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NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS IN ST. JOHN'S

FASHION SHOW
(St. Anne's Group)

Saturday, April 7, 1984 Tickets \$3.00
Dessert and Coffee 1.30 p.m. Show 2.00 p.m.

Summer fashions will be featured by "Just for You Fashions" and there will be an opportunity to purchase items after the show or to place orders. We hope to see you there; it's a fun occasion as well as being a convenient way to select your summer wardrobe.

MAY MART (SECOND TIME
AROUND)
A.C.W.

Saturday, May 26, 1984 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.
Convener: Milly Bateman

With the promise of a great summer, it will be just the right time in May to rearrange your wardrobe and make room for the up-to-the minute additions you bought from Just For You Fashions!

The May Mart needs good used summer clothing - dresses, skirts, blouses, etc. Perhaps you have something that is a size too large now? (It couldn't be the other way around!)

There will also be a table for baked goods and home preserves, and once more your contributions would be most welcome.

Lunch will be served and some very nice prizes will be raffled during the day..... so do make sure you mark down the date and arrange to bring your friends.

Volunteers are needed to help to set up on Friday night (May 25th) and to supervise the various stalls. Please contact Milly Bateman at 766-5881

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL
A.C.W.

Saturday, June 23, 1984

More to come on this, but please make a note of the date.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

Although you may not get this bulletin in time for the March dinner, keep a note that it is always the last Saturday in the month, from October to May.

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

DIOCESAN ANNUAL MEETING Saturday, May 5, 1984

Please contact Irene Munroe for more information.
762-5327

STREETPROOF YOUR CHILD: Thursday April 26th, 8:00 p.m.

A lecture given by Mr. Richard Gossage,
co-author of A Parents Guide to Streetproofing
Children. Tickets \$1 to defray costs.

HOLY WEEK

A reminder of the special services in HOLY WEEK:

April 18: Wednesday, 7.00 a.m. Eucharist
10.00 a.m. Eucharist, Coffee & Study
8.30 p.m. Eucharist (7.30 p.m. study)

April 19: Maundy Thursday
6.30 p.m. Sedar Feast & Eucharist
8.00 p.m. (approx) Stripping of the Altar

April 20: Good Friday
11.00 a.m. Meditations on the Cross

April 21: Holy Saturday
8.00 p.m. Easter Vigil, First Fire of Easter
Holy Baptism, Renewal of Baptismal vows

EASTER DAY 6.00 a.m. Sunrise Service at High Park, Eucharist
(If rainy or too cold, to be held at the Church)

8.30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
11.00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

AIM - OUTREACH

Two letters have been received in the past few months from Joyce Gatonga, As usual, they give an impression of a very cheerful spirit, although life must be far from easy at times:

January 8, 1984

"Dear Members, How are you for so long? I hope fine. I was very glad to receive a gift which you sent to our family. They will be very happy to get them and also I hope they will appreciate it with great joy. In fact, my mum will pour many prayers and blessings to you because of assisting me to complete my schooling and also for sending the family a gift.

On my side, I am trying to put more effort on my studies because I am sitting for K.C.E this year and I hope to join form five next year with God's help.

Much greetings from our family. Last week I received a letter from home and I understood that my brother was sick, but I hope now he is gaining his health.

Now for the time is rushing, may I end here with many thanks.

Yours lovingly, Joyce Gatonga"

February 1984

"Dear Members, Hey! How are you. I hope you're OK under God's care. I was very glad to receive your letter last month on 30th January. I was very happy to receive the photograph which you sent to me. The letter was very interesting and the photos were admirable. I still admire them.

My holiday was quite enjoyable, but I really did a lot of work to weed and also looking after the cows. On the side of studies, I am still pushing on so that I may get a good harvest. Our school results of K.C.E. were really pleasing because the students passed well. It's even on the nation level. I hope we will continue with the same spirit. This is my last year at Materi School but I hope it will not cut the communication between you and me. I really hope to join form five next year, if possible.

Much greetings from my parents and my friends. Here the climate is terrible. The days are very hot and the nights are cool. Even this year the rain was very little and most people have harvested nothing. Anyway it is God's plan.

Now for the time is rushing may I pen off hoping you will forgive me. Pass my regards to all your friends and anybody else who knows me. Bye-bye.

Yours lovingly, Joyce Gatonga"

The Bridgehead Trading Group

The Bridgehead Trading Group has reported brisk business in its tea and coffee project and have had difficulty in supplying demand. However, Sherry Haynes, Chairman of Outreach Committee, will be able to get supplies by the end of this month.

Bridgehead is a member of the Alternative Trading Organizations (ATOs) whose purpose is to assist Third World countries to gain access to Western markets for their food (and other) products in a way that will provide direct benefit to the producers. Bridgehead in Toronto is the only ATOs member in Canada; it operates on a not-for-profit basis to import and sell in Canada tea, coffee and other supplies from Third World countries and assists in project developments within those countries. For example, the setting up of a plant for vacuum packing fresh coffee in Nicaragua.

Some of you have already had an opportunity to try these products, and reports have been very good. Sherry will be arranging to obtain the following items and these will be on sale during the coffee period following Sunday morning service. We hope that you will use this as an ongoing source for your tea and coffee needs,

and thus help to provide a steady market for the Thirld World growers.

THERE IS A FORTUNE IN YOUR
TEACUP OR YOUR COFFEECUP
..... BUT WHO GETS IT?

<u>PRODUCT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>COUNTRY OF ORIGIN</u>	<u>PKG SIZE</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
COFFEE	Regular grind	Tanzania	1.5 kg (3.3 lbs)	\$17.00
	Regular grind	Tanzania	250 g (15.25 oz)	3.00
	Instant	Tanzania	200 g (12.20 oz)	5.85
	Filter grind	Nicaragua	250 g (15.25 oz)	3.10
TEA	Loose B.O.P.	Sri Lanka	250 g (15.25 oz)	2.35
	Loose B.O.P.	Sri Lanka	125 g (7.63 oz)	1.30
	100 x 2 g bags	Sri Lanka	200 g (12.20 oz)	3.75
Cashew Nuts	Whole roasted	Mozambique	250 g (15.25 oz)	3.75
Vanilla Beans	Whole beans	Madagascar	8g tube	2.30

(Recent price increases have unfortunately been necessary to cover increased shipping and handling costs beyond Bridgehead's control)

NO EXCUSE SUNDAY

To make it possible for everyone to attend Church next Sunday, we are going to have a special "No Excuse Sunday". Cots will be placed in the foyer for those who say "Sunday is my only day to sleep in." We will have steel helmets for those who say "The roof would cave in if I ever came to Church". Blankets will be furnished for those who think the Church is too cold, and fans for those who say it is too hot. We will have hearing aids for those who say "The priest speaks too softly" and cotton for those who say he preaches too loudly. Score cards will be available for those who wish to list the hypocrites present. Some relatives will be in attendance for those who like to go visiting on Sundays. There will be TV dinners for those who can't go to Church and cook dinner also. One section will be devoted to trees and grass for those who like to see God in nature. Finally, the Sanctuary will be decorated with both Christmas poinsettias and Easter lilies for those who have never seen the Church without them.

Edward G. Boland

NEWS ITEMS

The Choir had a very successful evening with their Variety Concert on March 10. Lots of fun for everyone and those new gowns are now within reach! Thank you everyone for your support.

There was a good turnout for the Social Service Night on March 19. Donations of food and clothing to the Anglican Houses were very generous, and the talk and slide presentation by Mr. J. W. Green, Executive Administrator of Anglican Houses and Mr. Glen Miller, Director of Church of the Good Samaritan, confirmed the need for our support and the dedication of those who work with the men and women, and boys and girls in our society who need special help and care of one kind or another.

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May 1984

Dear Fellow Parishioners of St. John's;

Many significant events have occurred at St. John's over the past year and further important changes now in process are anticipated to come into place by the fall of this year.

Certain of these changes, involving the Parish House and the Rectory, are expected to considerably improve our flow of income from the latter part of this year onward.

To date the givings of our congregation have, in general, been somewhat more than pledged, and we are very grateful for such a fine response. Nevertheless, as our budget for this year predicted a deficit of approximately \$23,000, even the generous givings which have been made have been insufficient to cover our normal operating expenses.

Therefore, at this time, and over the coming fall months, we are and will continue to be experiencing a shortfall of income as against expenses and due to insufficiency of cash flow we have been forced to borrow from our trust funds recently the sum of \$5,000 to pay necessary operating costs.

In these circumstances it has been deemed necessary to make a request, by way of this letter, that as many parishioners as possible review their commitments with a view to

(a) making up any current deficiencies in commitments to the work of St. John's and/or making a one-time special offering or possibly expanding the amount of their givings over the remaining months of this year.

(b) ensuring that, before embarking on summer activities, advance offerings, either by present amounts or post-dated cheques, are forwarded to the Church to cover our summer operating expenses.

We are sure that you will recognize the necessity of bringing these matters to your attention so that we may all share in sufficient awareness of the needs of our Church to enable us to participate in its progress toward what we believe to be a most encouraging future.

The Wardens
and Finance Committee.

PLEASE NOTE!

IMPORTANT!

BEGINNING SUNDAY JUNE 3RD

TIMES OF SERVICE

8.30 A.M

AND

10.30 A.M.

THIS WILL CONTINUE THROUGH THE SUMMER

AND INTO THE FALL