Summer 2012

St. Andrew's Newsletter Keeping you connected.

Upcoming Services

June 10th - 9am Morning Prayer - St. Andrew's York

June 17th - 9am Morning Prayer - St. Matthew's Peninsula

June 24th - 9am Morning Prayer - St. John's/St. Phillips Sandy Beach

July 1st - All Parish at Fort Haldimand Camp

A Busy Summer Season Planned for St. Andrews

At the Annual Vestry meting of St Andrew's several projects were approved that will see a lot of work undertaken this summer to improve our church building. The exterior will receive a facelift with repairs being done to replace rotten boards, etc and the building will also receive a fresh coat of paint. The interior will also see some improvements with an electric keyboard and recorded music being purchased. With these new purchases, there will be music at all services, even if an organist is not available. St. Andrews is also planning to install a bathroom, but this project is in the early stages and will take some time to complete. There will be a special vestry meeting held on Tuesday, June 12th at 7pm in the Senior's Room in Wakeham to move some of these projects forward. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

The New Model of Sharing Services in the Greater Parish

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The Greater Parish held consultation meetings in February and March to come up with proposals for the future of the Greater Parish. The members of the Greater Parish voted on the proposals on April 1st. The Greater Parish chose to rotate services between Wakeham, York, Peninsula and Sandy Beach during the summer period of May 1st to October 31st. During the winter period of November 1st to April 30th weekly services will be held in Gaspe except for once a month, when the service will be in York. There will also be weekly services in Malbay. The services in the Malbay area will rotate among Malbay, Barachois West and Perce when the summer churches are open. Services in the Gaspe area are at 9am and at 11am in the Malbay area.

Upon the availability of a minister there will be 2 services a week in the Gaspe area and 2 services a week in the Malbay area during the summer period. One will be a Eucharist service and the other a Prayer service.

Camp Fort Haldimand - Gearing Up for Another Camping Season

A summertime tradition is getting ready for another season of fun. This year the theme for the children's combined residential and day camp is called Operation Overboard and will contain activities and crafts related to scuba-diving and the sea. It is sure to be a hit with the children. This year will also see something new at camp - a second week of all ages day camp. In previous years the second week of camping was a pre-school camp but this year it was decided to expand the second week to a day camp for all children ages 4-12 in hopes of increasing attendance and providing more opportunity for the children to experience camp.

The dates for this year's camps are as follows: Residential Camp for ages 8-12 will be held from Sunday, July 8th to Saturday, July 14th. Day camps for ages 4-12 will be held from July 9th to July 13th and from July 16th to July 20th. Space is limited for the second week of day camp so preregistration is highly recommended. The prices remain the same as last year, with residential Camping costing \$125 per child and day camping costing \$6 per day per child. Discounts are available if you take advantage of preregistration. With pre-registration, residential camp is \$110 per child and only \$75 per additional child in the same family and day camps are only \$5 per day per child. Preregistration must be completed by June 15, 2012 and deposits are required. There are also bursaries available to any family that requires financial assistance to cover the registration fees; no child will be refused due to financial restraints.

If you want more information regarding the camp, preregistration or bursary application, please contact Megan Mullin at mmullin09@ubishops.ca or 418-368-7250 or Rhonda Stewart at cfh_summercamps@hotmail.com.

The camp is also looking for counsellors (ages 15+) and counsellors-in-training (ages 13-14) for this year's camping season. If you enjoy working with children this is a great opportunity for you. Please contact Megan Mullin or Rhonda Stewart for more information.

St. Monica's Altar Guild Hold Spring Tea

On May 19, 2012 St. Monica's Altar Guild held their Spring Tea and Sale in the Senior's Room in Wakeham. There were lots of home baked goodies for sale and a delicious afternoon tea was served.

The raffle tickets were drawn and the doll was won by Mrs. Sue Mullin and Mr. Omar Lemieux won the jewelry box. Congratulations to the luck winners.

All in all the afternoon was a success and raised over \$700 for the group, Thank you to everyone who attended and helped out.

Clean Up of Entrance to Graveyard

There has been a clean-up of the East entrance to St. Andrew's graveyard. Trees have been removed in order to widen the entrance and it is now accessible by car.

It was a job well-done and is a great improvement to the appearance of the cemetery. We would ask however to note that the property to the East of the cemetery is private property and to please respect it and not use it to dispose of flowers, etc from the graveyard. A trash can will be placed in the graveyard for this purpose. We thank everyone for their cooperation and understanding.

Pioneer Days - A Great Way to Get Involved this Summer

Pioneer Days, the main fundraising activity for the Greater Parish of Gaspe, will once again be held this summer. It is an event that people look forward to all year and plan their vacations around, in order to be here to participate in the fun. This year will be no exception.

There is a full schedule with something for everyone. It begins with the Official Opening, Wine and Cheese and Opening of the Silent Auction on Wednesday, July 25th. This is a great opportunity to catch up with old friends and grab a first look at the great items up for bid. On Thursday the 26th the Gospel Evening returns after being such a huge success last year. It will once again be held at St. Andrew's York Church. Friday has the ever popular Senior's Day which is hosted by the York River Seniors Group. Saturday's events are split between the morning and evening. The morning will see the breakfast, crafter's market and children's day being held at Camp Fort Haldimand. In the evening the return of another huge success from last year - the Dinner Theatre - will be held at Gaspe Elementary. This year the theme is A Night With Oscar - A Black Tie Affair and is sure to be a hit. The is an expanded selection of music and Mrs. Karen Briand and her team have been rehearsing for months. Be sure to get your tickets early though - they are available as advanced tickets only and are sure to go quickly. Pioneer Days will wrap on Sunday, July 29th with the Outdoor All Parish Service, Family Picnic and Official Closing at Camp Fort Haldimand beginning at 10:30am.

Pioneer Days would not be the success it is without the hard work of its dedicated volunteers. If you have even an hour that you can spare and are willing to lend a hand please contact Elizabeth Baird or Weston White. Your help would be greatly appreciated! Check out GoGaspe for updates to the schedule and we hope to see at the events this summer!

We want to hear from you!

Do you have ideas for ways to get people more involved, are there activities that you would like to see being held? Let us know!

The church and our community can only get stronger with your help and your participation. We are always looking for new ideas so please do not be shy!

Suggestions can be sent by email to standrewsyork@hotmail.com

You can also contact one of the following: Holly Hackett: 368-3180, Tony Patterson: 368-3276, Trudy Patterson: 368-3012, or Rhonda Stewart: 368-7238. No idea is too big or too small, we want to hear them all!

Down Home Cookin'

The York ACW has put together a fundraising cookbook - Down Home Cookin'. The cookbook will be available for purchase in early July and will be sold for \$10. All proceeds will go towards repairs needed on the church. You can reserve a copy by contacting a member of the ACW or look for it at the sales this summer. A huge thank-you to everyone who submitted their favorite recipes for the book - there is something in it for everyone.

Newsletter Mailing List

If you know someone who is not receiving this newsletter, tell then to contact standrewsyork@hotmail.com or Rhonda Stewart at 418-368-7238 to get on the list. The newsletter is available in a printed or electronic version.

Wardens for St. Andrew's York Church

At the 2012 Annual Vestry Meeting of St. Andrew's York Church Clarence Coffin and Tony C. Patterson were named as wardens.

Contact information for our wardens:

Clarence Coffin - 418-361-3917

Tony C. Patterson - 418-368-3276

Not to be Missed! - Upcoming Events in the Community

JUNE 12th - St. Andrew's York Vestry Meeting - 7pm at Senior's Room in Wakeham. Everyone Welcome!

JUNE 24th - York River Seniors Group Bus Trip to Perce leaves Gaspe Elementary at 9am

JULY 1st - Pioneer Days Breakfast at Fort Haldimand Camp 7 - 10am

JULY 7th - Wakeham ACW Summer Sale and Tea - St. Paul's Church Gaspe 2pm

JULY 8th - York River Senior's Group Picnic in Forillon Park - leaves Gaspe Elementary at 9am JULY 14th - York ACW Summer Sale and Tea - St. Paul's Gaspe Church 2pm

JULY 21st - Little Helper's Summer Activity Day. 10am - 12pm.

JULY 21st - Peninsula Ladies Guild Summer Sale and Tea - St. Paul's Church 2pm

JULY 25th - Pioneer Days Official Opening and Wine and Cheese - 7pm at Camp Fort Haldimand

JULY 26th - Pioneer Days Gospel Evening - 7pm at St. Andrew's York JULY 27th - Pioneer Days Senior Day hosted by the York River Seniors Group -10am-4pm at Camp Fort Haldimand

JULY 28th - Pioneer Days breakfast, crafters market and children's day starting at 7am at Camp Fort Haldimand

JULY 28th - Pioneer Days Dinner Theatre - A Night With Oscar: A Black Tie Affair - 6pm at Gaspe Elementary School - advance tickets only

JULY 29th - Pioneer Days All Parish Outdoor Service, Family Picnic and Closing - starting at 10:30am at Camp Fort Haldimand

JULY 30th - AUG 5th -Douglastown Irish Days complete schedule available on GoGaspe.com

SEPTEMBER 15th - Gaspe County WI Fair - 3pm St, Marjorique Hall

Please note: The complete schedule for York River Senior's Group can be found on GoGaspe.com. You can also contact Tony Patterson at 368-3276 about upcoming events or joining this group.