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THE PARISH COUNCIL 2008

Rector:

Archdeacon John W.G. Clarke
Archdeacon of Prince Edward Island

Vocational Deacon:

The Rev'd Madonna Fradsham

Associate Priests:

The Rev'd Lorraine Quinn
The Rev'd Jay Macdonald

Wardens:

Jeff Cooke
Jim Travers

Treasurer:

Bruce White *interim*

Clerk:

Dawn Hobbs-Penton

Members-At-Large:

Term ends this year;

Freda Richard, Bev Hanson, Tom DeBlois, Pam Williams

Term ends in 2010;

Anne McLeod, Carol Macdonald, John Ives, Judy MacDonald

Term ends in 2011;

Dean Boutilier, Jamie Penton, Don Ling, Kelly Allen

Youth:

Chelsey McEachern

Synod:

Tom DeBlois
Dawn Hobbs-Penton
Carol Macdonald

Youth Synod:

Rebecca McLeod

Representatives to Parish Council (voting members):

Sunday School -

Sanctuary Guild - Gail Ives

Choir - Nettie Morine

Laura Clapp Visitors - Marguerite Keating

Parish Administrator:

Nora Gregory

Music Director:

Elizabeth Borman

Sexton:

Clar Fradsham

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting - Feb. 17, 2008

Archdeacon John Clarke opened the meeting with prayer.

Election of the Chair of the Annual Meeting

It was moved by Milfred Quinn that the Rector be elected. John accepted. Motion Carried.

Election of the Secretary of the Annual Meeting

It was moved by Tom DeBlois that Nikki MacKinnon be elected. Nikki accepted. Motion carried.

Additions to the Agenda

The agenda was approved as printed and circulated.

The approval of the minutes (of the previous annual meeting)

It was moved by Anne McLeod and seconded by Lorraine Quinn to approve the minutes as printed and circulated. Motion carried.

Business arising and unfinished business (from the previous annual meeting)

Nothing to report.

Communications

Nothing to report.

The Financial Report

Interim Treasurer Ron pointed out that all financial reports are found in the Annual Report and opened the floor for questions and/or comments. It was pointed out that our financial statements are unaudited, just reviewed which is the criteria of the Diocese.

Ian Scantlebury pointed out that we have been in a deficit position for at least the past two years now. Nobody is going to bail us out other than us, as members of St. Paul's. If everyone were to increase their weekly donations by 5%, we would certainly be in a much better position come this time next year. He also extended his thanks to Rev John for his wonderful sermon in Church this morning. You are a great leader and visionary.

Rev Jay pointed out that our envelope offerings is our biggest problem. He encouraged everyone to take a look at the Envelope Secretary's Report in the Annual Report and see where they fall in the donation range and try to increase into the next category.

Patrick Ross mentioned that we have to bring back some of our parishioners who have left, bring in some new people and keep those who we currently have. Simple math shows that the more people we have in our parish, the more money we will have coming in. He strongly suggested that we reach out to those who have not been in church regularly and find out why. He also pointed out that the envelope offering figure for 2007 was not reached and the amount was unrealistically increased for 2008.

After listening to the comments made from the floor, Rev John had the following responses:

- We cannot budget with a deficit. Since most of our figures are fairly fixed in amounts, the only one that can be changed is our envelope offerings, which is "plugged" in order to balance our budget.
- Each parishioner would have to increase their envelope offerings by 15% not, 5% in order to balance our budget.
- Increasing our attendance in church is a major goal of Parish Council.
- We have three other Anglican Churches in the Greater Charlottetown Area which gives people options of where to attend.
- We don't have an expense problem, they are fairly straight forward, what we have is a revenue problem.
- There is a long term plan to increase contributions but on the interim we need a short term fix.

Marguerite Keating mentioned that there is a lot of room for us to raise some money. We have a great asset in our church and hall and we should be using it more. Suppers, Teas, Concerts... We have a young congregation who simply can't afford to

increase financially but would be more than willing to help out in other ways.

New Business

Stewardship

God doesn't want 1/10th of anything; God wants it all. Time, Talent and Treasure. Rev John presented his vision for a Stewardship Committee.

It was moved by Ian and seconded by Madonna to create a stewardship committee who would be struck with the following goals:

- *To create a brochure describing the trust funds we have whose interest are at our disposal for specific purposes as well as describe the principles for a St. Paul's unrestricted trust fund and it would encourage people to consider gifting the fund.*
- *To educate the congregation regarding stewardship. Making the case for donating to St. Paul's Church. Also, informing members about the different ways to gift the Church financially.*
- *To manage a financial drive so that the immediate problem of revenue is addressed for 2008. and advise Parish Council about addressing the debts we've already incurred.*
- *To work with the Treasurer and the Finance Committee to develop a narrative budget, one that will give life, meaning and imagination to the use of the resources entrusted to us.*
- *To fundraise.*

Motion carried.

Some comments were made following Rev John's presentation.

- It was suggested that we visit those who don't attend Church frequently or who do attend on a regular basis, but don't get involved in anything. It has been shown that people really appreciate a visit and makes them feel important to the Church.
- It was suggested that stewardship must come from outside of Parish Council, not inside, although the leadership for Stewardship must come from Parish Council. Parish Council does need to be actively involved.
- It should be called a "Commitment to way of Life" not a Finance Fundraiser.

- At the same time as asking for financial aid, we should be asking what talent or time that someone can donate as well. Those who may be on financial restraints won't feel left out.
- It was suggested that instead of simply going to people's homes with our hands open, we could bring a loaf of bread to everyone and call it our "Bread of Life Campaign".
- It was pointed out that we are sitting on a valuable piece of land and was suggested that we create a long term planning committee to decide long term use of the parish hall and adjacent land. Perhaps build a new attached hall, condos etc. This issue/concern has been brought up for many years and Rev John will bring it to the Parish Council meeting in March. We will find some way to address this issue.

Reports

The Rector's Report

The Rector's Report is found on pages 6 through 9 in the Annual Report. If anyone has any questions or concerns, please let Rev John know. Rev John also expressed his thanks to the members of the property committee and all those who have assisted in the changes to the entrance. It looks wonderful.

The Warden's Report

The Warden's Report is found on page 20 in the Annual Report. As Rev John mentioned in his sermon today, the Warden's Report outlines the financial crisis that St Paul's is faced with. Please read it.

Committee and other Reports (as they appear in the Annual Report 2007)

Hospitality Committee

The hospitality committee has been working on a pamphlet/brochure that would have quick access to all the information that a visitor or new parish member might be looking for. Sandy handed out a few copies of the first draft and is looking for any comments or suggestions.

Acceptance of the Annual Report

It was moved by Gordon and seconded by Sandy to accept the Annual Report 2007 as printed. Motion Carried.

Election

Warden – Jeff Cooke’s name was brought forward by the Nominating Committee. Rev John asked for additional nominations from the floor. Gordon Miller moved that nominations cease. ***Motion carried. Jeff Cooke elected as Warden.***

Treasurer – Ron Smith’s name was brought forward by the Nominating Committee. Rev John asked for additional nominations from the floor. Nora Henry moved that nominations cease. ***Motion Carried. Ron Smith elected as Treasurer.***

Clerk – There were no nominations brought forward from the Nominating Committee, however, it was moved by Madonna and seconded by David Tweel to elect Dawn Penton as Clerk. Rev John asked for additional nominations from the floor. Nora Henry moved that nominations cease. ***Motion Carried. Dawn Penton elected as Clerk.***

Members at Large – One Year Term (ending in 2009)

The nominating committee brought Pam Williams name forward. Rev John asked for additional nominations from the floor. Patrick Ross moved that nominations cease. ***Motion Carried. Pam Williams appointed for a one-year term.***

Members at Large – Three Year Term (ending in 2011)

The nominating committee brought Dean Boutillier, Jamie Penton and Don Ling’s names forward. Rev John asked for additional nominations from the floor. It was moved by Madonna and seconded by David Tweel to nominate Kelly Allen. Nora Henry moved that nominations cease. ***Motion Carried. Dean Boutillier, Jamie Penton, Don Ling and Kelly Allen appointed for a three-year term.***

Synod Representative – It was moved by Madonna and seconded by David Tweel to nominate Tom DeBlois for a one year term and Dawn Penton for a two year term. Rev John asked for additional nominations from the floor. Norah Henry moved that nominations cease. ***Motion Carried. Tom DeBlois appointed as Synod Representative for a one year term and Dawn Penton appointed as Synod Representative for a two year term.***

Synod Representative Youth – The nominating committee recommended Rebecca McLeod. Rev John asked for additional nominations from the floor. Patrick Ross moved that nominations cease. ***Motion Carried. Rebecca McLeod appointed as Youth Synod Representative.***

Youth Member on Council – The nominating committee recommended Chelsey McEachern. It was moved by Joan Armstrong that nominations cease. ***Motion Carried. Chelsey McEachern appointed as Youth Representative to Parish Council.***

Representatives from Groups

Sunday School -

Sanctuary - Gail Ives

Choir – Nettie Morine

Laura Clapp – Marguerite Keating

It will be decided in the next month who the remainder of the delegates for the above appointments will be.

Diocesan Church Society

1. Nettie Morine 5.

2. Ron Smith 6.

3. Pam Smith 7.

4. Anne McLeod

It was moved by Lynn Travers that the remainder of the nominees be filled by Parish Council. Motion Carried.

2010 Diocesan Representative

It was moved by Norah Henry that Parish Council will fill the position. Motion Carried.

Coordinator of Sidespersons

It was moved by Norah Henry that Parish Council will fill the position. Motion Carried.

Canadian Bible Society

The nominating committee brought forward Tom DeBlois’ name. Norah Henry moved that nominations cease. Motion Carried.

Charlottetown Christian Council

The nominating committee did not have any nominations for this position. Rev John asked for nominations from the floor. ***Lorraine Quinn,***

Michael Williams and Marguerite Keating all agreed to sit on this committee. Jim Travers moved that nominations cease. Motion Carried.

Diocesan Times Correspondent

Anne MacRae's name was brought forward by the nominating committee. Jim Travers moved that nominations cease. Motion Carried.

Envelope Secretary

David Tweel's name was brought forward by the nominating committee. Lorraine Quinn moved that nominations cease. Motion Carried.

Old Protestant Burying Ground

Clive Steward and George Likely's names were brought forward by the nominating committee. Milfred Quinn moved that nominations cease. Motion Carried.

Nominating Committee

It was moved by Rev John and seconded by Nora Henry to defer this to Parish Council to fill. Motion Carried.

External Accountant

The nominating committee brought forward Bradley Shea Handrahan as our external accountant. David Tweel moved that nominations cease. Motion Carried.

Christian Communications

This was deferred back to Parish Council once Lorraine Quinn finds out more about the committee requirements.

Tom DeBlois extended a Thank You to Rev John as chair for the open format of the Annual Meeting. He was very encouraged by the attendance this year. He acknowledged Rev John as a great rector and leader. He extended his gratitude to the non stipend ministry team as well as to the Wardens. He also extended his thanks for the ongoing commitment and dedication of our staff, Nora, Clar and Elizabeth. His thanks were also given to Judy MacDonald for her tremendous contribution in the Parish Office. It truly is a labour of love.

Rev John adjourned the meeting with Prayer.

The Rector's Report

By Archdeacon John W.G. Clarke

Our Parish Vision is "To show the transforming love and justice of God in action." Our Mission is to be a "Christ-centered community living out our baptismal covenant with joy and thanksgiving." Worship, hospitality, belonging, education and growth, and service (outreach) are the characteristics of our mission.

2008

One of the challenges in 2008 was deciding on whether to change our Sunday morning worship schedule from three services to two. We've decided to, and we now have an 8:00 am service and a 10:00 am service. We haven't worked out all of the wrinkles but so far, people seem pleased with the results. It's wonderful to be in a church with voices singing that can drown out the organ.

A major problem was what to do with the Sunday School and the Junior Choir. I am thankful to everyone involved with the Sunday School and for their cooperation and help to make it work. An essential ministry is that of helping our children to know God. With fewer services, opportunities also diminished for the Junior Choir to perform. I am encouraged first of all by the members' willingness simply to join with the others in leading the singing on Sunday mornings. Also I am thankful for Elizabeth Borman and Rob Thomson and the extra effort they made to lead the Choir and Sunday School in two musicals. It was an effort in part to keep the kids interested but mostly it was an indication of our love and care for our young people.



St. Paul's Church is one of the churches featured on the new DVD "Sacred Sounds in Harris Churches." It is a DVD of twelve PEI Harris churches that feature Island Soprano Samantha Saunders. The launch was held in October at St. Paul's. We were also one of the venues for the PEI Jazz Festival.

Activities such as the Men's Breakfast and the youth group continue to thrive.

On June 29 we held a parish Picnic at Tea Hill. I have pictures – so there's proof that some people wore mittens. We sang Amazing Grace at the picnic in June and again in November to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund.

We rang out our bells to commemorate the moment that Samuel de Champlain landed on the shores of the St. Lawrence River to found what would become Quebec City.

We have enjoyed the efforts of the Charlottetown Christian Council and its commitment to encouraging ecumenical activity in the city, as well as several programs of common concern in the downtown core and the prisons. This year, in conjunction with the folks at Zion Presbyterian Church and Trinity United Church we held a Lenten Lunch Series on Wednesdays. I was surprised and pleased that the services (which were followed by lunch) were so well attended. Remembering that at least three of the six Wednesdays were "storm days," yet, we had well over 60 people each week. We also held an Advent Lunch series that was equally well attended by members of all three congregations.

It was a wonderful experience to work with the folks at AIDS PEI on a service commemorating World AIDS Day in December. St. Paul's hosted a wonderful service and the Eagle Island Singers added a great deal to the service too. We even made the front page of the Guardian.

The Powerpoint presentations we've been using for

the hymns and sometimes the entire liturgies have made the worship more accessible to more people. The Servers and some others have been very helpful during the year pushing the forward button. It's amazing how easy it is to forget to advance the screen.

Renovations

The estate of Eleanor Mary Mitchell left a significant bequest to St. Paul's Church of \$100,000.00. In 2008, \$20,000.00 more was added. We are in the middle of significant renovations in the church building. For the most part, we are improving the lighting and renovating the chancel, entrance and choir rooms.

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Archdeacon of PEI

Ten parish clergy from across the diocese have been appointed by Bishop Sue Moxley to enhance the ministries in the regions of the diocese. A diocese as large as ours needs to have a way of supporting the Bishop who cannot frequently visit all parishes. Particularly, the Archdeacons help around the time of clergy transitions, and if there is tension in the life of a parish.

The Pastoral role of the Archdeacons is threefold.

- For the Diocese the Archdeacons can extend the pastoral ministry of the Bishops, enhance communication, work with Regional Deans, serve on the Bishop's Advisory Council and work with the Dean and Chapter.
- In the Regions the Archdeacon presides at Celebrations of New Ministry for the Installation of a new Regional Dean and works in partnership with the Regional Dean.
- In the Parishes the Archdeacons help facilitate process and work leading to the appointment of new clergy, help parishes develop a parish profile to describe their location, congregation, ministries, etc. for prospective clergy. They also oversee the preparation and signing of a Covenant in Ministry between new incumbents and parishes (and assisting clergy if applicable) which outlines how each party is to carry out ministry and share responsibilities with one

another. They preside at Celebrations of New Ministry in the Parishes. They can provide resources in times of transition and conflict. Archdeacons are committed to spend more of their time helping parishes become healthier faith communities.

This year I was glad to have had the opportunity to preach at the Fisherman's Service. I extend my deepest gratitude to the people of St. Paul's Church who have allowed me the opportunity to use time for the ministry of Archdeacon of PEI. I am grateful to be able to work closely with the wonderful clergy of the Island. And it is a great joy to know that there are such wonderful and capable Lay people doing so much for the Church.

Synod 2008

The Diocesan Church Society of PEI sponsored a motion at Synod in 2008 that would have allowed for the exemption from allotment all money used for a youth worker. The motion was lost; however, it is clear that the diocese has heard our cries regarding what seems for many to be the "burden" of the allotment. The diocese is taking steps to reduce the allotment significantly over the next few years.

At Synod we elected Ron Cutler as our Suffragan Bishop and his ordination occurred on June 29th, so that he could attend the Lambeth Conference.

Provincial Council

The council of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada met in September in Quebec City. The Ecclesiastical Province of Canada was founded in 1860 (it predates the national structure by three decades). The Province currently includes seven dioceses: Montreal, Quebec, Fredericton, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, Western Newfoundland, Central Newfoundland, and Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador. Provincial Synod meets every three years in order to provide opportunities for fellowship, discussion, and co-operation in the mission of the Church in this Province. I had the pleasure of representing the Diocese and the Island for the last three years. I

am also a delegate to their next Synod in September 2009 in Newfoundland. The Council meets in PEI in September of 2010. It will be a great opportunity to extend hospitality to the members of the Council and show off our Island.

Queen Elizabeth Hospital

I have been invited to represent the Anglican Church on the Spiritual Care committee of the QEH. An invitation I have accepted and I look forward to working closely with the others on the committee.

DYC

I enjoyed the experience of being the keynote speaker at the Diocesan Youth Conference.

...There is some comfort in the knowledge that we are not alone.

2009

Our Finances

We are facing a significant challenge regarding our finances. There is some comfort in the knowledge that we are not alone. Many Anglican parishes across the diocese and congregations of other denominations are facing similar challenges. However, we cannot sit around and do nothing.

From time to time people suggest that we should not pay the allotment. Allotment is the portion of our income that is given to the diocese to enable its ministry to continue. The identity of St. Paul's Church comes, in part, from our association with the wider Anglican Communion. Diocesan policy requires allotment to be paid in full. Whereas it is true that not all parishes pay allotment, it is not common. At last report, there is between 80 and 90% compliance in our diocese. This is unusually low, across Canada compliance in most dioceses is at or near 100%. Paying allotment needs to remain a priority.

I do think that it is appropriate for the Wardens and treasurer to set priorities regarding which bills (including allotment) can be paid from month to month, keeping Parish Council informed of any arrears. I am not in favour of running a line of credit for more than a few months to cover

allotment.

Simply put, there are two issues: 1) getting rid of our deficit and, 2) creating the circumstance whereby we do not incur future deficits.

I have suggested the following to Parish Council as a plan of action and I expect the Council to continue this work:

- Write the diocese informing them that paying allotment will be challenging for us this year, but that we will make every effort to pay as much as we can. This letter should carry with it an explanation of our situation. We should also outline a “plan of action,” and seek their advice and support.
- We should have a stewardship focus this Lent on Sunday morning.
- We should visit every member to make the case for giving to St. Paul’s ministries.
- We should fund raise by writing and sending letters four times a year to every member. A report submitted to our Parish Council two years ago showed that fewer people were contributing more. I think that we need to honour the financial commitment and contribution people have already made, but we also need to keep our name near the top of people’s list of who they contribute to.
- Invite Charles O’Neill for a weekend. He is the Planned Giving consultant for the diocese.
- Fund Raise by holding events. Having fund raising events does two things, it raises money and it builds community. You make long lasting friendships when you’re elbow deep in dishwashing pans.
- Market the Church building and hall as venues for various kinds of activities.
- Consider redeveloping the property. This was suggested at last year’s annual meeting. I have pursued a lead that I had but it has, so far, only yielded “soft” interest.
- We should ask the Belonging Team to have a focus on “recruitment.” In a report that was released a few years ago about religion in Canada it was suggested that if the Anglican

Church “evangelized” people who already had a pre-disposition towards the Anglican Church (that is, they once were or their parents or grand-parents were Anglican) our churches would be full.

I am open to hearing other suggestions and improving on these ones. I am sure that in a couple of years we will wonder what we were so worried about. Please keep this concern in your prayers.

*Eternal God, you create us by your power and redeem us by your love. By your Spirit guide and strengthen our parish family of St. Paul’s Church, that we may love and serve one another and you at all times and in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen*

I thank the all the members of St. Paul’s Church ... for your prayers and commitment to Christ.

My Gratitude

I thank the all the members of St. Paul’s Church, particularly for your support in the ministries of St. Paul’s Church and for your prayers and commitment to Christ. I thank the members of the Parish Council for their work, thoughtfulness and council over the year. It continues to be a privilege and honour to serve as your rector.

I thank Nora Gregory, the Executive Secretary, everything she does and for her patience with me. I thank Judy MacDonald who volunteers in the office and is such a great gift to our community. I thank the Parish Sexton, Clar Fradsham, for his deep commitment to his ministry here and for the many extra hours he gives us. I thank Elizabeth Borman, our Music Director, for her ministry. I thank Madonna Fradsham, Lorraine Quinn and Jay Macdonald for their help and ministry amongst us. I thank the Parish Wardens, Jeff Cooke and Jim Travers for their ministry as wardens.



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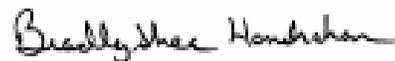
NOTICE TO READER

On the basis of information provided by management, we have compiled the balance sheet of the general fund and the capital fund of St. Paul's Anglican Church as at December 31, 2008 and the statements of revenue, expense and deficit for the year then ended.

We have not performed an audit or a review engagement in respect of these financial statements and, accordingly, we express no assurance thereon.

Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes.

JANUARY 29, 2009



CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSE AND DEFICIT- GENERAL FUND

(Unaudited - See Notice to Reader)

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
REVENUES		
Envelope offerings	\$ 189,434	\$ 195,692
Trust fund transfer	45,116	-
Specific trust fund revenues (Note 2)	30,000	31,917
Rental income	24,161	23,166
Special offerings	14,519	11,674
Trust fund revenues	12,290	9,959
Loose offerings	5,649	5,969
Fundraising	3,991	1,474
Miscellaneous	-	321
	<u>325,160</u>	<u>280,172</u>
EXPENSES		
Administration (Page 9)	13,754	13,995
Allotment	50,855	56,204
Building maintenance	8,749	7,252
Cemetery care	584	556
Fuel	34,356	29,039
Ministry outreach (Page 9)	2,001	2,161
Office operations (Page 9)	5,043	6,926
Parish activities (Page 9)	9,229	8,176
Personnel (Page 10)	150,309	146,093
Power	5,905	5,165
Repairs	45,112	1,337
Specific trust funds	30,000	31,917
Sundry	6,961	1,652
	<u>362,858</u>	<u>310,473</u>
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	(37,698)	(30,301)
DEFICIT, BEGINNING OF YEAR	(60,049)	(29,748)
DEFICIT, END OF YEAR	\$ (97,747)	\$ (60,049)

ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
 BALANCE SHEET - GENERAL FUND
 (Unaudited - See Notice to Reader)
 DECEMBER 31, 2008

	<u>ASSETS</u>	
CURRENT	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Unrestricted cash	\$ 66,611	\$ 83,202
Receivables	2,800	630
Tax rebates receivable	4,175	2,627
Prepays	<u>1,467</u>	<u>1,517</u>
	<u>\$ 75,053</u>	<u>\$ 86,976</u>
 LIABILITIES		
CURRENT		
Payables	\$ 86,825	\$ 32,977
Deferred revenues	1,566	1,566
Advances from Capital Fund	<u>67,623</u>	<u>93,654</u>
	<u>156,014</u>	<u>128,197</u>
 RESERVES AND DEFICIT		
RESERVES (Page 5)	16,786	18,828
DEFICIT	<u>(97,747)</u>	<u>(60,049)</u>
	<u>(80,961)</u>	<u>(41,221)</u>
	<u>\$ 75,053</u>	<u>\$ 86,976</u>

ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
 BALANCE SHEET - CAPITAL FUND
 (Unaudited - See Notices to Reader)
 DECEMBER 31, 2008

	<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
CURRENT			
Restricted cash		\$ 9,535	\$ 3,603
Accrued interest receivable		738	679
Current portion of mortgage receivable (Note 3)		3,661	3,484
Investments at cost - Market value \$575,177 (2007 - \$747,467)		553,381	547,300
Advances to General fund		<u>67,623</u>	<u>93,654</u>
		634,938	648,720
MORTGAGE RECEIVABLE (Note 3)		123,043	126,705
PROPERTY, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT - AT COST		<u>1,059,530</u>	<u>1,059,530</u>
		<u>\$ 1,817,511</u>	<u>\$ 1,834,955</u>
 LIABILITIES			
CURRENT			
Restricted fund indebtedness		\$ 11,753	\$ -
 SURPLUS			
ENDOWMENT FUNDS (Note 4)		503,432	509,013
TRUST FUNDS (Note 5)		287,480	311,096
INVESTMENT IN PROPERTY, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT		<u>1,014,846</u>	<u>1,014,846</u>
		<u>1,805,758</u>	<u>1,834,955</u>
		<u>\$ 1,817,511</u>	<u>\$ 1,834,955</u>

ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
STATEMENT OF RESERVES
(Unaudited - See Notice to Reader)
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

						2008	2007
	Memorial Fund	Refuge Family Fund	Spiritual Development Fund	Sanctuary Guild Fund	Ministry Teams Fund	Total	Total
RECEIPTS							
Donations	\$ 560	\$ 180	\$ 4,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,240	\$ 1,659
Transfers from other funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,665
	<u>560</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>4,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,240</u>	<u>3,324</u>
EXPENDITURES							
Expenses	<u>3,670</u>	<u>236</u>	<u>3,322</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>7,282</u>	<u>4,711</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES							
	(3,110)	(56)	1,178	-	(54)	(2,042)	(1,387)
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR							
	<u>7,060</u>	<u>3,521</u>	<u>3,137</u>	<u>3,150</u>	<u>1,959</u>	<u>18,828</u>	<u>20,215</u>
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 3,950</u>	<u>\$ 3,465</u>	<u>\$ 4,315</u>	<u>\$ 3,150</u>	<u>\$ 1,905</u>	<u>\$ 16,786</u>	<u>\$ 18,828</u>

ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A) REQUESTS

The Church is the beneficiary under various wills and trust agreements, the total realizable amounts of which are not readily determinable. The Church records such requests when proceeds are received.

B) PROPERTY, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT

Property, buildings, building renovations and certain equipment owned by the church are recorded on the balance sheet of the capital fund at cost. Repairs and alterations are expensed in the general fund in the year incurred. Proceeds from dispositions are netted against the cost of related assets.

Equipment that is funded through general operating revenue is expensed as incurred in the general fund.

No depreciation is recorded on building and equipment.

C) PLEDGE REVENUE

Pledge revenue is recognized when the funds are received.

D) RESERVES

The Reserve Funds have been used to finance operations in lieu of borrowing money from the bank. The unused line of credit can be used as required to fund these reserves.

E) RESTRICTED CASH

These amounts are restricted by trust fund instructions specifying the nature of the expenditure the funds can be used towards.

2. SPECIFIC TRUST FUND REVENUE

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
DeBlois memorial trust	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
Richards trust	-	1,840
Women's Auxiliary - Branch A trust	-	77
	<u>\$ 30,000</u>	<u>\$ 31,917</u>

Revenue derived from the above trusts was allocated to the general fund for specific expenses during the year.

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3. MORTGAGE RECEIVABLE

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Mortgage receivable 5%, matures in June 2029, paid in monthly principal and interest installments of \$821.	\$ 126,704	\$ 130,189
Less: Current portion of mortgage receivable	<u>3,661</u>	<u>3,484</u>
	<u>\$ 123,043</u>	<u>\$ 126,705</u>

4. ENDOWMENT FUNDS - CAPITAL FUND

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 509,013	\$ 511,927
Add:		
Income capitalized (net)	24,419	28,926
Less:		
Transfers to general fund, net	<u>(30,000)</u>	<u>(31,840)</u>
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 503,432</u>	<u>\$ 509,013</u>
COMPOSITION OF ENDOWMENT FUNDS		
DeBlois memorial trust	\$ 353,366	\$ 357,668
Richards trust	85,044	86,323
Building and General	53,900	53,900
Care of Graves trust	7,822	7,822
Sunday School	3,100	3,100
Women's Auxiliary	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>
	<u>\$ 503,432</u>	<u>\$ 509,013</u>

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5. TRUST FUNDS - CAPITAL FUND

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 311,096	\$ 215,553
Add:		
Bequests	20,000	101,000
Transfers from general fund, net	1,500	2,100
Less:		
Expenditures	<u>(45,116)</u>	<u>(7,557)</u>
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 287,480</u>	<u>\$ 311,096</u>
COMPOSITION OF TRUST FUNDS		
Building and General	\$ 251,564	\$ 276,680
Missions	21,827	21,827
Deblois Chimes	9,000	8,000
Women's Auxiliary	2,689	2,689
Sunday School trust	1,900	1,900
Organ	<u>500</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 287,480</u>	<u>\$ 311,096</u>

6. DONATIONS

St. Paul's Anglican Church collects donations on behalf of other charities and remits the donations to the designated charity. During the last two years, St. Paul's collected and remitted the following amounts:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Primate's World Relief and Development Fund	\$ 5,627	\$ 6,405
Miscellaneous	450	-
Diocesan Times	140	180
Mikinduri Children of Hope Foundation	-	885
Women's Interchurch Council of Canada	<u>-</u>	<u>332</u>
	<u>\$ 6,217</u>	<u>\$ 7,802</u>
Amounts remitted	<u>\$ 6,217</u>	<u>\$ 7,802</u>

ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES

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	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
ADMINISTRATION		
Bank charges	\$ 947	\$ 901
Insurance	8,837	8,727
Professional fees	848	852
Property taxes and water	<u>3,122</u>	<u>3,515</u>
	<u>\$ 13,754</u>	<u>\$ 13,995</u>
MINISTRY OUTREACH		
Charlottetown Christian Council	\$ 75	\$ 75
Diocesan Church Society	1,526	1,686
Old Protestant Cemetery	<u>400</u>	<u>400</u>
	<u>\$ 2,001</u>	<u>\$ 2,161</u>
OFFICE OPERATIONS		
Equipment	\$ 82	\$ -
Office supplies	1,156	913
Photocopying	1,316	1,633
Postage	785	580
Telephone	<u>1,704</u>	<u>3,800</u>
	<u>\$ 5,043</u>	<u>\$ 6,926</u>
PARISH ACTIVITIES		
Christim education and Youth	\$ 647	\$ (91)
Parish and church supplies	4,022	4,683
Music	2,217	2,080
Outreach and Social Action	1,500	1,504
Synod	<u>843</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 9,229</u>	<u>\$ 8,176</u>

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES

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	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
PERSONNEL		
Rector		
Stipend	\$ 39,171	\$ 38,030
Housing	17,200	17,200
Travel	4,500	4,500
Pension	6,659	6,465
Administrative Assistant		
Salary	27,929	27,116
Sexton and Janitor		
Salary and rent benefit	21,709	21,176
Organist		
Salary	19,608	19,037
Other		
Casual relief	1,380	560
Staff pension	3,462	3,366
Wage benefits	8,691	8,643
	<u>\$ 150,309</u>	<u>\$ 146,093</u>

The Warden's Report - 2008

By Jeff Cooke and Jim Travers

The past year has been a challenging year for St. Paul's. The financial crisis facing the parish at the beginning of 2008 has worsened, with an operating deficit of over \$45,000 for 2008, increasing the accumulated debt from operations to over \$100,000. The absence of a meaningful stewardship campaign contributed to the worsening of the parish's financial situation.

The availability of the Eleanor Mary Mitchell bequest pending completion of the church renovations later in the year enabled the parish to avoid borrowing to fund day-to-day operations. Now that the renovations are fully underway, the parish will have to incur the costs of an operating line in 2009. To avoid a further worsening of the parish's financial position, it is imperative that the parish experience a positive cash flow in 2009.

As has been stated in the past, the discretionary elements of the parish's budget are minimal. Heating and electrical costs for the church and hall have increased dramatically over the past few years. It remains to be seen whether the decline in oil prices is reflected in the district heating charges billed to the parish in 2009. The staff costs are not unreasonable, and the parish receives more than fair value from the efforts of its staff.

The remaining significant cost to the parish is allotment payable to the diocese. The diocese provides valuable resources for the parish. However, it must recognize that St. Paul's cannot continue to incur deficits on an annual basis. We expect to engage the diocese in a dialogue in 2009 to determine how the diocese can assist the parish in stabilizing its finances and gradually eliminating the accumulated debt, without, in turn, incurring increased allotment liabilities because of the debt reduction.

Stewardship must be the focal point of the parish in 2009. The members of the parish responded most generously to the request which was mailed to members in December. A sustained increase in offerings is essential in 2009, whether it be from

envelope offerings, fundraising events, or special offerings. Contribution of time and talent also benefits the parish, but it will take dollars to address the parish's financial situation.

The renovations to the church made possible by the Eleanor Mary Mitchell bequest proceeded in earnest during the second half of the year. The renovations to the entrance way of the church, and the refinishing of the floor in the nave and chancel have made a dramatic difference to the building. Bev Hansen and Richard Farmer, and the renovation team, deserve full credit for the work carried out. As set out in the property report, more work remains to be done in 2009.

We hope that 2009 will mark a turn around in the financial and spiritual growth of St. Paul's.

The renovations in the chancel have provided many challenges for Elizabeth and the choir. All of them deserve praise for their cooperation in the ongoing experimentation of where the piano should go, where the choir should sit, where the draughts are, etc. Elizabeth is also to be congratulated for her ongoing work with the children's choir, and, along with Rob Thompson, for the excellent children's presentation during the Advent season.

Clar has provided yeoman service during the renovations, in addition to the ongoing facilities work for the church and hall. Nora continues her excellent work as the parish administrator, with the steadfast assistance of Judy MacDonald in a volunteer role. Teresa deserves special mention for her work with SPY, along with those who assist in their activities. And, of course, John provides the spiritual leadership for the parish, assisted by the clergy team.

Thanks are extended to the members of the parish council for their assistance in 2008, including Ron Smith and Bruce White, both of whom served as Treasurer during the year.

While 2008 was a negative year insofar as finances were concerned, we hope that 2009 will mark a turn around in the financial and spiritual growth of St. Paul's.

The Treasurer's Report - 2008

By **Bruce White**

Following the resignation of the Treasurer, I was asked late into the fiscal year to become the interim Treasurer. This in essence, required me to prepare the financial reports of the Endowment Funds, necessary for the distribution of the associated funds, the Annual Financial Statements of the Church and the preparation of a budget for the consideration of Parish Council. It has been many years since I was last involved in this role, and the "rust" soon became apparent. Many thanks to Nora for her greatly appreciated assistance in getting the job done.

I would be remiss as well if I did not thank Lynn Travers for the exceptional series of schedules, reports and analyses she had developed to provide the data necessary for the preparation of the financial reports. Lynn's efforts over the years have certainly set a benchmark for the contribution of one's time and talents to our Church.

ENDOWMENT FUND DISTRIBUTION

GORDON R. DeBLOIS PEACE MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND

In line with the seven guiding principles adopted by Council for the distribution of these funds the following distributions were approved:

PWRDF	\$15,500
Canadian Bible Society	\$ 3,000
Mikinduri Children of Hope	\$ 1,000
Community Chaplaincy	\$ 2,000
Rebecca Bates	\$ 500
Bedford MacDonald Trust	\$ 1,500
St. Paul's Spiritual Development	\$ 4,500
Charlottetown Food Bank	\$ 1,000
DeBlois Chimes repair Fund	<u>\$ 1,000</u>
Total	\$30,000

LOIS M. RICHARDS ENDOWMENT FUND

The falling values of the stock market triggered the provision of this fund that where a distribution would cause a reduction in the value of the fund becoming less than that of the previous year end

no distribution would be made. Such was the case this year and therefore no funds were distributed.

FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR 2008

Revenues

This year, as in the past several years, the actual envelope offerings have totaled considerably less than what had been forecasted. It has been a long standing practice at our Church not to encourage deficit financing and therefore never to budget for a deficit. As Revenues dropped expenditures were reduced accordingly. In the last few years the expenditures could not be further reduced and still allow us to offer the ministry services considered necessary - accordingly the Envelope Offering amount would be increased to eliminate any deficit. Accompanying this would be a review of the revenue deficiencies and a request for greater contributions from our members. I will second to the Wardens to outline their plans to increase offerings. There are two revenue items I would like to clarify, namely (1) Specific Trust Funds Revenue, and (2) Trust Fund distribution. The first deals with the receipt and distribution of the Gordon R. DeBlois Peace Memorial and the second is the Eleanor Mary Mitchell Estate. Both these funds offset specific expenditures that have been made in accordance with the provisions of the funds and therefore have no effect on the net surplus/deficit of the church.

Expenditures

The operating expenses have been trimmed to the extent possible and the variances from budget in 2008 were primarily due to increased costs for heat and a prior year adjustment in allotment expenditures of \$6961.

The 2009 Budget is intended to hold expenditures to the actual year over year costs we will experience; the major concern is the lack of accurate forecasting with regards to heat and light.

In closing, I would like to thank Nora and Judy for their assistance during the brief time we worked together.

The Budget Report 2008

	2008 BUDGET	2008 ACTUAL	OVER (UNDER)	2009 BUDGET
REVENUES				
Loose Offerings	5,500	5,649	149	5,500
Envelope Offerings	228,368	189,434	-38,934	195,000
Special Offerings	11,000	14,519	3,519	11,000
Trust Fund Revenues	8,500	12,290	3,790	8,500
Rental Income	24,000	24,161	161	24,000
Fundraising	0	3,990	3,990	500
Miscellaneous	0	0	0	2,000
Specific Trust Funds Revenue	0	30,000	30,000	30,000
Trust Fund Distribution	15,210	45,116	29,906	70,000
TOTAL REVENUES	292,578	325,159	32,581	346,500
EXPENSES				
ADMINISTRATION				
Bank Charges	1,000	647	-353	1,000
Insurance	9,000	8,837	-163	9,000
Professional Fees	850	848	-2	850
Property Taxes & Water	3,900	3,122	-778	3,200
	14,750	13,454	-1,296	14,050
MINISTRY OUTREACH				
Diocesan Church Society	1,526	1,526	0	1,526
Charlottetown Christian Council	75	75	0	75
Old Protestant Cemetery	400	400	0	400
	2,001	2,001	0	2,001
OFFICE OPERATIONS				
Office Supplies	1,300	1,156	-144	1,300
Equipment	0	82	82	0
Photocopying	1,500	1,316	-184	1,500
Postage	600	784	184	600
Telephone	4,000	1,704	-2,296	4,000
	7,400	5,042	-2,358	7,400
PARISH ACTIVITIES				
Church & General Supplies	4,500	4,022	-478	4,500
Christian Education & Youth	1,500	646	-854	1,500
Music	2,000	2,217	217	2,000
Outreach & Social Action	1,500	1,500	0	1,500
Synod	500	843	343	500
	10,000	9,228	-772	10,000

The Budget Report 2008

	2008 BUDGET	2008 ACTUAL	OVER (UNDER)	2009 BUDGET
EXPENSES (CONT'D)				
PERSONNEL				
Rector-Stipend	39,171	39,171	0	40,000
Rector-Housing	17,200	17,200	0	19,500
Rector-Travel	4,500	4,500	0	4,500
Rector-Pension	6,659	6,659	0	6,800
Admin Assistant-Salary	27,929	27,929	0	28,515
Sexton-Salary & Rent Benefit	21,709	21,709	0	22,165
Organist-Salary	19,608	19,608	0	20,020
Casual Relief	1,200	1,380	180	1,200
Staff Pension	3,462	3,462	0	3,535
Wage Benefits	9,474	8,691	-783	9,765
	150,912	150,309	-603	156,000
OTHER				
Allotment	50,855	50,855	0	43,303
Building Maintenance	7,000	8,749	1,749	7,000
Cemetery Care	650	584	-66	650
Electricity	5,500	5,905	405	6,000
Heating	28,000	34,356	6,356	30,000
Major Repairs	15,210	45,112	29,902	70,000
Miscellaneous	300	6,961	6,661	500
Specific Trust Funds	0	30,000	30,000	30,000
	107,515	182,522	75,007	187,453
TOTAL EXPENSES	292,578	362,855	70,277	376,904
NET INCOME (LOSS)	0	-37,696	-37,696	-30,404

The Choir Report

By **Elizabeth Borman, Director Music Ministry**

"O come, let us sing to the Lord" Psalm 95

Another year passes and we sit and reflect on things musical yet again. The Senior and Junior Choirs continue to lead the singing on Sundays and at special services.

Senior Choir

During Lent the choir presented a musical titled; *Out of the Shadows* at both services.

The Senior Choir hosted a reception in the church after a 10:00 service in September for Michio and Hisako Suzuki following their recognition by Ted Morgan, John Ives and Jim Travers for their many years of dedicated attendance and service to the Parish. The Suzukis have moved to a retirement condo in Bedford, N.S. to be near their daughter and her family. They are sadly missed by Elizabeth and the choir.

A few members of the choir joined with other RCCO member choirs in the Hymn Festival at Zion Presbyterian Church in November.

In Advent we did our annual road run to three nursing homes where members of St. Paul's reside: Beach Grove, The Garden and Atlantic Baptist. We had a great time singing with the residents and visiting with old friends. We are hoping to make a spring visit to have a favourite hymn sing along.

In July, we made our annual pilgrimage to Marguerite's cottage for a delightful & relaxing visit, swim and delicious pot luck dinner. Lynn opened her home to us for our Christmas get together. Thank you to all for their warm hospitality.



The choir continues to struggle with small numbers. We would welcome any new members, no experience necessary and we promise lots of fun and good food.

"Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy" Psalm 47

Junior Choir

I think 2008 will be called the year of Musicals! Not one but two musicals were prepared and presented to the congregation. In June a replay of an old favourite, *"I Witness News, Live from Jericho"* was put on in the afternoon following church. In December, *"A Not So Silent Night"* was performed with the Sunday School for the Christmas Pageant. It is amazing to watch the development of voice and acting abilities as we try new things. A tremendous amount of rehearsal time is required to prepare these events; a special thank you to the choir for all your hard work and to the parents and congregation for their help with costumes, props and chauffeuring the children. A very special thank you to Rob Thomson for sharing so much of his time and expertise in acting and staging these musicals.

At Thanksgiving the choirs combined to sing a special anthem, *"We Gather Together"*. I am always on the look out for music for Youth and Senior Choirs together; they are so much fun to do.

The choir sang two anthems on Christmas Eve and sang or played their favourite instruments during the communion. Well done everyone!

In the fall a **Music Committee** was formed by the Worship Team to deal with the challenges of hymns and responses for the new 10:00 service. The meetings are open to anyone in the congregation; the committee welcomes new thoughts and ideas.

Thank You

A special thank you to Michio for all his help during my absence and for the many hours he spent rehearsing duets on his own and with Elizabeth. Thank you to all the choir members for their continued enthusiasm for things musical; and especially to Rebecca McLeod for her assistance at the piano and to Anne for her help as music secretary.

Choir Financial Report

By Lynn Travers, Choir Treasurer

ST. PAUL'S PARISH CHOIR FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2008 (UNAUDITED)

ASSET	
Bank Balance	\$1599.55
Accounts Receivable	<u>3721.97</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$5321.52</u>
LIABILITIES	
Allotment Payable	\$ 458.94
EQUITY	
Retained Earnings	<u>4862.58</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$5321.52</u>

STATEMENT OF LOSS AND RETAINED EARNINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 (UNAUDITED)

REVENUES		\$ NIL
EXPENSES		
Gifts	\$ 89.64	
Service Charges	<u>(.81)</u>	
		<u>88.83</u>
NET LOSS FOR THE YEAR		\$ 88.83
RETAINED EARNINGS, beginning of year		<u>4951.41</u>
RETAINED EARNINGS, end of year		<u>\$4862.58</u>



Education & Growth - 2008

By **Madonna Fradsham**

We are very pleased to report we held two successful events in 2008. A series of study sessions in the spring as well as a sermon series during Lent. This fall we began the series “the Jesus I Never Knew” which ends in February.

Our Sunday school classes continue on the model of rotating classes as per the past three years. This year, students begin class at 10:50 and go to church around 10:30.

So far this year more than 15 teachers have taken their turn in leading our children through the various class sessions. One class in every 4 week span takes place in the kitchen and is without a



doubt the children’s favourite. There is also a combination of music, drama, experiential activities which make the programs enjoyable. While we register 36-40 children each fall, there is a very noticeable drop in numbers once the winter sports begin and the cold weather sets in. We are fortunate to get 12-15 children on a good week. Some families prefer to stay together for the whole church service. Whatever the decision, our children are learning about God through both experiences.

A sincere thank-you to parents who have given of their time to lead the children’s programs. And to John for his wise counsel and support.

Every blessing.

The Hospitality Team Report

By **Carol Macdonald**

We are called to show the heartfelt hospitality of a kind and caring Community that seeks and serves Christ in all persons.

The Hospitality Team has continued to work this year to help develop awareness of the warm and welcoming Christian community that is St. Paul’s. As the church renovations have taken shape, the transformation of the space has been inspiring, and we hope to use it to full advantage in welcoming parishioners and visitors alike.

The renovation of the men’s choir room that is currently in progress will help to create the sense of well being and comfort that true hospitality fosters. As a multi function room it will be used for storage of clergy vestments and as a quiet area for clergy between services, as well as a space for young families during services as a breakout room with speakers to hear the service, for bridal parties to gather before weddings, and for families to gather privately before funerals instead of huddled at the entrance. The addition of a counter with a sink, small refrigerator and microwave is planned and will increase the flexibility we have with activities like Lemonade



on the Lawn on Sundays in the summer, catered events i.e. the Sacred Sound DVD launch in November and future fundraising concerts, as well as simple coffee service.

As we mentioned in last year’s report, we are developing new literature in the form of a small booklet that outlines the various kinds of programs and ministries at St. Paul’s. It will be used to welcome, inform and hopefully engage the interest of parishioners and visitors. We hope to have it done for the Annual Meeting in February and if successful could be useful in a stewardship program as well. We also ordered pew envelopes for the church with basic contact information on the covers for visitors to use for donations as well as a resource. Wooden holders for the envelopes in each pew are in the works.

We welcome input from the congregation and encourage others who would like to join our team. We are excited by the many ideas that are becoming a reality and look forward to a new year of hope and hospitality.

Many thanks to Team members: Sandy Anderson, John Clarke, Tom DeBlois, Clar Fradsham, Carol Macdonald and Judy Macdonald.

The Parish Statistics - 2008

We Welcomed Into Our Family Those Newly Baptized

Marian Georgia McTavish
Ava Julia Clark
Averi Marie Power
Evelyn Lottie Peacock
Kaden Scott Gill

Bailey Ron Gill
Noah Malcolm MacDonald
MacKenzie Riann MacDonald
Luke William Ebenezer MacDonald

We Celebrate Those Who Have Been United Before God in Holy Matrimony

Mark Gordon Ellis and Rhonda Carol Smith
Edward Victor Josey and Patricia Anne Marie Doyle
Jeremy Paul Smith and Jennie Lynn Dawson
James Gordon Massey and Bonny Carrier
Darrell Richard Turnbull and Melanie Ann Visser

This Past Year We Committed These Our Loved Ones to God's Keeping

L. Neil Fleming
John David McNeil
Florence Emily Templer
Jeanette Mary Trainor
Robert Bruce Stevenson

Audrey Jean Tinney
Audrey Blanche McLeod
Eleanor Mary Lowe
Philip Saunders
Dorothy Margaret "Muggie" Price



The Property Committee - 2008

By **Bev Hanson, Chair**

The interior renovations commenced at St. Paul's in 2008 was a significant step forward in both updating and renewing the church structure and facilities. The initiative for these changes came from the various committees implementing St. Paul's Mission Statement, part of which is, to make St. Paul's a more welcoming place of worship and an area adaptable to various forms of worship and musical events. The goals of the project would be to brighten up the church entrance; eliminate crowding in the Vestry; and provide a break-out room for mothers and children during the services, for the rector between services, and, a waiting area for wedding and funeral party members. The chancel would see the replacement of the choir pews with chairs; extension of the chancel floor in front of the pulpit; installation of an communion rail and kneeler at the front of the chancel

To this end, Phase 1 project, Vestibule upgrade, was started in February just prior to the last annual meeting. Construction of a handicap washroom, repair of lath and plaster, the entire plaster ceiling and wall surface was pardged followed by two coats of paint. The four windows in the vestibule and wash room were replaced with thermal pane tempered glass, three new light fixtures installed, plumbing and heating system modified, non-slip tile laid over new sub-floor, badly worn thresholds for the doors, both interior and exterior, were repaired or replaced. The wood paneling in the doors to the nave were replaced with clear glass with etched crosses and the doors refinished. The wainscoting and pillars were stained. The budget for this phase was \$15,210 which also included the completion of the sound system by Smith Sound. By the time you read this report the sound system and wiring should be complete.

Phase 2 of the project was to be the renovation of the choir rooms and

current vestry. With the very generous bequest of Eleanor Mary Mitchell through her husband, David Mitchell, this phase was cancelled as it was thought best to expand the project and upgrades with a shorter time frame and to manage the entire project with a team leader. Priority was set for the painting the nave, make the necessary renovations to the chancel then complete the choir rooms and remodel the current vestry, in that order. Richard Farmer with his engineering and project management background was named as the Construction Team leader with John Ives, Carol Macdonald, Bryon Sutcliffe and Bev Hanson as members. Ex-officio's to the team are the Rector, the two Wardens and the Sexton.

As of this writing, the Chancel renovations are almost complete with the strengthening of the sub-floor; leveling of the floor and the installation of hardwood over the entire area. The original brass communion rail was cleaned and modified to permit easier access to the main altar and a new rail is on order for the front of the chancel. Both Altars are now movable. To be completed, in 2009, are the pulpit steps, some minor floor work behind the radiators and replacing the dark wainscoting and rail cap where the piano used to be located. Lighting in the nave and the chancel are planned, however, an upgrade to the wiring in the church must be under taken before this can be completed.

All pews in the nave were removed by church members, the entire floor was professionally sanded and refinished with the application of five coats of stain/sealer and the pews returned and secured in their original positions. This major additional and rewarding work was made possible through the very generous gift from a church member.

The Choir rooms' plaster was repaired and painted, new lighting installed and the four



windows in each choir room were replaced with clear thermal pane tempered glass. Both fire exit doors must be replaced in 2009 and panic hardware installed for fire safety. The rooms are ready to have the flooring carpets replaced after a few repairs are made to the floor joist supports and sub-floors put down. A small counter with sink will be installed in the new Vestry/Breakout room (old north choir room).

The current vestry was also painted after plaster repair. The 2009 work plan for that area when the sound console is disconnected, is to relocate the small sink in the passageway to the back of vestry; adding a small counter top and cabinet for use of the Sanctuary Guild Members, Servers and Eucharistic Ministers. The fire exit door must be totally reworked as it currently opens inward and must be replaced with a outward opening door.

Installation, in 2009, of two protective clear lexan panels on the exterior of the stained glass windows in the nave above the church entrance is an

important step in the long term preservation of those beautiful pieces. The front doors will be modified to include long clear glass windows and new door hardware.

The work completed to date and the future work indicated in this report would not be accomplished at all if it were not for the beneficence of Eleanor Mary Mitchell and David Mitchell and the labour of many willing volunteers in our congregation when called upon to assist in this important work of renewal and repair to this beautiful structure of St. Paul's Church. For this, we are ever thankful.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Property Committee members: Jim Travers, Tom DeBlois, John Ives, Jeff Cooke, Clive Stewart, Carol Macdonald and Dean Boutilier and on behalf of the Construction Team leader: Richard Farmer and members named in this report.

The Sanctuary Guild Report

By Gail Ives

We currently have 34 dedicated members of the Sanctuary Guild. We would welcome new members at any time.

On Saturday morning, members prepare the appropriate altar for Communion at 8 am Sunday service and clean up after and set up for the 10 am service on Sunday mornings. This year, we changed to two Sunday services instead of three, which has made the job a little easier for the ladies.

I would like to thank all members for serving on the Guild. Thanks to all who are so willing to assist someone who is on their own.

Thanks also to Rev. John Clarke, Rev. Madonna Fradsham, Rev. Lorraine Quinn, and Rev. Jay Macdonald for all of your support and assistance.



We are also grateful to Clar Fradsham for all you do for us, and Nora Gregory and Judy MacDonald for your help at all times.



The “A” Team Report

By **Madonna Fradsham**

Keeping in mind the vision “to show the love and justice of God in action” and the tradition attached to several projects as well as the need to explore ways of expanding our work as suggested by the vision, the team worked to follow this plan.

1. Continue to offer space to PEI People First for monthly meetings. (since 2003)
2. Continue to share space on a selective basis to certain community groups with which we share mutual goals and concerns and who are unable to bear financial costs for such space. Ex: ALERT PEI, Anti-poverty groups, refugee groups.
3. Continue to offer barbecues as an opportunity to engage with people who are in need thus building a better understanding of the issues they face. This in turn, helps us determine the best course of action for supporting efforts to reduce poverty. (June and September)
4. Continue support of the Food Bank and the Upper Room.
5. Continue the long tradition of assisting others at Christmas time and other times throughout the year when in need. 35 families Christmas 2008.
6. Continue our environmental awareness campaign through bulletin notices, other projects as determined worthy.
7. Consider special requests as they are presented. These might include partnering with another group on a special project, assisting a family with significant medical or other needs, supporting efforts to combat homelessness.



major pieces of work:

1. PWRDF...The Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund projects as identified each year. This year emphasis was placed on the Partnership for Life...AIDS project and year 3 of the Enough for All Campaign.

2. Strengthening our relationship with and supporting the efforts of AIDS PEI. A conversation is ongoing to best determine how this will happen.

AIDS Day service was held on Dec. 1 with the participation of the Eagle Island Singers and the Native youth committee.

3. Develop a greater awareness of the Mikinduri Children of Hope Foundation and support their efforts in Kenya. Many parishioners made dolls and Jane Farmer was guest at a women’s breakfast. We have supported the MCOH foundation through financial contributions.

4. On a case by case basis determine the feasibility of sponsoring refugee families. Support efforts of our partners in past sponsorship efforts to develop their own refugee committees (Muslim Assoc. as an

example)

Two families were sponsored this year. Both came from refugee camps in Turkey. Members of the Muslim community are supporting them in most of their needs.

Along with two major fundraisers for outreach projects, the “A” Team hosted two fun and fundraising dinners. These two can dine for \$14.99 events put approx. \$ 1000 into the general fund while at the same time provided an opportunity for

Along with the above the team focused on three

The team has discussed which name really reflects the work we do. The Gleaners Society, Outreach, Social Action and Outreach and The Action Team were all suggested. The overwhelming choice is **The Action Team.**

families to come out and enjoy getting to know others from the parish.

Nothing we do is possible without God and without all of you who participate in so many ways to make every project a success. Thank-you all. God's richest blessings, always.

RESOURCES:

Parishioners have provided the people resources as well as financial resources to complete work in the

past. This coupled with significant financial and other resources from the community and community partners has enabled us to reach our goals every year. The team plans two major fundraisers each year with other smaller ones taking place for special projects. However, it is really important to note all fundraising materials are purchased and the cost comes from the gross collected for the project. There's no double-dipping so to speak with people providing the food then being asked to buy it back. Also, usually at least 50% of dinners sold are sold in the broader community.

The team is very grateful for the numbers of people who come out in every case to support these efforts.

The Youth Report

By Teresa Clarke and Rebecca McLeod

SPY has had another amazing year in 2008. There are exciting activities happening for the youth and families of St Paul's Church. In September the leaders changed the meeting time from Sunday afternoon to varying the days throughout the month, twice a month, and attendance is usually 10-15+ youth. As a group we continue to see our numbers grow and this includes friends bringing their friends to join in the fun of SPY. Our schedule can easily be found on the parish website under the schedules page or in the weekly parish bulletin. When online just keep scrolling down the page until you find us. We welcome all youth starting at 9 years of age and up.

SPY has participated in numerous activities over the past year. Last February we had a slumber party in the hall, at which we had sledding races, built cardboard forts and played lots of games late into the night. We put on an amazing play at Pentecost, decorated cookies and handed them out

at the Service of Lessons and Carols and another family bowling event. In September we had a SPY potluck/getting acquainted gathering followed by an outing at Victoria Park. This year at Victoria Park we had a scavenger hunt which is now a SPY annual event. Other adventures at SPY include having movies & popcorn at the hall, sledding and hot chocolate at Stonepark, cooperative games at the hall, skating in front of Founders Hall, SPY attending the Ash Wednesday service, a winter outdoor obstacle course at the Clarke McGill house and ending the year with an overnight camp out at the McLeod family home. WOW... we are a busy group...



Rebecca and Teresa want to extend a huge thank you to the youth, parents and parish for making our job such an enjoyable one. We continue to have a great time and hope that your youth will join in the fun.

The Laura Clapp Visitors Report

By Marguerite Keating

Hello again, Happy New Year!

As we start a new year, we look forward to visiting you as a new member. We have 16 members in different nursing homes and lodges now. They are all visited at least once a month, and sometimes more.

This is done from October until May. Summertime is time off! This ministry is very important to our shut-ins. There is always lots of

room for more visitors. No meetings to attend. I know there are people who visit but don't want to be a member. That's wonderful too! Many thanks for doing that. Also, a special thank-you to those who drive some of our shut-ins to church, bank, etc.

Thanks to Rev'd John for all his support. Also, to Nora and Judy for their help. Again, thank-you to our visitors. God Bless you all, and may He hold you in His hand.

Men's Breakfast Report

By David Tweel

We just finished our third year of having monthly breakfasts.

We had ten breakfasts in 2008 with attendance of anywhere from 14 to a high of 50, and an average of 20 most times.

We meet at the Parish Hall on the first Saturday of each month, with the exception of July and August. Breakfast is ready at 9 a.m.

A few of the men meet around 7:45 to prepare the meal, set the tables, etc. They enjoy working together and having a social experience at the same time. They would appreciate a few extra

hands to help out either before with the preparation, or after to help clean up. Even coming at 8:30 a.m. would be enjoyable for you.

We look forward to having more attend the breakfast. All men of the parish are welcome to come and enjoy a hearty breakfast. Would you enjoy juice, eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, toast, coffee/tea and a fresh fruit cocktail? Give it a try!

Three times and you will be hooked! We will be looking forward to seeing you.



Alongsiders Report

By June Scantlebury

I would like to thank all Alongsiders, especially Rev'd John, Judy, Joanne, Wanda, Chris and Nora who help to inform us of people who request prayers for the sick, bereaved, for peace, etc. Whatever the result, we take time to ask God for his help and guidance.

Should you wish to join, request prayer or if you would like more information, please feel free to call the church or any Alongsider.

We mourn the passing of our fellow Alongsider and friend, Genevieve Jardine. Also, our thoughts and prayers go out to Alongsiders Gail Ives and John Henry for a speedy recovery.

I wish you a blessed year filled with faith, love and good health.

The Envelope Secretary's Report - 2008

By David Tweel/Nora Gregory

COLLECTIONS PROFILE BY AMOUNT GIVEN *Includes regular and special contributions* *Donation Range*

Weekly	Yearly	Identifiable Givers	Weekly	Yearly	Identifiable Givers
\$0-\$5	\$0 - \$260	47	\$65-\$70	\$3381 - \$3640	3
\$5-\$10	\$261 - \$520	35	\$70-\$75	\$3641- \$3900	2
\$10-\$15	\$521 - \$780	21	\$75-\$80	\$3901 - \$4160	2
\$15-\$20	\$781 - \$1040	20	\$80-\$85	\$4161 - \$4420	1
\$20-\$25	\$1041 - \$1300	14	\$85-\$90	\$4421 - \$4680	0
\$25-\$30	\$1301 - \$1560	11	\$90-\$95	\$4681 - \$4940	0
\$30-\$35	\$1561 - \$1820	4	\$95-\$100	\$4941 - \$5200	0
\$35-\$40	\$1821 - \$2080	4	\$100-\$105	\$5201 - \$5460	1
\$40-\$45	\$2081 - \$2340	3	\$105-\$110	\$5461 - \$5720	0
\$45-\$50	\$2341 - \$2600	3	\$110-\$115	\$5721 - \$5980	0
\$50-\$55	\$2601 - \$2860	4	\$115-\$120	\$5981 - \$6240	1
\$55-\$60	\$2861 - \$3120	1	\$120-\$125	\$6241 - \$6500	0
\$60-\$65	\$3121 - \$3380	2	\$125 & up	\$6501 - & up	4
				TOTAL	183

SOME OBSERVATIONS FROM THE FIGURES

These figures include total offerings, ie Regular envelope offering, all special gifts. To determine the category of your offering, take the total amount from your Income Tax Receipt and divide it by 52.

Here are some weekly donations based on total income of a household.

<u>TOTAL INCOME</u>	<u>GIFT OF 5%</u>	<u>BIBLICAL TITHE</u>
\$13,000/yr	\$12.50/wk	\$25.00/wk
\$26,000/yr	\$25.00/wk	\$50.00/wk
\$31,200/yr	\$30.00/wk	\$60.00/wk
\$41,600/yr	\$40.00/wk	\$80.00/wk
\$52,000/yr	\$50.00/wk	\$100.00/wk

Let us all try to increase our total givings each year. Automatic bank deductions are available for your consideration. In the year 2008 we had 29 parishioners using this system. It is a stress relieving arrangement to have in place for regular givers and the option for special contributions of cash is also available. Set up is quick and easy. Please call the office if you would like to give automatically.

In order to cut our expense for envelope boxes, we purchased 50 less boxes of envelopes for 2009. New envelope numbers have been issued to all parishioners beginning at number 001 to eliminate wasted envelope sets. Please be sure to use your new envelopes/envelope number on all of your offerings.

Synod Report 2008

The 141st Synod of the Diocese was held on May 23 – 25, 2008.

The delegates to Synod were: Rebecca McLeod, Tom DeBlois, Dawn Penton, Jay Macdonald, Carol Macdonald, Lorraine Quinn, Madonna Fradsham and John Clarke.

ELECTION

There were six candidates under consideration for Suffragan Bishop. Ron Cutler was elected as Suffragan Bishop.

CLERGY REPLACEMENT

Rev. Canon Eric Beresford, President of AST informed Synod there is a major concern nationally regarding the replacement of retiring clergy.

Bishop Sue stated that the retirement bulge hits this Diocese in 2014. She also said that there are 30 candidates in various levels of discernment at this time.

PARISH HISTORY

Each Parish has been invited to participate in the 2010 celebrations by developing a short Parish history for submission to the 2010 booklet. This work has been completed by John Clarke.

BISHOPS ADDRESS

Bishop Sue Moxley addressed Synod on its second day. Her topic was the Vision and her question was: 'Are we there yet?' She stated that there is considerable work to do but that progress has occurred on the various topics of the Vision. She sees the Diocesan Vision culminating in 2010.

The four components to the Vision are:

Embracing Youth – The bishop feels we are definitely on the way toward this vision. A considerable number of initiatives were referred to, including the 3 regional youth workers, diocesan youth conference, Teens Encounter Christ (TEC), and others.

Developing Healthy Congregations – Twenty -six congregations have made use of the Healthy Congregations fund. Bishop Sue said that we have 2 more years of funding available. She mentioned the Stewardship work and related Healthy Clergy to Healthy Parishes. “

Organizational Development and Effectiveness – A major report has been prepared and adopted by Diocesan Council, which will produce changes in the year ahead. Organization is not the goal, but a means of doing ministry more effectively.

Anglican Christian Formation – Sue said we should be forming Anglicans who can easily say, “This why I am an Anglican.” She commend to us for your part in your own Christian formation two documents: the

Rule of Life on p. 555 of the BCP and the Baptismal Covenant questions on p. 159 in the BAS. This challenge must be taken on by our Spiritual Ministries and Worship Ministries if we are to provide the ‘evidence of progress’ the Bishop referred to in her talk.

“The reason we have been able to journey with Youth, with Healthy Congregations, with improving Organization, is that we have had new money to do so. The Leap for Faith Capital Campaign has been highly successful in gaining us \$2.9million dollars we never had before. That is an incredible accomplishment! We paid our share of the Residential Schools Settlement Fund in full. We have also received our refund since the agreement changed, and that refund was returned to the Leap for Faith Capital Campaign Funds.”

“To move forward, we must choose to walk together... youth – elders; parishes – synod office; rural – city; newly-ordained – longtime-ordained; parishes – regions; regions – diocese. Side by side with Christ in our midst, we will build the Kingdom of God. “



COMPANIONS ON THE WAY

DIOCESAN SYNOD

STEWARDSHIP

Bishop Burrill, a retired Bishop of the Episcopal Church in Rochester, NY gave two major talks and the Sermon on Sunday May 25, 2008 on Stewardship. He defines stewardship as “the responsible management of everything within our care”. Stewardship can be approached from the vantage point of Creation; Gospel; Families; Brothers and sisters in the world, especially the least of these; Careers and vocations; and Personal Property.

RESOLUTIONS

A resolution dealing with the budget which will see all building maintenance and capital expenditures that are described in the Parochial Return (Exempted) except that regular janitorial services and associated materials or outside maintenance such as ploughing, grass cutting, and related activities are not exempt. This was passed. A resolution sponsored by the DCS of PEI to exempt expenditures for youth personnel was defeated.

A resolution redefining ‘contributor’ for purpose of voting membership as one who supports the parish

financially and has a receipt for income tax purposes from the Parish with respect to those contributions was defeated. This resolution in some other form may come again.

A resolution, which sought Parishes to voluntarily reduce their synod delegates, was defeated as a means of cost control for Synod was defeated. But, a second part of the resolution to establish a working group of members of Synod to prepare recommendations to address the sustainability of Synod was passed. So Synod can expect the sustainability of Synod to be a future topic.

There were resolutions, which put the Strategic Planning and Program Committees in abeyance for the coming year. There were resolutions on the Environment and Agriculture.

The next Synod will take place May 28 - 30, 2009 at Dalhousie University.

Church Guided Tours Report

By Lawrie Devitt

During the months of July and August, St. Paul's Church, being a downtown heritage landmark, has for many years daily opened its doors to welcome visitors.

This past year, starting in early June to November, the Church openings were extended to accommodate the arrival of cruise ships.

Volunteer guides give their time to greet the guests, to answer questions, to pass out history leaflets (available in English, French and Japanese), and to have the guest book signed.

Some guides can only give one day and some of the fifteen hosts donate one day a week. All the guides find it a pleasure to meet and greet people from all over the world and they also find that this is a worthwhile ministry. More than 2000 visitors come each season.



The Agenda

- 1) Opening prayer
- 2) The election of the chair
- 3) The election of the secretary
- 4) Additions to the Agenda
- 5) The approval of the minutes (*of the previous annual meeting*)
- 6) Business arising and unfinished business (*from the previous annual meeting*)
- 7) Communications
- 8) The Financial Report:
 - Presentation of assets and liabilities of the parish corporation.
 - Presentation of all insurance policies belonging to the parish corporation.
 - Presentation of audited financial statements of receipts and expenditures.
 - Budget for 2009.
- 9) New business:
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- 10) Reports:
 - The Rector Report
 - The Wardens Report
 - Committee and other Reports (*as they appear in the Annual Report 2008*)
- 11) Acceptance of the Annual Report - *motion*
- 12) Election (*see report from Nominating Committee*):
 - Warden
 - Council Members
 - Parish Council Clerk
 - Parish Treasurer
 - Synod Delegates
 - DCS delegates
 - Diocesan Times correspondent
 - Nominating Committee
 - External Accountant
- 13) Other elections or appointments
- 14) The closing prayer - *for the Mission of the Church*

**Draw your Church together, O Lord,
into one great company of disciples,
together following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life,
together serving him in his mission to the world,
and together witnessing to his love on every continent and island.
We ask this in his name and for his sake. Amen.**