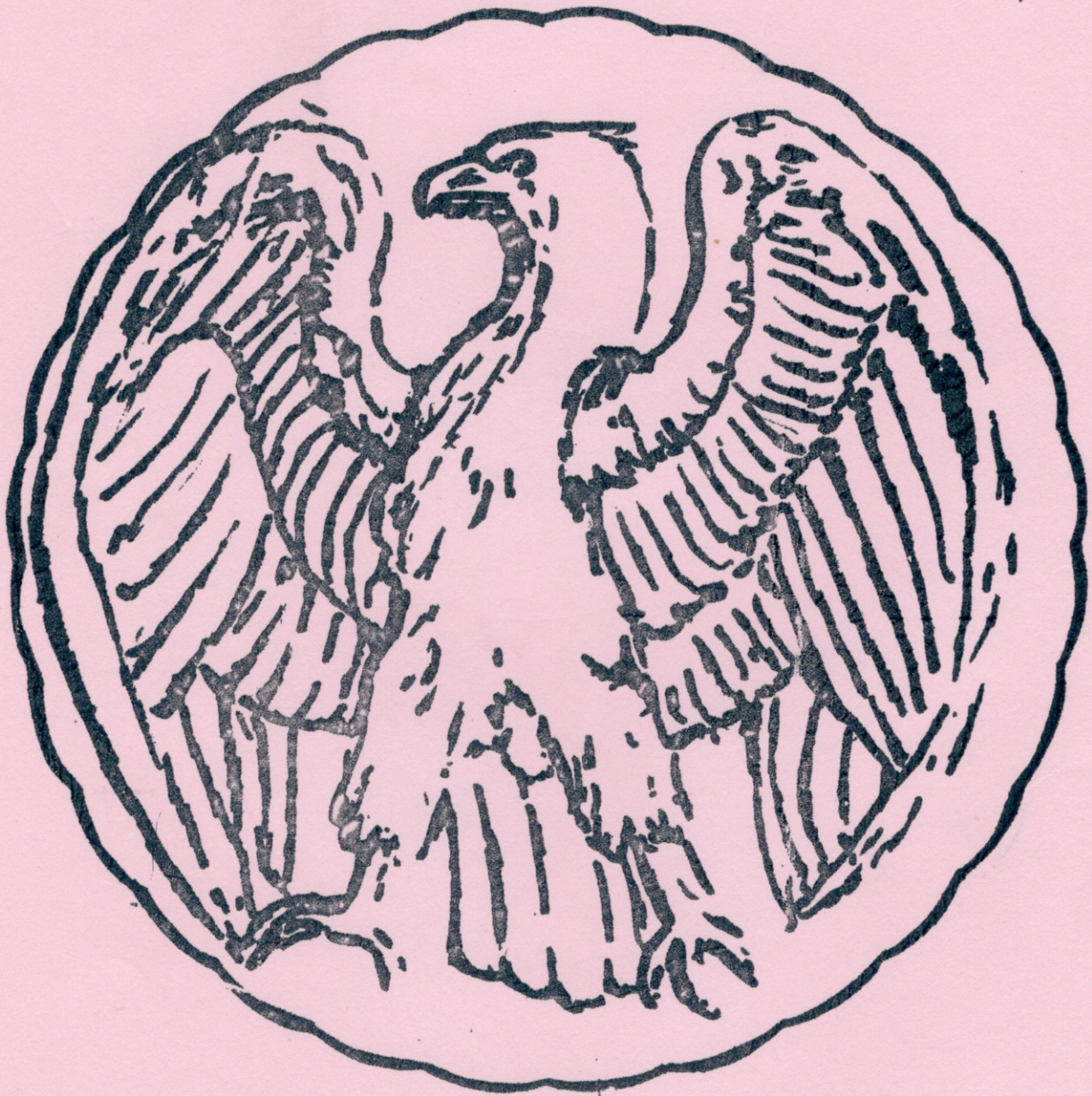


THE CARILLON



St. John's Church



The month of May is many things to many people. Your editor always remembers that when she was growing up in Saskatchewan, May was the time that ribbed stockings came off in favour of socks.... not yet in summer shorts and dresses....but definitely bare legs!

If your delight is the garden, then May is the month when you are out-of-doors admiring the daffodils and tulips, sniffing the incredibly 'fresh' air, and putting rake, hoe and spade to work in your private bit of sod.

May is also the month in which we especially remember our Mothers, and pay them tribute in individual ways.

Erma Bombeck, author of AT WIT'S END, once said that Mothers....

- have 180 movable parts - all replaceable
- run on black coffee and left-overs
- have a lap that disappears when she stands up
- have a kiss that can cure anything from a broken leg to a disappointed love affair
- and have six pair of hands

Mothers also seem to have "three pair of eyes"....one pair that sees through closed doors; another pair in the back of the head that see what she shouldn't but must know - and the ones in the front so that she can look at a child when he goofs and without uttering a word can say "I understand and I love you."

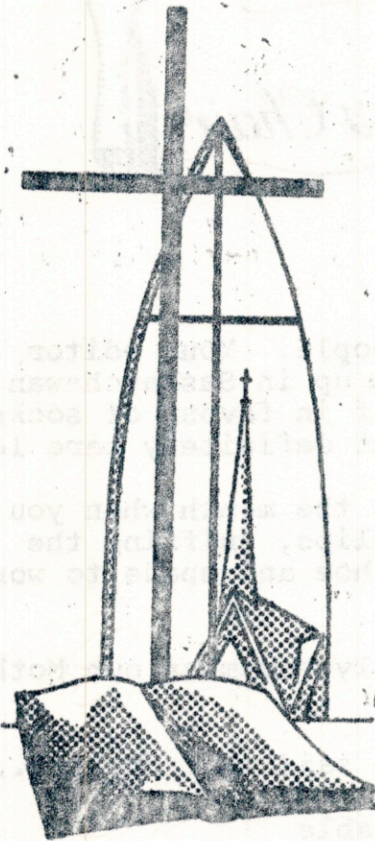
St. John's Church has always remembered the Mothers in her parish in lovely ways....a flower given by each child to their mothers and having mothers take part in the service by reading the lessons - are two examples.

This year, Mother's Day is May 14 - "Whitsunday" - remember your Mother with love.

- The Editor

Any Mother, no matter how large her family can always get some time to be alone - by doing the dishes!

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ACROSS THE RECTOR'S DESK

On Theological Student Training

St. John's is making a contribution to Church life by participating in two theological student-training programs. For three years in the winter, we have been part of the Field Supervisory Program of Trinity College. Under this program (which is mandatory for all students), a student must spend twelve hours a week in a placement centre. He indicates certain areas in which he hopes to learn and contracts to do certain things. For his part, the Supervisor had to go to Trinity College every second Thursday during the Fall and Winter for supervision. At the end of the season, April 15, he must fill out and sign a report, which is read by the student. This report assesses the student as to his learning progress in personal spiritual growth, ministry skills, successes and failures, skills at preaching and theological reflection. To date, eight students have asked to train at St. John's and all have expressed appreciation of the opportunities provided here.

This summer, St. John's will be participating in the Toronto Parish Training Program (mandatory for all postulants for the Diocese of Toronto, and usually taken in a student's second year.) The Rector, as Supervisor, was required to attend a supervisor's conference at the Society of St. John the Evangelist Monastery, in Bracebridge, April 5-7. This conference was led by the Very Reverend Donald Webster, Dean of St. Luke's Cathedral, Portland, Maine. He was assisted by Mrs. Webster and the Reverend Andrew Hutchison, Rector of Meadowvale and supervisor of the program. Dean Webster developed this program fifteen years ago and it has been adopted by the Diocese of Toronto. A further conference of supervisors and students will be held May 23-25 at the Aurora Conference Centre, and a closing one-day conference also at Aurora on September 14.

It is obligatory for the student to undergo psychological and psychiatric tests. As far as the program itself is concerned, the student must make twelve visits per week, must preach three times and have his sermons evaluated. Also the student must design and

execute a project of his choice. The student is to be treated as a full-time professional on the staff of St. John's Church. He must wear a clerical collar and is licensed to administer the Chalice at Holy Communion.

We are fortunate to have obtained as our student, Mr. Paul Kett, who has been with us during the winter. Paul is excited about the summer and I know we are excited to have him. Paul will be announcing his program in Church during the month of May. We pray God's blessing to be upon Paul and all theological students as they train for the Lord's service in the Ordained Ministry of the Church.

Your friend and Rector,

Maurice P. Poole

The Legend of the Dogwood

There is a legend, that at the time of the Crucifixion the dogwood had been the size of the oak and other forest trees. So firm and strong was the tree that it was chosen as the timber for the cross. To be used thus for such a cruel purpose greatly distressed the tree, and Jesus, nailed upon it, sensed this, and in His gentle pity for all sorrow and suffering said to it: "Because of your regret and pity for My suffering, never again shall the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used as a cross. Henceforth it shall be slender and bent and twisted and its blossoms shall be in the form of a cross ... two long and two short petals. And in the center of the outer edge of each petal there will be nail prints, brown with rust and stained with red, and in the center of the flower will be a crown of thorns, and all who see it will remember."

There are no disappointments
to those whose will is
buried in the will of God."





AMAZING LOVE -
by Corrie Ten Boom

This is a small book in size, with short chapters of Corrie's experiences in the Lord's work.

A world traveller since World War II, Corrie points out that human hearts are amazingly alike. On forgiveness, she says, "Why should we hold on to the sins of others while our own sins have been cast into the depths of the sea?" Why, indeed!

There are many powerful one-liners: "...yesterday is a cancelled cheque"..."Today is cash..."tomorrow is a promissory note to them that accept the victory of Jesus"..."It is not a great faith that we need, but faith in a great God"..."The Bible is not a frozen bank account."

A student once told her, "I said 'yes' to the Lord many years ago; what do you suppose is the reason that I've retrogressed so much since then? I sometimes doubt that I meant it seriously at the time."

A tall medical student answered him: "Once there was a boy who fell out of bed. His mother asked him how he happened to do that, and he answered, 'Mommy, it happened because I fell asleep too close to the place where I climbed in.' That is also what happens to many Christians. When they are converted they think they have reached the goal. When one is converted, and says 'yes' to Jesus, it does not mean the end of a new experience, but the beginning of it.

Corrie tells another wonderful story on page 104, which deals with "except" and "exceptions!" And then, there is her 'chocolate' sermon....!

But read it for yourself.

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MEMO TO THE DROOPY

Everybody has his good days and his down days. Some days we walk on clouds; on others we are gloomy and depressed -- and our work brings frustrations instead of satisfactions. Astrologers blame the stars. Others shake their finger at our indiscretions. Probably we'll never know the reason for sure. More to the point is, "What can we do about it?"

Here's one cure. "When you are down in the dumps and want to climb out again, do this: Praise somebody. Find some excuse to say something nice to somebody--who isn't expecting it. This simple formula really works! And the astonishing thing about it is that it will not only lift your spirits, it will perform a minor miracle in the disposition of the person you are praising.



7th SCOUTS - ST. JOHN'S

Scouter Don Hooper says that the Patrol Leader course held at Oba-Sa-Teeka was a success! Michael Mitchell and Kevin Skewes attended.

The 7th Scouts and Leaders visited at Keele Street Fire Hall, and spent two hours touring the fire hall discussing fire trucks and methods of operation.

The alarm rang shortly after the arrival of the Scouts at the fire hall. On the third alarm, we were informed it was "a major fire" and the Scouts had an opportunity to see the firemen in action.

That same evening Scouter John Webster and Scouts Michael Mitchell and Kevin Skewes saw the firemen battling the flames of a fire on Queen and River Streets, in which a warehouse was destroyed.

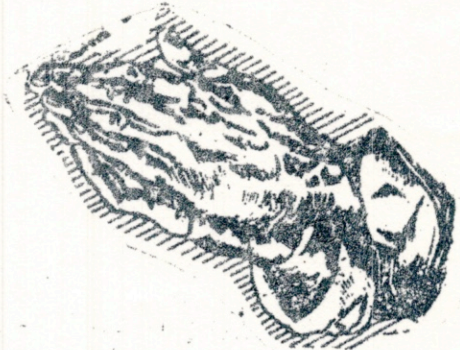
Apple Day was a big success.

THE SAME OLD WORLD! In 1350, the old die-hard Abbe Giles the Mouldy, laments the degeneracy of the people. Workmen do nothing but wait for the time to cease work. Wages are so ridiculously high that it is no use putting anything in hand. The currency is depreciated and the cost of living is terribly high. The good old relations between master and servant have quite disappeared. The Church is on its last legs. Children are ill-bred and swear without being smacked for it. People live only to amuse themselves. As for the new fashions in women's dress, and the behaviour of young girls -- he can't trust himself to speak of them!

PRAYER "Wait for the promise of the Father," Jesus commands His disciples.

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SHARE "John truly baptized with water, but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence."



Baptized with the Holy Ghost! What does that mean? "Ye shall receive power," Jesus explained, "after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me..." Had they not received the Holy Ghost already when Jesus breathed on them? Had they not been witnessing? Had they not demonstrated the power of God in their healing and deliverance ministries? Yet Jesus said, "Wait for the promise of the Father." There must be a reason why they needed this extra enduement.

So often today, we tend to think of our Christianity as something WE do: WE are kind, WE go to Church, WE pray, WE keep the Commandments, WE read the Bible, WE live by the Golden Rule, etc. Baptism in the Holy Spirit is something God wants to do in us and for us. First, God wants to save us, then He wants to baptize us with the Holy Ghost. Holy Spirit baptism is to empower us for Christian service. It does many things for us - probably as many as there are individual people. These are some of the things which happen to Spirit-baptized Christians ...

1. We receive a deeper love for Jesus
2. We are conscious of an increased hatred of sin and a desire for holiness
3. We learn the value of genuine praise to God
4. Our prayer life is strengthened
5. There is an authority and an anointing when we speak or witness, that is not our own
6. There comes a fuller dependence upon God
7. We are introduced to the gifts of the Spirit, experiencing some if not all of them as the Holy Spirit chooses to impart them to us when they are needed in order to service Him adequately (I Cor. 12)
8. Our surrender to the Lord is deepened
9. We become more sensitive to the Lord's leading
10. An awareness of deep peace within becomes more apparent

Holy Spirit Baptism is essential for effective Christian living. To try to operate without the fullness of God's Spirit is like trying to drive a car without the ignition turned on. Seek the Lord with your whole heart, read the scriptures about it and read books about it but never give up until you have experienced the blessing. Pentecost IS for today!

AUCTION SALE

Saturday, May 6

10:30 a.m.

Flea Market Table

Bake Sale

Refreshments

ST. ANN'S GROUP

Monday, May 29



YOUNG AT HEART CAR RALLY

Saturday, June 3

3 p.m. from the Church

Barbecue Supper



PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, June 25

Aurora Conference Centre
Transportation Available



PARISH COUNCIL

Tuesday, May 16

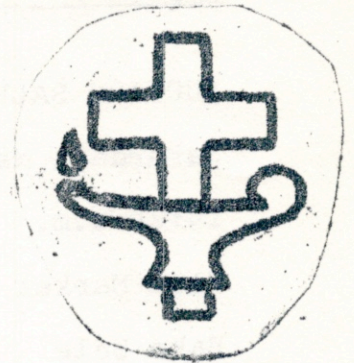
Parish Room

7:30 p.m.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

MARRIAGE AND THANKSGIVING AFTER CHILDBIRTH

In all our lives, there are times of celebration and crisis, for which the Prayer Book provides a suitable Liturgy. These momentous occasions are hallowed by the blessing of God and the prayers of the church.



The Solemnization of Matrimony (Pg. 564) has two purposes: first, to witness the covenant made between a man and a woman as they pledge a life-long union of fidelity and love; second, to provide the blessing of God to the marriage.

In order to publicize the intention of a couple to marry, and to assure that there is no legal objection to their marriage, banns are published on three Sundays prior to the proposed date of marriage. In most provinces, the reading of banns is equivalent to a civil marriage licence.

The service begins with a solemn exhortation on the sacredness of marriage, impressing upon the couple the seriousness of the step they are about to take. This is followed by the first pair of vows, which are made in reply to a question asked by the priest.

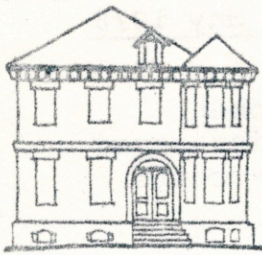
After the father of the bride gives her into the care of the groom, the second pair of vows are exchanged between the couple. Then a ring (or rings) is blessed by the priest, and given and received as an outward token of the marriage vows. There follows a prayer asking God's blessing for the marriage, then the pronouncement of the marriage and a benediction.

The priest and the couple then proceed to the Lord's Table where further prayers are said, followed by another blessing. It is preferable for a couple to begin their married life with Holy Communion, for which an appropriate Collect, Epistle and Gospel are provided (pg. 571-2).

The next service in the Prayer Book is a short one that is seldom used - the Thanksgiving after Childbirth. The origin of this service goes back to the Old Testament Law (Lev. 12), which required the 'purification' of a woman forty days after the birth of a child. This custom was observed by Our Lord's mother (Luke 2:22 ff), and was changed to a service of thanksgiving in the 6th century.

In both these services, the church shares and sanctifies a time of celebration in our lives.

Next month, we shall discuss the help and comfort the church provides for times of crisis: Ministry to the Sick and Burial of the Dead.



nellie's

an emergency shelter for women

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An appeal is at present being directed toward Torontonians, but particularly the women of Toronto, on behalf of Nellie's Hostel. Nellie's provides an essential service in the city for women in crisis situations---a service which until very recently did not exist.

HISTORY: It is a short-term shelter for women in crisis. It was incorporated under the name Women's Hostels Inc. and first opened on June 5, 1974, at 275A Broadview Avenue in a turn-of-the-century house owned by the YMCA.

Nellie's is named after Nellie McClung, Canada's famous suffragette, teacher, lecturer, legislator, writer and ardent advocate of women's rights. Over 8000 women and children have passed through Nellie's to date.

Nellie's grew out of the period of social unrest which saw young people in Canada on the move, some of them friendless and broke and vulnerable to the drug culture. The YWCA's project, Stop 158, for young women was turning away three or four women a day because of over-crowding. A survey at that time revealed there were some 400 beds in Toronto for homeless men but fewer than 40 for homeless women.

There was an early decision by the founders to open the hostel to women of all ages. A proposal written in May, 1973, observed: "Because women of all ages are equally affected by homelessness and inability to cope with sudden disaster, the residence should be open to all women in need, without regard to age."

The first women to use the hostel were elderly women caught in a drift from one roominghouse to another. Then came women who had been beaten and locked out of their homes, some of them bringing small children and one of them within a few hours of giving birth.

Nellie's is unique in that it does not specialize in women alcoholics, young women, battered wives, women newly discharged from psychiatric hospitals or women from prisons: it accepts all women who need Nellie's.

Nellie's has 30 beds and offers a maximum stay of two weeks, with extensions under special circumstances. There is no waiting list. Nellie's turns no one away in need and is open 24 hours a day. No referral is necessary but community services (i.e. police, hospitals, etc.) often bring or direct women to Nellie's.

STAFF: Due to shortage of funds, Nellie's is frequently understaffed, which places a great burden on the staff person. The wide variety of problem cases and crisis situations make exceptional demands on the staff, which at Nellie's, has been of exceptionally high quality. Hiring is done by the staff with Board of Directors' participation. Nellie's operates as a collective with no staff director. Staff representatives attend Board meetings and a Board member attends staff meetings.

FUNDING: Metro Social Services provides a per diem subsidy based on occupancy, which covers approximately half of the operating costs. The deficit has been covered by donations from 'Friends of Nellie's', from fund-raising activities and by functioning with reduced staff. Nellie's hopes to be eligible for funding by United Community Fund by 1980.

In the fall of 1977, the YMCA closed its Broadview Branch and sold the property. Nellie's therefore will have to raise the sum of not less than \$250,000 for the purchase, renovation and equipping of the Hostel on Broadview Avenue, which will be named 'NELLIE McCLUNG HOUSE'.

The total amount required for capital and operating funds to January 1980 is estimated at \$400,000.

WHY

We often sit and wonder
The "whys" and "ifs" of life
The reason why things happen
The cause of grief and strife.

Why some folks have so little
Luxury and such
Why some have health and gladness
While others bear so much.

There are men with fame and wealth
And some who rule the lands
Yet often you will find them
With outstretched greedy hands.

The folks who have so little
Beyond their daily needs
Are often the ones you'll notice
Accomplishing good deeds.

Some, it seems, get all the breaks
While others have care and pain
To weigh upon their heavy hearts
They dream, but all in vain.

Oh yes, 'tis hard to understand
As on through life we tread
But who are we to question
The "whys" and "ifs" of God.

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, May 7 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion
 11:00 a.m. Choral Communion

Sunday, May 14 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion
 11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

 Mother's Day - Holy Baptism

Sunday, May 21 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion
 11:00 a.m. Choral Communion

Sunday, May 27 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion
 11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

You can't keep trouble from coming, but you
needn't give it a chair to sit on.

SERVICE OF HEALING

Sunday June 4, 1978

11:00 a.m.

SPEAKER: Miss Miriam Dobell
(Formerly of Burrswood, England)

The Laying on of Hands for Spiritual Healing will be
offered by the Clergy, together with anointing of oil
for this purpose, having been blessed by the Bishop.

Pray that God will bless this service. Bring your friends.



H E L P W A N T E D

St. John's requires a part-time sexton to provide general cleaning and maintenance services for the church. The job will involve approximately 3 hours work per day Monday to Friday and 5 hours on Saturday. The working hours and salary are negotiable. If you are interested in assisting us in this position or know of anyone suitable would you please telephone the church wardens on or before May 19.

Garnet Devitt, People's Warden or	Ted Smith, Rector's Warden
766-3062 (evenings)	769-9248 (evenings)
531-1136 (days)	364-1241 (days)

ANATOMY OF A PARISH CHURCH

Saturday, June 10, 1978

2 - 4 p.m.

St. John's Church, West Toronto

288 Humberside Ave.

\$ 1.00

Refreshments

Tea, Coffee & Lemonade

Deadline for June Carillon is May 14, 1978