

**TORONTO DIOCESAN
ANGLICAN CHURCH
WOMEN**



**ANNUAL REPORT
2023**

Anglican Church Women

Diocese of Toronto

ACW PRAYER

Almighty and Eternal God,
Enable us, through Worship,
Learning and Service,
To live a life in Christ,
That, strengthened by the Holy Spirit,
We may show forth your love
to others throughout the world.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2023

We are all Anglican Church Women, some of us meeting in formal groups and some of us just quietly doing our ministry, day by day, week by week or month by month. We welcome all women to Anglican Church Women sponsored endeavours. At the Diocesan level, we supported two Women's Gatherings in 2023. A big thank you to Holy Trinity Church, Thornhill and Christ the King, Etobicoke who were hosts this year for the "Fun and Fellowship" gatherings.

Last year's AGM was once again held by Zoom. The format was a business meeting plus speakers. Greetings were brought by Bishop Riscylla Shaw on behalf of the College of Bishops, by Janet Pike, vice-president of the National Anglican Church Women, by Susan Lubowitz, President of the Toronto Catholic Women's League, by Anita Gittens, Treasurer for the National WICC, and by Maxine Hobden, on behalf of the Women's Inter-Church Council (Toronto)

We were delighted to have the Venerable Lydia Constant and Dr. Kara Mandryk from the Henry Budd College, The Pas, Manitoba, join us to have a conversation about Lydia's faith journey in which theology and ministry practice take place in a uniquely Indigenous context.

Reports and the Financials were presented and accepted. Bishop Riscylla officiated for the installation of the Board.

The theme for the 2023-2024 Special Projects was Mental Health, Children & Youth. For 2024 it will be Food Insecurity. We will continue to highlight the theme in our newsletters. With the reorganization of the Diocese into five Archdeaconries, instead of four Areas, the Special Project recipients will be chosen by Archdeaconry.

Our Diocesan Anglican Church Women continue to support the Council of the North and Threshold Ministries. In addition to our annual commitment to COTN, the Board of Directors, on your behalf, sent \$10,000 to the newly formed Council of the North Retired Clergy Pension Fund.

The 2023 National Anglican Church Women President's Conference was held in October by Zoom, hosted by the Diocese of Algoma. The theme was "Having Faith". A full report of the conference was in the 2023 Advent newsletter. Prayer Partners for 2023-2024 were chosen. The Diocese of Western Newfoundland is praying for the Diocese of Toronto and the Diocese of Toronto is praying for the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador. The 2024 Conference is to be held in September, in Stratford, hosted by the Diocese of Huron.

The Ecclesiastical Needleworkers have resumed their weekly work at the office. In addition to creating the new and repairing the worn, they have many vestments, frontal and hangings etc. which have been donated to them and are looking for new homes. New members are welcome.

We will be welcoming a new president of the Board, Janice Hodgson, at the Annual General meeting on April 20, 2024. Board meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month, seven times a year. The Finance Committee meets the Monday preceding the Board Meeting. In October and January the AGM planning committee meets. If you are considering expanding your ministry gifts, please consider serving on the Finance Committee and/or the Board and join us at one of our meetings as a guest. The Zoom link is available from Judy at acw@toronto.anglican.ca. This past year, all meetings have been held by Zoom (computer or telephone) and we expect to continue having most meetings by Zoom, to enable more women from a distance to participate. The newsletters are being sent out to the parishes by email. Printed copies are still mailed to those who have subscriptions or have become PALs.

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A sincere thank you is extended to Judy Beal, our Office Administrator. She keeps our office running smoothly. Her tireless effort and attention to detail keep us all on track.

A special thank you is extended to Sandra McPhail, our Treasurer, who is still working virtually most of the time.

A heartfelt thank you is extended to June Dyer who collects articles and helps with our newsletter.

Many thanks to the Rev. Joan Cavanagh, our Diocesan ACW Chaplain, who gives us much to think about during her reflections at the (virtual) Board Meetings and in her contributions to the Newsletter.

To the Diocesan ACW Board and Committee members, thank you for your dedication, in using your time and talents, to enrich your Parish, Deanery and Diocesan ACW.

To Bishop Andrew Asbil, the Area Bishops and the Diocesan Staff, thank you for your encouragement and support.

Respectfully submitted,
Enid Corbett MA ODT
President, Toronto Diocesan Anglican Church Women

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear ACW Friends,

I look forward to 2024 and representing the Toronto Diocesan ACW as your incoming President and working with the ACW Diocesan Board.

In our Annual Report, we can see all the great work that our ACW groups did across the Diocese during 2023 in addition to the 2022-2023 Special Project Theme—Mental Health: Children and Youth.

During my time as your Executive Vice President, I attended the Catholic Women's League Zoom Workshop on Food Insecurity and the National Anglican Church Women President's Virtual Conference. I am also on the Finance Committee.

Our Annual General Meeting's theme is Hope and Peace and our 2024-2025 Special Project Theme is Food Insecurity. I think both are tied to one another. How can we each do our part to give hope to those who disparately need it? In the Toronto Star, Mahdis Habibinia writes that, "More than one-third of food charities in Canada turned people away last year because of a lack of supplies, according to a report released Tuesday that also forecasts an 18 per cent increase in demand across the country in 2024" (The Toronto Star, February 27, 2024). Individuals are having to decide between paying for housing, utilities, or buying food. Food prices are expected to increase by 4.5 per cent in 2024. People are unable to afford to buy healthy and nutritious food. Mahdis Habibinia goes on to report that, "... the projected increase in demand means more than one million Canadians will access food charities for the first time in 2024."

I know at the small Food Closet I run out of my church, St. James the Apostle, Sharon, people line up in the cold, snow, and rain to access the Closet for food—wanting to be the first in line to pick up the food they need. We are noticing a lot of working poor and refugees from many places including Central America.

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Our Diocesan Archdeaonries have chosen their food insecurity Special Project recipient(s) but what can we do as individuals to help those in need? Perhaps seek out the food closets, food pantries, or food banks to donate or volunteer and learn firsthand about your community's needs. Maybe volunteer at a community garden that donates the fresh vegetables. The need is great and the stories I hear on a weekly basis are heartbreaking.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Hodgson, ODT
Executive Vice-President, Toronto Diocesan ACW

SECRETARY / TREASURER'S REPORT

During the 2023 year, the Toronto Diocese Anglican Church Women were able to meet their financial goals and commitments.

The planned and achieved outreach objective for the year was \$24,100.00. This amount included \$10,000.00 to the Council of the North, \$4,000.00 to our "Mental Health: Children and Youth" Special Projects, \$100.00 to Threshold Ministries and \$10,000.00 to the Council of the North Pension Fund special appeal.

We rely on donations from Anglican Churchwomen, church groups and individuals, and the net income from the Chancel Committee (Needleworkers) to reach our outreach commitments. This year, these sources covered almost 70% of the funds required for our outreach goal. The balance was withdrawn from reserves. Thank you for your compassion, effort and support.

All Anglican women in the Toronto Diocese are members of the Anglican Church Women (ACW). We welcome any comments, insights, idea sharing and donations, either as a group or individual. This coming year, the Special Project focus is "Food Insecurity". The outreach planned for this is \$5,000.00 (\$1,000.00 per Archdeaconry). In addition, \$10,000.00 to the Council of the North and \$10,000.00 to the Sisters of St. John the Divine for their building/renovation appeal are planned. We appeal to the women in the Diocese to give generously.

Thank you to the members of the Finance Committee: Enid Corbett, Janice Hodgson, Dorothy MacLeod, Mavis McKenna and Ruth Pengelly, for their time and input over the past year. The Finance Committee meets seven times a year via zoom. Anyone interested in joining the Committee would be welcome.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy McPhail
Secretary-Treasurer, Toronto Diocesan ACW

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ECCLESIASTIC NEEDLEWORKERS' REPORT

The Ecclesiastical Needleworkers have been meeting on a regular basis over the past year. Some work is still being done off site.

Our challenges this year have been the low number of workers to carry out the projects in a reasonable time. We have been challenged with the large amount of items from other churches which needed to find homes. We still have a few beautiful frontals and hangings, which we continue to advertise.

Over the year we have produced and delivered:

7 new or repaired stoles, 5 burses and 2 matching veils, a Humeral veil, repaired and made 2 full frontals, 1 complete with antependia, burse and veils, chasuble and stole

We are currently working on a repair and remount of a vintage Superfrontal (pictured below) with the frontal to follow. Also we are working on a chasuble and stole remake.

We do have a backlog of items to keep us busy for the rest of the year.

It is always a pleasure to work with these pleasant stitchers.

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Perkins



WHITE WORKERS

We have kept the needles flying and the stitches going. We started the season with a plethora of orders for purificators!! It has been a challenge to keep up.

We have made several large fair linens, especially for the Cathedral. Since their altar is so large, this has been very time commitment.

Fortunately, we have two new members that have been very helpful with these challenges. It has been a very productive year.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Robson

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

WE HAVE MANY SPECIAL ITEMS THAT ARE FITTING FOR ALL TYPES OF RECOGNITION – A SMALL MEMENTO TO THE DIAMOND PIN!

The following items are available through the Toronto Diocesan Anglican Church Women's Office
135 Adelaide Street East, Toronto ON M5C 1L8 acw@toronto.anglican.ca 416-363-0018

Diamond-Chip ACW or Chancel Guild Pins with Certificate	\$60.00
ACW or Chancel Guild Pins	\$35.00
National ACW Pins	\$5.00
Chancel Guild Manuals	\$5.00 each or 4/\$15.00
ACW Flashlights	\$5.00
ACW Tote Bags	\$5.00
ACW Notes with Envelopes (package of 4)	\$5.00
ACW Notebooks	\$3.00
ACW Pens	\$2.00
ACW Prayer Bookmarks	\$0.35 or 3/\$1.00
Chancel Guild Prayer Cards	\$0.35 or 3/\$1.00

SOCIAL CONCERN AND ACTION REPORT

The Special Project theme for 2022-2023 was Mental Health: Children and Youth. The following organizations received your Special Project monies in 2023.

Trent Durham	Carea Community Health Centre
York-Scarborough	The Neighbourhood Organization
York-Simcoe	New Path Youth and Family Counselling Services of Simcoe County
York-Credit Valley	Youth Without Shelter

AREA REPORTS

YORK - CREDIT VALLEY AREA REPORT

Etobicoke – Humber Deanery

CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING, ETOBICOKE

Another year has passed with seeming great speed. We have had 10 meetings with between 2 and 12 members present. Although small, we have carried out a wide variety of activities. Our book cart has drawn many people and the monthly card parties have continued. The parish supper in May had 24 in attendance and was a great opportunity for us all to reconnect. In the fall we planned a Christmas Tea and Mini-Bazaar. It was a success even though there was not the crowd we had hoped. Maybe next year.

In October we hosted a Fling into Fall gathering for women in the parishes of our deanery. A beautiful bright fall day and enthusiastic participants made this a very special event. After a warm-up game to mix the crowd, we settled down to our guest speaker. Virginia Gabriel enlightened all of us on the history and meaning of many of the fittings and vestments that we see each Sunday. Not only the colours, but the embroideries have great traditional roots, some as far back as the 1400's. Who can wear a ruffled cuff on their surplice? Afterwards the groups set to making their own stoles with paper, pens, and anything they could find. Amazing work was done. It was not a competition so there was no prize but admiration from the others. After lunch all enjoyed a quiz linking numbers with places and names that have significance in our church history. Amazing how much we all learned. To cap off the day we had good old fashioned Hymn sing. Everyone agreed that from our gathering the women from each church had more understanding of our roles in the church. How much we can each enjoy and work together. We'll do it again, we hope.

Winter brought the need for clothing and toiletries for the young residents at Warrendale in Rexdale (Youth Without Shelter). When asked to estimate the value of goods for their records it came to well over \$800. Wow, this parish truly cares about those less fortunate.

Outreach has always been important to the ACW and from the list below you can understand how gratified we are that the parish has supported us this year. Donations, dinners, book sales, card parties etc. has allowed us to disperse funds to the following: Dorothy Ley Hospice, Diocesan ACW (for Churches in the north and Youth without Shelter), Aura, The Ronnie Fund, Community Living, PWRDF, and CTK.

Thank you to all who have worked alongside us as we carry on, following our motto! To Live with Worship, Learning, and Service

Report respectfully submitted to Annual Vestry Meeting by,
Sandy McPhail, Ruth Pengelly, and Anne Saxton
(Edited / jb)

ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE, REXDALE

The Anglican Church Women of St. Paul had a very spiritually rewarding 2023, here is a recap of our year.

Dr. Anita Gittens, our ACW executive member was elected as the delegated Lay Representative for Canada to the Anglican Consultative Council held in Ghana February 9th -19th. At our February ACW meeting Anita shared her wonderful experience with those in attendance.

St. Paul the Apostle ACW Members hosted the World Day of Prayer on March 6th by Zoom featuring a video of the service written by the Women of Taiwan. The theme was: I Have Heard About Your Faith. Members of Rexdale Presbyterian Church were invited to join us and were in attendance, we had 22 participants overall.

The Anglican Church Women of St. Paul attended a morning of fellowship and making the palms for Palm Sunday on Saturday April 1st.

ACW Diocesan Annual General Meeting: Held via Zoom on April 22nd. York Credit Valley was the Host this year. Members from St. Paul's were in attendance to hear Archdeacon Lydia Constant, from Manitoba speak on the Theme "Having Faith" and sharing her life within her Indigenous Community. Election of officers, greetings from various organizations, Annual Report and the financials were presented.

Our ACW hosted our first Spring Tea held on Saturday, May 27th. This event was a great success. An evening of food, fun and live entertainment. A colourful display of outfits and various styles of hats. A short article about our Spring Tea was submitted and published in the fall ACW Diocesan Newsletter.

ACW members attended some social events where we received invitations from our sister churches:

- The Gathering: Five members of St Paul's attended, hosted by ACW at Holy Trinity, Thornhill.
- The Church of the Nativity: Held its Multicultural Day on Saturday, May 13th, members of St. Paul's ACW attended.
- Fling into Fall: A group of ACW members attended, hosted by the ACW members at Christ the King, Etobicoke.
- Food Insecurity Lecture on Monday, September 25th by zoom hosted by The Catholic Women's League

ACW Outreach: Members prepared and donated 2 dinners to Youth Without Shelter in the Spring and the Fall. These were very rewarding and successful events, a lovely letter of thanks and appreciation for the community support was received from YWS as well as expressing the youth's enjoyment of the meals. YWS appreciates all the community support and the help given to end homelessness. Ernestine's: We collected feminine products and toiletries with the support of many of our parish members who donated items, their time, collected, sorted and delivered them to the respective location.

ACW Diocese of Toronto quarterly newsletters were shared via emails and print outs available to the parish. The newsletters can also be accessed on the Diocese of Toronto's Website.

ACW Craft Table at our annual Bazaar had several items created by past members and some new items were made and/or donated by current members allowing us to share our talents. We also held a table at the Christmas Market hosted by our area Councillor, where some of our jewelry and craft items were available for purchase.

2024 Canadian Church Calendars were available at \$7.00 each. The Calendar sold out quite quickly this year thanks to your generous support.

We have had a year of many blessings as the members met, discuss, had moments of reflection where we connect and shared our gifts, our thoughts, our journeys, learnt from each other, prayed with and for each other.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Durant
ACW, St. Paul the Apostle, Rexdale

Parkdale – West Toronto Deanery

ST. OLAVE'S, SWANSEA (TORONTO)

The Anglican Church Women (ACW) includes all the women who are members of St. Olave's. While many women belong to the Mary and Martha group and to the ACW Executive, many of those who do not are active in several ways, be it singing in the choir, serving on the Altar Guild, teaching Junior Church, greeting, reading lessons, helping with community outreach such as Hunger Patrol and Parkdale Golden Age Foundation Meals for Seniors, serving in some official capacity or simply volunteering for events and providing much needed support.

We would like to acknowledge the contribution of Wardens Janice Douglas, Sharm Powell, and Carol Ambler. Treasurer Annis Tebbutt; St O's indefatigable and invaluable Church Secretary Judy Beal; Altar Guild, Dale Allen, Louise Rennie, Tina Sweeney, Margaret Roze, Caroline Audet (flowers) Alicia and Karen Christopher; Junior Church Coordinator Siobhan Carmichael; live streaming crew Janice Douglas, Aden Shapland, Carol Ambler; Chair of the Second Century Fund, Carol Drummond; Chair of the Stewardship Committee, Martha Drake; Convener of Mary and Martha Louise Rennie; Coffee Hour Co-Conveners Lisa Jeens and Alicia Christopher; and Convener of greeters and Youth Group Leader Carol Ambler.

Activities in 2023 included the following:

- Hosting 3 coffee hours and summer Lemonade on the Lawn.
- January: Stripping of the 2022 Christmas and mitten trees, items from the mitten tree donated and delivered by Lily K to the Ukrainian Social Services for war refugees.
- April 1 Zoom prayer breakfast with Wycliffe College:
- April 15 Book Sale & Give Away in the St. Olave's Community Day organized by Junior Church leader Siobhan Carmichael.
- July 15 Participation and Book Sale in the Community Day held in conjunction with the Bloor St. BIA Street Fest.
- November 18 participated in the Christmas Market Craft sale and held a successful Gift Basket Raffle.
- December: Hosted a table at the St. Olave's Christmas Community Dinner December 2; Decorated the traditional Christmas and mitten trees. The items from the mitten tree were donated to the Sistering Agency for Women & Children.

- Fund raising activities such as raffles, No Bake Sale, Books, Art, Treasures & Knitting sales, sustained the ACW charitable donations and support for church programs, including part of the cost of a cleaner, in 2023.

Donation of Easter Bags to Seniors through LOFT will be resumed in 2024.

In the partnership between St. Olave's and Parkdale Golden Age Foundation (PGAF), the ACW assists the team lead by Joyce Pinnock in the **Meal for Seniors Program** by taking meal orders, packing and delivering an average of 45 meals every other Wednesday. This community outreach program is enhanced by the participation of ADDUS which provides the desserts.

The Mary and Martha group enjoyed the in-person meetings with a variety of programs held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. There was a summer hiatus. New members were welcomed.

We were saddened by the loss of Rev. Canon Ruth S. Smith, Rev. Diana Spencer, Crena Swingler and Cynthia Markham. Rev. Canon Ruth S. Smith served as Honorary Assistant to the parish and then as president of the ACW. A donation was made in her memory to Dorothy Ley Hospice. Rev. Diana Spencer, a regular at Bible Study inspired us with her quiet faith and dignity. Crena Swingler, a long-time member of St. Olave's was actively involved in Hunger Patrol from its inception, During her short time at St. Olave's, Cynthia Markham attended services & coffee hour regularly and had started to go to Bible Study and Mary & Martha. Our lives were touched by them.

This report is submitted on behalf of the executive members Bette Birmingham, Judy Sher and Margaret Roze.

Report respectfully submitted to Annual Vestry Meeting by,
Sheila Tait, ODT
St. Olave's ACW President
(Edited / jb)

YORK - SIMCOE AREA REPORT

Holland Deanery

ST. JAMES, SHARON

In 2023 our activities included:

1. ACW members helped prepare two community dinners (March and October) for people in need in our community at the Inn From the Cold in Newmarket. We prepared the meal in the kitchen at the Inn and staff members distributed the food via takeout containers. Approximately 80 guests were served at each dinner. Socks, underwear, and mittens were given to the Inn clients. In 2024, we will be hosting community dinners in March and November.
2. We participated in the 2023 World Day of Prayer (Taiwan) with members joining the joint church choir. I was on the Planning Committee. It was a successful event as members of all churches were excited to be worshipping together again after the isolation of COVID.

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3. We had a successful Spring plant sale in May and a series of Advent Sunday mini-sales which included baking, crafts, and a sealed bid auction.
4. We are slowly trying to do more in-person events. To this end, four members passed their Food Handling certification and we had our kitchen inspected by Public Health which we passed with flying colours!
5. We are looking forward to working together in 2024!

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Hodgson

ST. JAMES, ORILLIA

Held 3 fundraisers: a Spring Plant, Bake and Craft sale; a 2nd Fashion Show and High Tea (with our thrift shop); and, St Nick's Children's Shopping Day with a mini Christmas Craft and Bake sale for the adults.

Supplied "Cheer" gifts for the Pastoral Care team to deliver to "shut-in" parishioners at Easter and Christmas.

Celebrated ACW Sunday with Bishop Riscylla and who joined us for a parish luncheon.

Used our funds to support Couchiching Jubilee House, the Toronto Diocesan ACW, the Arthur Turner Training School in the Diocese of the Arctic, Honduran Scholarships, and made a substantial donation to our own St James' Church.

Coordinated the St James' Christmas Project, supplying funds for gifts and food for 22 families, (57 children 38 adults)

Respectfully submitted,
Julia Nicholls

ST. PAUL WASHAGO, PARISH OF WASAGO PRICES CORNERS

We finally were able to hold our bazaar in October with meat pies we had made, baking, and knitting by Donna Crawford. Money from the bazaar was sent to Faithworks.

We collected over 100 pounds of food and cash for Sharing place food bank at Thanksgiving. Socks, undies, mitts, hats and scarves were collected for the Lighthouse Shelter for Advent. We sold Donna's knitting at our fitness centre before Christmas to raise more money for our outreach program.

We decided that we would not have our annual pancake supper as there was still too much illness in our area. We did collect more food for the food bank and we have filled baby bottles with money for the Pregnancy centre. Another donation to Faithworks will be done in the spring.

We celebrated the 95th birthday of one of our parishioners in January. Our wonderful priest has retired and we are in reorganizational process right now but we are still strong and of good faith and trying to be of support to our community.

Respectfully submitted,
Judith Ebbert

Tecumseth Deanery

TRINITY CHURCH, BRADFORD

Trinity Bradford does not have a formal ACW, but rather we have a strong contingent of women who lead and are involved in the ministry, particularly ministry to the wider community. A few highlights include:

Our Krafty Knitters meet twice a month to share the projects they are working on that include newborn beanies that are given to two local hospitals, prayer shawls that are blessed and distributed and baptismal blankets that are given to all baptismal candidates as a sign our prayers enwrapping them and our promise to support them in their faith, as well items donated to various craft sales. All are welcome whether they are crafting or just dropping in for a time of fellowship.

Our Second-Hand shop not only is a fundraiser for the parish but an important part of our outreach to the community, providing assistance to new refugees and immigrants, to those struggling to afford clothes and other essential items and victims of house fires when they lose most of their possessions. We work with local agencies who can refer people in need of clothing and household items.

The monthly Ladies Coffee Break started with a small group of ladies who wanted to get together on a Saturday morning for coffee and conversation. That was six years ago and the group, which still meets every month, has welcomed not only parishioners but community members as well who drop by for a “cuppa” and conversation. The group recently decided to invite men as well but remains primarily women.

While we may not have a formal ACW, the women of Trinity are active in every aspect of our ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. Dana Dickson

York Central Deanery

CHRIST CHURCH, STOUFFVILLE

The ACW has played a vibrant role in the life of the Anglican Church for many years and serves to bring women of all ages together for social and service opportunities.

Fundraising activities included a delicious take-out Ham and Scalloped Potato dinner, Poinsettia Plant sale and a beautiful hand-made quilt raffle. We gratefully thank all who helped in the organization, preparation of food, serving, clean-up, and buying dinners, plants, and quilt tickets. This support is invaluable in the life of the church and neighbouring community.

We acknowledged Mother’s Day with beautiful carnations for each lady who joined us at church that day. A big thank you to Gail Ranger for her kind donation of the flowers.

Other parish events were two Muffin Breakfasts with exceptional guest speakers including our own Rev Canon Lisa Newland who thoughtfully shared her experiences leading up to her call into ministry. The second guest speaker was Beth Bowman who generously shared her brave journey navigating through a traumatic head injury recovery from a car accident many years ago.

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Another highlight was the celebration of ACW Sunday with guest speaker Mary Asbil who delighted us with her background work with the ACW in her own church and her recent travels to India. Mary brought along her husband, (Bishop Andrew Asbil), and a few members of her family. Special music was provided by Cathy Tubb and accompanied by Gary Heard – thank you to both! After the service, the ACW hosted a parish lunch for a time of fun and fellowship.

Our Christmas pot-luck dinner was a little smaller this year due to an unfriendly invasion of Covid, however a good time was held by all who were able to join us for yummy food and fellowship. We missed everyone who was unable to attend this year!

All Women in Christ Church are ACW members and many also serve on other committees such as Altar Guild, Local Outreach, Wardens, Seniors Service, Hospitality, Greeters, Funeral Receptions, Side Persons, Choir, Welcoming committee, Social Justice, Library, Lay Readers, and Counters. It is the composition of the ministries individually and collectively that make Christ Church such a vibrant community and we continue to look for ways to grow and attract new members of all ages.

Respectfully submitted,
Co-Presidents: Glenda Kerr & Wilma Scorrar
Past Co-Presidents: Susan Walmsley & Eleanor Winters
Deputy Leaders: Gail Ranger & Bev Whittaker

GRACE CHURCH, MARKHAM

In 2023 we held our first Rummage Sale since Covid. It was a very successful event with over 200 shoppers. It also brings in many volunteers to help over the 3 days that we take for set up and the sale, including men and women of the church and students from several of the schools in our area.

In November we held our Christmas Bazaar and this year we welcomed Santa Claus to sit for photos with children and families. A new festive lunch was introduced which was very well received. With these two events we were able to make donations both to the church and several charities that we have supported in the past.

We held our monthly meetings and invited speakers to a couple. Ruth Briffett gave a wonderful talk on her history and experiences on the chancel and altar guilds and Rev. Nicola Skinner gave a presentation on her 16 day walk on the Cornish Celtic Way.

We helped with refreshments for 7 funerals and catered for 3 Lions' Dinners. For our June meeting we enjoyed lunch at the Mandarin.

In January 2024 we held our ACW Sunday, we talked about the history of the ACW from the Diocesan level to our own ACW with some old photos and names of all our the Presidents since 1967.

A successful Paint Night was held, in March to which all members of the parish were invited. We plan to have a couple of speakers and will hold a Pot Luck Dinner in June and a Pot Luck Lunch in December.

Our Rummage Sale this year will be held on Saturday April 13, 2024 and the Bazaar will be on Saturday November 9, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Baird, ACW Secretary

HOLY TRINITY, THORNHILL

Throughout 2023, the ACW continued to be very active. Ongoing fundraising initiatives included microwave dish cozies, an occasional book sale during coffee hours, and the collection of jewellery in the Treasure Chest.

In April, we hosted a Diocesan ACW “Women’s Gathering”. More than 60 women from the Diocese enjoyed an afternoon of “fun and fellowship” which included a devotional, a sing-along, a video presentation of “The Waltz of the Walkers” and refreshments.

In November, the Festival of Christmas was again a popular and successful event. The Festival included the raffle (with a quilt made by our quilters), the always popular bake sale, the Country Store, the Christmas Past Room, a jewellery room and a This ‘n’ That room. A delicious light lunch of sandwiches, salad and squares was available. Pre-ordered Poinsettias were picked up during the Festival.

The above fundraising activities allowed us to donate to selected charities supporting women and children and to community programs.

The ACW groups continue to meet in person or virtually to enjoy times of fellowship. All women in the parish are ACW members and are welcome to join a group.

Respectfully submitted,
Enid Corbett

ST. MARY'S, RICHMOND HILL

In advance of the Advent Season, St. Mary’s ACW held our Annual Christmas Market & Luncheon on November 18th. The ACW leadership was very thankful for the outstanding support of our parishioners who helped set up, donated, shopped, and supported our tables as part of a team. Additionally, we congratulate the chefs and volunteers who worked so hard in the kitchen to prepare a delicious luncheon which was served by hostesses, servers, and runners in the ‘the 1872 Chapel’ amidst Christmas décor and live piano music. The Poinsettia Sale was an unqualified success as well. A thank you is extended to Rev. Karen Hatch for her ongoing support. The Christmas Market is St. Mary’s ACW’s largest fundraising event and provides an opportunity to connect with all our parishioners, our community, and the City of Richmond Hill – an outreach opportunity.

Our Annual General Meeting was held December 17th. After enjoying a tasty breakfast, we proceeded with the Business Meeting. Our main business concerned the disbursement of our Christmas Market proceeds in response to the Grant Requests from the parish. Following an open discussion from the floor, we voted unanimously to disburse donations to the parish, committees in the parish, as well as our outreach donations to charities in our community. The AGM Breakfast was a celebratory occasion to wrap up our active and successful 2023 year of fellowship, prayer, learning, and service.

In January, our Leadership Team met to discuss the Christmas Market with a focus on successes and areas for improvement. In addition, we planned a preliminary framework of events for the 2024 ACW year.

We plan to have representation at The Anglican Church Women Diocese of Toronto’s AGM meeting April 20th (ZOOM), which we will report on at the Spring Pot Luck Supper on May 28th. We will look forward to this occasion to share in good food, conversation, and the insight of a guest speaker from our community.

Of course, the Leadership Team will also begin the planning meetings for the 2024 Christmas Market & Luncheon scheduled for November, followed by the AGM held in early December. Other events may be planned when an opportunity for fellowship and outreach arises. All in all, the Leadership Team anticipates another year of fulfilling experiences for the ACW at St. Mary's.

Respectfully submitted,
ACW Leadership Team

TRENT - DURHAM AREA REPORT

Durham-Northumberland Deanery

ST. JOHN'S BOWMANVILLE

We held a Phantom Tea to raise money for Rectory repairs. A poem was written on pretty paper and inserted in an envelope. Instead of asking for baked goods or selling tickets, we asked people to donate. We received \$750.00 for Rectory repairs.

The ladies make about 75 palm crosses.

Two ladies knit little chickens that hold a plastic egg filled with jelly beans. A poem explaining the Easter story with the jelly beans is attached. This is distributed to Sunday school children on Easter.

Our Community corner group makes quilts to be distributed by Children's Aid. They also make shawls, lapghans and scarves which are given to local hospitals. We also make hats, scarves and mitts for the Sea Farers mission.

We catered 2 funerals in 2023. We charge \$10 per person. We serve sandwiches and desserts plus tea, coffee, and juice.

Respectfully submitted,
Mavis Mckenna

ST. JOHN'S PORT HOPE

Our church is a busy place with many things taking place.

Currently for Lent, we have a book club that meets on Mondays to study the book called '40 Day Journey with Dietrich Bonhoeffer.

There is also an ongoing Bible Study group that meets Sunday mornings, at 9:30 called 'Church Connection', at which time we discuss scriptures.

We have several other groups within the church, such as Outreach, The Trinity Group, Children's and Families Ministry. A couple of Prayer groups meet on Zoom in the mornings.

We have a thriving Food Ministry which holds a community dinner once a month, no charge and anyone can come. Also, about 50 frozen meals are prepared for Greenwood. Produce is grown in our Spiritual Garden is maintained, and the food collected is distributed to the Food Bank, as well as used in the Community dinners.

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Treasure Trove is our 'second hand' outlet that sells great used clothing etc. for anyone. Very inexpensive and a real boom to the community as well as a fund raiser for the church. It will re-open again on April 10th. Here donated clothing is sorted and displayed, and sold locally and to whomever. It is extremely busy and popular.

Just recently two of our Groups joined and held a Chili dinner event on Jan. 27, to raise money for the Food Ministry as well as for the Homeless.

Other members take part in visiting the shut-ins, offering flowers and often knitted shawls.

Our Advisory Board meets when needed, to discuss church matters. Our church was also recently involved in the World Day of Prayer, along with some of our sister churches in Port Hope.

We also host The Repair Cafe 4 times a year. Volunteers try to fix items that are brought in, and there is no charge. The Food Ministry also provides an array of food for anyone. This operates roughly 4 times a year.

At Christmas time, St. John's produces The Christmas Story - which has been going on for the past 60 years.

Recently, after Wed. Services, luncheons have been arranged and prepared for anyone. This is a 'welcome' and social event to all. It is called the Emmaus Café. This mission has been taken on by The Food Ministry. Our Sunday School teacher Penny runs a Vacation Bible School, during the summer, where 'campers' learn about basic veggie gardening, as well as Christian based teachings.

Our minister, The Hon. Rev. Jesse Parker is a wonderful asset to our Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Miller
The Trinity Group - ACW

Oshawa Deanery

The following reports were collected and submitted by Oshawa Deanery Representative, Carolyn Atkinson.

ALL SAINTS, WHITBY

All Saints is a busy parish in downtown Whitby. They host a food bank, held a successful Christmas Bazaar, and Christmas hampers. A Spring tea was held in correlation with the coronation of King Charles III. A plant, book and bake sale was held in June. Very successful. Regular Sunday services are held at the church.

CHRIST CHURCH, OSHAWA

This is an active parish with regular Sunday services. The congregation can bring food for the Oshawa food bank. A successful craft sale was held before Halloween. The "Sunshine Thrift Shop" is open Thursday and Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Regular Sunday Services are held at 9 and 11 a.m. and Wednesday mornings at 9 a.m.

ST GEORGE'S, OSHAWA

This is a very busy parish in Oshawa. The members joined in the Christmas Merry Market and in the summer market in downtown Oshawa. The church has a very busy prayer shawl and pocket cross ministry with these items available to everyone. The shawls and pocket crosses are blessed monthly. The St. Bede's group meets monthly, enjoying speakers, and other activities. Corporate communion and evensong are held 2-3 times a year. In 2024 St. George's is celebrating 100 years in the community. A new Minister was welcomed to the parish in February of 2024

ST MARTIN'S COURTYARD

St. Martin's services are held every Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the chapel at Whitecliffe Terrace. We are a small congregation but are involved in World Day of Prayer and the area Ecumenical dinner. This parish is a blessing to the residents of Whitecliffe and to its congregation.

ST. MATTHEW'S OSHAWA

This parish supports the food bank at St. Peter's church. The church has a group called "Circle of Friends" which meets on a monthly basis with ongoing activities. The Christmas Bazaar was very successful with an earning of \$8,000.00. The church has regular Sunday services

Peterborough Deanery

ALL SAINTS, PETERBOROUGH: continue to have regular ACW meetings but have declining member attendance--average attendance 12. They do no fundraising because of age and medical problems.

ST. MATTHEW/ ST. AIDAN, BUCKHORN: decided to discontinue ACW (due to age, health and distance to travel). Women who can, continue to help at church events. They are interested in ACW news and , those who can, will attend a Women's Gathering or Deanery Day when scheduled. They did participate for the World Day of Prayer with Lakefield churches.

ST. THOMAS, MILLBROOK: declining church congregation. They have struggled but continue to have ACW meetings: (membership 7). The ACW has resumed working church events, including occasional dinners and regular Lion's dinners (scheduled every 2 months).

ST. JAMES, EMILY: a growing congregation. They have reactivated their ACW. They schedule meetings after church services. They do fund raise as a congregation. They have hosted the World Day of Prayer.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, PETERBOROUGH: continue to hold monthly meetings; also have declining membership (average attendance 8 to 10.) Any meeting having a speaker is announced in the weekly "Grapevine" on Facebook and advertised by clergy at church. Those meetings are open to anyone and the talk and refreshments occur before the business meeting. Guests are free to stay or leave as they wish (usually 20 or more at these). Fund raising is far less than in the past as most members do not find they can work like they used to. In 2023 the ACW used some trust fund money to augment raised funds so that substantial money was given to the Sleep Cabin program to house the homeless and a donation to the Kawartha Food bank and One Roof Community Centre (feeding the hungry/homeless) and other worthy causes The ACW hosts the coffee hour after Sunday service once a month. Only 2 of the chancel guild members attend ACW meetings. Several ACW members participate in Intergenerational meal, activity and short church service events held about 5 times a year.

ST. LUKE'S, PETERBOROUGH: no ACW. No report. I know they have a thrift shop and hold "messy church".

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, LAKEFIELD: Few active members in ACW. Those who can, keep busy but rely on congregation active participation to do events. Lenten lunches held weekly during Lent are popular. (Soup lunch and guest speaker). They also had the Women's Day of Prayer for their area.

THE REGIONAL CHURCHES:

THE PARISH OF BELMONT (ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HAVELOCK AND ST. MICHAEL'S, WESTWOOD) ST. MICHAEL'S has a book sale on Tuesdays. This is a very small congregation. ST. JOHN'S does have ACW meetings after church prn. They may have an indoor one day sale or periodic outdoor rummage sales.

THE OTHER 3 CHURCHES IN REGIONAL MINISTRY GROUP:

CHRIST CHURCH, CAMPBELLFORD: the only one with an active ACW who hold regular monthly meetings (about 17 attendance). Although they welcome anyone from the other regional churches to attend, distance from other churches is a problem for many. It holds dinners and sales to fund raise. **ST. GEORGE'S, HASTINGS** has regular butter tart sales (purchased in bulk from a Bakery and resold) several times a year. Everyone has rejoiced that **ST. JAMES, ROSENEATH** has resumed services in their own church again (rebuilt post fire a few years ago) after concerted fund raising and planning.

The regional Churches are meeting to rebrand (name) their Regional Ministry of churches.

Respectfully submitted,
Gerri Currier
Peterborough Deanery ACW Rep

YORK - SCARBOROUGH AREA REPORT

York Mills Deanery

As I finalize this report, we mark the fourth anniversary of the COVID-19 World Pandemic. Thankfully, this year I am feeling more of a sense of stability within the Deanery that has been missing for the past few years. The nine congregations within our busy Deanery of York Mills are: Church of Our Saviour Anglican Church; Church of the Ascension Anglican Church; The Church of the Incarnation Anglican Church; St. Christopher's Anglican Church; St. Cyprian's Anglican Church; St. George on Yonge Anglican Church; St. John's Anglican Church, Willowdale; St. Matthew the Apostle Oriole Anglican Church; and last, meantime certainly not least, St. Theodore of Canterbury Anglican Church.

Located within the York Mills Deanery, there are also two Ministries, the first of which is **The Sisterhood of St. John the Divine**, an Anglican monastic community founded in Toronto in 1884. During the past one hundred and thirty-nine years, the Sisters have lived a life of prayer and service to the church throughout Canada, pioneering in: health care; education; care of the elderly; retreats; and spiritual formation. St. John's Rehabilitation Hospital, which is next door to the east of the Convent, is partnered with Sunnybrook Hospital. For many years, in their sacred space at the Convent, they have provided "Food For The Soul" programs as they welcome visitors to participate in: worship, prayer, and song; a variety of programs and workshops; quiet days; and daytime, overnight, personal, and group retreats.

Modern technology continued to allow for delivery of their regular programs: via virtual meetings; Zoom lessons; musical retreats; spiritual direction; and meditation. Looking to the future, all of their regular programs continue, while the overnight retreats are temporarily suspended until the long awaited Guest House renovations are completed. The **Anglican Church Women's Board** is generously donating ten thousand dollars to this worthy project. Meanwhile, there remains a shortage of one million dollars, thus all financial donations would be gratefully received. As always, all would be welcome who could spare a few hours of volunteer time at the Convent. For more details, or to learn about their publication entitled "The Eagle", their website address is www.ssjd.ca, their telephone number is 416- 226-2201, and they are located at 233 Cummer Avenue in Willowdale.

Our second Ministry is the **Flemingdon Park Ministry**, incorporated in 2009, and whose slogan is "Building Community Through Compassionate Service". Maria Reolin is the Executive Director, ably assisted by Banazir and Melodie. This community based agency has been walking alongside, and working with the people of Flemingdon Park for fifty-six years. In addition to the local Food Bank's assistance within the community, F.P.M. distributed food to over fifty families per week. Food was also supplied to over fifty seniors through the F.P.M. wellness program. Cob's Bakery provided bread twice a month for these same people. They also have: a clothing bank; weekly English classes, plus Bible and Koran studies; art and craft classes; and an exercise program five days per week. Workshops: informed the immigrants of Canadian laws and basic women's rights; included cooking classes which demonstrated nutritious and affordable meal preparation; and they partnered with community programs teaching financial independence, self defense, and much more. Some past recipients of the Flemingdon Park Ministry now volunteer on a regular basis, and women from Northlea United Church visited regularly to support the Flemingdon Park Women's Group. Financially, thankfully grants provided some of the money for programs. Meantime each grant covered that particular program, and did not take into consideration all of the annual fixed expenses, for example: rent and hydro; coffee and disposable cups for close to one hundred daily visitors; et cetera. Thus their purse strings are stretched to the limit, and subsequently their "Food and Friendship Program" remains on hold due to the lack of funds. In addition, over the last year or so, it was necessary to eliminate two staff positions. Henceforth the "Common Table Farm" project will be overseen by a part time worker. Beginning in 2017, **Church of Our Saviour**, provided the space for the "Common Table Farm" project which believes in access to healthy food for all communities. Partnering with a local Don Mills school gave the children the opportunity to visit and learn about farming, pollinators, and native plants throughout the different seasons. The grown produce was distributed to Flemingdon Park community residents, many of whom were newcomers to Canada. This project helped to alleviate food insecurity within the community as they worked to care for the Earth and toward a more just and equitable food system for all. Meanwhile, there is much to be accomplished, thus your financial contributions or volunteering your time would be warmly welcomed and appreciated.

Sadly, I report that the Anglican Church Women's group at **Church of the Ascension** did not meet in 2023, nor did they have any fund raising events. Meantime I quote from a portion of the **Church of Our Saviour's** ACW REPORT FOR 2023: "Both spiritually and financially it was another successful year for our ACW, and we would like to thank all our members for their dedication and hard work. The ACW women donated baking and preserves at the June 3 Yard Sale organized by our church. The very successful ACW Christmas Bazaar, which included a raffle and silent auction, took place on Saturday, November 25. Again this year we had a wonderful selection of: baked goods and preserves; jewelry; poinsettias and Christmas plants; and books. We were delighted with the number of people who came out, and the success of this event. From a donations perspective, we continued to support our chosen charities and contributed to the church fundraising for new heating controls. Additionally, we were able to increase our support to Moorelands summer camp, make a donation to the Red Cross Fire Relief in Nova Scotia, and the Canadian Red Cross for the Ukraine crisis. Thank you to all those who supported and contributed to our events, and came out to participate this past year."

Five local churches and including these two congregations, plus myself, met for an inspirational World Day of Prayer service at St. Bonaventure Catholic Church on Saturday, March 18. Again quoting from the above Report: “The service was written by the women of Taiwan and the focus of discussion was ‘hope and faith’. It is always a rewarding and an educational experience to come together for a common day of prayer with our sisters in other countries, languages and culture.”

Not all Anglican Churches have a women’s group who meet on a regular basis and specifically one entitled the Anglican Church Women, affectionately known as the A.C.W. **It matters not, for the reality is, that every female attending an Anglican church IS an Anglican Church Woman!** As such, many, not belonging to an official group, regularly support the Diocesan A.C.W. by: attending the Annual General Meeting plus other sanctioned gatherings; generously donating financially; and subscribing annually to the Toronto Diocesan A.C.W. Newsletter through PAL (Prayer, Action, and Learning). This financial support is greatly appreciated as the Diocesan Board’s largest charitable donation is ten thousand dollars forwarded annually to **The Council of the North**. If you have any A.C.W. questions or concerns, contact may be made via telephone at 416-363-0018 or Email to ‘acw@toronto.anglican.ca’. Your suggestions, insight, comments, et cetera, are also most welcome.

With joy and thanksgiving, I sincerely thank all of the **Anglican Women** who worshiped in the nine parishes within the Deanery of York Mills, as I recognize that, while wearing many hats, numerous women continue to work quietly behind the scenes “where they hide their little lights under their bushels”! Over and above Sunday Worship Services, we thank all who were busily involved: churchwardens and deputies who worked tirelessly in countless ways and with a multitude of challenges; treasurers, envelope secretaries, stewardship campaigners, and financial steering committees; astute property managers; office administrators; teams of people who kept us connected by telephone and internet; advisory board members; amazing fund raising teams; parish nurses; pastoral ministry teams; lay synod members; parish selection committees; and those members who were committed to the Diocesan Committees regarding Anti-Bias and Anti-Racism (ABAR), responsible ministry, social justice, outreach, and advocacy.

I am pleased to report that most of our churches have a few new families worshipping regularly, of which some were non-Christian newcomers to Canada. On Sundays, we were incredibly grateful for those who assisted the Priests in Charge or the Interim Ministers. We were blessed to have the dedication, commitment, and organizational skills of our faithful Chancel or Altar Guild members who shared their time and talents for the work of God. In addition to them, there were other faithful people at each Sunday service: honorary assistants and deacons; candle bearers, crucifers, and servers; lay anointers, readers, and intercessors; wardens; choir members and music leaders; greeters, sides people, and counters; the livestreaming ministry teams who kept those at home connected virtually; Sunday School teachers, Messy Church leaders, nursery attendants, and creative volunteers who assisted with all the children and youth programs; and the dedicated hospitality teams who provided refreshments following Sunday services. Thank you also to all of the parishioners for their continued generous financial support, encouragement, and commitment.

Over and above the Sunday services, some of the in person or virtual services, programs and/or events held within our nine parishes included: morning and/or “Evening Compline” services, prayer groups, and meditations; Good Friday Stations of the Cross; Bible study, and including a group of young adults; World Day of Prayer services; pastoral care visits with the elderly and those shut-in, and sending greeting cards; and weekly insightful old testament commentaries.

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH: Most of our churches had a weekly electronic update of congregational news. For those people with no internet service, a telephone tree kept most of them connected with church happenings. All of our parishes were feeling the pinch of a Covid-19 shrunken volunteer base. We deeply appreciated all who contributed their time, talent, and treasure offering or assisting with the following: participation in events such as the “Reverse Advent Calendar” Food Drive, and where the need continued to be so great, generous donations were made to local food and clothing banks; every second month gift card distributions, plus the delivery of Christmas gift cards or hampers, and an Advent “adopt a family” project; Salvation Army back pack and school supplies drive; volunteering with NeighbourLink North York; provisions and clothing were supplied to the Mission to Seafarers; assisting with English as a Second Language classes, plus children’s reading programs; providing space for community vegetable gardens; refugee sponsorship programs and including the purchase of honey and Amaryllis bulbs to support the Don Valley Refugee Resettlers (DVRR) projects; meditation and exercise classes; September welcome back barbecues; participation in the fifth anniversary memorial of the Yonge Street tragedy, and/or being involved with the multi faith Willowdale Church Coalition which was formed following the 2018 van attack; and used postage stamp plus eye glass collections which were donated to the appropriate charities. Several of our church buildings host day care programs for which parish members were active on the Board of Directors. Numerous volunteers assisted elsewhere in the community, outside of the church walls. Over and above the aforementioned, a few of the 2023 fund raisers: selling Church Calendars; walkathons; pancake suppers; and a parking lot car trunk sale. Financial assistance was provided to the Oriole Food Space, and to the Toronto Urban Native Ministry.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: At **St. Theodore’s**, the outdoor mini food bank “Deacon’s Cupboard”, was available for their immediate community 24/7; they supported newcomers to Canada plus church neighbours through several new projects including a “clothes swap”; and their annual Monk’s Cell Dinner returned after a three-year hiatus: at **St. Matthew the Apostle Oriole**, they had a community “prayer walk” in November along with members of Advent Lutheran Church; and the popular Travel Adventure Series again allowed members of the parish to share their travel experiences via Zoom presentations, several times throughout the year: at **St. John’s**, the new Pollinator Garden continues to thrive on the property between the church and the rectory: at **St. George on Yonge**, Ukrainian children meet and play together every two weeks; and parishioners have a monthly Friday night “Pub Knights” meeting which now includes a few members from **The Church of the Incarnation: St. Cyprian’s**, being a partner in the Tri-Congregational Church, took the Iona Presbyterian Church congregation under its wing after their Interim Minister retired, and jokingly we claimed we had all become Angliterations: **St. Christopher’s**, a Cantonese congregation, and also a partner in the Tri-Congregational Church, held senior exercise classes several times per week: **Church of the Ascension** hosted “Café 65” which is a weekly lunch and entertainment event enjoyed by church and community seniors; and located within their church, parishioners assisted with the Wednesday “Community Share” North York Harvest Food Bank: and **Church of Our Saviour** generously shared their outdoor space with the **Flemingdon Park Ministry’s** “Common Table Farm” project.

In all of the York Scarborough Area, only the Deanery of York Mills is represented within this Annual Report! In February, 2025, on behalf of your Church members, please consider submitting a 2024 Annual Report either in recognition of your Anglican Church Women’s group and/or representing the women of your congregation. You may also give some thought to becoming a member of the **Anglican Church Women’s Board and/or the Finance Committee**, whose meetings are mainly held via Zoom. You would be more than welcome, and it is a rewarding and informative experience to work with this wonderful group of remarkable women!

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May the peace of God which surpasses all understanding continue to uphold, strengthen, and bless us all. Compared to most of the world, we, living in Canada, are extremely fortunate. May God continue to richly bless you and those you love.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Macnamara

York Mills Deanery Representative

A member of St. Cyprian's Anglican Church, in partnership with the Tri-Congregational Church

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NATIONAL ACW PRAYER

Almighty God, we pray for your blessing and grace on our work and witness as Anglican Church Women in Canada. We give you thanks and praise for giving us wisdom, knowledge and understanding so that we may serve you in spirit and truth. Called to be your church, may our study, learning, worship and service be always to your glory and the building of your kingdom in our communities and throughout the world. In our ministry may we always respond to the needs of others with your love. We pray in the name of the One who redeemed and loves us, your Son, Jesus our Saviour.

Amen.

MEMORIAL BOOK

Inscribed in the Book of Memory, 2023

Margaret Close
St. Cuthbert, Leaside
December 4, 2021



Doreen Marks
Holy Trinity, Thornhill
January 3, 2023



Mary Kearns
Holy Trinity, Thornhill
October 3, 2023



Tony Buckle
St. Cuthbert, Leaside
July 31, 2022



Judith Stevenson
St Cuthbert, Leaside
January 25, 2023



Madeleine Daly
Holy Trinity, Thornhill
October 22, 2023



Betty Armstrong
St. Cuthbert, Leaside
December 1, 2022

Lila Anne McOuat
Grace Church,
Markham
April 12, 2023

Margret Wolstencroft
Holy Trinity, Thornhill
December 15, 2023