

# TRINITY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

**August 1, 2024** 

### TRINITY CHURCH A Warm – Thriving – Christian Community

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You are receiving this weekly Trinity Newsletter as you are a member of the Trinity family. Should you not wish to receive this, please indicate by return e mail.

**Trinity Security Message:** As of this Sunday August 4, Trinity will have an assigned volunteer on rotation to keep a watchful eye on the Charlotte Street entrance. In addition, the Sunday School program will have two adults going forward and are looking for volunteers to help fill this rotation in assisting Helen Webb who has been the main-stay for this ministry for the past two years. Please let Denise know in the office if you are able to assist in either of these two critical roles on a rotation basis going forward. Thank you to all who have already graciously offered your time. Rev. Steven Scribner

**Trinity OFFICE HOURS:** Our parish administrator works in the church office Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 12-3 pm while working from the home office on Monday and Friday. All telephone messages regarding church business are to be directed to the office 506-693-8558 or **trinsi@nb.aibn.com**.

**You Tube Trinity Services:** You can view Trinity's recorded services by going onto YouTube and typing in Trinity Anglican Church SJ. That will bring you to our channel and all of the previously recorded services.

# **New Brunswick Day 2024**



The New Brunswick flag is based on the provincial coat of arms assigned by royal warrant of Queen Victoria in 1868. The flag was adopted by proclamation in 1965. The symbols depicted on the flag are a gold lion on a red field across the top and an ancient galley with its oars in action across the base. The province was formed in 1784 by portioning the British colony of Nova Scotia and was initially named New Ireland, with Saint John as the capital. King George II soon replaced the name with New Brunswick.

We hope you will all have a wonderful long-weekend as we warmly reflect on the beauty of our great province and the wonders' we share in living here.



This week Trinity wishes Bala Mani Kannan a very happy birthday and hope he has a wonderful celebration with his family and friends.

# **Trinity Financial Update:**



Trinity continues to be on a solid start for 2024.

**May - Revenue –** was above budget by \$11,346 with Regular Offering above by \$3,727 and Fundraiser contributing \$7,350 (which is a timing issue against budget) **Expenses –** were all in check with the total expenses being within \$281 off of budget positioning the parish for the month of May with an improved Net Revenue.

**June – Revenue** – was slightly below budget by \$909. **Expenses** - was \$9,887 over budget which was mainly attributed to the expenses (timing) of the very successful fundraiser – 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Speaker / Dinner along with Professional Fees for accounting again a timing issue when compared to June budget numbers. Net Revenue for the month of June ended up adding \$9,968 to the deficit.

**Year to Date – June – 2024 – Revenue –** YTD is \$23.3K ahead of plan. **Expenses –** were \$6,620 over plan. This results in a Net Revenue of (-\$24.8k) against a budget Net Revenue for April YTD of (-\$41.5k).

As we continue in these summer months, we pray that the stewardship of the Parish continues to be strong to support the committed ministries and their programs.

### **E-Offering Stewardship Option**

Thank you to all who are supporting Trinity through their regular stewardship, as this helps the Treasurer meet the ongoing financial needs of Trinity's ministry. Should you wish to join the E offering program, you can do so from your home by contacting Denise at 506-693-8558 or through the church email, trinsj@nb.aibn.com.

As of year-end 2023 Trinity had 16 parishioners utilizing the E Offering option for ongoing stewardship. Can we move this number upwards of 25 in 2024? **As of this week, Trinity remains at 16 on E-Offering.** 

## Thank you for your continued support.

**Last Sunday at Trinity:** Trinity celebrated the 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost where we talked about our faith when it comes to Walking on Water or similarly having the strength to overcome our fears.

The story we read on this morning found in John 6:1-21 has Jesus' Disciples crossing the Sea of Galilee by themselves while Jesus went off to look after His own Spiritual health. This story is documented in three of the four gospels, Matthew, Mark and John with John's account being the more-brief of the three. It is actually Matthew's account where we have Peter's faith tested by Jesus where he is asked by Jesus to step out of the boat and come towards Him. In doing so, Peter was just fine until he took his focus of Jesus and he began to sink to which Jesus calls him out as having 'little faith'.

The journey across the Sea of Galilee should have only taken the Disciples a couple of hours however due to the storm, they were still out there some hours beyond this when they saw an image – which caused them to be frightened.

Now I might suggest that this whole experience was orchestrated by Jesus. Why might I think this? First, in two of the three accounts of this story, we read that 'Jesus sent His Disciples out in the boat'. Secondly, if they would have crossed in the normal couple of hours and there was no storm, this whole story would not have unfolded and thirdly, if they were not at their wits-end, exhausted would they have had the same experience of meeting Jesus in this way?

As we go through life, often we will have a struggle, and at times it will subside in a short period of time. Do we at this time stop and give thanks to God for being with us through this time and bringing us out of the issue? Not likely. However, if we struggle for some period of time and through this time we gradually see our issues at hand being lessened we might be more inclined to recognize God's hand on our shoulder and give Him thanks for being with us and seeing us through.

It takes great faith to address what frightens us; We experience physical storms from the environment, health issues, relationship challenges, loss of a love one, economic pressures, a society that appears to be unhinged and our church, the greater church and what will it look like in the next cycle of time. Much can frighten us. However, we are promised and we read in John's words found in Revelation; "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever!"

Jesus is God and sees us in our struggles. He comes to us in the storms. He is there in our lowest moments and He is the God who tells us not to fear because the safest place bar none in in His presence. We don't always see Him – but whatever we face – He sees us and knows what we need. It is up to us to invite Him in to our lives.

### **Prayers**



### We offer special prayers for:

**Prayers for Ukraine** Most Holy God and Father. Hear our prayers for all who strive for peace and all who fight for justice. Help us, who today remember the cost of war, to work for a better tomorrow and as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict, bring us

all, in the end, to the peace of Your presence through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Special Prayers ongoing for Viktoriia (34) and Alex (34) Yezerskaya and their children, Daniel (4) and Samuel (7). Let us pray for their safety and the blessings they will share as God's hands, speech, and feet in their answering of His call on them as they continue as missionaries in Russia among their own peoples.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and The Middle East, the Most Rev Hosam Naoum, President Bishop. Anglican Church of Canada, Archbishop Linda Nicholls. Bishop Ordinary to the Canadian Armed Forces Nigel Shaw and all military chaplains. Diocese of Ho, Bishop Matthias Meduadues-Badohu. Diocese of Yukon, Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame, Bishop's School of Yukon Ministries and all diocesan education and formation. Archbishop David, retired bishop William and their families. Camp Medley and Camp Brookwood, staff and campers.

**Prayer for Israel and Palestine** – Isaiah 11:9 "They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea." God of mercy, we pray earnestly, send your Holy Spirit of peace and comfort, to surround all those whose lives have been torn apart by violence and death in Israel and Palestine. Amen

**Parish Prayer Requests** Richard (Dik) Coates (workmate of Rev. Steven from Wpg who suffered a severe heart attack and is recovering), Theresa Wanamaker, Malcolm Smith, Claire Cleary, Shirley Shaw, Winston Wilson, Ann Campion, Grace Gogan, Frank Rodgers, and Diane Cameron.

**From our Archbishop of Canterbury** The Most Reverend Justin Welby – asking of the whole Anglican Communion to hold up our Royal Family in our prayers at this time.

### **Trinity Building Care**

#### 2024 Focus



#### **Chiming and Timing into the Future Campaign**

### **Upcoming Campaign Event Fundraisers**

**24 Aug 2024 Afternoon Tea –** The Tea will run from 1-5pm in the Bennett Room – Tickets are \$20 each and are available through the office.

**26 Sep 2024 "Yesterday, Today & Forever"** Era Silent Auction featuring the Back in Time Band



#### 6 Dec 2024 Appreciation Gala

\* The Chiming & Timing into the Future Silent Auction Team are looking for special items in good condition from a variety of decades to be donated to the Silent Auction. If you have an item to contribute, please contact Kyle (506-871-6162) or Jennifer (506-651-5366).

Trinity Bell Restoration Project							
	Estrabrooks Engineering	CR&M	Verdin Bell Co Project design	Contingency 10%	Total Cost		
Phase 1a	\$4,600.00	\$27,312	\$749.00	\$0	\$32,661.50		
	Verdin Bell Co.	Bell Rod	Electrical T&T	Contingency	Total		
		Repair		20%	Estimate		
Phase 1b	\$65,135	\$1,437	\$7,500	\$14,814	\$88,886		
Phase 2	\$10,557	\$5,750	\$1,500	\$3,560	\$21,367		
Phase 3	\$12,746	\$17,250	\$11,500	\$5,062	\$30,370		
Sub Total	\$88,438	\$17,250	\$11,500	\$23,438	\$140,626		
Total Project					\$177,109		

The target completion for this project is set for December 2024 so that the Bells, originally rung Christmas 1882, will be proudly played once again for Christmas 2024. Let us all 'chime in' as we complete the Trinity Tower's purpose proudly standing tall on our city's peninsula.

When you hear these bells ring for the first time Christmas 2024 you can proudly say, "I was there when we announced this project" and hopefully be able to say, "I was a part of this project's success."

#### Update on the project:

We are starting to move on the physical part of the Chiming & Timing into the Future project. On Tuesday, Rev. Steven pulled out his Machinist / Industrial Mechanic expertise and spent the day upgrading two of the twelve 1880 Trinity Steeple Bells and another three on Wednesday. The existing 1880 iron attachments had done their service and were corroding away. These are being replaced with 316 Stainless Steel hardware which will see Trinity well into the next century for certain. For your interest sake, there is over \$6,000 in stainless steel being installed to support the original 1880 Cast Brass Bells.







New alongside of the Old

One Bell half done

Same Bell upgraded

Also on this week, T & T Electrical were on site with two Electricians to commence the necessary electrical demolition. Not a surprise, most of the electrical in the Tower is literally on a 'wing & a prayer' no pun intended. As the day progressed with the tracing of the degraded electrical infrastructure it was found the power supply to our existing Steeple Clock was a heart-beat away from causing a major issue – so we have shut down the clock power – with the goal to have this corrected over the next few days. This power source has to be solid for the new clock movement that is part of the new Bell project. Rest assured during this power outage the clock will be right on time twice a day.

In addition, this week Verdin in Cincinnati Ohio has shipped the whole package of equipment – due in Saint John in the next week or so.

As you can see, things are on the move now and we will be excited to book Verdin in to finalize the installation and commissioning. Prior to this, the equipment needs to be on site, Bells need to be re-hung and the electrical has to be in a ready state for the final hook ups.



If you ever needed a reason for why we are changing the 1880 support rods that hold the twelve bells – this should do it. This was on one of the third largest bells that was reworked on Wednesday this week – approximate weight would be in excess of 1000 lbs. These rods were originally 7/8" diameter and this one had corroded down to less than 1/4" diameter and its mate was about 3/8" diameter.





These two photos show the required support system erected for each bell in order to safely cut the old support rod system and install the new stainless-steel system.

Each bell location is slightly different due to the structural steel available to support the required blocking and the bells are of a different size (dimension).

### TRINITY'S SERVICE CALENDAR

Date	Sunday	Service	Readings	Presider
Aug 4	11th Sunday after Pentecost	BCP HC	2 Samuel 11:26-12:13	Rev. Steven Scribner
	_		Psalm 51:13	
			Ephesians 4:1-16	
			John 6:24-35	

What to expect this Sunday! This Sunday at Trinity we will talk about 'I am'.

## What is in Trinity's Future you need to be aware of!

#### **Upcoming Events**

August 3<sup>rd</sup> August 24th September 7 September 27 Kitchen Party Musical Evening

Michael Molloy - Organ 'Variations' Afternoon Tea Chiming & Timing Fundraiser East Indies Evening - Dinner of East Indies Fare

Free Will Offering Tickets \$20ea Tickets \$20ea Tickets \$10ea



#### **Battle of Britain Sunday**

The 84<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Battle of Britain Sunday – Plans are being prepared for the Trinity Battle of Britain Sunday September 15th. Trinity has been approached to incorporate a full service commemorating the Battle of Britain acknowledging the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the RCAF. Preliminary plans have been drafted for this wonderful memorial tribute to those who answered 'yes' when asked to serve their country.

### Trinity Summer Sounds 2024 Monday July 29th Stephen Mott and Friends







Trinity welcomed over 100 to the Monday evening Summer Sounds series on Monday July 29<sup>th</sup> where we were thoroughly entertained by Stephen Mott and Friends (Stephen Mott on Viola, Ali Leonard on Violin and Malcolm Boyd on Violoncello). For over an hour one could have heard a pin drop. What a wonderful evening with all leaving Trinity on a very high note. One may wonder how Stephen Mott gets stage-ready for such an evening. I think I found out – see for yourself!

Stephen can be found in the back row beside Councillor David Hickey and it would appear that our Mayor, Her worship Donna Noade Reardon may have captained this crew on the Reversing Falls Jet boat earlier in the day. Looks like all were having a grand ride – and maybe got a little wet in the process.

**Construction on Charlotte Street** – Patience is a virtue held by few – be patient as the city does the necessary infrastructure upgrades.

**Beacon Cove** – 50 Broad Street in Saint John's south end on the property that once housed St. James

Anglican Church. Formally called Safe Harbour.



Toiletries in larger size (not travel size), feminine hygiene products, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner and body wash. Also looking for clothing, shoes, socks, blankets and larger towels. Gift cards in small denominations. Paper products, toilet tissue, paper towels and facial tissue are welcomed.

Trinity will collect these products and deliver. Beacon Cove will also accept donations via the diocesan website – choose Beacon Cove from the drop-down menu: <a href="https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/13778">https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/13778</a>.

Keep up the great work and remember the great work Beacon Cove is doing in our community.

# Something for everyone this Summer at

#### **SUMMER SOUNDS 2024**

Trinity Church, Saint John MONDAYS at 7:15 JUNE 10- AUGUST 26

June 10: Buckley-Sametz Duo – Classical Cello & Duo; Violin – 50 attended

June 17: 'Before the Mast' – Maritime Sea Chanteys – 60 attended

June 24: Andrew Clark – Balladeer /Guitarist – 35 attended

July 01: National Holiday – No performances this evening

July 08: 'Back In Time' - Swing Band - 100 attended

July 15: Ron Maloney - Old-Favourites Sing-a-long - 50 attended

July 22: Calvary Temple Music Team - Praise Music – 55 attended

July 29: 'Summer Strings' - Steven Mott & Friends – 100 attended

August 05: Michael Molloy – Organ 'Variations' Monday evening at 7:15pm

August 12: 'Cool Chicks & Ugly Doclings' - Easy listening & Easy Humour

August 19: Richard & Rachel Kidd - Classical Piano & Violin

August 26: Saint John Chorale - Broadway Show Tunes

Spacious cushioned seating - FREE-WILL OFFERING

# **Construction Season for Trinity**



This is Trinity's South exit on to Charlotte Street this week. You see the communication chambers have been installed and the grade re-established.

Details shared by the city include the following; The City of Saint John will be undertaking the relocation of overhead power and communications to underground. Also included in this project is the reconstruction of curb and sidewalk, new brick medians, new decorative streetlamp poles and tree pits. The purpose of this project is to provide upgraded infrastructure that is deteriorated. The finished work will match the upgrades done elsewhere and blend with the work done as part of the Irving Oil Office project.

The project began on June 18<sup>th</sup> and is expected to be completed by mid-August. Trinity has been informed that access to one of the two entrances off of Charlotte Street will be available – however with construction we must accept there will be delays at times during this construction period.

Progress seems to be moving along albeit slow from a residents' view – however we look forward to this projects' completion. We continue to have alternate accesses into the church parking lot however they have

been wonderful and patient with all of our coming and goings as they are in a full construction mode trying to complete this work as efficiently as possible. A few more weeks of construction yet.



**Bricklin turns 50 this year.** Heralded as an engineering marvel, the first Bricklin rolled off the assembly line at 245 Industrial Avenue in Saint John on August 6, 1974.

They are marking the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this historic moment with a pop-up exhibition on select Bricklin artifacts at Saint John McAllister Place, Friday August 2 and Saturday August 3 during the mall hours.

The exhibition features the 'Grey Ghost', the original 1972 concept car named for its' color and the fact that it went missing for years until finally tracked down in a Colorado barn.

As Bricklin's vision for a safe and sexy sports car, the Grey Ghost sparked a brief but dazzling era in which Bricklin's were featured as prizes on game shows like "The Price is Right" and "Let's make a Deal" and appeared on the "Today Show", "Chico and the Man" and other top-rated TV programs.

On display will be a pristine SV-1 model in Safety Red as it rolled off the Saint John assembly line in April 1975.

I believe there will be a static display of many Bricklin's near the container village on Saturday.

### **Humor**



