilities	
Long Term Fund Accounts	
Patricia Richard School Bursary	20
Endowment Funds	235,931
Choral Scholarship	9,129
Missions Appeal Fund	6,706
Memorial Fund	8,683
Organ Fund	<u>1,362</u>
Total Long Term Fund Accounts	<u>261,831</u>
Total Long Term Liabilities	<u>261,831</u>
Total Liabilities	313,361
Equity	
Retained Earnings	24,719
Net Income	<u>57,336</u>
Total Equity	<u>82,055</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b><u><u>395,415</u></u></b>

**Report on Parish Investments -- 2006**

All Parish investments are currently held in a pooled fund administered for the Diocese by Jarislowky, Fraser Ltd.

The Finance Committee performed an extensive review of our investments in 2004, comparing the return and risk factors of the Diocesan Portfolio to those of investments with the Diocese.

<b>Endowment Name</b>	<b>Original Investment Date</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Additions since 2005 Annual Report</b>	<b>Market Value @ 3rd Qtr 2006</b>
<u>Committed Investments</u>				
Altar Guild	19-May-99	\$ 819.00		\$ 889.38
Memorial Fund	19-May-99	\$ 879.00		\$ 954.54 *
Pickford	19-May-99	\$ 9,128.65		\$ 9,863.90
Preservation & Conservation	31-Jan-99	\$ 205,877.51	\$ 30,053.91	\$ 254,365.46
Wright Gravelot Fund	19-Mar-39	\$ 300.00		\$ 1,336.24 *
Little Dutch Church	22-Nov-06		\$ 10,408.26	\$ 10,408.26
<u>Uncommitted Investments</u>				
Rectors & Wardens of Church	31-Mar-36	\$ 5,500.00		\$ 29,416.41 *
Rectors Fund	1-Jul-36	\$ 2,010.67		\$ 8,884.30
Shaw, James A	16-Jun-58	\$ 500.00		\$ 2,209.29 *
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$ 225,014.83</b>	<b>\$ 40,462.17</b>	<b>\$ 318,327.78</b>

\* As of December 2006, the interest on these funds will accumulate rather than be received into income. This results in a zero total on the investment income line in the 2007 proposed budget.

Income received from the other accounts listed above is reflected in the appropriate line item. For example, income received from the Preservation & Conservation Endowment is entered on the Church Preservation Endowment line of the Financial Statements; Pickford Endowment interest goes to the appropriate Short Term Fund.

# DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

## COMPREHENSIVE INSURANCE PROGRAM

### DECLARATION CERTIFICATE

Renewal

Region: 8

CERTIFICATE NO. NSPE-054

In consideration of the conditions, stipulations and declarations contained herein and the general conditions and riders attached hereto and the premium specified below, the INSURERS, do insure as follows:

<b>CERTIFICATE HOLDER</b>	:	<b>THE PARISH OF ST. GEORGE</b>
<b>MAILING ADDRESS OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER</b>	:	<b>2222 Brunswick Street, Halifax, N.S. B3K2Z3</b>
<b>POLICY PERIOD</b>	:	From March 01, 2006, until March 01, 2007 at 12:01 a.m. standard time
<b>TOTAL PREMIUM</b>	:	<b>\$16,008.00</b>

<u>PART</u>	<u>LIMIT OF LIABILITY</u>	<u>DEDUCTIBLE</u>
I } PROPERTY OF EVERY DESCRIPTION	<b>\$7,582,400</b>	\$2,500. each occurrence
II } BOILER & MACHINERY	<b>Included</b>	\$2,500. each occurrence
III } COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY	<b>\$5,000,000.</b>	\$500 each occurrence Property Damage
IV } POLLUTION LIABILITY	<b>\$1,000,000</b>	\$1,000. Third Party Property Damage only
V } COMPREHENSIVE CRIME		
- Employee Dishonesty Form A	<b>\$ 50,000</b>	\$ 500. each occurrence
- Inside/Outside Holdup	<b>\$ 25,000</b>	\$ 250. each occurrence
- Depositors Forgery	<b>\$ 20,000</b>	\$ 500. each occurrence
- Money Orders & Counterfeit Currency	<b>\$ 20,000</b>	\$ 500. each occurrence
- Credit Card Fraud	<b>\$ 20,000</b>	\$ 500. each occurrence

LOSS, if any, PAYABLE TO: Named Insured or as amended on Schedule of Locations

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, **ECCLESIASTICAL INSURANCE OFFICE plc** has issued a **Master Policy No. PS30671**, but this Certificate shall not be binding upon the Company unless countersigned by a duly authorized representative of the Company.

DIRECTOR'S & OFFICERS' LIABILITY	\$1,000,000 per occurrence subject to an annual aggregate of \$1,000,000 (Including Defense Costs)
RETENTION	\$2,500 for Loss arising from claims alleging the same Wrongful Act or related Wrongful Acts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, **AMERICAN HOME ASSURANCE COMPANY** has issued a **Master Policy No. 0547404**, but this Certificate shall not be binding upon the Company unless countersigned by a duly authorized representative of the Company.

<u>COVERAGE</u>	<u>INSURERS</u>	<u>PARTICIPATION</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
Part I to V Inclusive	Ecclesiastical Insurance Office plc	100%	\$15,893.00
Directors' & Officers' Insurance	American Home Assurance Company	100%	\$ 115.00

Countersigned per,   
By, **MARSH CANADA LIMITED**

Dated March 25, 2006 at Halifax, Nova Scotia

# SCHEDULE OF LOCATIONS

THE PARISH OF ST. GEORGE

NSPE-054

N.S.

Class	Rate	Premium	Pollution Premium
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Loc. I.D.	Building and Contents	5,775,000	A	0.001721	\$9,939	2 Above
179	Building and Contents of ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, 2222 Brunswick St., Halifax, NS; wood frame, hydrant protected, sprinklered, fire alarm, intruder alarm, oil heat, rebuilt 1999.	<b>\$10,261</b>	A	0.001721	\$172	\$150
	Total	\$5,875,000				
180	Building & Contents of ST. GEORGE'S HALL, 5429 Cornwallis Street, Halifax, NS; wood frame, patent roof, hydrant protected, fire alarm, intruder alarm, oil heat, built 1900	<b>\$3,729</b>	A	0.002632	\$263	\$150
	Total	\$1,360,000				
181	Building & Contents of LITTLE DUTCH CHURCH, 2393 Brunswick Street, Halifax, NS, wood frame, patent roof, hydrant protected, no heat, built 1755	<b>\$279</b>	A	0.00329	\$276	Nil
	Total	\$85,000				
183	Building & Parish Contents of PARISH RECTORY, 5435 Cornwallis St., Halifax, NS; wood frame, patent roof, hydrant protected, oil heat, built 1850	<b>\$1,014</b>	A	0.00329	\$857	2 Above
	Total	\$262,400			\$7	\$150
52	Building Contents	\$0			\$0	Nil
	Total	\$0			\$0	
	Building Contents	\$0			\$0	Nil
	Total	\$0			\$0	
	Building Contents	\$0			\$0	
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	Total	\$0			\$0	
	Building Contents	\$0			\$0	
	Total	\$0			\$0	

Part I Commercial General Liability = \$525

Part V {Crime} = \$85

Endorsement = \$0

**\$7,582,400**

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Source – Administration and Finance

## Checklist for Auditors of Church and Parish Accounts Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island

Name of Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Congregation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return one copy of this form no later than March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2005, to be placed with your audited Parochial Return Form and indicate with a “Check Mark” that all items have been completed and there have been no areas of concern.**

**EXPENDITURES:**

- \_\_\_ 1. All cheques are to be in numerical order, and no cheques are missing.
- \_\_\_ 2. All cheques have two signatures.
- \_\_\_ 3. Verify the signing authorities for the Parish, Church or Church Organization are two of four: Treasurer, Secretary, Wardens. The Rector cannot be a signing authority. A husband and wife, or a parent and child, cannot both be a signing authority on the same cheque. If a relationship exists between the signing officer, Revenue Canada deems this to be one signing officer and not two. Also, if a cheque is made payable to a signing officer that signing officer or any member of his or her family cannot counter sign the cheque.
- \_\_\_ 4. For any cheque made payable to a signing officer there must be approved by Parish Council.
- \_\_\_ 5. Verify the amount of the cheques to the invoices being paid.
- \_\_\_ 6. From the bank statements verify that no cash withdrawals have taken place.
- \_\_\_ 7. The only non -cash debit transactions are bank charges.
- \_\_\_ 8. Verify that no pre-signed blank cheques are on hand with the Treasurer.
- \_\_\_ 9. Verify that a bank reconciliation has been done for each month.

**REVENUES:**

- \_\_\_ 1. The Vestry Book should have all the offerings listed and signed by two people, unrelated to each other, who have counted the collections.
- \_\_\_ 2. The deposits from the bank statements must match the vestry book entry.

- \_\_\_ 3. Verify that deposits are being made weekly, from the bank statement.
- \_\_\_ 4. Total the yearly tax receipts issued to determine that they are within reason of the actual money collected.
- \_\_\_ 5. Determine that any Parish investments are in the name of the Parish.

**OTHER AREAS:**

- \_\_\_ 1. Verify that the Charitable Tax Return of the previous year has been filed with Revenue Canada.
- \_\_\_ 2. Determine how endowments and bequests are being reported to Parish Council.
- \_\_\_ 3. Determine how special fundraisers are being accounted for and reported to Parish Council. More than one person must be responsible for the collection, counting and receipting functions.
- \_\_\_ 4. Determine that reports are being made to Parish Council on a regular basis.
- \_\_\_ 5. Are the Parish Records being maintained and held in safe place for the seven years required by Revenue Canada?
- \_\_\_ 6. Verify the amounts reported on the Receipts and Disbursement Statement, to the amount in the records.
- \_\_\_ 7. Any amounts receivable to the Parish at the end of the year must be accounted for and included on the Receipts and Disbursements Statement and reported on the Balance Sheet.
- \_\_\_ 8. Any amounts owing by the Parish at the end of the year must be reported and included on the Receipts and Disbursement Statement and reported on the Balance Sheet.
- \_\_\_ 9. Clear notes to the Financial Statements should state what amounts are owing and to whom. If the Parish has any outstanding loans, a note should state what the payment is per month; the outstanding balance at December 31 and the final payment due date.

**Reviewed by:**

**Please Print Name, Address, Occupation**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Date Completed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**If there are any questions please call the Diocesan Synod Office (420-0717) or the Regional Dean for your area.**

**Please note any discrepancies with the checklist and give your reasons why these discrepancies cause no concern.**

**Saint George's Parish  
PROPOSED 2007 Income & Expense Budget**

	2006 Budget Jan - Dec	2006 Actuals Jan - Dec	2007 Budget Jan - Dec
<b>Income</b>			
<b>GENERAL PARISH INCOME</b>			
General Offerings	\$ 220,323	\$ 229,187	\$ 252,700
Designated Offerings			
Sunday School		\$ 100	
Altar Guild	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,475	\$ 1,300
Deaf Ministry	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,255	\$ 5,000
Music	\$ 350	\$ 385	\$ 350
Poor Fund	\$ 3,500	\$ 9,428	\$ 3,000
Soup Kitchen	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,817	\$ 2,500
Trinity House	\$ 15,600	\$ 9,600	\$ 12,000
YouthNet	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,138	\$ 2,500
<b>Total Offerings</b>	<b>\$ 253,573</b>	<b>\$ 264,385</b>	<b>\$ 279,350</b>
Church Preservation Endowment	\$ 10,000	\$ 11,484	\$ 10,000
Investment Income	\$ 150	\$ 180	\$ -
HST Income	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,298	\$ 6,000
Grant Income	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,190	\$ 5,000
Yard Sale	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Income	\$ 12,500	\$ 12,031	\$ 8,000
<b>Total GENERAL PARISH INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 287,223</b>	<b>\$ 300,568</b>	<b>\$ 308,350</b>
<b>RENTAL INCOME</b>			
Parking	\$ 8,000	\$ 9,505	\$ 8,000
Church Rental	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,490	\$ 1,500
Hall Rental	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,940	\$ 4,000
<b>Total RENTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 13,500</b>	<b>\$ 15,935</b>	<b>\$ 13,500</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 300,723</b>	<b>\$ 316,503</b>	<b>\$ 321,850</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
<b>600 - GENERAL PARISH EXPENSES</b>			
Prev. Year's Expenses/(Recovery)		\$ 37	\$ -
HST Expenses	\$ 12,000	\$ 10,104	\$ 12,000
Synod	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Office Expenses			
Computers & Equipment	\$ 400	\$ 86	\$ 1,400
Office Manager	\$ 3,700	\$ 3,707	\$ 4,200
Photocopier Lease/Maintenance	\$ 4,725	\$ 3,766	\$ 4,725
Telecommunication	\$ 2,450	\$ 1,704	\$ 2,450
Internet	\$ 1,000	\$ 549	\$ 1,000
Photocopying (outside sourced)	\$ 100	\$ 76	\$ 100
Supplies & Postage	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,094	\$ 2,500
<b>Total Office Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 14,875</b>	<b>\$ 11,982</b>	<b>\$ 16,375</b>
Allotment	\$ 39,548	\$ 44,586	\$ 47,900
Bank Service Charges	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,663	\$ 1,500
<b>Total 600 - GENERAL PARISH EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 67,823</b>	<b>\$ 68,372</b>	<b>\$ 77,775</b>
<b>700 - ORDAINED MINISTRY</b>			
Priest in Charge	\$ 7,150	\$ 19,497	\$ -
Recruitment & Relocation costs	\$ 5,000	\$ 15,204	\$ -
Stipend - Rector	\$ 21,537	\$ -	\$ 32,700
Housing Allowance - Rector	\$ 14,817	\$ -	\$ 25,400
Travel Reimbursement	\$ 3,325	\$ -	\$ 5,700
Benefits	\$ 5,717	\$ -	\$ 10,500
Vacation Replacement	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
<b>Total 700 - ORDAINED MINISTRY</b>	<b>\$ 58,045</b>	<b>\$ 35,201</b>	<b>\$ 74,800</b>
<b>800 - PASTORAL MINISTRY</b>			
Deaf Ministry	\$ 6,700	\$ 9,255	\$ 8,500
Soup Kitchen	\$ 2,500	\$ -	\$ 2,500
St George's YouthNet	\$ 10,000	\$ 12,068	\$ 7,500
Poor/Outreach	\$ 4,200	\$ 10,686	\$ 4,200
Scouts	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
<b>Total 800 - PASTORAL MINISTRY</b>	<b>\$ 24,400</b>	<b>\$ 33,009</b>	<b>\$ 23,700</b>
<b>800A - STEWARDSHIP</b>			
<b>Total 800A - STEWARDSHIP</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>	<b>\$ 471</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>
<b>900 - SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT</b>			
<b>A - General Expenses</b>			
Lay Readers Annual Dues		\$ 90	\$ 100
Liturgical Supplies	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,597	\$ 3,000
Altar Guild	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,332	\$ 1,300
Advertising	\$ 1,700	\$ 1,893	\$ 2,000
Guest Speakers	\$ 2,000	\$ 475	\$ 2,000
Parish Library	\$ 200	\$ 163	\$ 200
Gifts	\$ 200	\$ 130	\$ 200
Special Events	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
<b>Total A - General Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 8,600</b>	<b>\$ 6,880</b>	<b>\$ 9,000</b>
<b>C - Music Program</b>			
Stipend - Director	\$ 20,000	\$ 9,500	\$ 12,500
Interim Director/Organist		\$ 7,125	\$ 5,600
Vacation Replacement	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500
Music Director Recruitment	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,655	\$ -
Music Expenses	\$ 5,700	\$ 4,180	\$ 6,500
<b>Total C - Music Program</b>	<b>\$ 28,200</b>	<b>\$ 22,460</b>	<b>\$ 25,100</b>
<b>D - Sunday School Program</b>			
Supplies & Materials	\$ 1,500	\$ 702	\$ 1,500
Youth			\$ 1,000

	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec
Total D - SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM	\$ 1,500	\$ 702	\$ 2,500
Total 900 - SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT	\$ 38,300	\$ 30,042	\$ 36,600
1000 - PROPERTY			
A - General			
Development	\$ -	\$ 98	\$ -
Snow Removal	\$ 4,600	\$ 3,900	\$ 4,600
Security			\$ 3,250
Supplies			\$ 750
Insurance	\$ 20,000	\$ 16,578	\$ 17,500
Total A - General	\$ 24,600	\$ 20,576	\$ 26,100
B - Hall (5429 Cornw&2227 Mait)			
HRM Grant matching funds		\$ 7,500	\$ -
Security	\$ 700	\$ 1,103	\$ -
Janitorial Services	\$ 4,500	\$ 450	\$ -
Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 7,500	\$ 18,806	\$ 12,000
Supplies	\$ 500	\$ 756	\$ -
Taxes	\$ 700	\$ 534	\$ 600
Utilities			
Electric	\$ 5,400	\$ 5,188	\$ 5,400
Oil	\$ 14,950	\$ 9,871	\$ 14,950
Propane	\$ 870	\$ 1,343	\$ 1,000
Water	\$ 2,000	\$ 620	\$ 1,500
Total Utilities	\$ 23,220	\$ 17,022	\$ 22,850
Total B - Hall (5429 Cornw&2227 Mait)	\$ 37,120	\$ 46,171	\$ 35,450
C - Rectory (5435 Cornwallis)			
Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 15,000	\$ 423	\$ 12,000
Taxes	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,063	\$ 3,200
Utilities			
Oil service contract	\$ 200	\$ 137	\$ 200
Water	\$ 800	\$ 431	\$ 400
Total Utilities	\$ 1,000	\$ 568	\$ 600
Total C - Rectory (5435 Cornwallis)	\$ 18,500	\$ 4,054	\$ 15,800
E - Deutsch Ch. (2393 Brnswck)			
Maintenance & Repairs			
Taxes			
Utilities			
Electric	\$ 290	\$ 156	\$ 200
Total Utilities	\$ 290	\$ 156	\$ 200
Total E - Deutsch Ch. (2393 Brnswck)	\$ 290	\$ 156	\$ 200
F - Church (2222 Brunswick)			
Organ Maintenance	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,238	\$ 2,000
Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 8,500	\$ 4,066	\$ 10,000
Janitorial Services			\$ 3,600
Security	\$ 3,400	\$ 3,653	\$ -
Taxes	\$ 320		\$ -
Utilities			
Electric	\$ 1,725	\$ 1,406	\$ 1,725
Oil	\$ 14,950	\$ 10,177	\$ 13,000
Water	\$ 750	\$ 575	\$ 600
Total Utilities	\$ 17,425	\$ 12,158	\$ 15,325
Total F - Church (2222 Brunswick)	\$ 31,145	\$ 21,115	\$ 30,925
Total 1000 - PROPERTY	\$ 111,655	\$ 92,072	\$ 108,475
Total Expense	\$ 300,723	\$ 259,167	\$ 321,850
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ -	\$ 57,336	\$ -

Assumptions used during budgeting process for 2007

- \* *balanced budget*
- \* *budget for full allotment*
- \* *designated offerings apply first to parish budget*

Notes applicable to the 2007 Budget column figures

- <sup>1</sup> \$5000 Diocesan Growth For Ministry Fund application has been submitted for Deaf Ministry.
- <sup>2</sup> \$16,800 expense for Office Manager has been reduced by \$12,200 to \$4,600 with a commitment from Friends of St. George's Society.
- <sup>3</sup> \$53,440 allotment assessment reduced to \$47,923 (rounded to \$47,900) by the \$5,038 remaining in the 2004 debt reduction fund and \$479 deferred income from Altar Guild for 2005 allotment payable in 2007.
- <sup>4</sup> \$12,000 Deaf Ministry budget reduced to \$8,515 (rounded to \$8,500) by the \$3,485 amount in deferred income account.
- <sup>5</sup> Lay Readers Dues previously incorporated with Liturgical Supplies
- <sup>6</sup> \$5,600 for Interim Music Director/Organist and \$12,500 for Music Director are each for a 6-month period (January-June and July-December respectively)
- <sup>7</sup> Youth under Sunday School is a new program for post-confirmation ages.
- <sup>8</sup> Security and Supplies expenses have been moved to General Property.

# Interim Report of the Nominations Committee

## Nominations - 2007

### Interim Nominations Report – 2007

<b>Position</b>	<b>Returning</b>	<b>Nominated</b>
Senior Warden	Susan Harris (3 of 3)	
Junior Warden		<i>Craig Savoury (1 of 3)</i>
Property Warden	Jens Jensen (2 of 3)	
Treasurer		
Secretary		<i>Nadine Savoury (1 of 3)</i>
Synod Delegates (3)		<i>Craig Savoury</i>
		<i>Dianna Lowe</i>
		<i>Benjamin Lee</i>
<b>Synod Youth Delegate (1)</b>	Andrew Thorne	
<b>Synod Alternate Delegate*</b>		
<b>Synod Alternate Youth Delegate*</b>		
Members-at-large	Vivien Hannon (2 of 3)	<i>Gary McGonagill (1 of 1)</i>
(12 maximum; 3-year terms)	Ian Stewart (2 of 3)	<i>Shannon Parker (1 of 3)</i>
	Aniko Lewton-Brain (2 of 3)	<i>Heather Neish (1 of 3)</i>
	Jim Rawding (2 of 3)	
	Alex Easton (2 of 3)	

\* do not serve on Parish Council unless they attend Synod

## Interim Report of the Nominations Committee

<b>Organizations who may elect a member for Parish Council:</b>		
Gabriel Guild		
Choir		
<b>Non Parish Council positions:</b>		
Regional Council Delegates	Wardens, Synod Delegates	
PWRDF Contact Person		<i>Elizabeth Haigh</i>
Auditor (2 individuals)	Carmichael Wallace	<i>Benjamin Lee</i>
Diocesan Times	Robert Martin	
2010 Contact Person	Betty Haigh	
Parish Archivist	Jeffrey Reed	

*In addition, the Nominating Committee sought people to take on key leadership responsibilities in the day-to-day life of the Parish.*

Spiritual Development Chair	Gary McGonagill	
Pastoral Ministry/Outreach Contact Person		<i>Kim Lickers</i>
Stewardship Committee Chair		<i>Mary Martin</i>
Finance Committee Chair	Rob Martin	
Property Committee Chair	Paul Bitove	
Administration Committee Chair		<i>To be elected by the committee membership</i>
Envelope Secretary	Evelyn Mann	
Hospitality Team Leader		
Sick & Shut-in Team Leader	Sheila Jackson	