

## Your \$\$\$ at Work

The extensive capital works outlined by the Wardens incurred a total expenditure of \$35,828.87 which we were able to meet from the fund accumulated over the years, for this purpose, in the Capital Reserve and from your donations in 2008 to the Building Renewal. Both funds are “in the black” with a balance on August 31<sup>st</sup> of \$20,489.17.

The Capital Expenditure Fund (separate from the above) has been used sparingly and currently has a balance of \$6,801.54 due in part to a welcome bequest received earlier this year and also to a significant contribution from Special Events.

The Other Restricted Funds (Memorials, Outreach, A.C.W. Trust and Faithworks) are all “in the black” with a combined total balance of \$7,692.92. Encouragingly, Faithworks

contributions, although less than in early years, showed an increase of \$442.50 to \$3,692.50 compared to 2008 at the same date.

Operating Fund Revenue recorded as of August 31<sup>st</sup> was \$116,173.36 compared to Forecast of \$116,646.00.

Expenditures amounted to \$130,769.21 or \$4,565.79 less than forecast, yielding a current balance of \$1,430.95; if performance in the remaining 4 months is as forecast, the deficit expected at year end could be eliminated – such a desirable outcome would be ensured with a moderate increase in weekly offerings.

In summary, we are doing O.K. (all funds “in the black”) but could do better! I’ll do my best to provide any explanations you desire. Please accept my thanks for your cooperation.

*Bert Chandler*

Treasurer

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### **September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009 – 103 days!**

One hundred and three days to Christmas! That means we have about 90 days to accumulate enough Canada Tire Coupons to make some meaningful gifts to youngsters who otherwise have little to look forward to. The “2 for 1” arrangement ensures that for every \$1 of coupons we can obtain \$2 worth of games and toys for needy youth. Your help and that of your friends could make a real difference! Coupons can be given to me or left at the Church Office.

If you prefer to make a cash donation, please mark your cheque (payable to St. Patrick’s Church) or envelope “Canadian Tire Toy Drive”. Thanks!

*Bert Chandler*

# Just for Laughs!

## Apropos the American Discussion on Health Care Funding:

Three doctors die and go to heaven. "Why should I admit you into heaven?" St. Peter asks the first one, "Because I was the leading podiatrist in England," says the doctor.

"Welcome to heaven," says St. Peter. "And what about you?" he says to the second doctor. "I was the most respected cardiologist in Belgium," says the second doctor.

"Welcome to heaven," says St. Peter. "And what about you?" he says to the third doctor. "I was the most eminent brain surgeon in Canada," says the third doctor. "Welcome to heaven," says St. Peter.

Just then another person appears. "Why should I admit you to heaven?" St. Peter demands. "Because I was head of the biggest HMO in the United States," he says proudly. "You may come into heaven," says St. Peter. "But you can only stay for three days."

### WHO SAID IT?

*Test your powers of perception by matching the quote to the author..... then see the box below for the answers!*

#### Quotes:

- 1) "A banker is a fellow who lends you his umbrella when the sun is shining, but wants it back the minute it begins to rain."
- 2) "He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire."
- 3) "Remember: Beer has food value, but food has no beer value."
- 4) "A true friend stabs you in the front."
- 5) "Results! Why, man, I have gotten a lot of results. I know several thousand things that won't work!"

#### Authors:

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| a) Benjamin Franklin | b) Thomas Edison     |
| c) Oscar Wilde       | d) Winston Churchill |
| e) Mark Twain        |                      |

#### Answers:

1-e; 2-d; 3-a; 4-c; 5-b

# Thoughts . . . . .

## BANK ACCOUNT OF LIFE

Remember the five simple rules to be happy:

A 92-year-old, petite, well-poised and proud man, who is fully dressed each morning by eight o'clock, with his hair fashionably combed and shaved perfectly, even though he is legally blind, moved to a nursing home today. His wife of 70 years recently passed away, making the move necessary. After many hours of waiting patiently in the lobby of the nursing home, he smiled sweetly when told his room was ready.

As he maneuvered his walker to the elevator, I provided a visual description of his tiny room, including the eyelet sheets that had been hung on his window. I love it,' he stated with the enthusiasm of an eight-year-old having just been presented with a new puppy. Mr. Jones, you haven't seen the room; just wait.' 'That doesn't have anything to do with it,' he replied. Happiness is something you decide on ahead of time. Whether I like my room or not doesn't depend on how the furniture is arranged; it's how I arrange my mind. I already decided to love it.

'It's a decision I make every morning when I wake up. I have a choice; I can spend the day in bed recounting the difficulty I have with the parts of my body that no longer work, or get out of bed and be thankful for the ones that do. Each day is a gift, and as long as my eyes open, I'll focus on the new day and all the happy memories I've stored away. Just for this time in my life. Old age is like a bank account. You withdraw from what you've put in. So, my advice to you would be to deposit a lot of happiness in the bank account of memories!

1. Free your heart from hatred.
2. Free your mind from worries.
3. Live simply
4. Give more.
5. Expect less.

# Learning Opportunities

## BOOK CLUB

The "Book Club" is a group of people who love to read books and enjoy discussing them. Anyone can attend a meeting, but it's helpful if you have read the book of the month. The group meets from 9:30 am to 11:30 am in the church on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month, September to May, except December. September features "Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Café" by Fannie Flagg.

## FILM SERIES

Beginning in October we will resume the film study that was postponed in the Spring.

Wednesday, October 7	Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Café
Wednesday, October 21	Regarding Henry
Wednesday, October 28	Passion Fish
Wednesday, November 4	The Doctor
Wednesday, November 18	The Last Temptation of Christ

Each movie begins at 1pm followed by a discussion and ends at 4pm except for November 18 when we will conclude at 4:30pm.



# Up-Coming Services

## **September 6 Pentecost 14**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist

## **September 13 Pentecost 15**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist

## **September 20 Pentecost 16**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist & Healing

## **September 27 Pentecost 17**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist

## **October 4 Harvest Festival**

Pulpit Exchange  
8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist

## **October 11 Pentecost 19**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist

## **October 18 Pentecost 20**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist & Healing

## **October 25 Pentecost 21**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist

## **November 1 Feast of All Saints**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist

## **November 5 All Souls Day**

10:30am Requiem Eucharist

## **November 8 Remembrance Sunday**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist

## **November 15 Pentecost 24**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist & Healing

## **November 22 Reign of Christ**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist

## **November 29 Advent 1**

8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist

