

THE PARISH OF ST. GEORGE

HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA

**ANNUAL REPORT
FOR
THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1998**

ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1999

A PRAYER FOR OUR MISSION AS CHRISTIANS

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, Saviour of Mankind, as you did call your first disciples to fish for men, give us grace to launch out into the deep water of human need, and to let down the saving net of compassion and concern. Send us out in your name with helping hand and healing word, and enable us by the power of your love to serve our fellow man. Hear us, Jesus, Master, Christ Eternal, whom we worship with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. Amen.

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Agenda

1. Opening Prayer
2. Approval of Minutes of Feb.22, 1998
3. Unfinished business or business arising from the Minutes
4. Communications
5. Financial Statements for year ended December 31, 1998
6. Report of Rector
7. Report of Wardens
8. Report of Synod Delegates
9. ~~Consideration of Committee Reports~~ *S.A. Elections*
10. Reception of Organization Reports
11. 1999 Budget
12. New or Special Business
13. ~~Elections~~
14. Nominations to Diocesan Council and King's College Board
15. Motion of Adjournment
16. Closing Prayers

Minutes Annual General Meeting, Sunday, February 22, 1998

Sixty parishioners were present (40 at the end.) The Meeting opened at 12:55 p.m. with a prayer by Father Thorne. Gwynedd Pickett was appointed Secretary to the meeting as the Parish Council secretary was absent.

The agenda was approved as printed and distributed.

MINUTES of 1997 AGM were presented. Karen Wheeler requested that her comment regarding previous outstanding allotment from 1994 (\$5,281) be added to the minutes of the discussion under Finances. Neil Robertson requested that the spelling of his name be corrected.

MOVED: John Hammond, SECONDED: Neil Robertson. Be it resolved that the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of February 23, 1997 as distributed and corrected be approved. CARRIED.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS were presented to the meeting by Mary Martin, who thanked Bruce Phinney C.A. for volunteering his services to review the statements. It was noted that the correct accumulated deficit of the parish was \$29,586, consisting primarily of allotment arrears. Neil Robertson inquired about the total allotment owing. Mary Martin explained that the parish had paid full allotment in 1995, none in 1996, and \$9,000 in 1997; the total arrears are \$54,616.

MOVED: Mary Martin, SECONDED: Michael Johnston. Be it resolved that the financial statements as distributed and corrected be adopted. CARRIED.

RESTORATION FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (audited) were presented to the meeting by Karen Wheeler. Jan Connors asked what the new item "Restricted Fund Balance" referred to. Karen Wheeler explained that this was a new auditing convention introduced in 1997 indicating that those funds must be used for a specific purpose, i.e. to restore the church.

MOVED: Karen Wheeler, SECONDED: Anne West. Be it resolved that the Restoration financial statements for the year 1997 as distributed be adopted. CARRIED.

RECTOR'S REPORT: Fr. Thorne thanked the outgoing Senior Warden, Jim Snyder, for his time, talents, and his gift of clarity, enabling us to see the spiritual nature of our community and the hand of God in all our works. ~~Fr. Richard noted that anyone was able to charge things to St. George's account at the Diocesan Book Room and requested that the matter be looked into by Parish Council. It was later~~

new para.

MOVED: Neil Robertson, SECONDED: Vaila Mowat: Be it resolved that authorization for purchasing at the Diocesan Book Room be restricted to the Rector and those persons appointed by Parish Council at its March 1998 meeting, and that the list of authorized persons be forwarded to the Diocesan Book Room. CARRIED. He also remarked that he at times felt unsure where the governing power in the Parish lay, and requested that we carefully consider how decisions are made and executed.

WARDEN'S REPORT: Mary MacLachlan presented the Junior Warden's Report as written, thanking Jim Snyder and Fr. Thorne for their support, and the parish for the honour of the mandate. Jim Snyder expressed his thanks to the parish for their support and to Fr. Thorne for his eloquent and persistent witness to the love of Christ. He read a passage addressing the manner in which the Spirit fuels our work and worship, and enjoined us not to lose sight of God's presence among us.

COMMITTEE REPORTS were presented.

Fr. Thorne pointed out that the Record of Insurance Policies was included each year and that parishioners approved the amounts of insurance held on parish buildings. Vaila Mowat explained that the Altar Guild financial statements had been submitted but were not included in the Annual Report; she also reported that the Guild had been very active all year despite changes in membership. Susan Harris explained the work of the Sunday School Curriculum Committee over the past six years, funded in part by the Segelberg Trust but driven largely by volunteer effort. A four-year outline created by Fr. Thorne was turned into lesson plans by Susan Harris and David and Jan Buley. Mark DeWolf created the drama component and taught the program for the first time. George Westhaver, Brent Stiller, Alan Edwardson, Brian and Jean Butcher, Lorna Wallace, Nicole Butler, Alice Johnston, Jim McCorriston,

Sarah MacDonald and the youth choir also contributed extensively to the project; many thanks to all. The four year cycle takes children through the Church Catechism, the Church Year, Significant People and Events in the Bible, and Notable Christians with very positive responses; it is hoped that the program will be published in the fall of 1998 and may be marketed. Louise Burley thanked the volunteers who have been teaching Sunday School but reminded the meeting that more are always welcome. Carmichael Wallace noted that the Spiritual Development Report required a small correction to Bishop Nutter's name. John Swaine pointed out that an item on p.8 should be amended to read "Rectory Damage Deposit."

MOVED: Rob Martin, SECONDED: Jan Connors. Be it resolved that all committee reports as printed in the Annual Report, with the noted corrections, be adopted. CARRIED.

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS were presented from the Gabriel Guild and the Group Committee. Fr. Thome congratulated the Gabriel Guild on their stellar work, and commented on the possibility of taping a Beaver or Cub meeting for the congregation to see. Karen Wheeler asked about the financial statements of the Group Committee. Jan Connors advised that they had been submitted, but too late to be printed in the Annual Report. The meeting agreed that two years' worth should be presented at the 1999 AGM. *in 1999.*

MOVED: Karen Wheeler, SECONDED: Heather Hannon. Be it resolved that the two organizational reports as printed in the Annual Report be adopted. CARRIED.

BUDGET: The 1998 budget was presented to the meeting by Mary Martin, who drew attention to the principles followed by the Budget Committee. She noted that the budget included a projected deficit of \$5,658; it was hoped this might be offset by an increase in hall rentals, which have been extremely low over the past year. Karen Wheeler pointed out that the Net Income figure of (\$768) was inaccurate as there was in fact a deficit of \$2000 or so. Michael Johnston agreed. Neil Robertson inquired whether Parish Council had approved the Youth Worker as a full-time position, and what the salary was. Fr. Thome explained that the Council had done so prior to the creation of the budget. The salary included in the budget was \$10,500 for 10 months, to be matched by a donor. It was also hoped that some money may be secured from external sources since the position of Youth Worker involves a great deal of community outreach work. Andrew Pickett inquired about the projected increase in "Church Rental" income. Mary Martin explained that, now the church is in better shape, weddings and baptisms are expected to provide this income. Neil Robertson asked why there was no money budgeted for oil, water, or electricity. Mary Martin replied that the Restoration funds were covering those costs for 1998, but that they would be a significant inclusion in next year's budget. Neil also asked why the "Music Supplies" item had been increased; Mary explained that this was a result of relabelling line items to give the Music Director more flexibility in spending, and pointed out that the total Music budget had decreased from \$18,192 in 1997 to \$18,068 in 1998.

MOVED: Mary Martin, SECONDED: Carmichael Wallace. Be it resolved that the 1998 budget be accepted. CARRIED.

SPECIAL BUSINESS consisted of a presentation from the Pastoral Care Committee. Mary MacLachlan spoke of our community work being an expression of our faith extending outwards from the church, not a competition with Social Services. Jan Connors presented a list of all the outreach activities that lay people from the Parish are involved with, and encouraged us to use these opportunities to befriend people in the surrounding community. Louise Burley described the Christmas party for Stepping Stone clients that St. George's had helped to host, and thanked all the volunteers. Jim Baker spoke about the power of vision to transform our daily work. John Edmonds invited us to consider Isaiah 58:6-9, and think about the underlying causes of social injustice. He described acts of charity and social action as the two feet of Christian justice, and urged us to consider both as a complete response to the needs of the community. He asked the meeting for a mandate to proceed with a process of discernment, as to how best to work towards change for social justice in the community. Mary MacLachlan invited input from the Parish, and informed us that a day-long retreat would be held after Easter to examine the mission of Pastoral Care. Daniel Labrie commented that one way to define our niche would be to look at what already exists in the community and what is still needed. Neil Robertson asked that the committee return to the Parish once it has defined its goals and give another presentation. Jan Connors agreed that it would stimulate parishioners to think about how their gifts

might help achieve those goals. Fr. Thorne proposed that on Easter 1 or 2, the committee would hold a meeting to present their refined statement of direction; this was accepted without a formal motion.

NEW BUSINESS

MOVED: Susan Harris, SECONDED: Michael Johnston. Be it resolved that Parish Council be directed to establish a committee to examine the question of our 200th anniversary. CARRIED. Andrew Pickett read the newly created job description for the position of Youth Worker. He noted that a Swedish student, Lars Jerkeman, would be joining the Parish from March - June as an Interim Youth Worker, and that a committee has been formed to help guide and support him in this demanding job.

ELECTIONS

The names presented in the Annual Report by the Nominating Committee were acclaimed, with the exception of Neil Robertson who removed his name from the list. No nominations were obtained for Regional Council Delegates. Andrew Pickett asked whether it would adversely affect the Parish if we failed to elect a representative; Fr. Thorne answered no. Jan Connors pointed out that Synod delegates are also automatically members of the Regional Council. Jan Connors noted that although a Youth Synod Delegate would not attend Synod as no Synod is being held this year, s/he would still hold a voting position on Parish Council and contribute an important youth perspective.

MOVED: Jan Connors, SECONDED: Michael Johnston. Be it resolved that Parish Council be asked to consider the advice of the Nominating Committee to seek a Youth Delegate for Synod. CARRIED.

Rob Martin asked that the length of terms of office be noted for the Members at Large, explaining that it was desirable to elect roughly 1/3 each year so as to avoid excessive turnover at once with the resultant lack of continuity. Fr. Thorne noted that Dorothy Coons could use help with the job of Diocesan Times correspondent. Mary Martin pointed out that St. George's has received good coverage over the past couple of years.

MOVED: Jim Snyder, SECONDED: Neil Robertson. Be it resolved that the Gabriel Guild, the Group Committee, the Little Dutch Church Management Committee, and the Restoration Committee select their own representatives for voting positions on Parish Council. CARRIED.

Karen Wheeler requested that elections be held at the beginning of the Annual Meeting next year, as attrition throughout the meeting is a problem and results in very few people being left to accept nominations by the time elections get on the table.

Susan Harris nominated Jan Connors to Diocesan Council, seconded by John Edmonds. The meeting assented to the nomination.

Upon the motion of Carmichael Wallace, the meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE

Balance Sheet

As at December 31, 1998

(Unaudited)

Assets

Cash in Bank		\$	17,100
			15,412
Committed Investments		\$	11,651
Diocese Gravelot Fund (Shaw)	\$	300	
Diocese - Organ	\$	3,371	
Diocese - Pickford Scholarship	\$	5,000	
TD Bank (8090070-01) Altar Gld	\$	819	
TD Bank (8090216-01) Memorial	\$	879	
TD Bank (8090259-01) Organ	\$	1,282	
Un-Committed Investments		\$	17,359
Diocese - Rector & Warden	\$	2,010	
Diocese - Shaw	\$	500	
Diocese - Rector & Warden	\$	7,000	
Diocese - Parish	\$	5,849	
TD Bank - Parish	\$	2,000	
Total Assets		\$	46,110
			44,422

Liabilities

Deferred Revenue - Youth Wkr Grant		\$	1,667
Allotment Arrears		\$	54,616
1994	\$	5,281	
1996	\$	30,109	
1997	\$	19,226	
Short Term Fund Accounts		\$	1,200
Christmas Outreach	\$	1,200	
Rectory Damage Deposit		\$	820
Long Term Fund Accounts		\$	13,578
Pickford Scholarship	\$	5,000	
Missions Appeal	\$	689	
Ecology Gardens	\$	1,695	
Memorial Fund	\$	3,456	
Organ Fund	\$	2,738	
Total Liabilities		\$	71,881

Equity

Opening Equity			39,863
			(\$41,550)
Retained Earnings	\$	12,367	
Net Income 1998	\$	1,724	
Total Equity		\$	27,459
			27,459 - 25,771
Total Liabilities and Equity		\$	46,110
			44,422

Saint George's Parish
Actual vs. Budget - 1998 (Unaudited)
January through December 1998

	<u>Jan - Dec '98</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>
Income			
500 · GENERAL PARISH INCOME			
Offerings	122,034	129,700	(7,666)
Sunday School Income	85	96	(11)
Investment & Endowment Income	1,710	2,200	(490)
Other Income	12,023	7,000	5,023
HST Income	0	1,750	(1,750)
Total 500 · GENERAL PARISH INCOME	135,853	140,746	(4,893)
550 · RENTAL INCOME			
Church Rental	150	1,000	(850)
Hall Rental	595	540	55
Rectory Rent	15,600	15,600	0
Rectory Rent Receivable	2,450	2,850	(400)
Sexton's Cottage	6,000	6,000	0
Sexton Rent Receivable	470	500	(30)
Total 550 · RENTAL INCOME	25,265	26,490	(1,225)
Total Income	161,118	167,236	(6,118)
Gross Profit	161,118	167,236	(6,118)
Expense			
6560 · Payroll Expenses	14		
600 · GENERAL PARISH EXPENSES			
Office Expenses			
Photocopying	1,048	620	428
Supplies & Postage	2,191	2,170	21
Telephone	1,286	2,256	(970)
Total Office Expenses	4,526	5,046	(520)
Allotment	21,858	21,858	0
Accounting & Legal	0	0	0
Bank Service Charges	11	120	(109)
HST Expense	4,336	3,600	736
Payroll Fees	229	240	(11)
Prior Year Audit Adj. Bank	0		
Total 600 · GENERAL PARISH EXPENSES	30,960	30,864	96
700 · ORDAINED MINISTRY			
Stipend - Rector	32,604	32,604	(0)
Housing Allowance	17,484	17,484	(0)
Travel Reimbursement	5,400	5,400	0
Benefits	2,590	2,580	10
Pension	5,400	5,400	0
Vacation Replacement	475	900	(425)
Total 700 · ORDAINED MINISTRY	63,953	64,368	(415)
800 · PASTORAL MINISTRY			
Fees & Memberships	0	50	(50)
Gifts	12		
Pastoral Outreach	0	100	(100)
Poor	0	1,200	(1,200)
School Bursaries	150	150	0
Total 800 · PASTORAL MINISTRY	162	1,500	(1,338)
900 · SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT			
A · General Expenses			
Adv. & Publicity	674	500	174
Eucharistic Supplies	3,255	2,500	755
Guest Speakers	250	200	50
Meals	66		
Parish Library	0	50	(50)
Photocopying	526		

Saint George's Parish
Actual vs. Budget - 1998 (Unaudited)
January through December 1998

	<u>Jan - Dec '98</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>
Special Events	311	200	111
Supplies & Postage	0	200	(200)
Total A · General Expenses	5,082	3,650	1,432
B · Lay Ministry			
General Expenses			
Supplies & Materials	70	400	(330)
Photocopying	0	100	(100)
Total General Expenses	70	500	(430)
Youth Worker			
Stipend #1 J Youth Worker	800	800	0
Stipend #2 N Youth Worker	578	9,700	(9,122)
Benefits	670	996	(326)
Travel Reimbursement	0	1,200	(1,200)
Supplies & Materials	0	756	(756)
Total Youth Worker	- 2,048	13,452	(11,404)
Summer Youth Program			
Stipend Youth Worker	1,140		
Benefits	0		
Summer Camp	937	500	437
Total Summer Youth Program	2,077	500	1,577
Total B · Lay Ministry	4,195	14,452	(10,257)
C · Music Program			
Stipend - Director	15,000	14,908	92
Vacation Replacement	400	400	0
Photocopying	338	240	98
Supplies & Materials	3,587	2,520	1,067
Total C · Music Program	19,325	18,068	1,257
D · Sunday School Program			
Photocopying	0	150	(150)
Supplies & Materials	239	528	(289)
Total D · Sunday School Program	239	678	(439)
Total 900 · SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT	28,841	36,848	(8,007)
1000 · PROPERTY			
A - General			
Maintenance	1,252	1,500	(248)
Total A - General	1,252	1,500	(248)
B - Hall (5429 Cornw&2227 Mait)			
Insurance	2,414	2,600	(186)
Maintenance & Repairs	2,730	3,960	(1,230)
Management Fees	5,500	5,520	(20)
Supplies	748	960	(212)
Taxes	187	200	(13)
Utilities			
Electric	2,280	3,204	(924)
Oil	6,824	10,680	(3,856)
Propane	174	1,000	(826)
Water	899	660	239
Total Utilities	10,176	15,544	(5,368)
Total B - Hall (5429 Cornw&2227 Mait)	21,756	28,784	(7,028)
C - Rectory (5435 Cornwallis)			
Insurance	742	800	(58)
Maintenance & Repairs	148	1,000	(852)
Taxes	1,730	1,700	30

Saint George's Parish
Actual vs. Budget - 1998 (Unaudited)
January through December 1998

	<u>Jan - Dec '98</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>
Utilities			
Electric	355		
Oil	745		
Water	197		
Total Utilities	<u>1,298</u>		
Total C - Rectory (5435 Cornwallis)	3,918	3,500	418
D - Sexton (5421 Cornwallis)			
Insurance	237	250	(13)
Maintenance & Repairs	1,342	750	592
Taxes	945	950	(5)
Utilities			
Oil	185		
Total Utilities	<u>185</u>		
Total D - Sexton (5421 Cornwallis)	2,708	1,950	758
E - Deutsch Ch. (2393 Brnswck)			
Insurance	228	260	(32)
Maintenance & Repairs	69	400	(331)
Taxes	143	150	(7)
Utilities			
Electric	767	600	167
Total Utilities	<u>767</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>167</u>
Total E - Deutsch Ch. (2393 Brnswck)	1,206	1,410	(204)
F - Church (2222 Brunswick)			
Insurance	283		
Maintenance & Repairs	22		
Security	2,560	1,308	1,252
Taxes	126	250	(124)
Telephone	1,141	600	541
Utilities			
Oil	113		
Water	378		
Total Utilities	<u>491</u>		
Total F - Church (2222 Brunswick)	4,623	2,158	2,465
Total 1000 - PROPERTY	<u>35,464</u>	<u>39,302</u>	<u>(3,838)</u>
Total Expense	<u>159,393</u>	<u>172,882</u>	<u>(13,489)</u>
Net Income	<u>1,724</u>	<u>(5,646)</u>	<u>7,370</u>

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE
Statement of Changes in Financial Position
For the Period Ending December 31, 1998

(Unaudited)

Opening Balance, December 31, 1997		\$	23,708
Add: Net Income for 1998		\$	1,724
Decrease in Long Term Funds		\$	3,021
Pickford Scholarship	\$5,000		
Missions Appeal	(\$1,899)		
Memorial Fund	(\$670)		
Organ Fund	\$590		
Undistributed Short Term Funds		\$	1,200
Christmas Outreach			
Deferred Revenues		\$	1,667
Grant for Youth Wkr			
Less: Increase in Committed Investments		\$	8,371
Pickford Scholarship	\$5,000		
Diocese - Organ	\$3,371		
Increase in Un-committed Investments		\$	5,849
Diocese - Parish			
Closing Balance, December 31, 1998		\$	17,100

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE

Statement of Investments

As at December 31, 1998

(Unaudited)

Committed Investments

Diocese of Nova Scotia - Gravelot (Shaw)	\$	300
Diocese of Nova Scotia - Organ Fund	\$	3,371 ¹
Diocese of Nova Scotia - Pickford Choral Scholarship	\$	5,000 ^{1,2}
TD Bank 8090070-01 (Altar Guild)	\$	819
\$819.21 5.375% March 1, 1999		
TD Bank 8090216-01 (Memorial)	\$	879
\$ 879.09 7.25% April 4, 1999		
TD Bank 8090259-01 (Organ)	\$	1,282
\$1,282.43 7.25% April 4, 1999		

Un-Committed Investments

Diocese of Nova Scotia - Rector & Wardens	\$	2,010
Diocese of Nova Scotia - Shaw	\$	500
Diocese of Nova Scotia - Rector & Wardens	\$	7,000
Diocese of Nova Scotia - Parish	\$	5,849 ¹
TD Bank 8090240-01 (Parish)	\$	2,000
\$2,000 7.25% April 4, 1999		

Notes:

- 1 These investments were established at year end and are presently being transferred to the Diocesan Investment Funds.
- 2 The Pickford Choral Scholarship in the amount of \$500 was awarded to Barb Kaill.

Rector's Report

A glance through this Annual Report tells of a small congregation worshipping in a parish church located in an economically disadvantaged neighbourhood. It tells the story of a congregation of Christians who are both restoring a national historic site and are involved in significant outreach to their neighbourhood.

The small group of disciples of Jesus Christ who come together for worship in our parish become the Body of Christ to do His Will. We believe that all the activity reported here takes place within the life and love of the Triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. This congregation seeks the active and personal guidance of the Holy Spirit in everything it does.

God has created us. We have sinned and gone far from Him. He has returned in Jesus Christ to redeem us by His sacrifice for us on the Cross. We return love for love by presenting our bodies a 'living sacrifice'. This annual report is an account of our living sacrifice in 1998.

The centre of all our activity in the parish is our worship in which we receive Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament. In our parish we are increasingly giving prayerful attention to the way we worship, so that we might best position our souls and bodies to receive spiritual blessings. We are developing a biblically rich and predictable liturgical form which embraces both intentional quietness and beautiful music in order to draw us into an experience of God's Love for us in Jesus Christ. When our worship is graced by the Holy Spirit we find ourselves keenly aware that we are in the very saving presence of the Person of Jesus Christ. His love converts us to Himself again and again, more and more profoundly.

Read this report prayerfully and give thanks for the way we have been blessed in 1998. God has inspired the hearts of His people to serve Him in remarkable ways in this small parish: the careful management of the finances, the community youth work, the care of the property, the making of music, the saying of the daily offices of Morning and Evening Prayer, the care for the sick and shut-in, the hospital visitation, the nourishment of vocations, the Christmas party for Stepping Stone clients, the Christmas outreach, the care for the dying, the spiritual counseling, the Sunday School, the mutual care for one another, the parish prayer cycle, the soup kitchen, the street ministry, the ministry to halfway houses in our parish boundaries, the scouts, cubs and beavers, the North End Council of Churches, the restoration, the work of the Gabriel Guild, and so much more.

To God be all the Glory.

The Wardens' Report

It could be said of St. George's parish that we respond to challenges so devotedly that we find ourselves over-extended and sometimes sorely taxed—to attempt, like Alice in Wonderland, to do ten impossible things before breakfast.

Some saw our resolve to restore a heritage building as one such expensive impossibility. The panoply of outreach programmes, both at Christmas and through the year, requiring great numbers of generous parishioners, might be thought to be appropriate for a parish twice our size. Meanwhile our spiritual outreach is no less ambitious in that we maintain both adult and child educational programmes, study sessions, missions and we are writing a new Sunday School curriculum based on the Bible and the Book of Common Prayer. The folio-sized worship schedule detailing at six week intervals all weekly services makes visible the energetic prayer life of St. George's Round Church.

Instead of infinite busyness we would make the claim that our church is responding faithfully to its call to live the gospel in our north end neighbourhood. It is clear that we have very nearly completed the restoration of our beautiful church. Following the lead of the St. George's Soup Kitchen (now in its second decade), additional outreach programmes multiply the network of our ties to the neighbourhood in, for example, Christmas outreach to shut-ins, families and Stepping Stone, our direct contact with the neighbourhood youth in the person of our Youth Field Worker, and our efforts to support restorative justice for criminal offenders. All these activities are undertaken as manifestations of this parish's central focus in its worship life - including the two new weekly communion services.

The wardens are in a position to appreciate not only the diversity of our rich parish life but also, and importantly, to be aware of the growing strength and solidity of what has been undertaken.

In 1999 the parish will assume full responsibility for the church building following several years when the Restoration bore most of this expense. With view to this a parish consultation was held in May and measures were approved for the continued care and maintenance of the church. There is no denying that this will be yet another challenge for us all. At the end of last year we had to make a special appeal in order to meet our financial obligations for the year. We hope and pray that this year, by faithful giving throughout the year, we will find ourselves in a stable financial situation by December.

We are both honoured to have served the parish and grateful to Father Thorne, who with his patience, wisdom and exemplary steadfastness, makes the wardens' job much easier than it might be.

Mary MacLachlan
Senior Warden

Susan Harris
Junior Warden

Youth Field Worker Report

My appointment as Youth Field Worker was a result of a bizarre set of connections made between a number of different people across the country. The Youth Worker Search Committee utilized these connections. After a few phone calls it became apparent to everyone involved that this was a mutually beneficial appointment for all parties involved, and I came to Halifax from Vancouver prepared to learn and work to the best of my ability in a new and different environment.

The contract is one year long, and as of this report I will have two months left to serve in the Parish of St. George's. When I came I was directed to listen and pray. To the best of my ability I have done that. But, I will now relay (as concisely as possible) what the results have thus far been of my activities in the north end, and in the city of Halifax.

When I arrived I immediately began the process of adjustment to this very different society, and I plugged myself in to a number of different things and organizations in the community. I became a part of the Scouting program very early on, and I was also accompanying Lars Jerkeman to his Christian Education class. All things were very vague, but slowly an understanding of the north end began to develop.

My pace quickened once I began working closely with the George Dixon Centre. It just so happened that along with working with the neighbourhood children at the George Dixon Centre as a representative of the Parish of St. George, I became aware of the need for emergency shelter for male youth. These two things dominated much of my time throughout the summer. Indeed, the emergency shelter for male youth has been an on going theme throughout the year, and now there is a definite possibility that I will leave Halifax being quite certain that this need will be met. This need would never have become apparent had not Fr. Thorne made it very clear that prayerful listening was to define my presence in the community.

Working at the George Dixon Centre made a very tangible impression on me, because it was at the George Dixon Centre that the needs and beauty of the children and youth in the north end were very concentrated and defined. The working relationship that I have developed with the George Dixon Centre, and the experience of working with them this last summer have fundamentally defined my understanding of the north end. It is, of course, one aspect of the north end, but it was one aspect that I was able to seize upon, and use, to the best of my ability, to bring about clarity in terms of what the needs are in the north end, and what the way forward is for the Parish of St. George.

It became very clear to me that it is absolutely necessary that the Parish of St. George's commit itself to a long-term and comprehensive framework of children and youth ministry. Fr. Thorne already had such a framework in mind, and the parish was already doing many of the different components encompassed by the framework.

This comprehensive framework of children and youth ministry is called Camp Saint George. By now most of you are probably aware of it in one way or another. Since the fall I, along with a number of other people, have been working in the parish to try and establish Camp Saint George in order to bring to an end short term or summer-by-summer youth and children ministry. The Parish needs to have a faithful and long-term presence in the lives of children and youth in the north end. It is my firm conviction that Camp Saint George is the best framework to bring about the reality of such a long-term presence.

What was not clear when I came was that I was going to be ordained in the fall. This fundamental identity shift (of course the exact nature of what occurs in ordination is unclear because it is the pre-ordain Lars which was ordained, and not some future ideal Lars) knocked me off balance for a while. I must admit that it has really been in the New Year that I have begun to be able to focus clearly on the job at hand. It was difficult to focus with such dynamic things taking place within me, and with a new set of expectations from Bishops and Clergy in terms of my role within the parish. The Parish of St. George's and Fr. Thorne has been extremely supportive throughout this adjustment.

I can say that this year, full of ups and downs, personal and vocational failures and triumphs, has been one of the single most formative years of my entire life. For this I thank Fr. Thorne and the whole Parish of St. George's.

The last part of my contract will be spent working hard to ensure that something bigger than myself will exist long after I leave. I sincerely hope that through Camp Saint George, and the initial work setting up an emergency shelter for male youth, there will be some long-term benefit to my presence in this Parish.

It has been in weakness and occasional confusion that I have laboured, but I do believe that I have been faithful to that which the church has desired of me, namely, to translate the needs of the north end to the parish, to translate the parish to the north end, and in some small way, prayerfully do something about it. As much as one person can do in a year, so have I done. As always, more has been done to me than I have done, and I'm thankful for this.

Special Thanks to Fr. Thorne, Susan Harris, Jan Connors, Stephen Blackwood, Lawrence Bruce-Robertson, Mary MacLachlan for their support, critique, and direction.

Respectfully submitted,

The Rev'd Lars Nowen

Lay Brother's Report

Interest is growing in prayerful visits to St. George's Round Church Eucharist's and the Divine Offices. (My Opus Dei as a friar). This mission is yet in the embryonic stage but those who were new comers a year ago are parishioners now and are serving and adding much to St. George's spiritual life. New faces are appearing at our new Eucharist's and those who were new not long ago are now regular worshipers.

Ecumenical co-operation with churches in the area through the North-End Council of Churches and now, our guest workshops in the Guild Room is, in fact, uplifting the inner city and bringing Christians closer together in Christ.

Nowadays, I am striving to balance, or rather reverse an imbalance, in the three pillars of the Celi De. These pillars are prayer, study, and work. I must increase my morning contemplative prayer so that the other two pillars will become prayer as well.

In the near future, I shall take a lay reader's course, which I feel is the most fitting direction to take as a novice Lay Brother.

As we prepare for lent I feel that our outreach here at St. George's is transforming our neighbourhood by preaching, in word and action, the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to God is the Glory!

Respectfully submitted,

Brother David F.O.C.D.

Spiritual Development Committee

Please see separate reports for the music programme, servers, altar guild, and daily offices.

TEACHING:

Tanya Connors co-ordinated the Sunday school programme this year. She had a full roster of volunteers from the congregation to teach the children. The parish continued its "Spiritual Life Series." In the Spring the Rector led the group in a study of Julian of Norwich. In the Fall he led the first of a series on worship (praying the Book of Common Prayer). Our Lenten programme on Wednesday evenings was focused on the theme of forgiveness.

YOUTH WORKER:

The Spiritual Development committee worked with the Pastoral Ministry committee and individuals in the parish to search for and eventually find a youth worker. We were very fortunate in having Lars Nowen fill this position. Lars is a postulant in the diocese of Saskatchewan. He has blessed our parish and the community surrounding us with his gifts. On our part we hope that we have been a source of growth for him in his spiritual vocation. He was ordained Deacon this year along with two other parishioners, Chris McCann and Ian Whistler.

Lars has been involved in a great variety of activities. He has worked with the cubs and scouts programmes, and has taught Christian education in St. Pat's elementary school. He has also established a mentoring relationship with several youth in our neighbourhood. An important aspect of his work has been his involvement in the planning of an emergency youth shelter in Halifax and in the planning of "Camp St. George." This last programme is meant to be an expanded version of our current youth and community outreach which will encourage the co-operation and sharing of gifts of many different programmes currently functioning in the North End of Halifax.

The parish was also fortunate to have a second youth worker for part of the year. Lars Jerkeman came to us from Sweden under the direction of the Rev'd John Paul Westin. He is pursuing a vocation in the priesthood and he volunteered in a number of capacities in the parish.

VISITS and MISSIONS:

The Rev'd Tom Curran visited us in Lent and preached on the Seven Last Words on Good Friday.

Respectfully submitted,
Lawrence Bruce-Robertson.

Choir Director's Report

Since my appointment as music director of this parish, I have been humbled by the trust and loving support I have felt in your midst. I come to understand my commitment to Saint George's Church as being not just professional, but spiritual and deeply personal.

In June, the choir bid farewell to Andrew and Gwynedd Pickett. They were roasted and serenaded at a party hosted by Mary MacLachlan. Their musical talents and unfailing commitment to the choir are missed.

In September Barb Swanson succeeded Andrew as choir librarian, and has proven herself equal to this sometimes daunting task. Her administrative assistance is invaluable, as is her musicianship.

The choir is blessed with angels such as Julie Morris, who singlehandedly laundered all the cassocks and surplices in September. I must also thank Ian Urquhart for repairing the rack on which we hang our cassocks. And then there is Stuart Gray, who just over a year ago came to sing one Advent carol service, and is now our church treasurer!

The Pickford Choral Scholarship was again awarded to Barbara Kaill. This prize is given annually to a deserving young chorister, to fund private music lessons and purchase music. In every way, Barb exemplifies the leadership and talent we wish to be associated with this award.

On December 23, the choir participated in "Christmas in the Round", the proceeds of which went to the organ fund.

Aside from the demanding schedule of the choir, many choristers invest in private singing lessons. This promotes individual progress, and demonstrates the kind of enthusiasm that makes our choir so successful.

In May, the choir had a workshop on the Byrd 5-part mass with Ivars Torrens, conductor of the Tafelmusik Baroque Choir. This was greatly encouraging, and most enjoyable.

Our service of choral Compline continues to assist people's prayers through the singing of canticles, psalms and anthems. This contemplative worship offers time for private meditation and devotions.

I wish to applaud Jane Mason-Browne for her patience and good humour in her seemingly endless efforts to produce Sunday leaflets.

I must also thank our rector for his leadership and generous support.

It is a rare gift to find in one person, teacher, friend and priest.

Respectfully submitted,

Garth MacPhee

Saint George's Servers

The 1998 year had a slow start to it with only 8 servers which made things hard when it came to scheduling, but we have since picked up with 6 new people coming on board just before Christmas.

Thank you to all those servers who have given of their time throughout the year; Lauren Billard, Robin MacLachlan, Jonah Snyder, Chelsea Thorne. Also thank you to Raymond Lirette, Anthony Helpard and Graham Wallace who have served faithfully for many years but have decided not to continue for personal reasons.

Also I would like to welcome all the new servers who have just recently come on board; Sarah Benson, Tamsyn (T.J) Brennan, Sierra Hoyte, Rhys Kavanagh, Tracy Lenfesty, and Andrew Thorne. Also thank you to Lars Nowen and Chris Snook for helping to train these new servers.

Even though we have grown more servers are still welcome so in closing I would like to ask any adults or youth who are interested in serving to let myself or John Swaine know so that you can receive the necessary training. I personally think you will find this to be a rewarding experience as I have over the course of my serving career of over 15 years.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Connors, Head server

REPORT OF ST. GEORGE'S ALTAR GUILD FOR 1998

St George's Altar Guild has just completed a busy, interesting, and satisfying year.

Our membership remains stable: Vaila Mowat (head), Margherita Mendel, Jean Milsom, Mary MacLachlan, Susan Harris, Rosemary Mason-Browne, Jane Mason-Browne, David Winters, Joyce McCulloch, Helen Johnston and Tillie Glover. We have welcomed the addition of Louise Burley to our ranks, and sometimes also have received help from Elizabeth Johnstone. New members are always welcome. We particularly need help in the summer months, when some of our members are unavoidably absent.

I should like to record special thanks to some of our members, and also to some other who have on occasion lent us their aid.

First of all, then, I would like to thank all those who throughout the year have helped us keep the altar supplied with beautiful flowers. Helen Johnson's great generosity in donating flowers from her garden throughout the summer is a great help to us, as is her help in flower arranging. Kathleen Pye and Heather Hannon also have made contributions from their gardens. Besides these, I should also like to thank all those who gave memorial flowers, and Anthony Helpard, who, particularly at Thanksgiving, has decorated the church for us.

Secondly, I would like to thank all those who helped us with the care of linens and other cloth articles. Jean Milsom has twice washed and ironed all the surplices, albs, and cottas used by the sanctuary party. Mary MacLachlan has also assisted at this task. Tillie Glover continues to be our expert on linens; she washes and irons our altar cloths and credence cloths for us. Molly Engram has assisted with the washing and ironing of the small linens.

Our most particular thanks this year go to Martha Kendall. In 1997 she donated to the church a new fine linen for the altar with

a matching credence cloth, both sewn by herself. I must apologize for not recognizing this important gift in last year's report. This past year she has embellished her gift by the addition of crocheted crosses. Besides all this, she has also sewn for us a set of white covers for our crosses to be used at the Maundy Thursday service, and some purificators to add to our store.

Thanks also go to Dorothy Coons for helping Joyce McCulloch and myself polish the altar cross in readiness for the All Saints service. This was the first time that this cross has been cleaned since the fire. And special thanks are due from me to Jane Mason-Browne who has taken the job of managing the accounts for us from my shoulders, thus freeing me to pay more attention to the rest of the work. Lastly, I would like to thank all those parishioners who contributed to our altar fund. It would be quite impossible for us to continue, and to seek after artistic beauty in our work without your help.

During the autumn of 1998 we had two teaching sessions. In the first John Swaine kindly came and gave us a talk on what is expected of altar guild members with special reference to the requirements of St. George's parish. In the second session, George Cochrane (who, incidentally has made us a gift of a contraption for the protection of tapers from the wind when we carry them in procession outside) discussed the proper care of metals, and Sandra Thorne spoke on the history and care of church vestments. We look forward to a third talk prior to Candlemass in 1999: at that time Helen Johnson will discuss flower arranging with practical examples.

It is a privilege to be able to play this part in the worship of St. George's .

The accompanying financial statement has been prepared by Jane Mason-Browne.

Sincerely

Vaila S. Mowat

Altar Guild Financial Statement

Balance at December 31, 1997 \$ **1160.50**

Revenue

Donations 974.03

Interest 1.41

Subtotal \$ **975.44**

Expenses

Flowers \$ 544.46

Cleaning Supplies \$ 278.48

Altar Frontal Covers \$ 143.86

Service Charges \$ 6.10

Subtotal \$ **972.90**

Balance at December 31, 1998 in bank \$ **1163.18**

THE DAILY OFFICES AT ST. GEORGE'S
IN THE YEAR 1998

Recently I bought at the supermarket a delightful little book entitled Do You Know Your Bible? It asks you such questions as "Who dreamed of a tree which reached into heaven?" or "Who, after he had cursed children who had mocked his bald head, had the horrible experience of seeing 42 of them killed by two bears that came out of the woods?", or "Who, after having his skull broken by a thrown millstone, had his armour-bearer kill him so that 'men say not of me a woman slew me?'" or "who took 1,000 chariots from Hadedezer and 'houghed at the chariot horses?'"

I cannot promise you that saying Morning and Evening Prayer will enable you to answer questions like these, only that it will help. Indeed, "saying the offices" whether privately at home or publicly in church not only instructs one in biblical knowledge, but in Christian doctrine and good prayer habits.

The daily offices are said at St. George's Monday through Saturday in the chapel in the hall (in the summer, in the Little Dutch Church). Morning Prayer is said at 8:00 A. M. and Evening Prayer at 5:30 P. M. (4:00 P. M. on Saturdays.)

During the last year, I (the co-ordinator), Brother David Winters, José Mont, Gai Thomas, Ray Butcher, Roseanne Reeve-Newson, Louise Burley, Lars Nowèn and John Edmonds have been active in saying the offices. We would also like to commend Dick Gallegher for his Friday Old Testament readings (and sometimes his Saturday New Testaments readings), and Dimitrio Hernandez for his frequent attendance.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Vaila S. Mowat

Pastoral Ministry Committee Report

This year the Pastoral Ministry Committee has been learning about faithfulness. This past year has brought so many deep discouragements and joyous encouragements that, through it all, the lesson has not been about programs or strategies but about faithfulness to God's love in each other and neighbour.

Out of last winter's prayer and activities grew a Community Integration team; a group of people who felt called to pray about our Parish's relationship to the community around it. This group met regularly for a number of months and, while it has not met regularly recently its vision has been very much upheld in the life of the Pastoral Ministry Committee.

On the one hand, this has been largely through the work of Lars Nowen. As you will read in his report, he has been very concerned with the North End community and has served in constancy and compassion.

On the other hand, our deepening involvement in the North End has been effected by our various existent and new events and activities. The soup kitchen continues to serve weekly. Recently, members of the Parish were matched with other members who are unable to attend our weekly service for reasons of physical health or other causes. Our poor fund is always exhausted every month. This year, through the Mission Funds account, our Parish gave donations both to our local Scouting group (to offset fees for members who couldn't afford it on their own) and to the Native Community in Kawawachikamach (for the work in translating the Scriptures into their language) where our Rector gave a retreat this past fall. This year, again, our Christmas outreach received generous support from the Parish and was able to give donations to many families. Again this year, many members of the Parish co-operated to co-host a Christmas dinner with the Stepping Stone Association for the people whom they serve. It was a very significant event for many of us. Our involvement with the Stepping Stone Association is likely to develop this year in more ways.

These are only examples of the various ways our Parish deepens its love for those within and without it. Always, what we have had to learn is that we find ourselves in a deeper and greater love when we turn outside of ourselves to serve our neighbour, sister and brother. It is in these real developing friendships that we know ourselves. If you feel called to learn this lesson with us, offer yourself at any of our meetings the third Sunday in each month following the 1030 Holy Communion.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen James Blackwood

SOUP KITCHEN REPORT -1998

On November 9th, 1998 we celebrated 13 years of operation. Quite an extraordinary accomplishment. We would like to sincerely thank all those who, over the years, have so diligently committed to this mission through talent, time and treasure. We would also like to thank the entire congregation for their support in allowing this kitchen to operate out of St. George's.

Our numbers continue to increase each and every week and we are still able to accommodate this increase.

Our teams consist of members of the congregation and also other committed people. From time to time we are asked to allow youth groups, confirmation students, high school students and employees from various companies to come and help us do the work of the Lord.

We especially thank those who come almost every week Les Grandy, Gertie Moulton, Ada and Willis Grandy, Wayne and Nadine Scott, Stephen, Tony and his wife who work so well in the 'bread and sweets' kitchen. We welcome new people who have taken on specific jobs. Emily Keast, high school student from Bedford who has taken on the setting up of the emergency clothing. This is not an easy task sorting through old clothes, hanging them up and then putting them away until the next week. Andrew, Emily's father so faithfully flattens the cardboard boxes and then loads them on the truck every three months. He also has been repairing the big stove in the kitchen when the oven door wants to stay open. Dick Gallagher, who has taken on the garbage duties and now instructs new team members how to set up the tables along with David Olding. What a wonderful commitment from you all. Thank you so much. As well, we thank each of the team members who come on their allotted days. Last but not least my good friend Ron MacNaughton who helps me get groceries and pick up the donated goods on each and every Saturday and other times when I need him. Thank you Ron. It is because of you all that this kitchen runs so smoothly.

We invite any member of the congregation to join one of our teams -- which entails that you put aside one Saturday every six weeks, or if you would like to donate funds to help us you may do so by using your Missions envelope clearly marked "Soup Kitchen"

Yours respectfully,
Karen A. Wheeler and Ron MacNaughton
Co-coordinators.

Financial Statement St. George's Soup Kitchen For the Year ending December 1998

Balance as of December 31, 1997		<u>\$1,949.61</u>
<u>Revenue:</u>		
Donations & Interest		<u>\$4,273.51</u>
<u>Expenses:</u>		
Bolands	595.90	
Weekly Groceries	<u>4,115.16</u>	<u>\$4,711.06</u>
Balance as of December 31, 1998		<u>\$1,512.06</u>

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH 1998 COMMITTEE REPORT

As a result of notification/requests in the church bulletin and direct appeal by Father Thorne, the congregation of Saint George's contributed to the 1998 Christmas Outreach Program by providing donations in many forms - cash, grocery vouchers, turkeys, personal time, etc.

There was participation in the Metro Food Bank Society Christmas Registry Program to ensure those seeking assistance had only one sponsor. Through the generosity of many people (including three outside-parish private sponsors) 14 families (32 children) received Christmas grocery hampers, presents and/or food vouchers. There were also 26 others (many elderly and in senior's homes) who received small gift baskets. Filling of these gift baskets was co-ordinated by Helen Johnson and they were delivered by Craig Savoury.

Through the generous and thoughtful contributions of many people, the 1998 Christmas Outreach Program was extremely successful. Many thanks to my Co-Chair, Betty Josey.

FINANCIAL:	Received from Saint George's	\$1200.00
	Received from outside source	800.00
	TOTAL	2000.00
	Expenditures - groceries & gifts	\$2000.00

Respectfully submitted,
Judith Baker
Chairperson

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

This year, the personnel committee was involved in three areas. First, the committee completed its task to define the job descriptions for the Hall manager, Janitor, and Church Sexton. Second, the committee conducted a routine review of the Music Director's activities. Third, the committee studied what role it should play within the Parish, namely, its own terms of reference. Please find below the terms of reference that were approved by Parish Council at its January 19th, 1999 meeting.

In closing, I would like to thank each and every member of the committee, namely: Barbara, Dorothy, Jim, Martha, Mary, Susan, and Father Thorne for giving generously their time for this committee.

Respectfully submitted
Daniel Labrie, chair, February 5, 1999

ST-GEORGES PERSONNEL COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. The Personnel Committee shall consist of members selected by the Parish Council. A chair shall be selected by its members with a one year limited term appointment. The appointment is renewable.
2. The Personnel Committee shall provide guidance and shall play a supporting role in the hiring process for new staff.
3. The Personnel Committee shall review future employee contract proposals and shall seek advice when required.
4. The Personnel Committee shall be responsible for the signing of three copies of the contract between the employee and Church representatives. The Personnel Committee shall keep one copy of the signed contract in its minutes.
5. The Personnel Committee shall offer guidance in drafting new job descriptions. It shall review the job descriptions of the covenants with particular emphasis to responsibilities not designated to any positions.
6. The Personnel Committee shall do all it can to ensure that approved salary increases be implemented and the terms of employment, as they may be from time to time amended, are carried through by the appropriate committees of the parish.
7. The Personnel Committee shall carry out timely reviews of performance of the staff (excluding the rector).
8. The Personnel Committee shall assist the Budgetary Committee every year with the salary review of the staff.
9. The Personnel Committee shall assist in the selection of officers to mediate complaints or grievances involving church staff.
10. The document entitled "*Guidelines for FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES*" by the Committee on Ministry, Anglican Church of Canada, Revised Edition, 1992 shall be used as a guide when required.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT

After quite a period of inactivity, the Parish Property Committee came back to life in May, 1998 and has met monthly since then. Members of the Committee are Susan Harris (warden), Ian Tillard and Richard MacLachlan (chair) and Karen Wheeler attends in her role as Hall Manager. The following are some of the activities over the past 8 months:

- We have carried out inspections of all of the Parish Buildings (except Little Dutch Church) as per the directions in the Diocesan Canons. Out of these inspections has come an appreciation for the wonderful historic nature of the buildings in the trust of the Parish and the work needed to restore and preserve them.
- As a follow-up to the above, we hope to develop "Business Plans" for each of the Parish buildings that predicts anticipated expenditures over the next five years and projections of maximal income to the Parish (where appropriate). Our highest priority is the Hall and it will be the prototype.
- As part of developing the above plan for the Hall, we have developed a questionnaire for current and projected users of the Hall looking at projected use in the context of the principle ratified by Parish Council that the Hall will have "*multiple users of most spaces with individual users having dedicated times for usage and secure space for storage*"
- Keys to Church properties- the Committee has developed a grid outlining rational allocation of keys to Parish Properties based on individuals' roles in the Parish. It is planned that the time of the AGM will be used as the time for annual review/renewal/return of keys, depending on changes in roles.
- Heating systems in the Round Church-considerable attention is being paid to these systems to ensure that they are operating efficiently and quietly! The good news is that we can already demonstrate annual savings of fuel of nearly \$5000 based on a much better insulated building.
- We are working with Anne West, Henry Roper and others to look at ways to effectively create Interpretation Centre(s) for our two National Historic Sites and the rich 250 year history of the Parish.
- We look forward to working closely with the new Restoration and Preservation Committee in the coming months to ensure thorough, consistent and sensitive approaches to the management of our Parish properties.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard MacLachlan, Chair

1998 FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

During the past year, your Finance Committee met regularly to review the financial status of the Parish. At the outset of this report, I want to thank each member for his or her dedication and diligence. Committee members were: Jan Connors, John Hammond, Susan Harris, Michael Johnston (treasurer), Janet Ross (envelope secretary), Craig Savoury and Fr. Thorne.

1998 marked the first full year of our new system of rotating counters for weekly offerings. Thanks go to the following for a job well done: Martin Yeatman and Michal King, Chris West and John Hammond, Hugh and Helen Tilley, Terry McLaughlin and John Swaine, Heather Hannon and Derek Mitchell and Rob and Mary Martin.

Our financial situation was precarious for most of the year. Although the budget had projected only a modest increase in weekly offerings, we consistently failed to meet our targets for the first nine months of the year. This shortfall necessitated postponing some planned expenditures and borrowing from our meagre savings in order to make ends meet.

Late in the fall, the wardens wrote all parishioners a straightforward letter explaining just how desperate the situation was and appealing for whatever assistance anyone could offer. The response was overwhelming. Hearts and wallets were opened immediately with the happy effect that we ended 1998 in the black. (Detailed results are in the financial statements which will be distributed separately.)

The great generosity of parishioners enabled us to pay our 1998 allotment in full. As well as meaning that Saint George's has now contributed its share of diocesan expenses, this accomplishment also entitles us to seek forgiveness from the diocese for our significant allotment arrears.

Much of the crucial work of managing the Parish's finances is done by the treasurer. Michael Johnston filled that role with great competence for 1997 and much of 1998. The pressures of a new job meant that Michael had regretfully to step down in November. The Parish owes him a debt of gratitude for his unstinting service. We are most fortunate that Stuart Gray agreed to step into the treasurer's position just in time to shepherd us skillfully through the 1999 budget process.

The fiscal aspects of life at Saint George's are always challenging. But as we work together to accomplish our Christian mission, we seem equal to any financial hurdles we face.

To do good and to distribute forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

Mary Martin, Chair, Finance Committee

Stewardship

Here is a general chronology of the active efforts of the Stewardship Committee in 1998.

Throughout the year the stewardship visits continued, as begun in 1997, with regularly updated packages being presented to and left with the parishioners visited. As well, the September meeting of Parish Council received a full stewardship presentation. This served not only to put the several brochures in the hands of 12 more people for the first time, it also made the Council aware of the format of a typical member visit. Thus, if any post-visit comments were to be conveyed to a Council member, he/she would be knowledgeable on the material and process.

By September, after the predictable summer slump in offerings, and with a mind to meet budget commitments for the year, Finance and Stewardship recommended stepping-up the visitation process by recruiting individuals willing to help in this way. Consequently two training/information sessions were conducted late in September. I extended my thanks to those who helped recruit, and especially to Roy Currie and Nora Praught for their help with stewardship visitations.

Come October, it was evident from the financial reports that a broadly distributed stewardship letter was needed in addition to the ongoing individual visits, and so my letter of Trinity XX. This letter endeavoured to capture the thrust of the whole stewardship package; that is, that stewardship is not *just* about money, but about all we have to offer – including time and talent, that we all have different gifts to offer and a Christian calling to do so. Of course our money is part of the way we respond to God's goodness because it represents our livelihood.

By October it was necessary to be very blunt about the need for parishioners to *dig deep*, if the parish were to end the year without a deficit. Thus the Wardens' sent out a parish letter on November 12, 1998. Well, as you know and will see in this Annual Report, we met the challenge. A goal of this committee of course, is to eliminate the need for such deficit reduction pleas.

I believe it is important that we not give up on the process begun to make visits to individual members/families in the parish. Perhaps each contact can be compared with a seed, planted, for which we look to God to provide the increase.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Connors, Chair

Restoration Transition Team Report

The Restoration Transition Team was formed (following the disbandment of the Restoration Committee) to:

- i) identify, review and where appropriate resolve all outstanding matters relating to the restoration project.
- ii) prepare a summary report to the Parish concerning the current situation and both short and longer term plans to complete the restoration.
- iii) act as the nominating committee to fill positions on the Restoration and Preservation Committee, appointments for which will be confirmed at the annual General Meeting.

The following summarizes the current situation and provides an overview of future activities.

1. **Financial** - A church maintenance fund has been established in the amount of \$150,000. These monies have been invested in the Diocese Investment Fund. In addition, all monies directed toward the Organ Fund will be similarly invested.
2. **Construction** - Work has commenced and will continue throughout the year to bring the church building and grounds to a level such that parish and community events can be satisfactorily undertaken and provide an accessible and informative centre for visitors. This work involves masonry repairs, significant amounts of finish carpentry and painting, repair and installation of memorial plaques, completion of the Donor Room, provision of suitable lighting fixtures throughout the church and the clearing and grassing of the grounds.

It has been ascertained that this work package together with the installation of the organ can be completed for a total of \$450,000. However, a large portion of the organ funding is pledges, some of which, will not be realized until 2002. The organ will be installed when these funds are secure.

Longer term projects outside the scope of this plan include a new bell, the chandelier, the stained glass window, an interpretation centre, finishing the upper gallery, a new perimeter fence and landscaping. This could be the subject of a later fundraising campaign or of bequests.

3. **Fundraising** - Funds in hand and funds pledged to the year 2002 leave just \$100,000 to be raised to complete the limited restoration work described above. The campaign team will work hard to raise this sum by June 2 1999. Possible sources of funding include individual donors, charitable foundations and special events.

4. Restoration and Preservation Committee - Nominations

Parish Council having approved the structure of a new Restoration and Preservation Committee, requested the Restoration Transition Team provide nominations for this committee. They are as follows:

Chair:	John Hammond
Vice-Chair	Father Thorne
Campaign Chair	Anne West
Campaign Member until June 99)	Karen Wheeler (Restoration Treasurer
Property Committee Chair	Richard MacLaclan
Property Committee Nominee	John Swaine
Finance Committee Chair	TBA
Treasurer	Stuart Gray
Secretary	Jane Mason-Browne

Respectfully Submitted

John Hammond

Saint George's Restoration Committee
 Report Period: To December 31, 1998
 From Restoration Treasurer

<u>Financial Position</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Cumulative to Date</u>
RECEIPTS:		
Insurance	-	875,000.00
Infrastructure Grant	-	600,000.00
City of Halifax	-	291,666.00
Parks Canada	-	1,000,000.00
Miscellaneous Gov.	-	10,724.80
Organ Donations	12,000.00	34,995.00
Private Sector	52,964.47	1,188,504.34
Merchandise F.R. Efforts	-	45,755.94
Bank Interest	609.01	75,120.72
G.S.T. Rebate	-	<u>14,754.81</u> (Held for
Total	\$65,573.48	\$4,136,521.61 Maintenance

DISBURSEMENTS:		
Petty Cash Float for Merchandise	-	292.00
Fundraising Merchandise	-	31,058.21
Fundraising Expenses	4,311.22	359,689.06
St. George's 2000	-	1,930.63
Bank Charges	102.71	4,215.03
Bank Error	-	-
Replacement Items	-	34,523.47
Professional Fees	-	893,356.30
Restoration Expenses	2,277.25	2,513,531.00
Audit	-	7,867.75
Mortgage Payout	-	<u>87,074.03</u>
Total	\$6,691.18	\$3,933,537.48

Funds on Hand or in Bank \$58,882.30 \$202,984.13

Copies of Audited Statements will be available at the Annual Meeting

Little Dutch Church Management Committee

The committee (which includes members from the German-Canadian Association of Nova Scotia and Saint George's) undertook a busy program of conservation and fundraising. Early in the year, steel beams were placed under the building and it was carefully lifted and supported on wooden blocks so that the crumbling brick foundation could be removed. A new reinforced concrete foundation was then poured and the building lowered back on to the new foundation. A facing of old bricks was built outside the concrete, so that the appearance of the building remains the same. Architect Gary Hanley was the project manager for this work and the carpenters and labourers were chosen from those working on the Round Church. This project was funded largely by an Infrastructure Works Program grant from the Province of Nova Scotia. It came out under budget and the money saved was used to do repairs to the outside and to conserve the plaster inside, which had cracked badly during the lifting process.

In August, the bodies of the settlers Anna and Otto William Schwartz and Pastor Bernard Michael Houseal and the bodies of epidemic victims from a mass grave were re-buried in a combined Christian/Mi'kmaq ceremony. This remarkable event was watched by many across the country through the eyes of the media.

The final project for the year was the repainting of the exterior of the building free of charge by contractor David Barkhouse. The paint was donated by Benjamin Moore. During the year, Elizabeth Henderson covered the kneelers with red fabric, which added a nice touch of colour to the interior.

In May, the committee sent an appeal to donors who had formerly helped the Little Dutch Church. A remarkably high proportion of them responded and almost \$5,000 was received. In addition, donations were received from the German-Canadian Association of Nova Scotia and from the Little Dutch Church Restoration Society, which is in the process of being wound up.

Five concerts were held in the church during the summer and these too added to the funds available for conservation.

The financial statements of the committee were prepared by Treasurer Liselotte Sawh and have been submitted to the parish treasurer.

The Committee will shortly begin planning its 1999 conservation program.

Anne West
Vice-Chair

St George's 200 in 2000 Committee

Members of committee: Rob Martin, Susan Harris, Mary MacIachlan, Terry Mclaughlin, Rosemary Mason Browne, Anne West, Ian Tillard

The focus of our committee is to plan a series of events for the parish and the community.

We have had four meetings which mostly consisted of brainstorming for ideas and narrowing down the options.

The committee will be working in concert with other parish committees and individuals to plan and execute specific events. A few of the committees have already given some thought to what they are going to do. For example Spiritual Development is planning a special retreat;

Property committee is planning some work on the gardens surrounding the church; other committees are formulating their ideas presently. Other events include a lecture series on "St. George's and the community" in the 18th and 19th century and the present; a "Great big Picnic" for the greater community; musical events and special church services.

Respectfully submitted,
Terry Mclaughlin

GABRIEL GUILD REPORT -1998

Our Annual Report always starts out with the very same words. Another year has come and gone and with our small membership we have once again been able to pass \$7,000.00 to the church coffers. Much of these hard earned dollars are made through the multi talented fingers of our ladies as they make and sell their wares throughout the year.

Through out 1998 we catered several outside events including the Mayor's Garden Party, HTNS Annual Dinner, Funeral Receptions and Workshops, North End Seniors Club and the sale of Calendars. Many of our regular parish events, Pancake and Card Social, Penny Auction, Red Rose Dinner, Turkey Dinner. All of these events we made a profit and in addition to these we had many in house receptions that the ladies were asked to provide refreshments for.

On behalf of the guild we sincerely thank, Les and Willis Grandy, Harry Hill and Eldie Richard. Although Beatrice is not a member of our guild, she and her husband work very hard selling food on the Pantry Table and bring at least half of what they sell -- What a commitment!!!!!!

Gordon Engram who passed away in November will be sadly missed in our kitchen. He helped with the carving of the meat and also the serving of the food.

We wrote an article for the last Lance explaining the behind the scenes work for one of these major events so we don't want to repeat ourselves but we want you to know how much we appreciate the support and commitment of the parishioners when we call and ask for help. The support that you give our ticket seller, Flo Grandy, who will not take no for answer. Thanks again.

I must report about Cynthia, most people know by now that her father passed away in November and she is now getting her mother organized. She misses her church family very much.

K. A. Wheeler and Gertie Moulton
Convenors

GABRIEL GUILD
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1998

Balance as of December 31, 1997 \$1,367.24

REVENUE:

<u>Catering</u>	Funeral Receptions	
	Workshops Etc	650.00
	St. George's Society	200.00
	Mayor's Garden Party	2,364.00
	Heritage Trust N.S.	900.00
	North End Seniors Club	216.00
	Calendars Sales	321.00

<u>Parish Events</u>	Pancake Supper/Social	495.00
	Penny Auction	216.00
	Red Rose Dinner	1,758.00
	Turkey Dinner	2,790.05
	Interest on Account	3.55
	G I C Interest	346.50

TOTAL REVENUE \$10,260.10

EXPENSES:

Bank Charges		1.50
St. Peter's Publication		355.00
Groceries		3,179.40
Guild Annual Dinner & Gifts		415.50
St. George's Church		7,000.00

TOTAL EXPENSES \$10,951.40

Balance as of December 31, 1998 \$675.94

2nd Halifax Group Committee Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers

January to December reporting on the Scouts Canada program at St. George's overlaps two Scouting seasons since, registration takes place annually in September. Therefore, to sum up the 1997/98 season we'll simply say that it concluded on a positive note in June with our traditional closing barbecue and campfire on the Cornwallis Street lawn. Since the event coincided with the Tafelmusik and the associated reception in the hall, we were guaranteed an outdoor rain-or-shine closing thanks to the Restoration Yard Sale. Karen was able to convince the supplier to leave the huge tent up on the lawn until after our event on the Monday evening.

The 1998/99 Scouting season promised to be a challenging one for several reasons, the main ones being a significant rise in member registration fees; the implementation of Scouting new, mandatory screening process for all adult members / Leaders; and the demand for a Venturer Company in the north end. Consequently a few things changed: Don moved from being a Troop Leader to Co-chair of the Group Committee; Wayne Hall, previously a Troop Leader became the Venturer Advisor working with the 14 – 18 year olds, and Scott Connors began to assist Tanya Connors on the Troop Leadership team while continuing as a Beaver Leader with the Colony. While having someone in two Leadership positions is not an ideal situation, it was an immediate way to allow the Scouts to continue to meet. Since, parishioner Jane Mason-Brown has joined the Leadership team for this section.

Our Deacon, Lars Nowen, began working with the Cubs last Scouting season when he arrived at St. George's in the spring. This year he officially registered as a Leader, undergoing the now required Police Record Check (PRC), reference check and interview process (as did Jane, and all our new Leaders). In fact each and every adult registered with Scouts Canada, whether or not they work directly with the youth, requires clearance by way of an acceptable police report. Two Dalhousie medical students returned as Leaders this year, and another – Chip, who like Lars worked with the Pack for some of the '97/'98 season, registered as a member of the Leadership team. We are in the process of screening another new candidate for the Pack leadership team, Greg Pretty, and it is hoped that Greg will continue with the Pack next season and beyond. We are actively recruiting for an Akela (main Cub Leader) and others, since Lars and the medical students will not be able to return as Leaders next year.

This Beaver Colony has had consistent and solid leadership for the past several years. Four of the five Leaders are parishioners.

Barb Sweeney served as the Group's Treasurer for 1998, and Chris West serves on the Group Committee. The Group Committee meets regularly, usually monthly, on a Sunday evening, to coordinate the administrative / fund raising needs of our Scouting program.

As of this report, statistics are as follow:

Beavers – 9; Beaver Leaders – 5
Cubs – 13; Cub Leaders – 4 + 1 in the process
Scouts – 9; Scout Leaders – 3
Venturers – 6; Venturer Leaders – 1
Group Committee Members – 4

Respectfully submitted,
Jan and Don Connors, Co-Chairs

P.W.D.R.F. Report 1998 –1999

Through the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund the Anglican Church of Canada reaches out around the world. The organization works in partnership with churches and church groups, thereby directing donations where they are most needed. The largest proportion of funds goes to development projects aimed at building agricultural self-sufficiency and strengthening local economies.

When emergencies arise, such as Hurricane Mitch, response is quick and direct. The internet enabled us to follow Bishop Trade of Honduras in the days after the disaster as he travelled with a team of volunteers to reach those in cut off areas who might, for reasons of ethnicity, have been overlooked by government aid distributors. He called for donations from Canada to be sent through the P.W.D.R.F. and it was encouraging to know that the \$500.00 in personal contributions from St. George's were helping people who might not otherwise have been reached.

Advocacy is another tool of the P.W.D.R.F. and one where those on limited budgets can play an important role. Many have already signed the petition to forgive the debts of the world's poorest nations. There is much for us all to work on in the coming year. As the new millennium approaches churches round the world are proclaiming the Jewish tradition of "Jubilee" – release from bondage, redistribution of wealth and renewal of the earth. If we can encourage progress in these three areas we can hope that our celebrations for the year 2000 will not be merely secular, nostalgic or parochial but an acceptable witness of our trusteeship of God's earth. Let us make 2000 a year worth celebration.

Thank you for your continued support of this important branch of our outreach ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
Lorna Wallace

Nursery Report

The nursery is now held in the Crying Room instead of the Hall where it was for many years. The location makes a closer connection to the service and to the parents. An advantage is that the person responsible for the nursery is able to participate in the Communion while the parent takes the baby for a time. There is great need for a carriage and a carpet to make a softer environment for small children and a sound system into the nursery from the Church is a hope for the future. Any volunteers willing to take a turn in the nursery would be welcome as there are occasions when the nursery person is away or participating in the Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Read

SAINT GEORGE'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CURRICULUM PROJECT

The Saint George's Christian Education Curriculum Project began seven years ago when

a small group of parishioners teaching in our Sunday School searched for a curriculum which fitted a need for a programme which is centred in Holy Scripture and faithful to the Anglican tradition as found in the Book of Common Prayer. Finding none, they turned to the resources found in our parish family and set about to create a Christian Education Curriculum for use in Anglican Sunday Schools and confirmation classes. 1998 proved to be a year of hard work and profound rewards.

The final revisions to the first volume of the four year Saint George's Christian Education Curriculum were made in 1998. The completed volume was mailed to parishes across Canada. Their teachers relayed back to us responses and suggestions to improve our presentation of the Lessons, Dramas, Games, Crafts, and Activities that guide the student through the Catechism of the Book of Common Prayer. With the assistance of their evaluations of our efforts we revised, polished, and in the fall, submitted for publication Saint George's Christian Education Curriculum - Year I. This publication can be purchased through St. Peter's Publications of Prince Edward Island.

Within the same year the second volume of the curriculum was sent out to our test parishes and tested by the toughest critics in the field of Education. Year Two follows the Church Year and intensifies this connection; the children learn lessons based on the Prayer Book lectionary for Holy Communion throughout the year. As the new year approached the final revisions were made in preparation for its publication in the fall of 1999.

During the Summer of 1998 we started the development of the third year of the curriculum, in which the children will learn about notable people and events in Holy Scripture. Indeed Year III is well over halfway towards completion. In the Fall, as a new Sunday School year began, we once again called upon our test parishes to judge our efforts and indeed we were approach by new friends interested in becoming involved in the project as a test parish.

Such a productive year was made possible through the tireless efforts of individuals too numerous to name not only from our own parish, but from extended family in parishes across Canada and abroad.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Jane Mason-Browne

Project Co-ordinator

Saint George's Sunday School

The year began with a changing of the guard in January from Alice Johnson to Louise Burley and Rosanne Reeves-Newson. They took it over as parent volunteers and individuals from within the parish took turns teaching Sunday school each week, with myself remaining to help out each week and to maintain some continuity.

We were working on the end of the year two of the Saint George's curriculum in the early part of this year, which deals with the Lessons and Gospels from the Book of Common Prayer for each week.

In February until June Lars Jerkman was with us from Sweden. We became a parish of Lars and Extra-Lars for a short while when Lars Nowen joined us in April. In May I was hired on in the capacity of a summer youth worker as part of a Government grant.

My job description included such things as the Daily Vacation Bible School, the Wilderness Mini-Camps, the Junior and Senior youth groups and the summer Sunday school. Although it was not part of the official curriculum the summer Sunday school also followed the readings from the BCP. We were outdoors each week learning about and enjoying His love and beauty. We went to places like the Commons, Point Pleasant Park, and Citadel Hill.

In September I was hired on part time to work on the curriculum development and to continue work with the youth group. September also saw the return to the parental rotations as Sunday school teachers. These rotations allow for members from the congregation to take turns every three weeks to teach the Lord's Word to the children; this allows for some continuity among the teaching staff and also allows for the responsibility to be shared. I have also continued to be there most weeks to keep a regular pattern and a familiar face.

This year we are working on year three of the curriculum, which entails the discovery of familiar and not so familiar people in the bible and attributes that helped them on their spiritual journey and growth towards God.

In November we received a Sunday school Christmas Pageant via Singapore from Marc Dewolf. This was a cute pageant set from the view-point of a mouse in the stable. It was performed on Advent IV.

Although this past year has been a little shakey; I think that we have been successful in continuing to bring the Saint George's Curriculum to the youth of this parish. And I believe that each person that has and does help out in the way of teaching Sunday school gains so much as well as adds an essential mix that is uniquely Saint George's.

Respectfully Submitted, Tanya Connors.

RESTORATION QUILTERS

The history of quilting at St. George's (Round) Church in modern times began close to 50 years ago when a lady in rural Quebec began work on a quilt called "Garland of Roses". This was an applique/embroidery quilt top. In late 1966 she suffered a stroke and lost the use of her hands so her husband gave me a box full of her unfinished crafts, including the "Garland of Roses" quilt.

I began work on the quilt aiming for completion in 1967 as my Canadian Centennial project. However my oldest daughter Tracey soon became my Centennial project! Over the years the quilt has surfaced and been worked on in earnest for a time, then put away throughout the next 30 years. On a recent holiday I purchased a traditional wooden quilting frame in Weymouth and the dream of having "Garland of Roses" finished took shape.

The thought that a Quilting group could raise funds by finishing quilts for customers who would make a monetary donation to the Restoration took shape, and with Anne West's blessing we began in the fall of 1998.

Anne Hope and Darlene Brygiden owners of the Quilter's Hope Chest on Agricola Street, and Instructor Linda Smith gave us 2 free sessions on the basics of quilting, and our own Helen Johnson continues to teach our newcomers. Since October 1998, 11 Quilters have put in over 100 hours of stitching. At Christmas we celebrated with a Pot Luck Luncheon for 15 quilters and guests. We expect to finish "Garland of Roses" and at least one other quilt in 1999.

Several times Lora Harris has brought along her children James and Claire and we have discovered that 5 year old James is a fabulous needle threader! This new activity has brought together a few St. George's folk and friends from all over the HRM who enjoy the peace and fellowship of quilting together a couple of hours a week. New members are always welcome! It is my privilege to co-ordinate this new Restoration fund raising activity at St. George's.

Respectfully submitted

Gai Thomas, 455-2612

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE

1999 Budget (Consolidated)

Income

General Parish Income	\$	146,300
Rental Income	\$	23,600
Total Income	\$	169,900

Expenses

General Parish Expenses	\$	38,039
Ordained Ministry	\$	65,763
Pastoral Ministry	\$	1,400
Spiritual Development	\$	29,461
Property	\$	38,463
Total Expenses	\$	172,296 172,926

Net Income/Loss ~~(\$2,396)~~ (3,026)

Notes to the 1999 Budget:

- 1 The proposed revenue from offerings was derived from the actual offerings in 1998 plus 25% of the annual total of completed Restoration pledges from parishioners, based on 1998 figures, being redirected to the Parish. This will require a concerted effort on the part of the Stewardship program.
- 2 The increase in this budget item reflects the Diocesan request for 1999.
- 3 For the first five months of 1999, youth worker expenses are covered by sources outside our budgeted revenue. For the remainder of the year, we have budgeted \$5,000 as the parish share of the \$25,000 1999 cost of this new program. The balance of the funds required will be sought from sources other than parishioners at large.
- 4 For informational purposes, the budget details all costs projected for the maintenance of the church. In accordance with the plan adopted by Parish Council in the spring of 1998, the Parish budget includes \$5,000 for this purpose. The balance of the funds required should be provided as described in the plan.
- 5 This deficit is expected to be offset through additional contributions to Camp St George and Church Maintenance donations.

Saint George's Christian Education Project Fund
Income and Expense Report 1998

12/31/97 Balance Forward 1991.87

INCOME

<i>Segelberg</i>	7000.00
<i>Prayer Book Society</i>	1000.00
<i>Gifts from other parishes</i>	600.00
<i>Sale of Curriculum</i>	3069.60
<i>Other/interest</i>	1.67
<i>total</i>	11671.27

EXPENSES

<i>Curriculum Coordinator</i>	2320.00
<i>Curriculum Development Worker</i>	1781.66
<i>Technical support worker</i>	1600.00
<i>Sunday School Worker</i>	600.00
<i>Photo copying</i>	1482.72
<i>Binders</i>	1033.97
<i>Office Supplies</i>	411.09
<i>General</i>	47.50
<i>Copyright Fees</i>	48.00
<i>Telephone Fax</i>	53.50
<i>Postage</i>	635.57
<i>total</i>	10014.01

TOTAL INCOME:	11671.27
BALANCE 12/31/97	1991.87
SUB TOTAL	13663.14
TOTAL EXPENSES	10014.01
BALANCE 12/31/98	3649.13

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE

Statement of Insurance Coverage

As at December 31, 1998

J&H Marsh & McLennan
1801 Hollis Street, Suite 1300
Halifax, NS B3J 3N4
(902) 429-6710

Policy #: MAP - 768
Maritime Anglican Church Program

Premium: \$3,804

Coverage: March 1, 1998 through March 1, 1999

Limits of Liability:

St George's Church \$100,000
2222 Brunswick St

St George's Hall \$858,000
5429 Cornwallis St

Old Dutch Church Hall \$58,000
2221 Maitland St

Sexton House \$62,000
5421 Cornwallis St

Tiplex - Old Rectory \$248,000
5435 Cornwallis St

Trade Mart - Storage (Contents) \$50,000
Unit 112, Scotia Square

Total \$1,376,000

Other Coverage:

Commercial Liability \$5,000,000

Pollution Liability \$500,000

Dishonesty of Employees \$10,000

**Loss of Money/Securities
from inside/outside premises** \$10,000

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE

1999 Budget

INCOME

General Parish Income

Offerings	\$	135,000
Sunday School	\$	100
Investment & Endowment	\$	3,000
Other	\$	7,000
HST	\$	1,200

Total General Parish Income \$ **146,300**

Rental Income

Church Rental	\$	1,000
Hall Rental	\$	1,000
Rectory Rent	\$	15,600
Sexton's Cottage Rent	\$	6,000

Total Rental Income \$ **23,600**

TOTAL INCOME \$ **169,900**

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE

1999 Budget

EXPENSES

General Parish Expenses

Office Expenses		
Photocopying	\$	1,500
Supplies & Postage	\$	2,100
Telephone	\$	2,000
Total Office Expenses	\$	5,600
Allotment	\$	27,139 ²
Bank Service Charges	\$	50
HST Expense	\$	5,000
Payroll Fees	\$	50
Total General Parish Expenses	\$	37,839

Ordained Ministry

Stipend - Rector	\$	33,604
Housing Allowance	\$	17,747
Travel Reimbursement	\$	5,400
Pension Benefits	\$	5,412
Benefits (CPP/EI)	\$	2,700
Vacation Replacement	\$	900
Total Ordained Ministry	\$	65,763

Pastoral Ministry

Fees & Memberships	\$	50
Poor Fund	\$	1,200
School Bursaries	\$	150
Total Pastoral Ministry	\$	1,400

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE

1999 Budget

Spiritual Development

General

Advertising & Publicity	\$	600
Eucharistic Supplies	\$	2,000
Guest Speakers	\$	200
Parish Library	\$	50
Gifts	\$	300
Photocopying	\$	2,000
Special Events	\$	200
Supplies	\$	500
Total General Expenses	\$	5,850

Lay Ministry

Camp St. George	\$	5,000 ³
Total Lay Ministry	\$	5,000

Music Program

Stipend - Music Director	\$	15,201
Photocopying	\$	240
Supplies and Materials	\$	2,520
Vacation Replacement	\$	400
Total Music Program	\$	18,361

Sunday School Program

Supplies & Materials	\$	250
Total Sunday School Program	\$	250

Total Spiritual Development \$ **29,461**

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE1999 Budget

Property

General Property

Snow Removal	\$	1,500
Maintenance	\$	1,500
Total General Property	\$	<u>3,000</u>

Church

Insurance	\$	4,300
Maintenance & Repairs	\$	3,900
Security	\$	2,600
Taxes	\$	250
Telephone	\$	800
Utilities Oil	\$	5,500
Electricity	\$	2,500
Water	\$	<u>400</u>
Total Utilities	\$	8,400
Total Church (Total Cost \$20,250)	\$	5,000 ⁴

Hall

Insurance	\$	2,600
Maintenance & Repairs	\$	3,000
Management & Janitorial Fees	\$	5,603
Supplies	\$	1,000
Taxes	\$	200
Utilities Oil	\$	5,600
Electricity	\$	3,200
Propane	\$	500
Water	\$	<u>1,000</u>
Total Utilities	\$	10,300
Total Hall	\$	22,703

Little Deutsch Church

Insurance	\$	260
Maintenance & Repairs	\$	400
Taxes	\$	150
Utilities Electricity	\$	<u>600</u>
Total Little Deutsch Church	\$	1,410

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE

1999 Budget

Rectory

Insurance	\$	800
Maintenance & Repairs	\$	1,500
Taxes	\$	1,700
Utilities Oil	\$	200
Total Rectory	\$	<u>4,200</u>

Sexton's Cottage

Insurance	\$	250
Maintenance & Repairs	\$	750
Taxes	\$	950
Utilities Oil	\$	200
Total Sexton's Cottage	\$	<u>2,150</u>

Total Property Expenses \$ 38,463

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 172,935

NET INCOME/LOSS ~~(\$3,035.00)~~ (3026)

OFFERINGS 1992 - 1998

YEAR	1998 % increase	1997 %increase	1996 %increase	1995 %increase	1994 %increase	1993 %increase	1992
OFFERINGS	129700	5.10% 123418	8.40% 113902	5.10% 108420	-5.40% 114535	6.30% 107755	8.10% 99670
BUDGET	129700	11.80% 116000	-7.30% 125175	-4.50% 131000	10.60% 118472	5% 112825	16.30% 97000

1999 Offerings for 1998 129700
 + 25% of the annual total of completed 17900
 Restoration pledges from parishioners, based on 1998 figures
 1999 Budget - Regular Offerings 147600 plus 13.8%

SAINT GEORGE'S PARISH Envelope Givings at a Glance

Giving Range	1998	*1997	1996	1995
Under \$5	21	7	26	21
\$5 - \$10	36	18	36	29
\$11 - \$15	24	6	20	22
\$16 - \$20	3	27	11	12
\$21 - \$25	12	9	9	8
\$26 - \$30	4	8	5	5
\$31 - \$35	8	1	5	3
\$36 - \$40	3	4	4	1
\$41 - \$50	6	5	4	4
\$51 - \$75	6	4	5	4
\$76 - \$100	2	0	3	2
\$101 +	2	1	0	0

Total #	1998	*1997	1996	1995
Envelope Users	127	90	128	111

* regular envelope users only

The above ranges reflect average WEEKLY givings for envelope users. Holders, but non-users of envelopes are not included.

Parish of Saint George

Baptisms - 1998

Child

Parents

Vandeven Renee Elizabeth Anne (f) Glenda Van de Ven / Peter Van de Ven Timberlea NS
Born: 21 09 97, Halifax NS Baptized: 04 Jan 98
Sponsors: Sonja Van de Ven, Angela Angus, John Micheal Hedley, Glen edisa Monuque (?) May

Wells Shyanne Maviah (f) Trudy Jane Bryan / Randell Jason Wells Halifax NS
Born: 26 Nov 97, Halifax Baptized: 04 Jan 98
Sponsors: Benjamin Wells, Elsie Wells, Diane Bryan

Dunn Steve Thomas James (m) Tammy Deanne Bryan / Kevin John Dunn Halifax NS
Born 17 Oct. 97 Halifax NS Baptized: 04 Jan 98
Sponsors: Trish McNeil, Craig Downey, Thomas Dunn

Yeadon, Roan Finn Kavanaugh (m) Marina and Todd Yeadon Halifax NS
born: Oct 4 97 Halifax NS Baptized: 5 April 98
Sponsors: Paul Robichaud/ Debbie Nicholson

Bryan, Dante Kym (m) Natasha Smith and John Bryan Halifax ns
born: 3 march 98 Halifax ns Bap. 29 March 98
Sponsors: Faye Slaunwhite, Terry Forrest, Crystal Grouse, Jeffrey Bryan.

Hendricks Eloise Caroline(f) Lisa Hendricks Raymond Butcher Montreal, Que
12 Feb 98 Montreal Qc. Bap: 12 April 98
Sponsors: Stephen Blackwood, Amy Hedricks, Krista Siemens

Baker, Richard Liam (m) Bill & Sharon Baker Eastern Passage NS
7 Jan 98 Halifax Bap: 26 Apr 98
Sponsors: Gillian Vannan, George O'Keefe, Tina O'keefe, Scott Buell

Bruce-Robertson, Julia Elizabeth Reagh Jane and Lawrence Bruce-Robertson Halifax
born: 24 April 98 Halifax ns bap: 14 June 98
Sponsors: Neil Robertson / Patricia Roberston, Paige Davidson.

Taylor, Kayla Elizabeth (f) Trevor & Kayadon Taylor Eastern Passage
born: 24 06 98 Halifax Bap: 27 09 98 (LDC)
Sponsors: Jermy O'Roger, Cora Lee Taylor

Morash, Brandon Douglas (m) Colleen Morash
born 21 May 98 Bap: 20 Dec 98
Sponsors: Karen Morash, Lynn Crowekll, Michael Morash
10 baptisms: 5 females 5 males

Burials 6

Name	Age	Place of Death	Place of Burial	date of death	date of burial	place of burial
Macdonald, Rita Minerva,	87	Halifax,	Halifax,	4 April 98	07 April 98	Halifax
Warner, Gary Wayne	52	Halifax	Halifax	23 Feb 98	26 Feb 98	Mahone Ba
Parsons, William John	80	Halifax	Halifax	19 Apr 98	22 Apr 98	Fort Massey
Feaver, Henry	87	Halifax	Halifax	16 July 98	18 July 98	Pleasantville Cem
Moulton, Martha Jane	92	Halifax	Halifax	25 Oct 98	28 Oct 98	Fairview
Engram, Gordon James	82	Halifax	Halifax	12 Nov 98	14 Nov 98	

Marriages 8

Groom	Bride	date:
Street, Ronald	Prince, Catherine Michelle	1 Feb 98
Murray, Dana Scott	Parker, Annette Louise	20 Jun 98
Savoury, Trevor James	Burgoyne, Tara Lynn	20 Jun 98
Caya, Joseph Albert Martin	Dunlop, Tammy Beryl	25 July 98
Parker, Ronald Gordon	Francis, Angela Marie	22 Aug 98
Wells, Randell Jason	Bryan, Trudy Jane	22 Aug 98
Matthews, Trent Bradford Gawain	Hamilton, Jennifer Doris	5 Sept 98
Webb, Andrew Joseph	Butler, Nicole Lynn	5 Dec 98

Confirmations 7

May 13 98
 Tamsyn Brennan
 Andrea Burgoyne
 Trina Burgoyne
 Janice Leights
 Andrew Thorne
 Andrew Webb
 José Mont

REPORT OF THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Position	Returning	Nominated
Warden	Susan Harris	Terry McLaughlin
Secretary	Anna Paton	
Treasurer	Stuart Gray	
Synod Delegates	Elizabeth Henderson →	
	Stephen Blackwood →	
Alternate Delegate	David Olding →	
Youth Delegate	Katie Wallace	
Communications Officer		Anna Paton
Members at Large (12))	Les Grandy (2/3)	Tim Brennan
	John Hammond (2/3)	Heather Hannon
	Louise Burley (2/3)	Nora Praught
	Karen Wheeler (3/3)	Julie Morris
	David Winters (2/3)	
	Carmichael Wallace (2/3)	
	Ann Read (2/3)	
Diocesan Times (Not Council position)	Dorothy Coons	
PWRDF	Lorna Wallace	
Regional Delegates	Wardens	David Winters
Synod Delegates Regional Council	Karen Wheeler	
	Jan Connors	
Auditor	Dave Bezanson	
Gabriel Guild		
Group Committee		
Restoration	Restoration (for whatever) to be John	
LDC Management Committee		
Choir		



