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ANNUAL REPORT

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE
ANNUAL MEETING - FEBRUARY 15, 1987

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PARISH OF ST. GEORGE
ANNUAL MEETING FOR YEAR 1986
FEBRUARY 15TH, 1987

AGENDA

1. Opening Prayer
2. Reading, correcting and approving minutes of previous Annual Meeting.
3. Business arising from the Minutes.
4. Financial Report: Mrs. Mary Martin
 - a) Current Account: Receipts and Expenditures
 - b) Assets and Liabilities
 - c) Insurance policies
 - d) Audit Report
 - e) Budget for 1987
5. Consideration of all written reports of Standing Committees and Organizations.
6. Report of Nominations Committee
 - a) Motion to accept Nominations Committee Report
 - b) Election of Synod Delegates
 - c) Election of Regional Delegates
 - d) Appointing of Auditors
7. New Business
8. Motion for adjournment
9. The Blessing

The Annual Meeting of the Parish of St. George was held on Sunday February 16, 1986, with Fr. Petite in the Chair.

The Minutes of last years annual meeting were accepted as printed in the Annual Report on motion of Neil Thompson; seconded by Harry Boswell.

Finance - The Financial report was presented by George Caines. It was pointed out that the parish is in reasonably good condition and that there was good increase in giving over last year. Among the questions from the floor came concern about the outstanding loan of the St. George's Foundation which the Parish co-signed. It was felt that this should show on the financial report.

Motion - To accept financial report as printed by Sandy Caines; seconded by Ken Pringle.

Wardens - John Swaine presented the Wardens Report. They have tried hard to keep the no frill idea and with the Parish in fairly good shape now they plan for the future never to sink again.

Spiritual Dev-Reported by James Pritchard. The B.A.S. Seminars were going well and felt they were quite informative.

Pastoral Care-Cynthia Watts reported the pastoral care report and wanted to publicly thank everyone on her committee especially Mabel Wainwright for their ideas and hard work. The Soup Kitchen is going well and shows how needed it was in the community.

PROPERTY - Harry Boswell reported that it had not been a good year as he did not have the time needed for this job. Much needed work has to be done and this will be looked into in the near future.

Publicity - Presented by Terry McLaughlin who wanted to thank all his members especially Sandy Caines for their work during the year.

Gabriel Guild-Mary Isaacs thanked every one for their help and support during the year. At this time, Fr. Petite thanked the Guild for the Brunch which was held prior to the Annual Meeting.

ALTAR GUILD - Gertie Moulton reported having men in the Guild and this was much appreciated.

SERVERS - Ken Pringle reported that six adults were being trained for serving with the children.

Sunday School- No Discussion

Nursery - No Discussion

Cubs and Scouts - Jan Connors thanked the leaders for all their work and time.

Motion - To accept all written reports as printed by Harry Boswell; seconded by Don Connors.

All reports were accepted unanimously.

Election of Parish Council:

The Report of the Nominating Committee remains as printed with no additional nominations from the floor.

Motion -- That the two Wardens be the Synod Delegates by Gertie Moulton; seconded by Jan Connors. Motion Passed.
Harvey Frances and Gordon Engram nominated as alternate Synod delegates.

Nominations from the floor for representatives to the Regional Council held four times a year:

- 1) The Wardens - automatically are delegates as well as the following
- 2) Louisa Gibson
- 3) Karen Wheeler
- 4) Jan Connors
- 5) Cynthia Watts
- 6) Ian Henderson

New Business:


The suggestion of the Church being opened in the summer for tourist. This would be looked into with the possibility of a student grant for funding.

This concluded the annual meeting and business and the meeting was adjourned and the Blessing given by Fr. Petite.

Motion to adjourn - 2:30PM

Closing Prayer - Fr. Petite

Respectfully Submitted

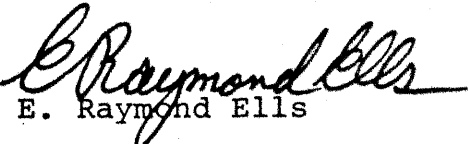

Secretary.

The Warden's
St. George's Church
Halifax, Nova Scotia

Dear Sirs:

I have completed my audit on the financial records of your Church for the year ended December 31, 1986. Such tests were performed and information received from the Treasurer as considered necessary. To the best of my knowledge and ability the records and financial statements represent a true picture of the financial transactions for your Church for the year ended December 31, 1986.

Yours very truly,


E. Raymond Ellis

ERE/cap

For the second year in a row we ended with a bank balance in our favour; no outstanding invoices and all our commitments up to date.

A major reason for the above was due to the receipt of \$20,000. in bequests, which was used for the organ and building repairs; otherwise our financial position would not have allowed us to deal with this much needed work. Thank you to all who helped to make this possible.

I would like to make an item clear about our Soup Kitchen. The Kitchen is self supporting; we receive donations on a regular basis and this is what we use to operate the Kitchen and purchase the weekly ongoing supplies. This question has been asked by many of our parishioners. Should you require further clarification, please ask.

For your information we began 1986 with 194 families on the parish list and 170 of them being envelope holders. We added 18 families to our list and 17 of them taking envelopes.

We ended 1986 with 193 families on the list and 171 of them being envelope holders. Of the 171 envelopes, only 75 are used regularly, 67 used periodically and 29 not used at all. Taking envelopes is a commitment and it is essential that each envelope be returned if we are to keep our parish in a current position.

<u>Breakdown of Subscribers' Giving</u>		<u>1985</u>	<u>1986</u>
Between	0 and \$ 9.99	88	86
"	10.00 and \$19.99	59	61
"	20.00 and \$50.00	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>
		<u>170</u>	<u>171</u>

The above envelope information is only held by the Envelope Secretary and the Rector. If there is anyone who would like to receive envelopes, please contact the undersigned.

I trust these financial statements are as clear as they can be, however, should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Last, but certainly not least, a very special thank you to Cynthia Watts for the typing of the monthly statements and also this Annual Report. Also, a thank you is in order to the office of Maritime Protective Agency Ltd. for the use of their computer and photo-copying equipment.

Respectfully submitted
K. Wheeler
 Karen A. Wheeler
 Parish Treasurer &
 Envelope Secretary

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE

RECAP OF REVENUE & EXPENSES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31/86
CURRENT ACCOUNT 244-14 (SUMMARY)

PROPOSED
 BUDGET
1987

LIABILITIES

Little Dutch Church	1,037.49	
Memorial Fund	2,297.36	
Organ Fund	110.00	
Poor Fund	63.76	
Rectory Damage Deposit	535.00	
Soup Kitchen	1,543.26	
		<u>\$5,586.87</u>
TOTAL		

REVENUE

Offerings	63,682.06	\$74,785.00
Parish Organizations	9,460.90	10,000.00
Endowments' Interest	2,698.36	2,500.00
Other	30,301.40	20,790.00
		<u>\$106,142.72</u>
TOTAL		
Bank Balance December/85	6,477.95	<u>6,332.48</u>
		<u>\$118,207.54</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$114,407.48</u>

EXPENSES

Property	33,699.03	41,125.00
Spiritual Development	38,712.13	45,081.85
General	15,822.04	16,200.00
Mortgage	12,000.00	12,000.00
		<u>\$100,233.20</u>
TOTAL		
Equity	6,054.99	
Bank Balance December/86	11,919.35	
		<u>\$118,207.54</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$114,406.85</u>

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE

DETAILS OF LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31/86

LITTLE DUTCH CHURCH

Balance - December 31/85 1,051.65

Revenue

Grant - City of Halifax 1,000.00
Collection September 28/86 354.75
Donation 42.50

TOTAL \$1,397.25

Expenses

City of Halifax 51.31
Hardman Group - Postage 52.70
R. Martin - Reception Exp. 107.40
L. Morash - Maintenance 1,200.00

TOTAL \$1,411.41

Balance December/86 \$1,037.49

MEMORIAL FUND

Balance December 31/85 \$2,445.00

Revenue

Donations Received in Memory of:
June Burden, Levinia Clarke, Gladys
Cornelius, Maurice Cunningham, Violet
Francis, Peter Hawkins, Lilly James,
Phyllis Jones, Marion McDonald, Charles
Pope, Mary Purchase, Joseph Romo. 1,737.04

Sale of Red Hymn Books 548.00

TOTAL \$2,285.04

Expenses

C. Almy - Superfrontal "Jones" 287.04
C. Almy - Red Vestments "Ripley" 647.24
Diocesan Bookroom - Prayer Books "Anthony" 190.20
" " Hymn Books "James" 198.20
Music - Special Account 1,110.00

TOTAL \$2,432.68

Balance - December 31/86 \$2,297.36

DETAILS OF LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31/86

ORGAN FUND

Balance - December/85 \$657.41

Revenue

Donations + Memorials:
Levinia Clarke, Peter Hawkins and) 11,859.70
Hilda Sheppard)
Interest - Central Trust 1,017.09
" - Credit Foncier 190.45

TOTAL \$13,067.24

Expenses

Raymond Barnes - Consultant Fee 100.00
Gaspard Ltd. - Gowns 614.65
Orgues Letourneau Ltd.- Organ Repairs \$12,900.00

TOTAL \$13,614.65

Balance - December/86 \$110.00

POOR FUND

Balance - December/85 \$73.57

Revenue

Donations - Poor Box Etc. \$567.91

Expenses

Marvins Buy & Sell - Bureaus 100.00
Nth. End Area Clinic - Vaporizer)
- Glasses) 50.00
Rev'd. Petite - Hope Cottage)
- Dog Bite) 60.79
Salvation Army 251.95
Scotia Drugs - Similac Milk \$114.98

TOTAL \$577.72

Balance - December/86 \$63.76

RECTORY DAMAGE DEPOSIT

Balance - December/85 \$500.00

Approved Interest \$35.00

Balance - December/86 \$535.00

**DETAILS OF LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER/86**

SOUP KITCHEN

Balance - December 31/85 \$1,327.36

Revenue

Donations from Groups, Organizations
and many parishioners \$4,608.71

Expenses

Allied Industrial - Coffee Pot Repairs 41.80
Bolands Ltd. - Supplies 294.07
Eastern Paper - Supplies 139.05
Gallagher Fridge Repairs 46.20
Java Blend - Coffee 52.00
Kidston Glass - Repairs 194.72
Metro Food Bank - Donations 250.00
" " " - Membership 25.00
Provincial Sanitary Products - Supplies 110.83
Speedy Propane 299.57
Weekly Expenses 2,584.16
Zellers - Microwave 355.41

TOTAL \$4,392.81

Balance - December 31/86 \$1,543.26

GRAND TOTAL LIABILITIES \$5,586.87

**DETAILS OF REVENUE - ACCOUNT 244-14
FOR THE YEAR ENDED - DECEMBER /86**

OFFERINGS

Christmas - 1985 85.00
Christmas - 1986 3,121.70
Easter - 1986 3,090.50
Open Offering 3,289.10
Special Offering 1,583.00
Thanksgiving - 1985 5.00
Thanksgiving - 1986 1,707.00
Weekly Envelopes 50,800.76

TOTAL \$63,682.06

Parish Organizations

Cent-a-meal 164.55
Gabriel Guild 8,000.00
Sunday School 13.05
Victorian Dinner 123.71
Yard Sale/Flea Market 1,159.59

TOTAL \$9,460.90

**DETAILS OF REVENUE - ACCOUNT 244-14
FOR THE YEAR ENDED - DECEMBER/86**

Endowments

Bank of Nova Scotia 95.56
Central Trust 205.60
Credit Foncier 498.08
Diocese of Nova Scotia 1,504.16
N.S. Savings & Loans 394.96

TOTAL \$2,698.36

Other Revenue

Adopt-a-jar 439.26
B.A.S. Seminars 490.93
Bequest 10,000.00
Diocese of N.S.- Rector's Rebate 907.34
Diocesan Times 236.00
Initial 305.75
Oil 347.00

Rentals

Church - Heidelberg Concert 800.00
Wedding Fees 50.00
Hall - T. Bustard 50.00
Ladies' Fastball League 75.00
N.S. Folkdancing Assoc. 225.00
Lodge - Loyal Princess 583.38
Loyal Victoria 583.38
Queen's Guard 208.35
Rectory 12,400.00
White Camel Club 2,100.00

World Relief 205.00

Sundry (Closed out old account) 295.01

TOTAL \$30,301.40

Plus Bank Balance December/85 \$6,477.95

GRAND TOTAL REVENUE \$118,207.54

**DETAILS OF EXPENSES - ACCOUNT 244-14
FOR THE YEAR ENDED - DECEMBER 31/86**

PROPERTYEquipment & Extensive Repairs

E & M Creative Iron - Church Rails 971.30
J & T Enterprises - Rectory Bathrooms 1,200.00
Mainland Concrete - Church Steps 6,250.00

Insurance - Marsh & McLellan 2,340.33

Repairs & Maintenance

Don Brentons - Fire Extinguisher	166.80
Black Magic - Chimney - Sexton	55.00
G. Engram - Security Lights	184.00
Locks, Table, Fan	186.83
Halifax Air Cooler - Mower	42.48
Halifax Seed - Mower	55.33
Heislars - Element - Sexton	34.36
R. Keel - Plumbing - Sexton	180.91
S. Pennel - " "	63.15
S. Pennel - " Rectory	78.58
Pierceys - Salt, Locks, Work Party	592.89
Lockharts - Work Party	208.55
Petty Cash - Gas - Mower & Blower	69.00
" Shovels, Keys, Brooms	106.86
Radio Shack - 'Phone & Walkie talkie	65.89
Leonard Morash	35.00

Taxes & Utilities

City of Halifax - Taxes	1,867.18
Dartmouth Fuels	15,039.13
Maritime Tel & Tel Hall 421-1705	441.11
" " " Rector 429-2808	372.33
N.S. Power Corporation	2,534.29
Public Service Commission	557.73
TOTAL	\$33,699.03

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENTRector's Expenses

Salary	19,934.88
Fringes - C.P.P./U.I.C.	969.84
Pension	3,189.36
Travel Allowance	1,440.00
Living Allowance	7,200.00
Car Replacement	2,220.00
Vacation Replacements	160.00

Organist / Music

Salary	2,500.00
Vacation Replacements	105.00

Eucharistic Supplies

A.C.W. Treasurer - Calendars	105.00
Recovery	(156.00)
Canadian Bible Society - Prayer Book	10.95
Recovery	(10.00)
Diocesan Bookroom - Candles)	
" " - Servers' Books)	610.18
" " - " Crosses)	
" " - Tracts	224.73
Tracts Recovery	(11.85)

Sunday School

Canadian Bible Society	3.30
Mahons Stationery	16.74
North End Area Council	200.00

TOTAL 38,712.13

General - Treasurer

1,000.00

Paper/Postage/Etc.

Louson Desonite Inc.	432.60
Mahons Stationery	116.59
Carole Martin - Rubber Stamps	8.40
N.S. Stationers	191.32
N.S. Office Equipment	10.35
Kwik Kopy	30.53
Postage	295.54
R & M Rubber Stamp	12.08

Offering Envelopes

Atlantic Systematic 1986	261.67
" 1987	264.59
Cdn. Bible Society - Easter	41.25
Parish Services - Advent/Lent	242.39

Bank Charges

208.50

Overdrawn Charges 8.57

Allotment - Diocese of N.S.

12,000.00

Miscellaneous Account

All Saints - Servers Lunch	40.00
Diocesan Times	238.50
R. Ells - Audit Fee	150.00
Halifax Herald - White Camel	81.16
Irish Children	691.00
" " - Recovery	(691.00)
World Relief	153.00

Dues & Subscriptions

Halifax Council of Churches	25.00
North End Area Council	10.00

TOTAL \$15,822.04

Mortgage

Interest	4,776.48
Payment of Principal	7,223.52

TOTAL \$12,000.00

DETAILS OF MORTGAGE HELD BY
CANADA TRUST (036-519123-2)
COMMENCEMENT DATE NOV.1ST, 1984

Balance December 31/85	\$62,969.21
Payments for year	\$7,223.52
Balance December 31/86	\$55,745.69

RECORD OF ALL INVESTMENTS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1986

DETAILS OF INVESTMENTS	INTEREST RATE	DATE ISSUED	MATURITY DATE	AMOUNT
<u>Central Trust</u>				
9108 10 J.A. Shaw	10 1/4%	Jan. 18/84	Jan. 18/87	162.88
10169 15 Organ	13 3/4%	June 22/84	June 22/89	3,370.80
11773 38 Organ	8 3/4%	Jan. 4/86	Feb. 4/87	\$1,500.00
TOTAL				<u>\$5,033.68</u>
<u>Credit Foncier</u>				
DIAN431549 J.A. Shaw Rector/Wardens	9%	Apr. 28/86	Apr. 28/87	\$5,844.11
<u>N.S. Savings & Loans</u>				
AD21612 Rector/Wardens	11%	Jan. 15/85	Jan. 15/88	1,000.00
TC2635 Rector/Wardens	11%	Jan. 12/84	Jan. 12/89	1,000.00
AD16311 Organ	11 1/4%	Feb. 16/84	Feb. 16/89	1,282.43
AD21525 J.A. Shaw	11 1/2%	Jan. 1/85	Jan. 1/88	875.22
TOTAL				<u>\$4,157.65</u>
<u>TOTAL HELD BY PARISH</u>				<u>\$15,035.44</u>
<u>Diocese of Nova Scotia</u>				
Endowment - Rector/Wardens		Mar. 31/36		7,000.00
Endowment - Rector's Fund		July 1/36		2,010.67
Endowment - J.A. Shaw		June 16/58		500.00
Gravelots - Wright		Mar. 19/39		300.00
<u>TOTAL HELD BY DIOCESE</u>				<u>\$9,810.67</u>
<u>GRAND TOTAL INVESTMENTS</u>				<u>\$24,846.11</u>

DETAILS	COVERAGE	AMOUNT INSURED
<u>POLICY G-7358</u> ECCLESIASTICAL INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED		
St. George's Church	Build. & Parish Contents	788,000.00
St. George's Church	Build. & Parish Contents	90,000.00
Little Dutch Church	Build. & Parish Contents	17,000.00
Sexton's House	Build. & Parish Contents	25,000.00
Rectory	Build. & Parish Contents	116,000.00
<u>Premium</u>		<u>\$1,938.00</u>
<u>POLICY 4148082</u> GUARDIAN INSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA		
Comprehensive General Liability Insurance	Limit any one accident	5,000,000.00
<u>Premium</u>		<u>\$188.00</u>
<u>POLICY 1888103</u> GUARDIAN INSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA		
Clergyman's Professional Liability Insurance	Each occurrence	100,000.00
<u>Premium</u>		<u>\$28.00</u>
<u>TOTAL PREMIUM</u>		<u>\$2,154.00</u>
Plus Instalment Interest		<u>186.33</u>
<u>GRAND TOTAL PREMIUM</u>		<u>\$2,340.33</u>

PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS - CITY OF HALIFAX

NUMBERS	PROPERTY	1986	1987
160880	Dutch Church	84,100.00	140,200.00
162577	Church	234,300.00	321,100.00
162589	Rectory	47,800.00	77,800.00
459010	Parking Lot	19,800.00	31,000.00
175201	Hall	129,500.00	129,100.00
161664	Sexton's House	30,800.00	54,000.00

BUDGET 1987

	BUDGET 1986 REVISED	ACTUAL 1986	PROPOSED BUDGET 1987
REVENUE			
Carry over previous year			6,332.48
Offerings	71,000.00	65,883.60	74,785.00
Endowments' Interest	3,100.00	2,698.36	2,500.00
Parish Organizations	10,000.00	9,283.30	10,000.00
Rentals - Lodge	2,500.00	1,375.11	-
- Hall/Church	1,500.00	1,200.00	1,500.00
- White Camel	7,200.00	2,100.00	5,500.00
- Rectory	12,400.00	12,400.00	12,790.00
- Rector's Rebate	907.34	907.34	-
Sundry Revenue	-	10,295.01	1,000.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$108,607.34	\$106,142.72	\$114,407.48
EXPENSES			
Property			
Taxes	2,000.00	1,867.18	2,000.00
Fuel	20,000.00	15,039.13	17,000.00
Water	700.00	557.73	700.00
N.S. Power	1,500.00	2,534.29	2,500.00
Maintenance - Supplies	800.00	33.98	800.00
- Labour/Other	1,200.00	1,889.85	1,200.00
- Labour/Morash	1,200.00	35.00	1,200.00
Fire Extinguisher	150.00	166.80	175.00
Telephone	850.00	813.44	850.00
Equipment & Repairs	10,000.00	8,421.30	12,000.00
Insurance	2,500.00	2,340.33	2,700.00
Spiritual Development			
Rector's Expenses	35,154.20	35,114.08	36,431.85
Organist/Music	2,605.00	2,605.00	7,500.00
Eucharistic Supplies	800.00	773.01	800.00
Sunday School	200.00	220.04	350.00
General			
Treasurer	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Paper, Postage, Etc.	1,400.00	1,097.41	1,200.00
Offering Envelopes Etc.	500.00	809.90	500.00
Bank Charges)		208.50	
Overdrawn Charges)	400.00	8.57	400.00
Allotment	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,500.00	662.66	1,000.00
Dues & Subscriptions	100.00	35.00	100.00
Mortgage			
Interest)		4,776.48	
Payment (Principal))	12,000.00	7,223.52	12,000.00
1986 Outstanding Invoices			
		NIL	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$108,559.20	\$100,233.20	\$114,406.85

I am pleased and privileged to report that the parish has once again experienced a successful year financially, completing 1986 with a bank balance in our favour of \$6,332.48. All accounts have been paid in full and we are up-to-date with our mortgage payments and our allotment.

Credit for this accomplishment is due to Mr. Thomas Perkes who served as chairman of the Finance Committee until his departure for a new position in Ontario in October. He and his committee are to be congratulated for their sound management of the parish's finances.

We also owe a debt of thanks to Karen Wheeler who, in her second year as Treasurer, continued her competent handling of parish accounts. Her vigilance was a key factor in keeping expenses under budget.

In the 1985 Annual Report, former Finance Committee chairman, George Caines, recommended that the parish should work towards reassuming the Rector's salary on a full-time basis and including the full cost of the music program in the budget.

The Rector returned to us full-time in 1986 and the parish has proved itself ready and able to meet these additional welcome expenses. The Finance Committee decided during the year to incorporate the entire cost of the music program in the 1987 budget. Our proposed music allotment for the coming year begins to reflect more closely the true value of the services of our organist and choir director.

Finally, and most importantly, our thanks must go to the members of the parish whose continued generous giving has maintained the parish in such a healthy financial condition. The parish has a solid history of rising to meet financial challenges and 1986 was no exception. I am confident that the same commitment and dedication will ensure the success of the coming year.

Respectfully Submitted

Mary Martin
Chairman
Finance Committee

The past year has been filled with many promising signs for the future of the Parish. We have been operating with a strong Parish Council. The meetings have been very well attended and we have been able to get a lot accomplished. Each of the five standing Committees of Council and Parish Organizations have strong leadership and if we all work together the future life and vitality of the Parish should be assured.

The shape of the Parish is governed by the activity of these Committees and organizations. I will confine my remarks to these areas, high-lighting particular events and priorities.

Spiritual Development

The main responsibility for Spiritual Development lies with the Rector of the Parish along with those appointed to the Spiritual Development Committee to advise him. The areas of special concern are the Liturgy and Education.

The Book of Alternate Services

Our concern with Liturgy has been to continue developing a tradition which is reflective of our Anglican Tradition and encourages renewal within the Parish's worship life. The combined efforts of Clergy, Servers, Choir and Congregation work to offer our very best to Almighty God each Sunday morning. We have continued to do this for some time now through a flexible use of The Book of Common Prayer. Our Liturgy at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays and throughout the week has consisted of a revised form of the Prayer Book Service. Through the use of this "Prayer Book" rite we have introduced many of the contemporary formats often seen with the use of The Book of Alternate Services in other Parishes. Many of our Parishioners could visit any Parish currently using the BAS and find their way through the Service quite easily.

During the 1986 Lenten Season the Spiritual Development Committee offered a series of very successful Seminars on the Book of Common Prayer and The Book of Alternate Services. The series attracted people from other Parishes and we all learned a good deal from this worthwhile educational experience. Our aim will be to present a position paper to the people of St. George's sometime this year and ultimately to produce a document which might be

useful to our Bishops and the Diocese as a whole. In the meantime your Rector intends to follow the advice of The Spiritual Development Committee and postpone any further consideration as to the use of the BAS until the Committee and the Parish have had sufficient time to reflect upon all of the implications of these new rites.

It is important for all to remember that The Book of Common Prayer is the official Prayer Book of our Church. At some point the Parish must decide what it wants to do about The Book of Alternate Services and we will have to exercise care and wisdom in the stand we take as a Parish. To that end it will be necessary for all to learn as much as possible about the issues surrounding the BAS so as to make a responsible decision. The Seminars have provided part of that opportunity. The Spiritual Development Committee will finish the process by presenting a position paper for the Council and Parish to consider.

Music Director

Our musical program continued to develop during the past year. The music offered at the 10:30 a.m. Eucharist is worthy of the Parish and the Choir is to be commended. Mr. Buley has done an excellent job for us, using care and sensitivity in the choice of music which assists in our understanding of the proclamation of the Word and in our proper receiving of the Blessed Sacrament.

The new Budget before the Annual Meeting provides a new focus on this very important ministry. Mr. Buley has excellent qualifications and experience, skills for which St. George's is unable to provide adequate remuneration. However it is extremely important we try to remedy this situation. The increase suggested in the new Budget for Church Music is a beginning towards this process. We have of course, many expenses in the new year and the increase in the Budget includes funds for property management and maintenance. However, with the financial leadership we now have within the Parish and with a commitment from our people I am certain we will be able to meet these challenges.

We need to remember that Ministry is the priority for us at St. George's and Music is a very important ministry, not only because it brings new people among us but also because we ought to offer our very best to Almighty God at the Eucharist on a Sunday morning.

To reflect about music in the Parish is to be mindful of the wonderful contribution made by Michal King over the years at St. George's. Michal has played a Church organ a very long time, not only at St. George's but in many Parishes where

her Father had been Rector over the years. She is endeared to us not only for her musical abilities, which are considerable, but for her keen co-operative spirit, enthusiasm and good will. Her contribution to Parish life is an example of an attitude which enables St. George's to grow and prosper. She has been patient of change and entirely enthusiastic and supportive of the musical and liturgical program as it has progressed. Her decision to leave the "bench" has not been an easy one, filled as the years have been with wonderful memories.

We all look forward to "hearing" Michal make her contribution to Parish life from the pew where no doubt help is needed, especially when something unfamiliar is posted on the hymn board.

Clerical and Lay Ministry

We have been blessed during the past year with the assistance of Canon Karl Tufts. At first Fr. Tufts appeared in the Sanctuary once a month but lately he has managed to take two Sundays each month with us, for which we are very thankful. I hope the Cathedral, for whom he works on a part time basis, can spare him because we are happy indeed to share his company. It was a special pleasure to share his forty-fifth Anniversary to the Priesthood and to have him celebrate the Eucharist for us on that significant day.

The Parish has been blessed with loyal lay ministry at the Altar as well. I am so pleased to see adults joining the ranks of the Servers along with the young people and to have Dr. John Swaine licensed as a new Parochial Lay Reader. The Parish now has five Lay Readers who will eventually be conducting Morning Prayer on Sunday mornings. With the assistance of these Lay Readers and Fr. Tufts we will be able to observe a high tradition in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist and further develop our Liturgical tradition at St. George's. It is also gratifying to see the number of Lectors who come forward and read the Old Testament Lesson and others who bring the gifts of bread and wine to the Altar during the Sunday Eucharist.

Church School

The Parish has seen a renewal in our Church School during the last year under the direction of Mark DeWolf. We have a solid core of young children and we hope their numbers will increase. The program offered at Christmas by the children was a high-light of the year and we are all looking forward to hearing about their plans for Easter.

Pastoral Care

The Pastoral Care Committee have made a success story of the weekly soup-kitchen. This has been a tremendous undertaking, involving commitment, organization and a keen understanding of those who use this service. The whole project has been a credit to the Parish and to those who have worked so hard throughout the year. Cynthia Watts, the Chairman of this Committee, in the midst of new Academic responsibilities, has continued to work extremely hard in this very important work, along with her many co-workers.

The Committee has other concerns as well. They keep in contact with our shut-ins and developed little fund raising opportunities. They have also established contact with a Parish in Northern Ontario and adopted them as our Sister Parish. All of these are commendable projects.

The work of this Committee continues to grow. An area where there has been little time to develop and yet will at some point need our attention is the whole subject of broader Mission out-reach. The work undertaken by the Appeal for the North, The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund, "Ten Days for Development" and The Canadian Bible Society are just a few of the areas which we could investigate. There will also be more and more local community issues to face as we continue to take our part in offering help to the neighborhood. The Pastoral Care Committee, should they entertain some of these challenges, will need your support in the days ahead if they are to be successful in this very important ministry.

Given that this Committee is extremely busy with on-going projects it might be helpful for a sub-group to be formed who have special interest in this kind of ministry. I am sure we have the resources in the congregation. All it takes is for someone to come forward and offer to help.

Finance Committee

The watchful eye of this Committee has guided us through yet another year with reasonable financial success. Over the past few years we have placed our efforts in the areas of cash-flow management, "no-frill" budgeting and we have encouraged our people to consider giving more to the Parish. On the whole this has proven quite successful and we have been able to meet our commitments.

It is now time for us to develop a program of fund raising through a process of giving our people clear financial information, encouraging more realistic giving patterns, increasing the numbers of people who come to the Parish and

presenting our people with challenges in ministry toward which they will want to contribute.

The Finance Committee, at the present, has very capable leadership and we have not been in a better position for some time to accept the new challenges before us.

Mr. Thomas Perkes, the Finance Committee Chairman of last year had to leave us in November due to a job posting. Mrs. Mary Martin kindly consented to take up this responsibility and we are very encouraged by the leadership she has already exhibited on behalf of the Parish. We have an excellent Book Keeper in the person of our Treasurer Karen Wheeler who has served us well during the past year.

Property Committee

This Committee was able to continue with a program of on-going maintenance throughout the year. Funds became available to replace the front steps, begin some major repairs on the organ and to look after other odds and ends. The pressing things in the new year will be the restoration of two pillars in the Nave of the Church and repair of the Hall roof.

A long term goal of course is the complete restoration of the Church itself. This is still paramount on the minds of those who serve on The St. George's Foundation. As you know there is a considerable debt for the Foundation to settle with the Bank of Nova Scotia before this project can go forward. During the past year Mr. William Schwartz and members of the St. George's Foundation have been working very hard negotiating with various levels of Government to conclude this matter. We extend our sincere thanks to Mr. Schwartz and to members of the Board for their efforts during the past year and we all pray for a successful settlement in order that we may proceed with the restoration of our fine old Church.

It was a pleasure indeed to welcome back Gordon Engram to Parish Council and to chair the Property Committee. Gordon has special skills and experience which he brings to this task, having been associated for many years with St. George's.

Publicity

The Publicity Committee as well as providing notice of events in the Parish and publishing our weekly bulletin, is the chief sponsor of many social events in the Parish throughout the year. It organizes the Victorian Dinner, the

Little Dutch Church Service and the Trafalgar Day Service. These special days are important in the life of the Parish and bring us into contact with the community at large.

The challenge of presenting the Parish to those outside our community and encouraging them to join us is great. The possibility of growing year by year depends upon the successful exercise of this ministry. We all have a part to play and we would do a lot to support the efforts of this Committee by bringing someone along with us on a Sunday morning.

Marie Waters is our Chairman of this Committee and very keen to share St. George's with others. I want to express a special thanks to Marie for the dedicated work provided through her staff at the Academy on the Parish Leaflet during the past year and for the donation of paper to reproduce the Leaflet.

Parish Organizations and Groups

There are lots of things to do at St. George's as witnessed by the number of organizations and groups. The Gabriel Guild works faithfully throughout the year holding Fund raising events which are a tremendous help to the Parish. We are especially pleased by the addition during the past year of Sunday Brunch to their busy schedule of events. This little social time once a month has been very helpful in acquainting everyone and in welcoming newcomers. I am sure I express the sentiments of everyone in thanking the women for all their work.

Mary Isaacs has been President of the Guild for some years now and we owe her a debt of gratitude for continuing to provide leadership among the women of the Parish. Others have contributed through the work of the Gabriel Guild for many years. We most most grateful for their long years of service

It is always sad to lose anyone of our friends in the Parish but we all were especially saddened by the recent death of Violet Francis. Violet was an inspiration to us all with her positive and happy approach to everything, her strong support of St. George's and her faithfulness in the worship and service of Almighty God. We miss her a great deal and express our love and support to her husband Harvey and his family.

The Choir, Servers Guild, Altar Guild, Nursery, Soup Kitchen Teams, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts, have had a busy year. All of these organizations involve a large number of people in

In Memoriam

The Following is a list of the Faithful Departed from our Parish who died during 1986.

Phoebe Parsons

Gladys Barbara Cornelious

John Lewis Borgal

Lavina Clarke

Hilda Jean Shepherd

Russell Samuel Mortimer

Donald David Lucas

Eileen Hayes

Violet May Francis

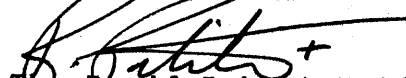
Bertha Williams

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the Parish and really demonstrate a very active community. There is not space to thank everyone by name for their efforts in the Parish throughout the year. A very special thanks to those who have had leadership responsibilities in these organizations or groups and our sincere appreciation to everyone who have contributed to Parish life. I am sure that the coming year will be even better, full of new opportunities and challenges.

May I close by extending thanks to Dr. John Swaine who leaves Council having completed three years as Warden of the Parish and thanks to Leonard and Susan Morash for their work as Sextons of the Parish.

Yours In Christ


The Rev'd Robert Petite

Once again, it is with pride that the wardens can report that the parish has continued in its process of growth and consolidation during 1986. Virtually all phases of parish life have grown and taken on new responsibilities.

We are also proud to report that the "no frills" approach to parish finances taken several years ago is now paying off with a more stable financial picture; recognition must be given to the skillful assistance of the Treasurer and the Finance Committees. This has enabled us:

- in 1985 to resume utility payments and to initiate a monthly allowance for the sexton; to get the oil and other debts well under control for the first time in decades; to resume allotment payments to the Diocese.
- in 1986 it enabled us to restore the rector's salary on a full-time basis; to carry out long-needed work on the organ to replace the front steps of the church.
- in 1987 it will enable us to support additional essential repair work on the hall roof and church, and to regularize and improve funding for the music program.

It is not time to relax.

Growth and development must continue and will require your consideration and your active support. The paced expansion described above is possible only with the involved, continuous co-operation of individual members of our parish community. In 1987 you will be asked to reconsider your pattern of giving so that St. George's will never again be threatened with closure as it was several years ago.

A chief area of important new growth continues to be in the people who choose to become part of our congregation, who year by year bring us new gifts and abilities to add to the richness of our parish. It is vital for us to encourage this growth and foster the kind of parish life which will bring us all more and more into the way of Christ. In our worship of God and in our service, rendered both to the community and to each other, we offer the best we have. Indeed, this is an essential purpose of the parish.

This Annual Report is a reflection of the enthusiasm and hard work of scores of committed persons, all of whom love and are working to help the development of the parish. Please read the reports and ask questions so that you can be better informed about parish affairs.

Susan Harris
Dr. John Swaine
Wardens

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Early in the 1986 calendar year, considerable thought was given to carrying out a number of maintenance projects and repairs to the parish properties.

I regret to report, that due to the shortfall in rental revenue and certain emergency repairs which had not been anticipated, we were forced to defer some of the proposed maintenance until a later date. However, due to generous bequests, general repairs and maintenance carried out during the past year were as follows:

1. Exterior

- a) Replacement of the concrete steps and associated metal railing at the front of the church.
- b) Replacement of the memorial Notice Board on the south lawn of the church.
- c) Replacement of flashings above the roof of the entrance porch at the rear of the church.
- d) Repair, repositioning and painting of the wooden walkway approaching the parish hall.
- e) Painting of a portion of the windows, doors and trim on the southerly exposure of the parish hall.

2. Interior

- a) Repairs to the electrical wiring under the floor of the church.
- b) Repairs to the church organ.
- c) Minor maintenance to the heating duct-work beneath the floor of the church.
- d) Touch-up painting and stabilization of church pews.
- e) Replacing a number of locks on doors.
- f) Replacing all ceramic tile wall covering around the bathtub, second floor of rectory.
- g) Replacing gyproc walls above bathtub and installing a combination exhaust fan and light in bathroom, lower floor of rectory.
- h) Replacement of burner motor, transformer and related wiring of furnace in rectory.

It is recommended that the following repairs and maintenance be carried out as soon as possible:

- a) Installation of the memorial lamp and painting the ceiling of the Sanctuary.
- b) Complete overhaul of the furnace of the rectory and necessary repairs to be carried out.
- c) Repairs and reshingling of roof area of parish hall and plaster repairs to hall ceiling.
- d) Repairs to the steps leading from the hall to the parking lot off Maitland Street.

There are many other areas where improvements should be made, but with limited funds in hand much will have to be deferred until funds become available.

I wish to thank all those who so willingly gave of their time, effort and money to enable the maintenance of the past year to be carried out and hope that this will be repeated in the future.

Respectfully Submitted
Gordon J. Engram
Chairman



The Publicity Committee is composed of six members of the business community, sharing experiences in management, marketing, journalism, finance, advertising and leadership. Additional contributions are made by the Church Wardens and Fr. Petite. The group met sporadically -- monthly or more frequently, as the need dictates. We see as our goal the need to make the community aware of St. George's Parish as a place to worship and a place to meet, thereby increasing our numbers. Increase in numbers subsequently increases the general strength of the parish in terms of both activity and income.

We discuss ways of meeting the community through the media - television, radio and newspaper. We have been active in erecting posters inviting people to special services and to special events such as suppers and flea markets. We have composed a "letter from a parishioner" inviting interested people to attend our Thanksgiving service; however the independence and inefficiency of the postal system rendered our attempt unsuccessful as a mail delivery although we had paid for the service. Attempts to recover our payment or make good the service were met with indifference in the Post Office. We are not dismayed, however, and are planning an additional attempt to invite neighbours of St. George to our Easter and Lenten services.

Publicity Committee has edited and printed the Parish leaflet and inserts, and has published one copy of a newsletter "The Church Mouse", co-created by Susan Harris and Mark DeWolf. Another issue is under way and it is hoped that contributions will be forthcoming from parish members. All published items have been printed at no cost as a contribution from the Halifax Business Academy.

Respectfully submitted

Marie G. Watters,
Chairman

It is with great pleasure that I am able to report that the Gabriel Guild, though small in numbers, has had a very productive and successful year. Through dedication and hard work we have been able to add \$8,000. to the church treasury, but, at the same time have not forgotten those outside our own parish.

During the year, most members were busy serving, knitting, crocheting or making crafts. As a result, the Craft Sale at Scotia Square, the Christmas Dinner and the Red Rose Dinner brought us more revenue than we had expected.

In addition to these large fund-raising events, the members catered for six Sunday Brunches for the congregation, a Penny Auction, a Shrove Tuesday Card Social, a Senior Citizens' Garden Party in the Spring and a dinner at Christmas and a Ladies' Ball Tournament Banquet. We have also provided refreshments for various parish functions. So, as you can see, we have been busy!

We have continued our support in the form of money or refreshments for the Friends of Kings, the Bible Society, the Alexandra Society and the Atlantic School of Theology.

We would not be able to carry out our work without the generous help given by the members of our congregation. We are especially thankful for all those who give donations, work in the kitchens and support us in all our undertakings. Your generosity has been appreciated and we look forward to your support in the new year.

We extend a special thanks to Jim Rawding who, with the help of some of our members, worked very hard when we had two Flea Markets. To those who gave donations and their time we also extend our thanks.

We remember at this time two of our long-standing, faithful members: Violet Francis and Hilda Sheppard, who passed away during the year. They will be remembered and missed by all of us.

At our Annual Meeting on February 3rd we held our election of Officers which resulted in a change of leadership. We would, at this time, acknowledge and most sincerely thank our outgoing President **MRS. MARY ISAACS** for her dedication and able leadership over the past 27 years. There are no words to tell of the hard work and love she has put in throughout those years. She has been an example to us all.

As we look to the new year, we will endeavor to carry on our work with the same enthusiasm and devotion that we have in the past; and we would invite and encourage the ladies of our church to join the Gabriel Guild and share in the joy of a shared christian endeavour.

Respectfully submitted
Louisa Gibson
Secretary

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
GABRIEL GUILD

Balance as of December 31, 1985 \$21.79

REVENUE

Interest on Account	43.96	
Interest on Debenture	236.25	
Assessment Fees	20.00	
Catering - Softball Banquet	742.00	
Wedding - Bustard	310.00	
Collection Box	47.15	
Pancake Social	175.05	
Penny Auction	163.00	
Red Rose Dinner	2,542.09	
Sunday Brunches (6)	783.50	
Scotia Square Sale	1,194.80	
Seniors' Turkey Dinner	287.25	
Seniors' Picnic	200.00	
Turkey Dinner	3,064.25	\$9,809.30

EXPENSES

Alexandra Society	25.00	
Calvin Ladies' Group	10.00	
Canadian Bible Society	100.00	
City of Halifax - Permits	20.00	
G. Engram - Pie Table	51.26	
Expenses - Red Rose Dinner	29.38	
" Wedding Bustard	62.32	
" Seniors' Picnic	73.88	
" Softball Banquet	93.82	
" New silverware	95.22	
" Turkey Dinner	116.05	
" Seniors' Dinner	53.07	
F.W. Fearmens - Roast Beef	298.04	
House of Fabrics - Materials etc.	64.00	
Hubs Meats - Turkeys	492.73	
Parish of St. George	8,000.00	
Parish - Special - D. Buley	100.00	
Rev'd. Petite	25.00	
Service Charges	8.14	9,717.91

Balance as of December 31, 1986 \$113.18

Cynthia W. Watts
Treasurer

The year of 1986 was a very successful and rewarding year, thanks to the members who were such co-operative and willing workers. A special thanks to those for their artistry at Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

We had new members join our Guild and for this we are most grateful. New members are always welcome.

We would like to extend our very sincere and special thanks to Martha Kendall who hand sewed the new Trinity Superfrontal, dedicated in memory of Phyllis Jones, and the new red vestments dedicated in memory of Flora Ripley.

We were deeply saddened by the passing of Violet Francis who was one of our long time and devoted members. She is greatly missed as she was a dear friend to many. On behalf of our members I wish to extend our sincere and deepest sympathy to the family.

Respectfully submitted,
Gertie Moulton
President

SANCTUARY GUILD
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance as of December 31, 1985 618.22

REVENUE

Donations	548.00	
Interest on Account	<u>15.84</u>	563.84

EXPENSES

Diocesan Bookroom - Wine/Hosts	220.32	
Expenses - Brasso, Silvo etc.	28.75	
Flowers	231.76	
Music - Special D. Buley	<u>100.00</u>	580.83

Balance as of December 31, 1986 \$601.23

1986 has been both an active and rewarding year. On February 4th St. George's was host to the 2nd Annual, Halifax Chebucto Region, Servers Gathering in our church hall. After dinner and an address by The Rt. Rev'd Bishop Peters, the group was divided into teams for a very spirited game of "Servers' Pursuit", testing the Servers' knowledge on such subjects as the Gospels, The Book of Common Prayer and other matters related to serving.

The year's activities also included joining members of the Sunday School in Lenten and Advent Workshops under the direction of our rector and members of the Spiritual Development Committee.

Early in the year instruction was given to 6 adults prior to their joining our active weekly schedule.

The Second Sunday in Advent saw the presentation of a second year server's cross to Tanya Connors and a first year server's crosses to Ricky Evans, Paula Cunningham, Sandy Caines, James Rawding and John Swaine.

By the end of the year there were a total of 13 Servers, serving regularly at our main 10:30 a.m. Sunday Eucharist; also at our said Eucharists on Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and Wednesday at 10:00 a.m., as well as on the occasions of Feast Day Celebrations at 7:00 p.m.

Our thanks to Fr. Petite for his patience and understanding, and most importantly, for his spiritual leadership.

The fulfilling of a Server's duty takes little time out of a weekly routine, but takes a great deal of co-operation on the part of many, including the parents of our younger Servers: To you a sincere thank you, for without your co-operation our task would be next to impossible.

I commend the Servers on their devotion and enthusiasm, which clearly has its own rewards.

Respectfully Submitted
Kenneth Pringle
Master of Ceremonies

The musical tradition at Saint George's continued in 1986 with the leadership of the Organist, Michal King, and the members of the Saint George's Choir. As well as providing music for the regular Sunday Masses, these dedicated people presided, musically, at services for Ash Wednesday, Tenebrae, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, The Easter Vigil, The Annual Dutch Church Service, The Advent Service and Christmas Eve.

A number of new motets by such composers as Byrd, Hooper, Hutchings, Morchant, Morley and Mozart were learned by the choir and these represent a strong continuity with the English Choral Tradition.

A Communion setting by Herbert Sumsion was also sung liturgically. It should be said that such music as the above - sung by the choir only - is meant to be heard as choral offerings to God and are not specifically done to exclude the congregation. It is hoped that members of the congregation find this music edifying and that they are able to participate in prayer during these offerings. The congregation has been encouraged (and still is) to make use of some new congregational music - a plainsong mass, new hymns and the Psalmody, sung between the Old Testament lesson the Epistle on Sunday mornings. While much of this may be unfamiliar on the first hearing, it does become easier with practice. The more these new pieces are attempted the easier it will be to sing them.

The membership of the Saint George's Choir might best be described as "migratory". Due to reasons of scheduling difficulties or moving, resignations were received from Flora Buchan, Sandy Caines, Rachel DeWolf-Swetnam, Carol Kemp, Jennifer King, Terry McLaughlin, Charles Reagh and Frank Riles. It is hoped that these singers will be able to return to us in the future. Janet Ross and Stephen Burns left in the Fall for a Sabbatical year, however we were happy to welcome back from theirs, Martha Pratt and Bruce Archibald. Other "returning singers" include Jane Reagh and Karen Conrod. Additionally, we welcomed Michelle Huett and Rick Marsman as new members in the choir.

An attempt was made in the Fall to establish a children's choir however, after numerous requests in the congregation and some area schools, only 4 singers expressed interest. In the opinion of the choir Director, this is not enough children to form an efficient choir. It is hoped that more interest will exist in the future.

We face in 1987 the new challenge of providing music with the Choir Director and Organist jobs being combined. This is due to the "retirement" of Michal King from her job as the Organist of Saint George's. Her presence in the chancel will be missed but we anticipate hearing her contribution as part of the Saint George's congregation.

SAINT GEORGE'S CHOIR Continued

It remains only to thank all those who have assisted with the ongoing Choral fund-raising - "The Sherry Table" - and most especially Paula Cunningham and Robert and Mary Martin who have taken the responsibility of supplying the potables for this weekly indulgence.

Faithfully Submitted

David Buley
Choir Director

SPECIAL ACCOUNT
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Bank Balance as of December 31/85		29.08
<u>REVENUE</u>		2,973.59
<u>EXPENSES</u>	3,000.00	
Bank Charges	<u>2.67</u>	<u>3,002.67</u>
Bank Balance as of December 31/86		<u>NIL</u>

This account was originally opened in October, 1984 for the purpose of paying the choral Director. A very sincere thank you to all who have taken an interest in this special work by expressing their appreciation in donating to this account.

This account has now been closed as the music program has been incorporated in the General Account.

Further donations can be included in your regular weekly envelopes if you wish. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted

Flora Buchan

GROUP COMMITTEE
BEAVERS - CUBS - SCOUTS

The Group Committee for 2nd Halifax wishes to thank the parish for its ongoing support as a sponsor and for the use of the church hall. We currently have 11 beavers, 13 cubs and 13 scouts registered in the programs. We have 1 active Beaver Leader with 2 new Leaders coming on board: The Cub Pack has 2 Leaders and a "Kim" (Scout Helper) and the Scout Troop has 2 active Leaders.

Over the past few months we have been beset with difficulties, of which the Parish Executive are aware. Corrective measures are being undertaken. Regretfully, as a result, little has evolved with the St. George's Society this scouting year. This too we hope to change.

On a more positive note, the pop sale has raised enough funds to allow all 2nd Halifax Scouts and Leaders to attend "Scotia Jamb '87"; Nova Scotia's Provincial Jamboree; a direct result of their own tremendous efforts.

Brenda Ebel (Beavers), Bruce Archibald (Cubs) and Jeff Lutz (Scouts), all new Leaders this year, have completed the first level of Leader Training (Woodbadge 1).

We have had unlimited use of a cabin out at the Miller Lake Mainland Scouting Camp, thanks to the generosity of the Sir Frederick Fraser Institute for the Blind who own the cabin.

St. George's parishioners have been very supportive in several fund raising campaigns and we thank you for your participation in this manner.

It is our hope that the scouting program at St. George's will grow in a positive manner, providing challenging activities for the boys and available training for Leaders.

Respectfully Submitted

Jan Connors
Acting Chairman

Balance as of December 31/85 357.80

REVENUE

Bake Sale)		
Bottle Drive)		
Brunch Proceeds)	216.00	
Calendar Sales	37.50	
Cheese Sales	1,105.90	
Donations from Parish & St. George's Society	1,070.00	
Dues (Cubs, Scouts)	15.88	
Registrations	389.00	
Replacement Meal	30.30	
Trees for Canada	1,569.60	
Interest on Account	19.21	4,453.39

EXPENSES

Banquet Costs	139.33	
J. Brown - Cubs	31.75	
B. Ebel - Beavers	78.10	
D. Connors - Food/Equip	1,199.93	
E. MacDonald - Equip	91.82	
K. Wheeler - Scout Shop Scarves Halifax North District	52.35	
Course Fees	216.00	
Calendars	115.00	
Registratkons	537.50	
Mr. Parker - Telephone Expense	10.21	
Farmers - Cheese	862.50	
Red Cross - Canoe Course	25.00	
Rocking Horse Crafts (Beaver)	38.50	
Saga Foods	50.30	
Scout Shop	447.00	
St. George's Society Dinner	25.00	
World Brotherhood Fund	50.00	
Boy Scouts - Trees	627.84	
Bank Charges	11.34	4,609.47

Balance as of December 31/86 \$201.72

Respectfully Submitted
Brenda Murphy
Treasurer

The Nominations Committee is composed of the following persons: The Rector, as Chairman, The two Wardens and the Treasurer of the Parish. The committee met on Friday January 16th at 12:00 noon.

The Committee recommends the confirmation of those elected to Council on an interim basis to fill positions left vacant in the latter part of the year. Those persons being: Mary Martin, Chairman of the Finance Committee; Martha Pratt, Ian Henderson, Robert Martin, Larry Stephan and James Rawding to fill positions at large. The committee also nominates Mr. Raymond Surette as an additional member-at-large.

Our Senior Warden, Dr. John Swaine retires this year having completed his term of office. Our Junior Warden, Miss Susan Harris will assume the position of Senior Warden and the committee nominates Mr. Gordon Engram to the office of Junior Warden.

The committee wishes to thank Dr. Swaine for his contribution to parish life over the past three years as Warden and also those who have served on Council during the past year.

The following slate of Officers and Members of the Parish Council would represent the people of St. George's on the Parish Council in the coming year following the approval of the Annual Meeting:

- Senior Warden:	Miss Susan Harris (1)
Junior Warden:	Mr. Gordon Engram (2)
- Parish Treasurer:	Karen A. Wheeler (1)
- Parish Secretary:	Paula Cunningham (2)
- Chairman, Finance Committee:	Mary Martin (3)
- Chairman, Property Committee:	Gordon Engram (2)
- Chairman, Spiritual Development:	James Pritchard (2)
- Chairman, Pastoral Care Committee:	Cynthia W. Watts (1)
- Chairman, Publicity Committee:	Marie G Watters (3)
- Servers Guild:	Kenneth Pringle (1)
- Gabriel Guild:	Louisa Gibson (2)
- Altar Guild:	Gertie Moulton (2)
- Choir Representative:	Karen Conrod (3)
- Group Committee:	Jan Connors (1)
- Church School:	Mark DeWolf (2)
- Members at Large:	Thomas Brown (2)
	Mary Cunningham (2)
	Harvey Francis (2)
	Ian Henderson (3)
	Robert Martin (3)
	Enid Pi-Jimenez (2)
	Martha Pratt (3)
	James Rawding (3)
	Larry Stephan (3)
	Raymond Surette (3)

Nominations Committee: (Continued)

- Tangier Deanery Centre: Jan Connors
- Regional Council: The Wardens
Louisa Gibson
Ian Henderson
Cynthia W. Watts
Karen A. Wheeler
- Diocesan Synod: To be elected.

Note: The number in parentheses refers to the years of term left to serve on Council.

Respectfully Submitted
The Rev'd Robert Petite,
Rector,
Chairman, Nominations Committee

