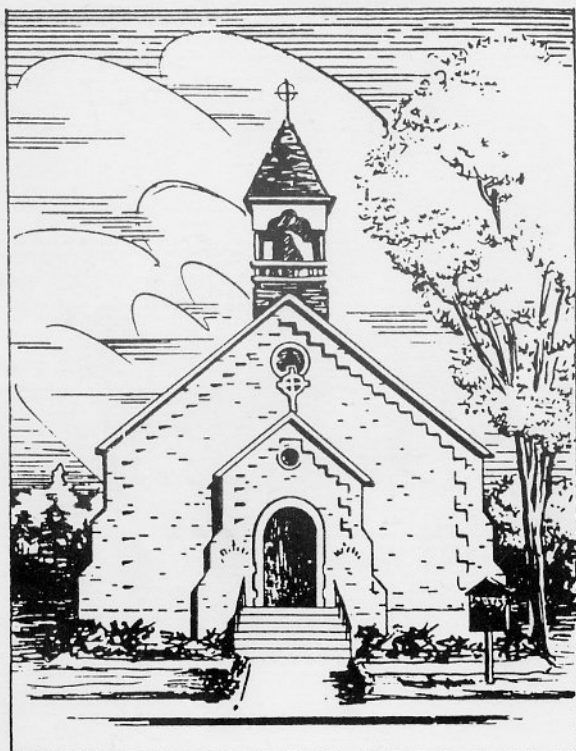


All Saints Church

WOODSTOCK, ONTARIO



75 YEARS
1915-1990

To Parishioners

Our story of All Saints Parish begins with the laughter and noise of children. What a wonderful way to start. It is a humble beginning. Canon Farthing, who was then Rector of New St. Paul's, envisioned a Sunday School and Mission in the West End of Woodstock. So it was in the Fall of 1889 that the West End Sunday School was formed and adults and young children met in a rented frame house at Duke and Hunter Streets.

The use of the little frame house was really short lived. In 1890, a property was purchased at the present site and a building erected for \$900. It was finally paid in 1919. But what we began with was a dream of a church. In fact, we were calling ourselves All Saints Mission. There were baptisms, confirmations and marriages. We were also served by an assistant minister from New St. Paul's who conducted Prayer Book evening services of both Word and Sacrament.

Finally, on July 1, 1915, Archbishop Williams, our Diocesan Bishop was with us to dedicate our mission as All Saints Anglican Church. And so for these past 75 years, our Parish has brought to this West End Community a service of faith, hope and charity in the Spirit of our risen Lord.

But let the story teller of this unique little book unfold to you, our story. It is a story of the poor

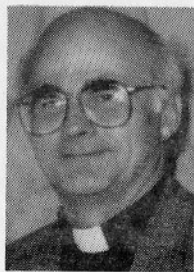
in spirit, of meekness, of loss, of hunger and thirst for what is right, of mercy of pure in heart and of peace. But most important, a story of faith and trust in the Lord.

Long ago, Isaiah the Prophet, tells of a hoped for event when the wolf would live with the lamb and the calf would feed with the lion cub. The remarkable part of the story is that the Prophet explains how "a little child will lead them." (Isaiah 11:6).

We live in a world of rapid change. In our own church, we are experiencing incredible change. We have become so diverse, yet, not always understanding why. So it is the future that challenges us. As members of All Saints Parish, what should be our vision of service to the West End community?

Our Anniversary provides us with an opportunity to thank God and to praise His name for our story. In this quiet moment, can we hear His voice and the gentle nudge of His Spirit as we prepare to journey as pilgrims into the future? Where will He lead? Remember, how our story began with the laughter of children's voices? That same delightful sound will go before us. Remember the words of the Prophet, "a little child will lead us."

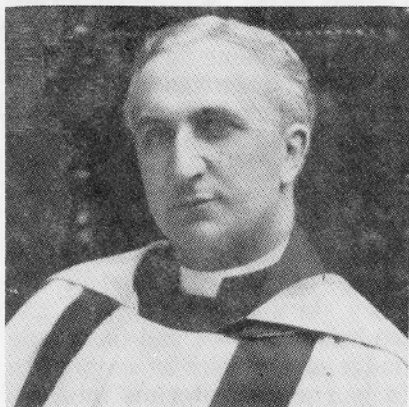
Shalom,
Rev. Tim Hill



Early Roots

All Saints Parish is celebrating its 100th Anniversary as a Sunday School and 75th year as a church in year 1989-1990.

In the year, 1889, the late Right Reverend J. Craig Farthing, at that time Curate of and in charge of New St. Paul's Church, Woodstock, Ontario became concerned about the large number of children of Anglican parents in the west end of Woodstock, who were attending Methodist, Baptist and other Sunday Schools or none at all.



Reverend J. Craig Farthing

As a result of his interest, a frame house on the corner of Hunter and Duke Streets was rented by New St. Paul's Church. After some partitions between rooms were pulled down, making a hall large enough for a little school, All Saints Sunday School was formed.

The late Right Rev. Arthur

Sovereign attended Sunday School here. Mr. Samuel J. Woodroffe, an active young business man who was, with his wife confirmed, later becoming a Priest, was the first Superintendent of the Sunday School.

Attendance at the Sunday School was encouragingly increasing, and Mr. Woodroffe soon gathered around him a strong band of teachers.

For awhile, Mr. O.R. Rowley, a young man in the Bank of British North America, helped with church services in the Sunday School Building.

In October of 1890, the lot on which the Church now stands was purchased and in 1891, the original church was erected at a cost of \$900.00. A mortgage of \$750.00 was not fully discharged until the year 1919. There was no basement in this building, except for one small corner used as a furnace room. Sunday School was held regularly and Church Services on special occasions, under the direction of Rev. J.C. Farthing of New St. Paul's. Efforts were made to hold regular Church services but without much success until the year 1915.

When Rev. F.H. Brewin became rector of New St. Paul's in 1913, he continued to carry out this work and Rev. K. Alexander, curate to Mr. Brewin, was in charge of the Sunday School and Mission of All Saints, giving special attention to the West end of Woodstock. A

strong Ladies Guild was very active and was responsible for the installation of a new furnace.

From New St. Paul's Records, there is evidence of monetary support. April 6, 1890 - "Vestry authorize annual payment of \$60.00 for the support of the West End Mission Services." After creation of All Saints Church 1915-September 2, that "a grant of \$50.00 be paid towards the salary of the Rectors of All Saints for one year ending July, 1916."

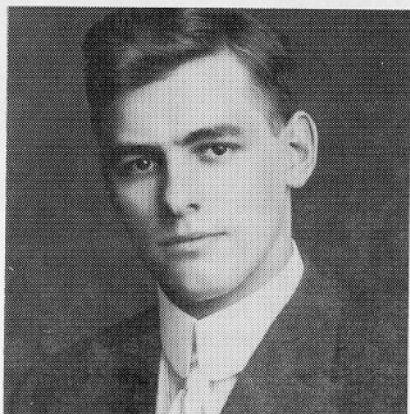
April 21, 1919, Mr. F.L. Spence, Peoples' Warden, All Saints Church wrote stating they were in need of assistance on account of so many of their men having enlisted. Also by reason of the numbers of their people now attending New St. Paul's Church. Moved and seconded that New St. Paul's contribute \$50.00 towards the funds of All Saints.

1. THE ALEXANDER YEARS 1915-1917

On July 1, 1915, Archbishop Williams organized the west end mission Sunday School into a separate parish, of All Saints, with Trinity Church, Beachville.

Rev. K. Alexander became the first Rector with Mr. Arthur Tanner as Rector's Warden and also the first lay reader and Mr. Frank Spence the first People's Warden. J. D. Hill - became the first Vestry Clerk.

The first Organist was Miss Livick and the instrument she



Arthur Tanner, First Lay Reader

used was an old house organ but largely due to the efforts of Miss Livick, funds were raised to purchase a new reed organ. This required a manual pumper and often when Miss Livick required more volume, the boy in charge of the pumper was not particularly interested and so there was no air. Some of the boys of the Parish whose job it was to pump the organ were Bill Bennett, George Bennett, Eddie Bennett, Simpson England, Arthur Burston, Jim Martin and John Coulter. This reed organ was in use until the year 1943, when our present Pipe Organ was installed. Seating in those days was on common kitchen chairs and the first notes of the hymns were usually accompanied with the noise of moving chairs.

Mr. D.J. McClellan was now Superintendent of the Sunday School and with the help of Miss



Chairs used in the early church.



Emily Smith

Emily Smith, Miss Mary Smith, Miss Mona Johnson and Miss Florence Turner and other Sunday School Teachers from New St. Paul's, he continued for some years after the Parish was formed.

Mr. Alexander gave outstanding service and leadership in those early days under difficult conditions, such as lighting by coal oil lamps, no basement - reed organ, kitchen chairs, and a small salary. With Prayer, Faith and a friendly personality, Mr. Alexander started his new church and it was soon on its way to success.

Around this new All Saints Church, gathered a loyal band of church workers who toiled very enthusiastically. On July 21, 1917, the cherished bell of New St. Paul's was finally installed with celebration in the new tower of All Saints. For twelve years it had rung in New St. Paul's. Installation costs were paid for by Mrs. A. Clynick.

Rev. Mr. Alexander moved to Flint, Michigan after his marriage, resigning in September, 1917. He said he never expected to take up work in a parish with so much love and interest as he had in the parish of All Saints.

The Church Warden informed the Bishop that the Parish of All Saints would be willing to raise the stipend of the new Rector to at least \$1,000 including the grant from the Diocese. The appointment be left in the hands of the Bishop.

2. THE RYOTT YEARS 1917-1918

Rev. F. C. Ryott succeeded Mr. Alexander. He was a married man, with a family of two children (Dorothy and Phyllis). As there was no rectory, he found it necessary to rent a house and in order to maintain his home, found employment at the Eureka Plant as a brass finisher in which trade he was an expert. Mrs. Ryott and her daughters were faithful workers and sang regularly in the choir.

During these years, there was much work necessary to renovate the old building from a Sunday School to a Church. A band of loyal workers toiled together, expending their own money and labour to carry on the work of the church.

In 1918, a large number of lady members of the church were present at the Vestry and in order to



Reverend F. C. Ryott

vote, persons had to sign the vestry list. In 1919, Willing Workers were disbanded and the first Junior Auxiliary was formed as part of the Ladies Guild. Rev. Mr. Ryott left in 1920, for the Mission Field, Nicaragua, Central America. He died in England in 1966.

At that time, conditions were so low that a letter was forwarded to the Bishop, recommending that All Saints be discontinued as a separate Parish and again be under the control of New St. Paul's Church.

3. THE HARRISON YEARS 1920-1921

The only answer received was a notice that the Reverend L. C. Harrison had been appointed to succeed Mr. Ryott. Mr. Harrison was ordained as a Deacon and was a popular and successful leader from 1920 to 1921. Under his leadership, All Saints continued to make progress. Mr. Harrison was contemplating marriage and as there was no Rectory, tendered his resignation after two years of service.

At the April, 1929 Vestry, Mr. Inder, Minister's Warden, thanked Chancel Guild, Choir and



Reverend L. C. Harrison

Organist, Sunday School Superintendent and teachers for their loyal work.

4. THE CROSBY YEARS 1921-1923

The next incumbent was the Rev. L. Crosby, who was also a Deacon and after one year, announced he was being made a Priest and was about to get married. This convinced the Vestry of All Saints that a Rectory was imperative. A small committee was appointed to investigate and the result was the purchase of a large red brick house on the corner of Douglas and Queen Street as our first Rectory in 1923. The cost of the house was \$3,000.00 and no money was on hand. The Committee was able to raise a little over a thousand dollars and obtain a mortgage of \$1,900.00 approved by the Synod. Mr. Crosby agreed to serve for one more year. This meant great sacrifice by the members of the congregation to pay the mortgage, but it was again cheerfully accepted. A boy's choir was formed during his ministry. The boys were paid a cent for each choir practice.

5. THE McCracken YEARS 1923-1928

In 1923, the Rev. J. C. McCracken was appointed Rector of All Saints Church. Mr. McCracken was an older man with wide experience in parish work and during his ministry many notable changes and improvements were made. In 1927 new pews were installed to replace the old kitchen chairs and the church was redecorated and improved. A strong Men's Club was formed and one of our most impressive services was held when our first surpliced choir marched up the aisle of our church. Under his leadership, All Saints made great progress. He was honoured, beloved and respected by everyone. Mr. McCracken served All Saints faithfully for five years and was suddenly called to higher service while he was preparing for his usual Sunday Morning Service. The pulpit in the church was erected by the congregation as a tribute to his memory.

During his time, the mortgage was reduced by \$200.00 in 1925. In



Reverend J. C. McCracken

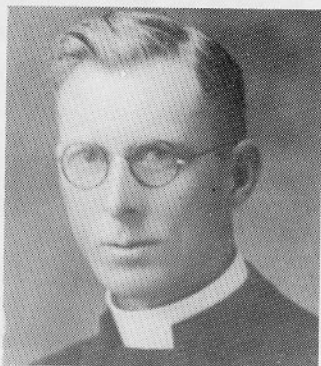
1926, Christmas Day was the largest attendance so far in the History of the Church. The Ladies Guild had their most successful year in their history.

The Men's Club paid \$300.00 for shingling of the roof. D.J. McClellan, Superintendent of Sunday school said average attendance at Sunday School was eighty. The Rector's stipend was \$1,600.00.

In 1927, The Chancel Guild



Some of the early Ladies' Guild members.



Reverend E. L. Vivian

donated a silver chalice and flagon to the church. A Girl Guide Group was started with the sole purpose of training and building up character of young girls in the Parish. The Church had never before shown such signs of prosperity and enthusiasm. Mr. Burston the caretaker donated his time to look after the building.

6. THE VIVIAN YEARS 1928-1931.

In August 1928, Rev. E.L. Vivian became the new rector. Suggestions were made to buy a lot and build a Sunday School. The present parking lot was purchased in 1930 but a new Church was too expensive for All Saints members. A large number of paper bricks were sold at \$10.00 each which proved the nucleus of a Building Fund. He was an excellent preacher who believed in the eight-minute sermon and believed in visiting his parishioners.

In 1929, a small motor was added to the blower of the organ and the boys felt relieved - no more shenanigans. Miss Eva Hill became Organist. In 1930, controversy arose over the advisability of



Original Church c. 1928

putting in a proper basement to the present church as a Sunday School.

In January 1931, Mr. Vivian regretted leaving after three years saying "We believe something has been accomplished during our time with you".

7. THE INNS YEARS 1931-1934

In March, 1931, Rev. T. H. Inns became Minister. By this time, the attendance at Sunday School had increased to such an extent that it was impossible to conduct successful classes even using pews in the church. It was decided to excavate the basement of the old building to provide a Sunday School room. As money was scarce, a mortgage was taken and a few of the men signed a bank note for \$500.00 on behalf of the church. Some of the men who helped dig the basement were Fred Stone, Art Stone, William Parker and Jim Martin Sr. According to records the Altar table came from St. John's Tillsonburg to be used in the church.

The year 1933 was another year



Choir Ladies c. 1933

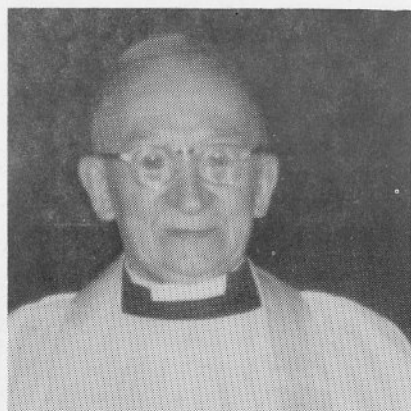
of difficulties but also happy times. The A.Y.P.A. was very active and won the City Young Peoples' Rally Banner. \$300.00 was paid off by the Building Fund. Boy Scouts were active and the Choir was very faithful with Mr. Robert Matthews as choir director. Sid Bowyer was Sunday School Superintendent. Jas Martin retired as Secretary-Treasurer of the Sunday School after many years of faithful service.

Mr. Inns commented that the Chancel Guild was an organization that devoted itself in a very faithful manner to the church in particular

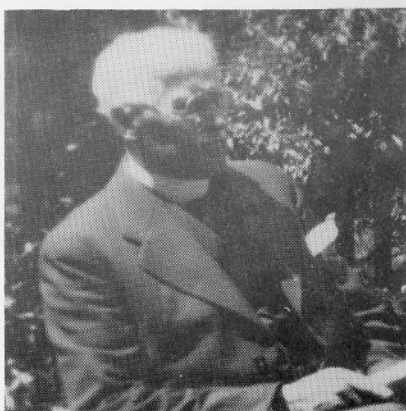
to the Rector. "For all occasions, where the sanctuary is used, we will find the faithful women of the Chancel Guild ready to serve". "Women's Guilds are the backbone of any church" stated the Minister. Bricks were sold at a cent a brick to pay off the mortgage. The basement was built and the church redecorated. All the organizations, especially Men's Club and Ladies Guild co-operated.

8. THE HOWARD YEARS 1934-1936

In 1934, the Rev. T.B. Howard was appointed Rector of All Saints.



Reverend T. H. Inns



Reverend T. B. Howard



Members of the A.Y.P.A. c. 1935

With his capable leadership, the Church organizations made great progress. All Saints A.Y.P.A. was recognized as being the most active in the Diocese at that time.

Our minister was very pleased to see how well the men attended the services but as usual, Sunday School teachers were needed. 50 envelopes were being used by the members and this was increasing all the time. Mr. Howard said the Queen Street rectory was quite comfortable. The members of Trinity Church, Beachville were thanked for their work.

Mr. Howard served All Saints for three years, before he was called very suddenly to Higher Service. The oak screen in front of the pews was erected as a tribute to his memory by the Bible Class. In the fall of 1936, Mr. Howard died and Rev. W. Tomalin succeeded him.

9. THE TOMALIN YEARS 1936-1944

"I am happy to be with you at your annual meeting as Rector of All Saints Church and I trust that a happy relationship will grow between us as we work together to further and strengthen the work of

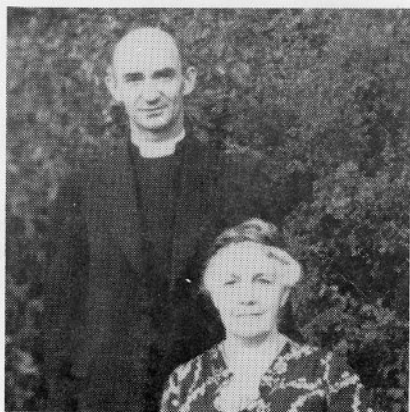
the parish" stated Mr. Tomalin, at his first Vestry meeting. Under his quiet but effective leadership, our Church was recognized as a church, rather than as a Sunday School.

Our new Rector did not like the means of raising money with bin-gos, and encouraged the members to do it themselves by free-will offering of 1/10 of salary. A Bible class was formed. The Font was placed at the entrance to the Church again. Eighty-two envelopes were now being used and attendance at church was steadily increasing. The Building Fund Committee was discontinued and an Organ Fund was formed with the balance.

We found the finances in the church increased as members gave more of themselves.

A Welcoming Committee to welcome new members to our Church was formed. The Women's Auxiliary was revised and Junior Auxiliary, Little Helpers and a junior branch of W.A. was started in 1938 called the J.A.'s.

All obligations of the Church were met and new Choir anthems were purchased. It was emphasized that more Mission side of the



Reverend and Mrs. W. Tomalin

envelopes must be used. The minister urged members to turn their thoughts to God and cure their spiritual carelessness by trying to meet the increased budget. The Organ Committee was continued.

Red Church boxes were presented to each member for extra offering during Lent to help to pay the Budget. Mrs. Armstrong was made first life member of W.A.

Select Vestry was now to be called the Board of Management and Sid Bowyer was mentioned as a Lay Reader.

In 1941, thirty-five men served in the Canadian Armed Forces from All Saints. Ninety-three envelopes were being used and All Saints paid the budget 100% in their best year yet.

In 1942, Mr. Tomalin stressed that spiritual progress in the Church could not be measured by money earned. Church Boys League was formed with Mrs. Levitt as leader. Bales were sent out by the Red Cross Unit in the Church. A Soldiers Parish Club was started.

In 1943, the budget was overpaid, and the Organ Fund had promises of \$1,000.00.



Mrs. Tomalin and girls. c. 1940

A special fund raising plan, known as Cent-A-Day was organized and led by Edith West to help meet the expenses of the Church. The possibility of securing a Rectory nearer the Church was considered; at first the Winnett Street Rectory was thought to be too large and too expensive to heat, but the Vestry decided to complete the transaction and the new Rectory was purchased, at 45 Winnett Street, March 29, 1943.

A new pipe organ was pur-



Bible Class 1943



Burning of the mortgage, September 1945

chased in November, 1943 and it was decided to employ a caretaker full time. In 1944, All Saints was self-supporting.

In 1944, Mr. Tomalin was in the hospital with arthritis and the church carried on, also making repairs to the Rectory. Mr. and Mrs. Tomalin gave devoted services to All Saints Church for 8 years up to his death in 1944. As a loving tribute to his memory, a beautiful stained glass window with the theme the Good Shepherd was erected in the church by his congregation. Flight Lieutenant Beatty, a friend of his son, gave the sermon at the dedication.

10. THE GRAHAM YEARS 1944-1946

For the first time in the history of All Saints Church, the Parochial Committee was called to consider

this appointment and Rev. John Graham became our new Rector. 1945 was one of the most foreword years in All Saints Church. The Church Women's Year, also known as "Cent a Day", paid off \$800.00 of the mortgage. A memorable occasion for All Saints Church took place on September 27, 1945, when



Reverend John Graham



Sunday School Picnic 1948

the members of the congregation and representatives of all the organizations with the Church, gathered together to burn a copy of the mortgage which had just been liquidated. Mr. Graham, the Rector, paid tribute to the work of the late Rev. Tomalin, who organized the Church Women's Year, the organization partly responsible for the liquidation of the debt. An envelope secretary was suggested. In 1946, for the first time in 25 years, all debts were paid and the church was free of debt. A new furnace was considered. During the latter part of the war, a Memorial Honour roll was created for members of the Parish who gave their lives for us.

11. THE HOSFORD YEARS 1946-51

In 1948, Mr. Hosford commented on the excellent cooperation in the church and its good financial condition. The same year, Dr. Welford, a Woodstock family physician, gave a donation of \$1,000 to the Church, the interest on it to go to minister's salary each year and a car allowance was given to the minister for the first time.

Beautiful oak panelling was installed in the Sanctuary by the Chancel Guild. A new floor, new heating system, and panelled ceiling were installed, the rectory roof was repaired, and the Men's Club purchased a Gestetner. The organ required some more repairs.



Mrs. Burston, Mrs. Ritchie, and Mrs. Hitchcock

1949 was declared a splendid year, with extra effort from Beachville appreciated. The pension plan for the Clergy was started with the church paying 6% and the Clergy 3% and service on the radio was discussed. Two hundred and twenty people attended services at Easter with Sid Bowyer and J.D. Hill active as Lay readers. Mr. Hosford was the first Minister

to leave All Saints by retirement, retiring and moving to Toronto in 1951. A beautiful stained glass memorial window, was installed in our new church in 1964 as a gift from his daughter, Miss Natalie Hosford of Toronto.

12. THE LANCASTER YEARS 1952-1960

On March 17, 1952 a reception was held for our new Minister, Rev. E.O. Lancaster and under his good leadership, the church continued to grow. A clothing bale was sent to Alberta and to the Mohawk Institute, Brantford. Plans were made to construct an addition to the front of the church. This addition almost doubled the seating capacity at that time, and provided a much needed sitting room, which served also as a Board and Committee Room. In this new front to the church was included a beautiful oak font, complete with rail and a stained glass window with the theme in memory of departed members of the church. These were erected as gifts from the Chancel Guild, whose mem-



Reverend J. Hosford



Reverend E. O. Lancaster

bers have contributed so much to the beauty and also to the spiritual life of All Saints Church. The Service of Consecration of church and Dedication of Gifts was held with Bishop Luxton on May 10, 1957 at 8:00 p.m. It is noted in the order of service that future consideration is also being given to the necessity of a Parish Hall and Sunday School or possibly a new Church as the present accommodation is obviously not adequate

particularly on special occasions.

The Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen, (B.A.C.) was officially formed in 1956 with Sid Bowyer as the first President. Group Two of the A.C.W. was also formed. A new member canvas of the Church was carried out. A private communion set was given by the Senior Ladies Guild. A new side walk was installed from the church to the parking lot.

Because of congested conditions in the Sunday School January 31, 1960 a 9:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Sunday School was started so children may attend the complete church service. In the past year a servers guild was formed with eight of our young men acting as servers. In 1959 a new gestetner machine was also donated by Group Two for use of Bulletin Committee.

We have not made many references to Trinity Church, Beachville in our Church history, but we, at All Saints, are very grateful to the people of Trinity Church, who, throughout the

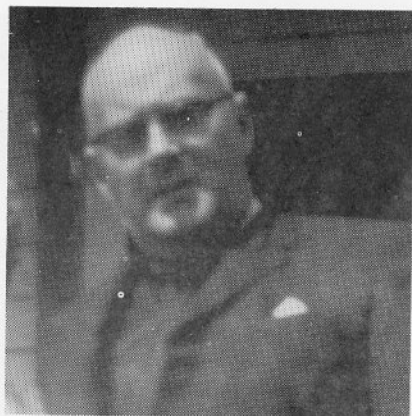


Construction 1953

years, from 1915, when they first became a part of the Parish, contributed so much to the life and success of All Saints. Miss M. Shepherd, the Station-Mistress was an organist in the early church. Mr. A. Shann was one of the first Superintendents of the Sunday School. Mr. Shann and Mr. S.C. Martin were Church Wardens between 1889 - 1892.

Trinity Church members worked with All Saints in the "Cent-a-Day", an organization which helped so much in the finances of the Church. They gave to the necessary expenses of our ministers and co-operated in all ways to the social life of the Parish. In 1960, we were advised by the Bishop, that All Saints was to become a separate Parish, with Trinity Church, Beachville to be part of the Church of the Good Shepherd. Trinity Church had been a valued part of All Saints for forty-five years and was missed by everyone in so many ways.

The Trinity Church building, built in the 1800's is now the "Ye Old Museum" in Beachville.



Rev. D. G. Rees

13. THE REES YEARS 1960-1963

In December, 1960, the Rev. D. G. Rees was appointed Rector of All Saints and served for about three years. During his time, the congregation continued to grow and the necessity of building a new church was a live topic at all Board Meetings. Mr. Rees at the Vestry Meeting in January, 1962 expressed his thanks for a comfortable home and how he has come to like it at All Saints. He



Guides and Brownies observe Thinking Week at All Saints

thanked the people for personal kindnesses shown to him and his wife and their daughter Margaret.

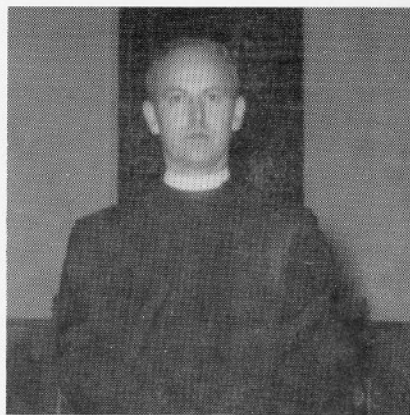
It is mentioned in January, 1963 that the Sunday School had one hundred and ninety-five pupils. A vote was taken regarding women in Synod. The majority was for it providing the majority of the delegates from each parish was male. In November, 1963, a new addition to the church was proposed at an estimate of between \$62,000 and \$68,000. A plan of \$65,000 was approved by the Synod.

14. THE BEATTY YEARS 1963-1967

In 1963 before any building was started, Mr. Rees left and Dr. Beatty was the new Rector. The A.Y.P.A. was revitalized and the average Sunday attendance was two hundred and fifty-seven.

The final service in the old church was held on Easter Sunday, 1964. On the day following, the pews and furnishings were moved into storage and the wrecking of the original building was commenced with the comparatively new front being retained.

With the generosity of All Saints people, and with funds



Reverend R. H. Beatty

raised by several Ladies Groups the debt diminished quite quickly.

During this period of construction (five months) services were held in Victoria School at 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. with evening services in the Rectory. Dr. Beatty was untiring in his efforts in directing the construction and also contributed many hours of manual labour particularly in the finishing of the interior.

Many personal and family gifts were received to complete the furnishings, including additional new pews, oak screens and church fixtures. Particular mention should



Scouts held Father-and-Son Banquet at All Saints in February, 1966.



Servers Group with Dr. Beatty



Dedication of reconstructed All Saints Church by Rt. Rev. G. N. Luxton

be made of the lovely red carpet in the entrance and chancel of the church, being another of the generous gifts of the Chancel Guild.

Services of dedication of the new church were conducted by Bishop G. Luxton on September 9, 1964 with Rollin Chambers, acting People's Warden and Len Fallowfield, Rector's Warden.

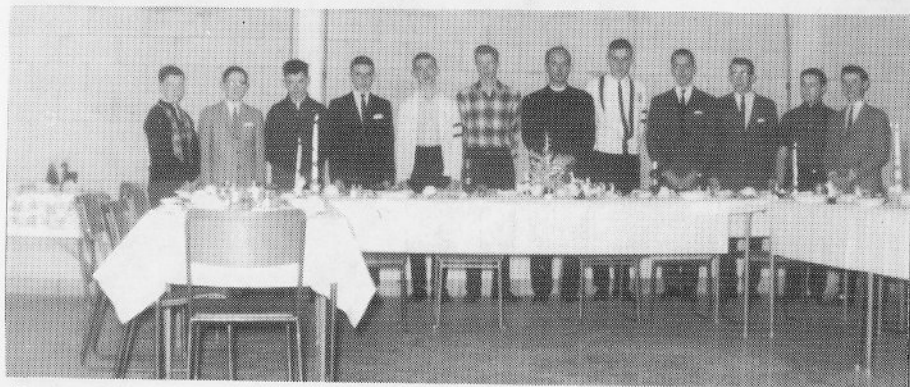
In the Vestry Minutes of January 1965, Dr. Beatty pointed out that 1964 has been a year of great accomplishment even though we were without a Church or Parish hall. In 1965, the Servers were re-organized. Girl Guide Groups left to go to Dundas United Church and the J.A.'s were active. Miss Frizelle left \$1,000 as a Memorial Trust Fund to All Saints Church.

In the January, 1966 Vestry meeting records special thanks were given to Vera Sims, Rollie Chambers, Bruce Chance and Ted Thompson for their time and effort put forth in the Golden Jubilee Tea

Garden Party and Partnership in the Gospel Program. The spirit of Friendship which now prevails within the Parish, was outstanding. The largest Service held in All Saints to date was the Confirmation Service in 1966.

Dr. Beatty resigned as Rector in 1967, in order to travel to Europe for continuation of his studies. He left with the assurance that the prayers and good wishes of the congregation of All Saints would be with him where ever he might be. Slides of the activities of the church were shown at his retirement party.

Highlights of the January, 1967 Vestry meeting are: Radio Broadcasts were to be continued if the new minister agreed. The Church paid off \$5,000.00 on the loan with a balance of \$18,000.00. Officers of the church are to be only in office for five years. Word was received that Mrs. Tomalin, wife of the former rector had died.



Servers Dinner 1963-67



Women of All Saints held 50th Anniversary Tea.

15. THE MILLMAN YEARS 1967-1970

In April, 1967, Rev. William Millman was appointed Rector and the Parish was fortunate in having another faithful and devoted worker and leader. He brought with him his wife Delores and their three children.

In 1968, a beautiful stained glass window was unveiled and dedicated to the memory of the late Simpson-England, a man who had served the church in many

capacities including People's Warden.

On January 19, 1969, the Afternoon Senior Guild changed to a Social Group only, turning the balance of their account over to the church.

A visitation was held to try to improve the church attendance at Sunday Services.

It was decided to move the altar out from the church wall. A Memorial window for J.D.Hill was dedicated in 1970 and it was noted



Reverend Wm. Millman

that Mr. Hill was Peoples' Warden for over thirty years.

January, 1970 the treasurer of the Building Fund, Ethel Gamble reported there was a loan of \$1,750 still owing on the church. A campaign by letter was to be organized during February, 1970.

In 1971, Mr. Millman resigned. This year, the A.C.W. was organized with Marie Bowerman as the first President.

On March 17, 1971, Rt. Rev. Carmen Queen, Bishop of Huron, consecrated the new part of All Saints Church at a very impressive service, with both Rev. Murray and Rev. Millman participating.

16. THE MURRAY YEARS 1971-1982

Vestry records for the early "Murray" Years were lost as the result of a fire. In January, 1973, Rev. Tom Murray was in the hospital and at the Vestry meeting, Mrs. Murray expressed appreciation for all the help given by members.

Ten recommendations to Vestry from the Board of Management were received including work on the organ, floor in the church to be



Church Picnic at Southside Park

painted, permanent stairs to be installed and a History Committee to be formed. The Third Boy Scout Troop was re-organized and partitions were added for the Sunday school. Fans were suggested for the church. The new stairs to the attic were donated by Kay and Jim Bond.

It was decided to discontinue the evening Sunday Services.

In 1974, two pews were removed from the front of the church to make more spaces for Wedding groups. The B.A.C. proposed paving the parking lot and



Reverend Tom Murray

approval was given by Vestry. Rev. Percy Parsons assisted at services. The 1975 estate of Irene E. Rush donated a speaker system. In January 1975, the B.A.C. notified Vestry they would like to discontinue duties of church custodian.

In 1976, a new furnace for the rectory was suggested and part of the roof was to be repaired. At the January, 1976 Vestry Meeting it was decided that a Memorial Fund be set up and on the death of Dr. Rice, Mrs. Rice donated a book to be used for this purpose with Miss K. Bond as Treasurer. It was suggested that Women act as Sidesmen for the first time. We discovered that the organ needed tuning and that was remedied.

In 1978 it was decided to pay the budget monthly and set the church thermostat at 66 degrees and cages were installed over the thermostat.

In 1979 a new rectory furnace was installed.

The January, 27, 1980 Vestry minutes stated that new fans in the ceiling have helped save money on

heating in the church, the B.A.C. had provided custodial supplies and the budget for the year was overpaid.

A special meeting was held on Feb. 15, 1981 to suggest a change in the Memorial Remembrance Fund Book but it was decided to leave it as it is recorded in the special pamphlet.

In 1982, it was decided to have the Presidents of the A.C.W. and the B.A.C. as members of the Board. Harold Hayes once again suggested that every organization should remember to turn off any extra lights not necessary for a meeting.

In 1982 new robes for the choir were again suggested. A middle hand rail for the front steps especially for older people was considered. B.A.C. and Group 3 held the annual Pancake Supper with Harry Parkinson making pancakes.

In January, 1983, due to the fact we had no minister, the Vestry meeting was conducted by Rev. Roger McCombe. It was reported that a bill for \$900.00 for repairs to



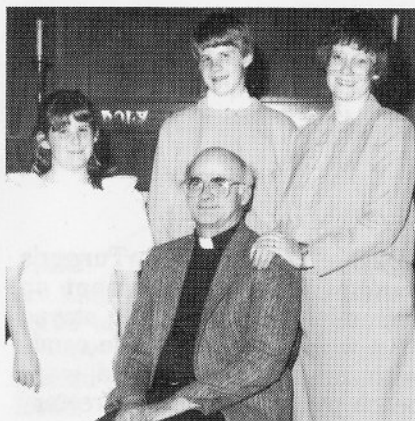
Consecration of All Saints Church, March 1971



*Harry Parkinson
flipping flapjacks at
the 20th consecutive
Pancake Supper.*



*The Chancel Guild
gathered with Rev.
and Mrs. Murray*



Reverend Tim Hill & Family

the organ was paid by Jim Martin and Nell Cork.

17. THE HILL YEARS 1983-

Tim, Marilyn, Peter and Erin arrived at All Saints Church in August of 1983.

At the Vestry meeting, there was a discussion on the new B.A.S. Prayer Book and a Worship Committee was formed.

In 1985, it was again decided to revise the Book of Remembrance. In 1986, one hundred copies of the B.A.S. Prayer Book were purchased from the Memorial Fund and a book rack built for the blue prayer books. A new piano was purchased to be used in the church. It was given as a memorial by interested members of the congregation.

In 1987, a room at the front of the Church was refurbished in memory of Miss Lucy Birkmyre to be used for Church group meetings and special occasions. George Acres was appointed, on recommendation by the 1987 vestry to be the lay administrator. At that same vestry meeting it was decided to share Anglican churches in the summer months and it has become a custom to alternate months with Old St. Paul's Church.

In June, 1988, a Plaque in memory of Rev. T. Murray, was dedicated.



New Piano given as a memorial by interested members of the church.

Highlights: Years at a Glance

1890 - Lot on which All Saints Church now stands was purchased.

1891 - Church building was erected at a cost of \$900.00

1913 - Mrs. Bale was first President of Ladies Guild and the meeting closed "In Harmony". A new furnace was purchased for \$110.00. Miss Livick was organist and various boys pumped the organ.

1915 - All Saints Anglican Church was formed with Trinity Church, Beachville

1917 - "St. Paul's could have their own reception, for Rev. Alexander, but All Saints wanted their own, too" was quoted by Ladies Guild. Rev. Alexander received \$50.00 from Ladies Guild, when he left. Our Church bell was moved to All Saints from New St. Paul's.

1918 - Ladies wore camphor balls around their neck to prevent getting the "flu". Miss Mary Smith, Sunday School Teacher, had forty pupils in her Primary Class. D.J. McClellan was Superintendent of the Sunday School and often took the whole class for a ride in his car on Sunday afternoons.

1920 - Port Dover train rides were enjoyed and many family Picnics were held. Sunday School Picnics were held at Fairmount Park, near Beachville.

1923 - Miss Florence Turner's Sunday School Class went on swimming trips and often stayed on a week's holiday, made candy with the rain water and wore beach pyjamas. The first rectory at 306 Queen Street was purchased. The booth at the Fairgrounds had \$28.00 profit. Strawberry Social was ten cents for adults and five cents for children.

1924 - In a Chancel Guild report it was suggested lilies might be rented for the Easter Services as the funds were low. A fruit basket was sent to an ill member at a cost of thirty-six cents and altar flowers cost an average of \$1.50. A case of Communion wine cost \$8.50 and Chancel Guild gave the Wardens \$50.00 to help pay the Church coal bill.

1927 - Daisy Bowyer, organist, nudged Art Burston to wake him to continue pumping the organ, which often happened to the boys. Les Potter had a large Boy Scout troop. The first surplice choir walked up the church aisle.

1930 - Swimming was enjoyed at the Red Feather. The boys often went in swimming, skinny dipping at the Thames. The New Year's Eve parties, with the ringing of the Church bell were very popular. Mr. Waterland called for Square Dancing for the group.

1932 - The book "Why Churches are Empty" was read at the Ladies Guild meeting. "If you have no money to give, you can pray instead" said the President of the Guild.

1933 - A basement was started.

1942 - Present rectory at 45 Winnett Street, was purchased. During the 1940's and 1950's many enjoyable Sunday School picnics were held at Southside Park.

1943 - New Pipe Organ was installed.

1945 - The mortgage was paid off and burned at a special service on September 27, 1945. Mrs. Graham was scolded for wearing gold earrings in the choir. The choir wore black shoes and stockings and were told not to look at the congregation.

1946 - On Easter Saturday, there were three weddings at All Saints (Stone-Faulkner, Wellard-Silcox and Anderson-Peters)

1947 - 1952 - Ted Kendall organized special trains to Toronto to attend skating shows such as Barbara Anne Scott's show. The women made sandwiches and sold them on the train. It was a huge success.

1952 - The Cent-A-Day and Men's Club purchased tickets for the Ice Follies. During the 1940's and 1950's it was customary for the children to attend Church in the morning, Sunday School in the

afternoon and Evensong at night.

1953 - The extension to the front of the Church was dedicated.

1960 - All Saints became a separate Parish, with Trinity Church becoming part of the Church of the Good Shepherd.

1964 - The new completed All Saints Church was dedicated by Right Rev. G.N. Luxton. The men were still putting in the last nails in the altar rail when the Bishop arrived and there were so many mosquitoes, we couldn't stop laughing.

1969 - Senior Ladies Guild changed to a social group.

1970 - There was a break-in on Shrove Tuesday and dishes were broken and eggs thrown all over the floor.

1971 - Beginning of A.C.W.

1976 - Memorial Fund started.

1986 - Piano purchased to be used in the Church.

1987 - Miss Lucy Birkmyre room was furnished.

1989 - 100th Anniversary of the Sunday School. New blue choir robes were purchased.

1990 - 75th Anniversary of All Saints Church.

Church Organizations

SENIOR LADIES GUILD

The Senior Guild was the first Ladies Organization, formed during the early years of All Saints Church, then a part of New St. Paul's Church.

Mrs. Bale was the first President in 1913, and the Guild was chiefly a Sewing and Quilting Group. At the church, a quilt was often the centre of the group, with sewing meetings held at the homes. The Ladies of new St. Paul's sometimes came down to help with the quilting.

In May, 1915, it was decided to have a separate reception at All Saints for Mr. Alexander, the first Rector of All Saints. The comment was made that New St. Paul's could have their own reception, but All Saints would be his Congregation and they wanted their own, too.

A profit of \$75.00 for a Bazaar and \$65.00 for an Annual Tea was considered very gratifying at this time. The Ladies installed a new furnace at a cost of \$110.00 in 1913. Pneumonia jackets and bandages for the Soldiers were made by the Ladies during the War. In 1915, the first electric lights were installed in the Church and a Vestry furnished by the Ladies Guild. Mrs. Carmichael, the first President of Ontario Ladies Guild was a guest from Toronto that year at a meeting.

The Guild decided to buy a Cross and two dozen prayer books at \$5.00 each and they also donated \$40.00 to the Church to help

pay for the coal.

In 1917, twenty-one members were present and enjoyed a Sleigh Ride Party and curtains were purchased for the Altar. \$50.00 was given as a gift to the Rector and he replied "I appreciate your spirit of kindness and goodwill that prompted so generous a gift. I shall try to be more worthy of your trust". A special Tea was served at the meetings once a month at five cents a



An early Ladies Guild

cup. Mildred Baxter was organist at this time, receiving no salary, so Ladies Guild made her a gift of \$10.00.

In 1918, a sale of home baking was held at the Market. Forty-four boxes were sent to the soldiers from All Saints Church who were overseas. A profit of \$45.00 was

made from a play, presented by the Ladies Guild.

In 1920, the Ladies paid for painting of the outside of the building. The Ladies Guild presented Rev. Harrison with a Silver Tea Service, when he left. A Strawberry Social was held on the Church Lawn, a Pumpkin Pie Social in the Fall and in 1923, a booth convened by Ladies Guild at the Fairgrounds made \$28.00 profit. This meant a great deal of work for the ladies, but was also enjoyed.

During Mr. McCracken's years at All Saints, the ladies held a Cup and Saucer shower and installed a new carpet in the Sanctuary. The annual sale of work proved successful, with a booth at the Fairgrounds and a Rectory Fund started. In 1925, new tables were made for the Harvest Home Supper and a Cutlery Fund started.

During Mr. Inns' stay at All Saints an advertising night was held with different stores represented and prizes donated by these stores. An Easter Tea, Strawberry Tea and Halloween Tea were held to raise money. An Old Time Dance made a profit of \$29.98. The men held a very successful Minstrel Show.

During Mr. Howard's time, an enjoyable Sleigh Ride was held. A Garden party, Harvest Supper and a Bazaar all helped to pay off \$3,000 on the loan. The Ladies took turns to clean the kitchen on

a monthly basis. Mrs. Howard presented a set of dishes to the Church after Mr. Howard passed away.

During Mr. Tomalin's time, the Ladies held a shower of cream and sugar sets and also held a plate shower. Repairs were made to the rectory, the church was decorated, various teas were held and also a successful Bazaar. A Christmas Fund, for all Ladies to deposit money for Christmas and the interest to go to Ladies Guild proved quite worthwhile. Talent money of twenty-five cents a member was handed out to be doubled, if possible in the year.

At Christmas, gifts were exchanged for twenty-five cents each. The Church was decorated and repairs made to the Rectory. A private communion set was given to the church in 1956. In 1969, Ladies Guild changed to social group, turning the balance of the money over to the church.

SOME OF THE EARLY FAMILIAR NAMES LADIES GUILD 1932

Mrs. Banwell, Mrs. Thorne, Mrs. Mycock, Mrs. Burston, Mrs. W. Tucker, Mrs. Churnside, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. J.D. Hill, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Pearson, Mrs. Hitchcock, Mrs. Charlish, Mrs. Barney, Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. McJannett, Mrs. Bond, Mrs. Inder, Miss Hughes, Mrs. Steele, Mrs. Lockley, Mrs. Coulter, Mrs.

Brownscombe, Mrs. Slack, Mrs. Bloomfield, Mrs. Stone, Mrs. Goodchild, Mrs. West, Mrs. Bennetto, Mrs. Buckwood, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Ed Hill.

CHURCH WOMEN'S YEAR often called "CENT A DAY"

In 1944, February 22, Mrs. Tomalin explained the idea of the Church Women's Year as a Fund Raising Project, to help pay off the mortgage of the new Rectory.

Mrs. Edith West as the first President was the central figure. Around her were twelve ladies, one for each month of the year. Each month then had four weeks - a lady for each week - once again each week had seven ladies for each day of the week. The collection of a cent a day was collected every month and a Social evening was held with vocal solos, speeches, etc. This meant all the congregation worked together on one project and in the first year, \$1,200.00 was raised to help with the mortgage.

The parish of Beachville also contributed to the Church Women's Year.

During 1945, in Mr. Graham's time, different groups in the Church were in charge of the programme once a month.

The Cent-A-Day raised \$10,550. from 1944-1957. After the burning of the mortgage on September 26, 1945, it was decided to continue raising money in this way to help decorate the Church.

GROUP ONE A.C.W. ALL SAINTS CHURCH

In 1936, under the direction of Mrs. Tomalin, our Minister's wife, an Evening Group of the W.A. was formed in All Saints Church.

1st President -

Mrs. Hilda (Quinton) Puddicombe

1st Secretary -

Mrs. Doris (Martin) Lowes

1st Treasurer -

Mrs. Marion (Martin) Bywater

In the early days, we held our meetings in the homes with special occasions in the Church basement. For some years in the 1940's and 1950's, we spent a great deal of time making quilts, working at various homes and also in the basement, sewing at banquets and wedding suppers. Under the direction of Helen Parkinson, our group made aluminum trays.

In 1954, under the leadership of Mrs. Lancaster, our Minister's wife, the group decided to change from a Group of the W.A. to an Evening Guild Group One. This year, we had our first church Cook Book, which proved to be very successful, with Dorothy Boswell as President of our Group. In 1958, we entertained the Senior and Junior Choir and the Chancel Guild. In 1959, the afternoon group of Ladies Guild and Group One combined to hold a very successful Bazaar.

In 1962, finding it difficult to get a President, we had a leader for each month. This worked all right



Group 1 - 50th Anniversary 1987

in our own group, but gave the group no one to represent them in the Church. In 1963, we started the yearly Pancake Supper. In 1964, we tried out a Rummage Sale, to help pay for the new addition to the Church and have continued them up until this year, 1990. During the 1960's, we bought gowns, cassocks and mortar boards for the choir. In 1965 with Group Two, we took part in the Church Garden Party and bought a refrigerator, silverware and twenty-five chairs. In 1969, we held a Strawberry Festival and started making foot stools, from empty cans, selling them for \$3.00.

In 1970, we joined with the other groups in the church to form an A.C.W. and became known as Group One of the A.C.W. In 1974, we helped with a Fashion Show and started saving Dominion Store Tapes. In 1975, we helped the other church groups with the 60th Anniversary of All Saints Church. In 1977, we worked repairing Church Prayer Books. In 1978, we

agreed to take a month for the entertainment at Caressant Care Birthday Parties and have continued this, providing birthday cards and entertainment up to 1990. We sponsored a bus trip to Toronto which proved to be very successful. In 1979 we held our first summer Coffee Party and started to sell church plates. We also made a donation to the Tornado Fund.

In 1980 we took a bus trip to Doon Village. In 1981 we gave a donation towards the new piano. In 1983 we started groups to save pennies and started meeting in the afternoons as some of the members did not enjoy driving at nights. In 1985 we donated the money for the new sign in the front of the Church in memory of departed members. A banquet was catered by the A.C.W. in 1986 for the 50th Anniversary on October 28 and attracted many former members to remember the earlier days of Group One. Members of the Guild are helping with Meals on Wheels under the

leadership of Helen Parkinson. We started Corporate Communion Service and Breakfast on the first Sunday in May. Rummage sales are held twice a year and Coffee Parties continue during the summer months. A special Coffee Party was held in the Fall where members displayed crafts and special articles. We gave \$300.00 to help purchase new chairs for the basement. Members help at Soup Kitchen, at First Baptist Church, convened by Helen Parkinson. The closing meeting for summer in 1989 members played Military Court Whist and decided to continue Coffee Parties during the summer months. We organized a 50th Anniversary tea in July for Eva and Jim Martin. We donated money towards repair of tables and new tops placed by B.A.C.

ALL SAINTS EVENING GUILD GROUP TWO

November 4, 1953 Group Two was officially formed. The first meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Nell Bragg with sixteen ladies present. Rev. E.O. Lancaster opened the meeting with prayer and presided over an election of officers, and the results were as follows:

President	Nell Bragg
Vice-President	Gertrude Searls
Secretary	Bessie Tripp
Treasurer	Shirley Sinkowski
Press Reporter	Reta Bickell
Programme Convenors	Amy Rynick and Mary Martin

Meetings were planned for the second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month and would be held at the home of the members each taking a turn to hostess a meeting. Dues of ten cents were to be collected from members at each meeting. Lunch was to consist of sandwiches, a beverage and one sweet.

The eighteen ladies who formed Group Two were: Nell Bragg, Gertrude Searls, Bessie Tripp, Shirley Sinkowski, Reta Bickell, Amy Renick, Mary Martin, Millie Acres, Alsie Barnard, Kay Abbott, June Carter, Marjorie Eckenstein, Jennie Harris, May Ireland, Wynn Sanderson, Shirley Sanderson, May Yecney, and Mrs. Inez Lancaster.

The meetings were usually opened with prayer followed by roll call and the secretary's report and then treasurer's report. As the group grew so did the activities. Some of the ways the group tried to raise money were: Teas, Penny Sales and Banquets (small ones to begin with later to become the major fund raiser). For a number of years, the group put on the annual bazaar. The one big feature that was popular for some time was the pillow cases which were hand embroidered by the group during the year. The pillow cases were purchased usually by a member who took a trip to the U.S. A popular price at one time was 88 cents a pair and after the embroidery was applied they sold for \$2.50 or more

as the years went by and as they became more expensive the return became greater too. Weddings were catered to in the beginning for members' children and friends, and this grew in size as a fund raiser too. Rummage sales were also a source of income.

A flower fund was introduced and pennies were collected for this. It was used to send a rose bowl or get well cards to members who were ill at home or in hospital. Rummage sales were held in the old City Hall or vacant stores, Valentine Teas and bake sales became popular.

Members opened the season in the fall usually September with a pot luck supper and they chose names and had mystery friends for many years. A member wrote their name and address, birthday and anniversary if they had one and each member would send a card at the appropriate time, then a small gift was exchanged at Christmas at the Christmas party that was held. Usually members were held in suspense till the mystery friend was revealed.

Over the years, members came and went but many of the initial members stayed with the group for all the years the group existed. When the Church was rebuilt, the group did some large banquets at the old Fair Grounds building (no longer in existence) for the Credit Unions to raise money to aid the building fund. Many banquets were catered at the old Armories

building (cooking was done in the basement and served on the third floor so it was a challenge).

Group Two and Group One went together on occasion to jointly pay for dishes and flatware when the need for the things arose. Now that a general A.C.W. is in tact, the need for sharing costs is not necessary.

One of the larger items that was jointly purchased was the existing gas stove in the kitchen. Nell Cork of Group One and Ila Fallowfield of Group Two were responsible for choosing the stove.

The Group once purchased a refrigerator and stove for the Rectory. The money raised by the Group was usually given over to the Church to be used for projects as required.

It was found sometime later that Wednesday nights were not always a good night so the meeting night was changed to Tuesday Night Group Two and stayed that way till it was dissolved in 1980.

GROUP THREE A.C.W.

On February 12, 1958, Mrs. W. Hurst presided over a meeting held to organize an Evening Branch of the Womens Auxiliary. Rev. E. O. Lancaster welcomed several Diocesan representatives. Mrs. Ted Thompson was the first President. The first and third Tuesdays of the month were to be the meeting nights. The focus of the meetings were on Outreach



Some Members of Group Three

and missionary work. The members knit afghan squares, made quilt blocks and did quilting and sewing.

St. Andrews Day, November 30, was chosen as a Corporate Communion Day for W.A. They assisted with the "Little Helpers" annual party and donations of children's clothes and toys were brought for a bale. Over the years, bales have been sent to Matheson; St. Paul's School, Cardston; LaTuque; Mohawk Institute, Brantford; Grenfell Mission; Big Trout Lake. At present bales are sent to Lac LaRonge, Saskatchewan and Pine Falls, Keewatin Diocese.

Prayer Partner was Sister Dorothy Dykes, Nigeria. Teas were held in the Spring with a Bake Table and Sewing Table and a Speaker. Some of the names for the Tea - 1962 - Lilac Tea (even though there were no lilacs in bloom at the time it was reported a great success). 1963 - Congress Tea - members dressed in cos-

tume. Maytime Tea was another name. Recipe books were made to sell at the Tea in 1960. Auctions were held among the members with proceeds going to the Primate's World Relief Fund. Assisted with Grenfell Mission Tea, sent bales and quilts for requisition, layette to W.A. House, London.

In 1961, Church calendars sold for fifty cents. In 1963, a new altar book was purchased with a bequest from Mrs. Levett with W.A. group making up the difference. In 1964, Four server's cassocks and cottas were purchased.

The Group helped fund the Junior Auxiliary, catered to wedding banquets, anniversary dinners and lunches after funerals. When the Anglican Church Women was formed they became Group Three of the A.C.W. They support all the A.C.W. projects - parcels to Uganda, Penny Sales, Fashion Shows, Bazaars, etc. We helped with B.A.C. conference when it was in Woodstock.



Group Three ACW c. 1962

Group Three with the B.A.C. convene Pancake Supper. The Pancake Supper in 1976 was one to be remembered. In the afternoon all twelve dozen eggs were found smashed against the walls and everything else dumped on the floor including broken dishes. Pancake mix was dumped in the Narthex. However, everyone rallied around and the Pancake Supper went on to be its usual great success.

Rolled bandages and pill bottles were sent to Leprosy Mission in Luampa. In 1983, the Leprosy Ward was integrated with the General Hospital and as a new treatment was being used leaving the skin uncovered, bandages were no longer needed. Five inch squares were sent for patients to put together for a quilt. Men's white shirts were made into hospi-

tal gowns for children. Group Three supports the Primate's World Relief and the Bible Society. We assist with the sale of Daffodils for the Cancer Society.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH CHANCEL GUILD

The first recorded meeting was held January 28, 1924. The rector's wife, Mrs. McCracken was the first convenor and P. Goodchild was the assistant convenor. Miss K. Barney was treasurer. A membership fee of five cents a month per member was started and remained the same for many years.

The meetings were held once a month with an average attendance of 8-10. In the early years, the Chancel Guild presented the church with many gifts, as well as preparing the church for services each week. The Guild held home baking sales, euchre parties and teas. In 1929, it was decided to



Chancel Guild 1967

make an autograph quilt and sell tickets on it to raise some funds. However, the members later agreed to give it to the rector's wife, Mrs. Vivian, as a remembrance from the Guild.

A Credence Table was given to the church by Mr. Hillary of Beachville. The members gave donations towards the Pulpit fund, confirmation veils, Pall, Burse and Veil and Linen to be used at Communion Services. In later years, members sold Christmas cards and the money made was used for materials for choir surplices, server's cassocks and cottas and carpet for the Sanctuary.

In 1953, after the addition to the front of the church, a new Font and enclosure, two short pews and a stained glass window in memory of deceased members of the congregation were given by the Guild. The panelling of the Sanctuary was dedicated in 1951 and the Guild gave \$650.00 towards this project. The board gave permission to make a rear entrance at the vestry and with the help of the Evening Guild Group Two, this was accomplished.

In 1964, when the new church was built many new furnishings for the church were given as memorials by members of the congregation. The rug for the Sanctuary and aisle cost \$1,283.70. The Chancel Guild were able to raise \$817.00 of this amount by collecting the coin jars each month. A Credence Table, Bread Box and

Communion Linen have been given over the years to the Woodstock Hospital for use in the chapel.

The Chancel Guild of 1990 are pleased to have two of the early members, Mrs. Eva Martin and Miss Doris Loft still active in the Guild.

A.C.W.

On October 28, 1970, a general meeting was called with representatives from all existing groups of women of All Saints Church. This was under the direction of Rev. Millman. Eight women attended. A discussion was held on a summary sheet of points given at a meeting held at Old St. Pauls on October 21, 1970.

The constitution for the A.C.W. of Old Saint Pauls was discussed and considered as a guide for All Saints. The Council agreed on several points one of which was a \$1.00 membership fee for all A.C.W. women.

The groups at All Saints voted to become a unified A.C.W. group on March 10, 1971 and moved that four meetings a year be held. A.C.W. groups at All Saints now consist of Groups One and Three and Chancel Guild. The work of A.C.W. is to make money by holding a bazaar, banquets, etc.

For monies made during the year, there are different projects. We look after the taxes on the rectory and always a project to remodel a room at the church. We hold a thankoffering service in April, the

collections going to London where there is an annual meeting held in April. This is for all the women in the diocese. We have two deanery meetings a year. In the Spring it is usually a dinner meeting with a speaker. In the Fall, a smaller church is host when we have coffee and sweets. At the Fall meeting, articles such as jams, jellies, personal toiletries, clothing and items of baby wear, etc. are brought in for St. Monica House. All are desperately needed.

In 1975, we started holding penny sales and a bake table. It was a good money making event which we held until 1982.

The A.C.W. chose a prayer partner from Kitgum, Uganda and a foster child (1981). Her name is Nahomi and her home is Porta Prince. In 1983, we started having a sparerib and pigtail supper in May and held them for a few years. An auction sale assisted by the B.A.C. was held in June, 1984. We became involved with Meals on Wheels in 1984, convened by V.O.N. and then later the soup kitchen held at First Baptist Church three days a week.

A No Bake Sale was started in 1986 and is still carried on.

In 1979, we bought fancy church plates to sell and later in 1982, coffee spoons. These both have a picture of the church on them. We gave donations to the Grenfell Tea. This disbanded in 1980. We started to donate to Woodingford Lodge Tea in 1979. We also sell church

calendars every year.

In 1988, the A.C.W. decided we would have two general meetings and two executive meetings throughout the year.

B.A.C.

The All Saints chapter of the Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen was formed March 27, 1955. The men gathered monthly following the Sunday evening service. The men were involved in many activities of the church. A bible class was formed for the youth too old to attend Sunday school. A sick committee visited the shut-ins and those in the hospital.

The B.A.C. took the responsibility of any minor repairs of the church and rectory. Some of the projects were the installation of a chain fence at the front of the church, painting of the main and basement floors and the erection of a shed at the rear of the church in October, 1974. The B.A.C. also took part in fund-raising. In June, 1974 an auction was held to raise money for the paving of the parking lot.

The B.A.C. continues to hold the annual pancake supper to raise funds for St. Monica House, Huron Church Camp and Huron College Principal Bursary Fund.

CHOIR

Many changes have taken place in All Saints' Choir since its beginning 75 years ago. During the Ministry of Rev. Crosby (1921-23),



All Saints Choir 1931

a boy's choir was formed. Senior choir wore street clothes as there was no money for gowns. In 1927, one of the most impressive services during the Ministry of Rev. J. C. McCracken was the introduction of a surpliced choir with black shoes and stockings, black mortar boards and no jewellery. The gowns were made by members of the congregation. As early as 1929, each member paid ten cents a month as dues to pay for flowers for the sick, sticks for the boy's collars at ten cents each and dry cleaning. Old cash books record satin for cassocks and broadcloth for surplices were bought for fifty cents a yard at Canadian Department Stores and John White Co. The choir bought its own music with donations from some members from Saunders Music and Book store.

Mildred Baxter was the organist

in 1917 and a gift of \$10.00 was given to her by the Ladies Guild in appreciation of her services. Emily Smith, now of Woodingford Lodge, was organist in 1918. Eva Hill (Martin) became organist in 1929 and continued for over 50 years except for a short time when she and her husband lived in Orillia. Upon her retirement in 1982, she was presented with a lovely Royal Doulton figurine in appreciation of her long and faithful services. At first there was no remuneration but as the church grew, she received a small salary.

During the 1960's, Group One Ladies bought cassocks and new mortar boards and made new surplices. The wearing of mortar boards was discontinued during the Ministry of Rev. Tom Murray. Under the direction of Dr. R. H. Beatty who had taken on the position of choir leader, the Junior



Choir during the Beatty Years

choir won first prize in the Rotary Music Festival.

Mrs. Joy Lippert has been organist and choir leader for the past eight years and it was through her efforts and the financial assistance from church members that a piano was placed in the church. It is used a great deal for Sunday morning anthems with the choir singing at the Chancel steps. Joy is given a salary and the music is paid from the budget.

In October, 1989, new royal blue crepe robes were dedicated and worn by the choir for the first time on Harvest Thanksgiving Sunday. They were donated by members of the congregation, Group One A.C.W. and church funds.

In December, 1989, the senior choir participated at the Rotary Christmas Carol Concert. They enjoyed singing their two numbers.

Former members who deserve special mention are Reta White (over fifty years), Phoebe Walton (thirty years) and Sidney Bowyer (over fifty years), all deceased, Jim Martin (over sixty years, starting with the boy's choir and was a soloist for many years) and Bill Pierce a faithful member for thirty-six years both retired.

LITTLE HELPERS

We have a treasurer's book that shows they were in existence from 1962-1967. The secretary-treasurer in 1962 was Mrs. William Rigby. A "Mite Box" was given to each child

as they were baptised and on the anniversary of their baptism she would send our birthday cards. Then each year there was a birthday party for all "little helpers and their mothers.

In 1963, we had seventy-four "Little Helpers" and this grew to one hundred and four in 1965. In 1965, Mrs. Anna Chambers took over the position of secretary-treasurer. In 1966 there was no party held due to the lack of interest and poor attendance.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY

It was re-organized September 13, 1951. Eleven girls were present with leaders Mrs. John West, Mrs. James E. Martin and Mrs. J. B. Gamble. The first President of this era was Marilyn Clowes, Vice-President Virginia Loft, Secretary Patricia Jones and Treasurer Sandra Tomlinson.



Junior Auxiliary

The meeting format was as follows: opened with a hymn, Members Prayer, Bible reading, secretary report, roll call, treasurer's report. A game was played and the meetings all closed with refreshments. There were badges to work for, which they also did at each meeting. Meetings were held on Thursday afternoons. They participated in the Sunday School concerts at Christmas and Easter. They had an average of eighteen-twenty members per meeting. These minutes were from the years 1951 - 1953.

The next set of reports are from 1965/66 through to the season of 1974/75.

The leaders during this time period were Mrs. Marie Bowerman and Mrs. Anna Chambers and in 1972 we welcomed Ms Ruth Ann Boos as our assistant leader. Work during this time was the same as the earlier years but we also did crafts and gave gifts at Easter and Christmas and sent cards to the sick and shut-ins of our Parish each month and we also visited them.

In 1966, we purchased a "Desk Prayer Book" for the altar. In 1967, we purchased a large filing cabinet for the parish. We also sent monies to London for Youth work in the Diocese. We helped at the A.C.W Bazaar by looking after the Fish Pond.

In 1972 we donated hand sewn articles to the Children's Aid Society. In 1977, we paid for the

radio broadcasts (four times a year) for the church. The cost then was \$42.00.

In May of each year there was J.A. Oxford Deanery Festival held at a Church in the Deanery. In June each year, we would have a Mother and Daughter banquet at which time we gave our badges and prizes, etc. During most of these years, our monies came from A.C.W. donations, other donations and we sold boxes of Licorice and All-sort candy. This proved to be a very successful event each year. During the time Ruth Ann was with us, she was our leader in singing and crafts. The two J.A. banners hanging in the Church proper today are an example of our crafts.

The group disbanded at the end of 1974 because of no interest.

A.Y.P.A.

Motto - "For Christ and the Church". The A.Y.P.A. at All Saints Church was very active in 1933, and won the "City Young Peoples Rally Banner". In 1934, All Saints A.Y.P.A. was recognized as being the most active in the Diocese at that time. In 1937, with Robert Pattinson as President and Kathleen Stone as Secretary, it had a very active year again, with Debates, Dramatic Contests, Toboggan Parties at Southside Park and Socials for all special days, such as Christmas, Valentines and Halloween. The New Year's Eve Socials will always

be remembered with the ringing of the Church Bell.

In 1939, fifty-five members and friends attended the Halloween Party. Each member paid five cents for the per capita fees to the Provincial Council. A very successful Minstrel Show showed the amateur talent at All Saints. Members sent letters to the men from All Saints who had enlisted in the War. A closing banquet, served by the Ladies Guild for twenty-five cents each, was remembered for a long time.

In 1941, flashlights were sent to the enlisted men, overseas, for Christmas. Many pleasant social evenings were exchanged with both New and Old St. Paul's churches and other Young People's in the City. In 1943, chocolates were sent to the soldiers and letters written to each one. In 1944, during Mr. Graham's ministry, a book "Why Be a Christian?" was studied at each meeting.



Church Picnic at Fallowfield's

Memorial Gifts

Memorial Window

**GOOD SHEPHERD
SIR GALAHAD**

**BREAD OF LIFE
COME UNTO ME
WASHING THE
DISCIPLES FEET
THY WILL BE DONE**

MASTER

AM WITH YOU ALWAYS

**HOLY GHOST
KNOCKING AT THE DOOR**

FONT

Memorial Gifts

**ALTAR CANDLE HOLDERS
ORGAN LAMP & EWER
ALTAR CROSSES & WAFER
BOX**

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
WITH CABINET
BRASS ALTAR RAIL
ALTAR PRAYER BOOK
LITANY BOOK
LECTERN BIBLE**

**PULPIT
COLLECTION PLATE
WINE CRUET
RE-TABLE
BAPTISMAL SHELL
PAIR BRASS VASES**

**CHALICE & PATEN
FONT
RIGHT ALTAR SEAT**

In Memory Of

Rev. William Tomalin
Leslie Bond, William
Martin, Colin Wood
Simpson England
Departed members
Simon and Eva Hitchcock Family
and Children
J.D. Hill and E.B.

Violet Hill

Rev. James &
Esther O. Hosford
Frederick James &
James Albert Saunders
Harry Smith
Sarah Ann &
Olive Annie Burston
Departed members

In Memory Of

Marian Levitt
Ernest Knights
Sarah Ward

Dr. Len Rice

Martha Clowes
James & Winifred Steele
Francis & Margaret Brown
Rev. F.C. McCracken

R. Gilhuly
William Martin
Annie Frizelle
Mr. & Mrs. F. England

Lily Bond
Departed members
Frederick Loft

Donor

Congregation

Congregation
Mary England
Chancel Guild

Family

Natalie Hosford
Wives

Wife
Family

Chancel Guild

Donor

Mrs. Levitt.
Lucy Knights

Mrs. Rice

L. Potter
Constance Potter

Congregation
Bible Class 1924

Mr. & Mrs.
S. England
Family
Chancel Guild

Memorial Gifts

CREDENCE DESK

CREDENCE CANDLES

CANDLE SNUFFER

ALTAR

SANCTUARY LAMP

LEFT FRONT RAIL

RIGHT CHOIR RAILING-

BACK SEAT RAILING

PROCESSIONAL CROSS

CHOIR SCREEN

LECTERN

CIBORIUM

HOST BOX

LEFT ALTAR DESK KNEELER

RIGHT ALTAR DESK KNEELER

LEFT ALTAR SEAT

LITANY DESK

BRASS FLOWER STAND

BRASS FLOWER STAND

PLAQUE

WOOD FLOWER STAND

P.A. SYSTEM

MEMORIAL ALTAR

(at rear of church)

BAPTISMAL BOWL

PASTAL CANDLE HOLDER

TORCHES AND STAND

OFFERING PLATE

GOOD NEWS BIBLES

SILVER FLAGEN

PRAYER BOOKS

REGISTRY DESK &

IAYABO BOWL

SANCTUARY WINDOW

In Memory Of

Arthur & Lillian Walton

Herbert Wellard &

Reginald Thompson

Frank Frizelle

Henry & Sara Thorne

Loved ones

Rev. T.B. Howard

Mr. and Mrs. A. Stone

A.C. Kendall

Arthur Cranfield, Cecil

Hayes, Graham Hayes,

Peter Loft, Phoebe Walton

Stephen and Effie Bowyer

Mr. Fred Saunders

Simpson England

Reginald Chattington

Hilda Hitchcock

Charles Loft

Mrs. Amy Brown

Joseph & Edith Pye

Florence Loft

Montalieu Nesbitt

Arthur Stone

Irene Rush & Harry Loft

Mr. and Mrs. George

Ward

Victoire LeCras

Alfred Kendall

Edith Kendall

Alfred H. Sims

Harold & Mildred Acres

Louisa Hayes

Louisa Hayes

Charles Tucker

Loved Ones

Donor

James & Phoebe

Allsop

Family

Tom & Elizabeth

Reid

Bible Class

J.D. Hill, J.Howgego

& Mrs. S. Hitchcock

Family

Bowman Family

Viola Chambers

Vera Sims

Family

Family

Grandchildren

Family

Burston Family

Memorial Gifts

<i>Memorial Gifts</i>	<i>In Memory Of</i>	<i>Donor</i>
SANCTUARY WINDOW	Lillian Gray & Constance Loft	
AMBRY	James Bonner Gamble	Family
HYMN BOOKS	Stephen Elliott & Deanna Parker	
HYMN BOOKS	Loved ones	Ila & Len Fallowfield Lucy Kettle
NEW ORGAN LAMP	Charles Kettle	
PIANO LAMP & HYMN BOOKS	Elizabeth Burbin Marjorie Bond	
WHITE CHAUSABLE	Reg McLaren	Lucy McLaren
SONG BOOKS	Mother	Sue Batram
GIFT OF LIFE BOOKS		
100 BOOK OF ALTERNATE SERVICES & 125 RED		
HYMN BOOKS	Loved ones	Memorial Fund
PRAYER BOOKS	Loved ones	Lucy Kettle
PRAYER BOOKS	Loved ones	Audrey Vale
PRAYER BOOKS	Loved ones	Kendall Family
PLAQUE	Rev. T. Murray	Congregation
PLAQUE	Mr. & Mrs. Henderson	Congregation
PLAQUE & ROOM DECORATION	Lucy Birkmyre	Congregation
PIANO	Loved Ones	Members
TRUST FUND	Rev. T. Murray	Wife
TRUST FUND	Mr. S. Bowyer	Wife
TRUST FUND	Mr. Ed. Walton	Wife

MEMORIAL HONOUR ROLL

In 1945, a Memorial Honour Roll was created in memory of those who gave their lives that we might live.

1914 - 1918 (World War I)

Ernest Dorken	George W. Hulme	Allen Newman
Harold Huntley	William Ross	

1939-1945 (World War II)

Leslie Bond	William H. Martin	Colin Wood
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Korean War

Leonard Andrews

Our Anniversaries

On Sunday, October 29, 1989, the members of All Saints Anglican Church, gathered to celebrate their 100th Anniversary as a Sunday School and West End Mission. To mark the occasion, a special cake, honouring the 100th Anniversary of the Sunday School was the centre of the festivities. The guest homilist and celebrant was the Right Rev. D. Jones, Bishop of Huron.

During the time of fellowship after the service, some history memorabilia of the Parish was on display and a film produced by the late Harry Parkinson was the centre of interest.

On Friday evening, December 8, 1989 an old time Christmas Pageant, sponsored by the Christian Education Committee was enjoyed by all.

On Saturday, June 23, 1990, the Congregation is celebrating its 75th Anniversary at the Polish Hall. Displays and an Historical Video will be open at 1:30 p.m. Dinner is at 6:00 p.m.

A special Anniversary Service will be held at All Saints Church at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 24, 1990 with celebrant Can. William Millman, a former minister of All Saints. A social time will follow the service.

A sincere appreciation is extended to all those who contributed in so many ways to the material used in preparing this book, including photos, reports and general information.

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Nell Cork	Ila Fallowfield
Kay Faulkner	Ethel Gamble
Rev. Tim Hill	Gail Puddicombe
Doug Puddicombe	
Vera Sims	David Wilton



Junior Choir 1986



Server's Party 1986



All Saints Church - January 1990