

Christ Church, Burritt's Rapids

Annual Vestry for 2016



Sunday March 5, 2017

Christ Church – Burritt’s Rapids

Annual Vestry Meeting

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Agenda

1. Opening prayers
2. Electing Vestry Clerk
3. Minutes for Vestry held February 28, 2016
4. Incumbent's Report
5. Financial Statements for 2016
6. Budget for 2017
7. Appointments and elections:
 - a. Churchwardens
 - b. Parochial Tribunal
 - c. Advisory Board
 - d. Cemetery Board
 - e. Parish Executive Committee
 - f. Auditors
8. Presenting reports of all parochial organizations
9. General business
10. Adjournment

Cemetery Report for 2016

Annual Report
Christ Church Cemetery - 2016

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- A quiet uneventful year for Christ Church Cemetery proceedings. Business was restricted to common maintenance and luckily with no surprises. Financially it was a safe "Hold the line" season.
- Regular lawn mowing has been again maintained by Green Acres Landscaping of Smith's Falls. We are pleased with their ability and cooperation. Following on ice storm during the previous winter considerable brush clean-up and tree trimming was required. Green Acres took on this duty and disposed of the waste prior to their lawn mowing duties.
- Again this year mowing of the 'Acreage' was done using the Cemetery's MF tractor without any major problems. The main drive belt was replaced during the year. For 2017 it appears that considerable maintenance will be required on the power steering system.
- Tractor-drivers during the year were primarily Don Tillman and Larry Donoghue. - Thanks,
- Plot sales during 2016 were limited to 5 graves. Burials were comprised to 4 conventional and 2 cremation.

Respectfully submitted

Larry Donoghue

Financial Report - 2016
Christ Church Cemetery

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INCOME

- Balance in Bank - January	15215. ⁹⁸
- Bank Interest - RBC	4. ⁴²
- Diocese of Ontario	1000. ⁰²
- Perpetual Care	
- Investment - Flood Fund	958. ⁴²
- Donations - Memorial Service	1300. ⁰⁰
- Other	250. ⁰⁰
- Plot Sales - 5 x 750	3750. ⁰⁰
- Grave Opening Fees (6)	3475. ⁰⁰
- Monument - Care + Maintenance	250. ⁰⁰
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Account Balance	26206. ⁰⁴

EXPENSES

- Diocese of Ontario - Perpetual Care	2125. ⁰⁰
- Ontario Assoc of Cemeteries	156. ²⁵
Membership	
- Bank Service Charges - RBC	8. ⁰⁰
- Grave Opening Services (5)	2768. ⁵⁰
- Memorial Service - Advertising	28. ⁰³
Cemetery Maintenance	
- Contract Mowing - 23 cuts	4548. ²⁵
- Tree Trimming	904. ⁰⁰
Tractor Mower Maintenance	499. ⁴⁶
- Belt 318. ⁵³	
- Motor Oil 51. ⁵¹	
- Filter (2) 29. ³²	
- Fuel 100. ⁰⁰	
- Balance in Bank - December	15168. ⁰⁵
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Account Balance	26206. ⁰⁴

Investment Report - 2016
Christ Church Cemetery

<u>1</u>	Diocese of Ontario	
	- Care + Maintenance Fund	37524 ⁰⁰
	(Perpetual Care)	
	- Contribution - December 2016	<u>2125⁰⁰</u>
		39649 ⁰⁰
	- Revenue - 2016	<u>1000⁰²</u>
<u>2</u>	Clara Flood Fund	40,000 ⁰⁰
	- GIC - Scotia Bank	
	4 yrs at 2.39%	
	Maturing - Sept 4 - 2017	
	- Revenue - 2016	<u>958⁶²</u>

ANGLICAN PARISHES OF GRENVILLE NORTH

INCUMBENT'S REPORT TO THE VESTRIES - 2017

²⁷ At that time prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. ²⁸ One of them named Agabus stood up and predicted by the Spirit that there would be a severe famine over all the world; and this took place during the reign of Claudius. ²⁹ The disciples determined that according to their ability, each would send relief to the believers living in Judea; ³⁰ this they did, sending it to the elders by Barnabas and Saul.

Acts 11:27-30

My sisters and brothers in Christ, Grace to you all.

I offer this report to all in this Anglican Region of Grenville North, rejoicing in Christ's love for you, and your loving ministry in Jesus' name.

Vestry meetings are one of the focus points in our life together. They provide an opportunity to reflect upon the year gone by, and to envision our life over the following twelve months. At Vestry, we take time to discuss our mission and ministry, which we share not only with each other but with the living God. Vestry is a moment in which we make a commitment, promising to follow Christ and the mission that he has set before us. The challenge before each of us is: "Will I commit to Jesus, and to our Vestry's program for the next year?"

For each of our Vestries, we have an added feature – considering our work with Christ as a Regional Ministry. We are reminded that, as Anglicans, we are not a congregational church. I love this reality – we are not alone in our ministry. The passage above, speaking of the Church in its earliest time, reveals Christians to know that they were interconnected. From our earliest times, we Christians have felt a responsibility of care for each other, both locally and far and wide.

As a Region, we have an opportunity to continue this tradition. The intention of this Regional Ministry, as I understand it, is to strengthen the presence of Christ through each of our congregations. We seek to help and support each other, determined to "*send relief to the believers*", as best we can. This is a relationship, at its best, built upon the love of Jesus Christ.

So, how have we been doing? I ask this knowing that there are challenges to this unique ministry. We are, as the Bishop would say, an experiment in Christian love and organization.

This past year has been a good challenge for me. There has been much to learn; most of all, trying to get to know so many of you. One year is not a long time – I still have many of you to meet and get to know.

As a Region, we have seen some significant change to our life together, particularly as we have established new mechanisms and processes. This is not terribly exciting, and yet it is important to getting our work done. We have had a Regional Council for a number of years now; a gathering of our dozen church wardens, along with the regional clergy. This group has made the decisions for our Regional ministry, especially around finances and budgeting. They normally meet on a quarterly basis. With all that they have to do in their own churches, I am grateful for their willingness to come out to these extra meetings, and for their leadership and insight.

We have now added to this group a Regional Executive Committee which meets more frequently. Its composition is the clergy, one warden from each parish, and the Regional Treasurer. Lastly, but significantly, we have now established a Regional Bank account. Previously, our banking went through the accounts of Holy Trinity Church in Merrickville. Our Regional account should allow for more clarity in our finances, and a cleaner accountability. I am thankful for the work of Don Quayle of Holy Trinity, who acted as our Regional Treasurer for many years; and for Nancy Anderson, who has taken over this ministry from Don.

This Regional Ministry is meant to be a shared ministry. It certainly is a sharing of our clergy, as the three parishes collectively cover the costs of Fr. Robert and myself. Yet, this sharing goes much further than that. It is a sharing too of worship and pastoral care. While it is a challenge, we seek to schedule worship in such a way that each congregation receives communion on a regular basis. The schedule for 2017 is an attempt at encouraging relationships between Fr. Robert, myself, and each of our six congregations.

I am enormously thankful to those who assist with our worship across the Region. Our Lay Readers are a devoted group, willing to lead and preach when clergy are not available. I am delighted to welcome the Reverend Canon Jennifer Gosse as an Honorary Assistant to our Region. Jennifer is a military chaplain, who has kindly offered to assist with our worship three Sundays each month. Thank you all for making regular worship possible in our communities!

In the midst of this, I am all too aware that some question the need for a regional ministry. Some of the concerns expressed to me are financial. Is the region financially viable? Can our church do better without this shared ministry? Some of the complaints that I have heard point to past problems with the administration of our ministry together.

I invite you to join me in looking ahead – to prayerfully reflect upon what Christ is inviting our Regional ministry to look like. The opening premise for this shared ministry, as I understand it, was to keep our churches open. These are difficult times for many people in our society, times which need the concrete presence of the risen Lord. This, I believe, is our mission. To serve God, and God's people, in each of our communities. We are called to enter into the reality of people's lives, bringing hope, encouragement, and light. This does not happen by closing churches.

But – a big but! We are not called merely to keep churches open. We are called to raise up people of faith. I believe that a shared ministry is the way forward for Christ's mission in our rural setting. Let us be clear, shared ministry is not simply the sharing of clergy. It is the sharing by all of us of Jesus' work. Alone, our congregations are too small to develop the

needed programs. Together, we can have the critical mass to do great things; a regional youth group, lay readers training, shared study groups.... These do not necessarily involve scarce finances, but they may raise up people of faith.

We hope too, to expand upon our regional worship as times to celebrate our faith together. We have seen great success with the July service at the Burritt's Rapids Lock. Other times to rejoice together this year will include the Bishop's visit in June, and an Easter celebration of lessons and music. We would like to see these times enlivened with a joint choir, and shared worship leaders.

In the end, all this will depend upon you. You who have devoted yourselves to the life of our churches in this area. You who are old, and you who are new to our Christian communities. I want to offer you a challenge. ***The challenge is for you to commit to every Sunday worship.*** For you to pledge to attend worship in your parish every Sunday. If your church does not have a service, then drive that extra little distance to another church in your parish or our region. And most especially, for you to commit to attend our regional celebrations, so that we may praise, pray, and learn together. Take these opportunities to meet one another and to get to know each other.

When confronted by famine, the early church sought to feed each other. They did not collapse into themselves – nor did they offer mere words. They went out, actively caring for and supporting each other. How will we Anglicans in Grenville North be to each other? How will we be the body of Christ for others? Through such faith, the early church grew beyond measure!

As I bring this to a close, I want to offer a special word of thanks to Fr. Robert. I may be the incumbent of this region, but it is Fr. Robert who has been my teacher as I have entered into his life. Fr. Robert is a bundle of energy, devotion, and joy! Thank you Robert for your support and friendship.

Lastly, I thank you all. I thank you for your patience with me as I have sought to meet and learn of you. I am thankful to God for the many new friends that I have made in this Region. Thank you for welcoming me into your churches, and into your homes. Your faith and devotion have been an inspiration for me. I have seen the living God in your midst, giving comfort and hope.

May the grace of Jesus Christ be with you all,

The Rev. Andrew Wilson
Incumbent
Anglicans of Grenville North

Warden's Report for 2016

- had front door adjusted and repaired i.e.; gapes in frame, thanks to Donavan for help, set up with repair man.
- had roof over furnace repaired by Copperwood construction, leaking, not any more.
- had furnace thermoset replaced and covered with lock, thanks to George and Bob.
- routine maintenance of equipment, furnace.
- after discussion in church meeting, we decided to have church locked at all times with keys available to members of congregation at small fee.

Submitted by Dale Boyd, Warden

Financial Statements

Christ Church Burritt's Rapids Statement of Operations for the period ending December 31, 2016

REVENUE

	<u>Actual 2015</u>	<u>Actual 2016</u>	<u>Budget 2016</u>	<u>Budget 2017</u>
Christ Church Revenue				
Donations/Appeals	\$ 20,581.94	\$ 22,209.10	\$ 29,700.00	25,000.00
June Supper	-		3,000.00	-
Dinner and Auction	4,565.42	4,217.09	5,500.00	4,500.00
Canteen/Catering	500.00	500.00	1,500.00	500.00
Memorial Donations	7,430.00	5,873.76	1,500.00	1,500.00
Pancake Supper	421.00	809.00	500.00	700.00
Hall Rental	1,000.00	1,025.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
Capital Specific Donations				
Calendars				
Endowments	6,041.60	6,864.40	6,150.00	6,150.00
Rectory Interest	2,804.80	3,506.00	2,375.00	2,200.00
Investment Interest			600.00	
Interest - Reserve/Memorial				
TOTAL REVENUE	43,344.76	45,004.35	51,925.00	41,650.00

EXPENSES

	<u>Actual 2015</u>	<u>Actual 2016</u>	<u>Budget 2016</u>	<u>Budget 2017</u>
Christ Church Expenses				
Furnace Oil	1,036.77	588.49	1,000.00	1,000.00

Propane	3,685.04	1,989.35	1,000.00	1,500.00
Hydro	787.96	923.30	1,000.00	1,000.00
Insurance	1,787.66	1,685.34	2,000.00	1,700.00
Maintenance	1,157.32	1,202.01	500.00	1,000.00
Settlement		2,213.70		
Musicians Organ Repairs	4,500.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	4,500.00
Treasurer		-	-	
Bank Charges	162.14	141.92	340.00	340.00
Gifts and Honourariums	200.00	400.00	-	400.00
Snow Removal		300.00	-	300.00
Rememberance Wreath		-	40.00	40.00
Altar/Liturgical Supplies		-	100.00	300.00
Postage		-	-	
Offering Envelopes/Printing	-	175.31	90.00	100.00
Sunday School		-	100.00	-
ACW Calendars		-	25.00	20.00
Steeple Repairs	4,288.88			
Advertising		-		
Synod Expense		589.51		
CMM Settlement	10,242.76	8,829.09	10,200.00	10,200.00
Total Christ Church Expenses	\$ 27,848.53	\$ 23,738.02	\$ 21,095.00	22,400.00

	<u>Actual 2015</u>	<u>Actual 2016</u>	<u>Budget 2016</u>	<u>Budget 2017</u>
Shared Expenses				
Parish & Region	27,967.41	35,785.28	29,816.00	35,393.96
Total Parish & Region Expenses		35,785.28	29,816.00	35,393.96
 TOTAL EXPENSES	 54,461.94	 59,523.30	 50,911.00	 57,793.96
 Revenue Over Expenses	 \$ 5,246.05	 \$ (14,518.95)	 \$ 1,014.00	 (16,143.96)

Christ Church Burritt's Rapids
Statement of Financial Position
As At December 31, 2016

ASSETS

Reserve Account	23,900.02	
Memorial Account	38,714.29	
General Account	<u>(56,262.29)</u>	
Total Cash		6,352.02
Investments		122,299.00
GST Refund		<u>6,824.61</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u><u>135,475.63</u></u>

LIABILITIES

Owing to Parish/Region/Diocese	<u>12,334.59</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>12,334.59</u>

EQUITY

Church Equity	
Retained Earnings - Previous Year	137,659.99
Revenue Over Expenses	<u>(14,518.95)</u>
Total Church Equity	<u>123,141.04</u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u><u>135,475.63</u></u>

**Christ Church - Burritt's Rapids
Endowment Statement
as of December 31, 2016**

	Interest	Principle
Eva Kidd	\$ 225.00	\$ 5,000.00
W & M Kidd	16.30	261.00
E Grier	4.50	100.00
A Grier	187.50	3,000.00
Carruthers Family	125.00	2,000.00
Bennett Family	125.00	2,000.00
CC Wardens	312.50	5,000.00
B Kidd	225.00	5,000.00
D & G Jackson	62.50	1,000.00
CC Endowment (B Kitchen, A Donoghue, E Newman)	68.75	1,100.00
H Kidd	125.00	1,000.00
Dr & Mrs Hill	187.50	2,000.00
E & M Burritt	31.25	500.00
Dawe	34.40	550.00
Kidd	12.50	200.00
MA Burritt	2,507.55	40,121.00
Cannon DePencier	62.50	1,000.00
D DePencier	3,125.00	50,000.00
M Hill	75.00	1,000.00
	<u>\$ 7,512.75</u>	<u>\$ 120,832.00</u>

Return on Endowments

8.607%

Other Endowments held by the Diocese - interest is
reinvested

Christ Church/Kidd	\$ 1,467.00
	<u>\$ 1,467.00</u>

- * Note WE Kidd fund withdrawl of \$18,800 to repay Diocesean Loan in 2009.
- * \$7,500 withdrawn from Christ Church to assist with 2011 expenses.
- * \$50,000 sent to Diocese in 2012
- * \$11,000 from the Christ Church/Kidd fund cashed in 2015

Christ Church Burritt's Rapids
Memorial and Reserve Accounts Reconciliation

	Reserve	Memorial
Opening Balance January 1, 2016	23,900.02	33,715.53
Revenue: Memorial Donations		5,873.76
Capital Specific Fundraising		
Capital Specific Donations		
Subtotal	23,900.02	39,589.29
Expenses:		
Ending Balance December 31, 2016	23,900.02	39,589.29