

# *Holy Cross Parish*

2009

ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDING April 30, 2009

**Mission Statement:** “The people of Holy Cross Parish are a community of clergy, religious and laity who, strengthened in Christ, and thankful for our blessings, seek to root ourselves in an authentic Christian community which is called to serve God in praise, each other in sharing, caring and healing, and our brothers and sisters, near and far, in prayer, peace and justice.

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# PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL REPORT

**Chair:** Joe Goski

The duties of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) are set out in section 2.01 of the Constitution. Primarily, the Council is a consultative body that shares with the Pastor and staff "the planning and coordinating of overall policies and goals of the Parish". As well, PPC is also to "coordinate, monitor and evaluate the work of the various parish ministries". In fact, PPC does not deliver any services itself but works through committees and we are very fortunate to have so many hard-working committees in the parish.

To carry out its duties, PPC usually meets once a month, except during July and August. Regular business meetings are scheduled to take place on the fourth Wednesday of each month. PPC also holds one or two additional meetings with the Pastor and Parish Staff each year to reflect on where the Parish has been going and to consider short and long-term plans or changes for the future.

We recognize and are grateful for the spiritual leadership of Fr. James Raphael CMF and Fr. Lukose Kochupurackal CMF. Their participation and involvement in the Parish Community and their personal warmth and concern for all parishioners is deeply appreciated.

Among the highlights of the parish's devotional and social life in 2008-09 were:

- Catholicism 201, an eight-week series of presentations about the sacraments and aspects of our faith, was conducted in the fall. Attendance averaged over 80 people per session and more than 100 parishioners attended at least some of the sessions.
- Participation in Stations of the Cross on Friday's in Lent continues to grow.
- This year's Lenten Mission focused on the teachings of St Paul.
- Attendance at Children's Liturgy during the 9:30 Mass has continued to grow; this program is planned and executed primarily by the parish youth group.
- First Communion and Confirmation were celebrated at a special Mass.
- Two of our parishioners attended World Youth Day in Australia; one parishioner recently returned from a posting in Australia with NET Ministries while another has taken up a posting in Canada with the same organization.
- The sound system has been upgraded.
- Our choirs presented a Christmas concert in December.
- A reception was held to congratulate couples celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries, including 65, 60, 50, 40 and 25 years.
- Movie nights were introduced recently, with the intention of making them a monthly event.

As is the case every year, our community life has been enriched by parishioners' generous contributions of time, talent and treasure. Parish Pastoral Council extends our gratitude to all who have done so much to build up our community.

# LITURGY

Chair: Miriam Basten

## Major topics of interest in the past year:

- The Children's Liturgy program at the 9:30 a.m. Sunday mass continues to be organized by the members of the Youth ministry and has been very successful.
- After receiving direction from the Archbishop with regards to posture during consecration, parishioners were asked to kneel during this time. The musicians would engage in a profound bow when the presider genuflects.
- The wording of the text that the announcer uses at the start of mass was revised so as to be more friendly and engaging. The announcer would also now join the procession of ministers at the end of mass.
- The new updated lectionary has arrived and will take effect on Pentecost (May 31).
- The speakers of the public address system were replaced allowing sound to be transmitted more clearly to the assembly in the body of the church. The musicians of the Sunday 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. masses have had to adapt to this change in location of speakers when setting up their microphones.
- Weekday mass on Tuesday continue to be held at 9:30 a.m. so that students from Holy Cross School can attend.
- The choirs continue to use overhead transparencies to project the words of the songs that are sung. We pay an annual fee to two licensing companies for the right to do this. Miriam submits usage reports every week using an on-line reporting system. Copyright compliance is something all choir leaders feel is very important.
- An Advent concert by our choirs on December 14 was a success.
- A commissioning blessing was given to the lectors at the end of mass on the weekend of November 23, and to the musicians at the end of the Advent Concert on December 14.
- The Rosary continues to be recited in the church before 12:15 mass and before the Saturday 5:00 p.m. mass during the months of October and May.
- Flyers and booklets were provided for sale to help with personal devotions during Advent and Lent.
- Different parish groups once again took turns leading the Friday evening Stations of the Cross devotion. This year a half hour of Adoration was added starting at 6:30 p.m.
- For Holy Thursday we chose once again to use the traditional format of the "washing of the feet".
- Members from all our parish choirs combined to sing for the Triduum liturgies.
- Members of the Knights of Columbus have done a great job assisting with parking outside and seating parishioners at liturgies with large crowds (e.g. Christmas, Good Friday, Easter Sunday).
- First Communion and Confirmation for Holy Cross and Holy Family Schools was held during an afternoon mass on Sunday, April 26.
- Training workshops for lectors/announcers were held, and many ideas to improve this ministry were put forward. Thank you Bob Laird for his continuing commitment to this ministry.

## We are looking forward to:

- Working on making our music choices fully copyright compliant.
- Replacing a number of broken music stands, microphone stands, and microphone cables.
- Organizing the Eucharistic procession for the end of the 9:30 mass on the feast of Corpus Christi (June 14).
- Improving the music on Easter morning.

- Organizing a choir concert during the Easter season, this hopefully will include the school choirs.
- Arranging for a commissioning blessing for a wider variety of ministries (e.g. Eucharistic ministers, servers)
- Finding out who our military veterans are and recognizing them on the Sunday closest to Remembrance Day.
- Encouraging new volunteers for the various liturgical ministries.
- Promoting attendance of liturgical ministers at diocesan liturgical workshops.
- Promoting the ministry of Greeter.
- Encouraging participation in the devotion of the Divine Mercy on the Sunday after Easter.
- Encouraging higher attendance at liturgies on the Feast of Mary the Mother of God (January 1), Holy Thursday, and the Easter Vigil.

**THANK YOU to the large number of people who make our parish liturgies so inspiring and run so smoothly:**

- Our pastors
- Parish staff
- The volunteers in all the liturgical ministries!

### **ALTAR LINEN**

We are like the widow in the Gospel (Mk 12:41-44) contributing our mite for the good of the parish in a quiet but efficient manner ensuring the pristine supply of altar linens. New names are most welcome.

## **Christian Education**

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

This year was the second year with the reformed program to align the program with the liturgy outlined by the diocese. The Children's Liturgy program continues to grow and the majority of the children attend regularly. Parents often give positive feedback to the leaders. Currently there are 4 volunteer leaders and ten volunteers who help with the set up, music and readings. Children's Liturgy targets children aged three to twelve.

Children's Liturgy is held almost every Sunday from September until June during the first half of the 9:30 a.m. Mass. An average of between 25 and 35 children participate in the liturgy. Sundays when the children do not have Children's Liturgy, they are encouraged to participate with the entire community. The Children's Liturgy follows the Liturgy of the Word with a few adjustments for the children. There is an opening prayer, one reading, a psalm, the Gospel, a short reflection, the Apostle's Creed and the prayers of the faithful. The children return upstairs to participate in the second part of the Mass.

There were several special children's liturgies this year. First, the children liturgy had special liturgies during Advent by singing an Advent song sung in the schools and lighting a small Advent wreath downstairs. Second, on the first Sunday in February, the children coloured and signed over one hundred Valentine's cards for the Pastoral Care Committee who gave them to elderly, sick and grieving parishioners. Finally, a special liturgy was held on Good Friday at 10:30 a.m. Around 60 children and their parents heard the Passion Narrative and walked the Stations of the Cross.

Frs. James and Lukose continue to gather the children before the altar at the start of Mass to make contact with the children. The children are also encouraged to participate in the Mass by carrying up the gifts on most Sundays.

## PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer-Group in Holy Cross has been in existence since 1993. Our mandate has always been and continues to be, to give praise and thanksgiving to our loving Father, to pray for all the people of Holy Cross, for peace in the world and for anyone who has asked us to pray for them.

Since December 2006 a new dimension has been added. After Fr. Dan Dubroy's beautiful talk on Divine Mercy and his explanation on The Cenacle's around Divine Mercy which have been forming in Ottawa, we decided, with Fr. James' permission, once a month on the second Saturday of every month, to change the format of the prayer-group and follow the Formation Manual for the Cenacle for the Eucharistic Apostles of The Divine Mercy. The format is simple and powerful. We start with a song of praise, then prayers of thanksgiving then a 30 to 45 minute discussion on the subject given in the manual. This can be a reading directly from the Manual, or from Scripture, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, or St. Faustina's Diary. We continue with prayers of petitions, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and finish with a song.

We meet every Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in meeting room A (the Cenacle meeting is a little bit longer) and everyone is always welcome.

## Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

**Chair:** Christina Chung

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process to assist adults in their journey to become members of the Catholic Church. Candidates, their sponsors and team members explore the liturgical calendar from the beginning of October until Pentecost. Currently, the team consists of Greg Yost, Eric Kramers, Barry Ryan and Christina Chung.

## PARISH & COMMUNITY LIFE

### PASTORAL CARE

**Chair:** Simonne Larouche

This ministry is responsible for providing support and visits to the addicted (and their families), depressed, lonely, sick and housebound when approached to do so. If the parishioner requests, Holy Communion will be brought to their home. Confidentiality is the cornerstone of this ministry. Our greatest challenge is to have parishioners request our service.

**MEETINGS:** FOUR General ones were held -- one every 3 months (September, December, March and June). Additional meetings are scheduled, as necessary, for SPECIAL EVENTS.

**MEMBERS:** TWENTY-ONE are active (6 of these also work with the Bereavement Committee). One is thankfully returning to Ottawa, in May, from hospital in Toronto. Two, and more, members are involved when we have SPECIAL EVENTS. One sends 'Parish Bulletins' to housebound parishioners. Two activate the 'Telephone line'. Three visit the 'Ottawa General and Ottawa Civic Hospitals'. One sends 'Get Well' and 'Sympathy' cards (approximately 78) and handwrites 'Valentine' envelopes (approximately 131).

**CARDS:** As of our March 4, 2009 meeting we now have one member (and a backup) to send future Get Well Cards and one member (and a backup) to send future Sympathy Cards and one member (and a backup) to send out future Valentines.

Approximate Number of Parishioners Visited: Fifty-Six parishioners were visited at home, church, hospital (not including the ones visited by the three who are part of the Ottawa General and Ottawa Civic Hospital Pastoral Care Teams. A hospital visit by each member may include up to twenty-five patients or more each visit.).

**TRAINING:** One new member took the mandatory Pastoral Care Ten Week Training Program. Ottawa Pastoral Care Training Program - Offered an ADVANCED 4-Part Series on March 18, 25 and April 1 and 8, 2009. (Full details are on file.).

**SICK LIST:** This list is in the PARISH BULLETIN and is monitored.

**SENIORS' HOMES:** Team Members assist at:

- **Billings Lodge:** Weekly Liturgy of the Word at 9:00 a.m. Mass -3rd Thursday every month.
- **Billingswood Manor:** Twice a year - Christmas and Easter
- **Landmark Court Retirement Home:** Mass at 10:00 a.m. - 2nd Thursday each month

## **SPECIAL EVENTS**

**PASTORAL CARE SUNDAY:** Celebrated on Sunday, September 7, 2008. A Pastoral Care Team Member spoke at each Mass.

**VISIT TO RESIDENTIAL HOME – FOYER PARTAGE:** September 18, 2008. Three team members experienced a delightful visit to meet with the Residents of Foyer Partage.

**SENIORS DAY:** Took place on Tuesday, December 9, 2008. This is the third one. Another great success attended by many Seniors. A treasured member of the SPECIAL EVENTS Team undertakes this really great project.

**VALENTINES:** We partner with the Children's Liturgy and the Bereavement Committee to send cards to sick and grieving parishioners. Our Valentine Card was, once again, delightfully designed and coloured by fellow parishioner, Ricki Armitage. This year the Children signed approximately 131 cards. All the envelopes were addressed by hand by one of our team members.

**PRAYER AND HOLY BIBLE READING GROUP:** Parishioners were invited to participate in 6 consecutive weeks of prayer and holy bible reading starting Thursday, February 19, 2009. The group was mentored by our treasured SPECIAL EVENTS member.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** Friday, March 6, 2009. Held at the Uplands Military Chapel. Papua, New Guinea was featured. Two Pastoral Care Team Members were in attendance and had reading parts in the program.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** We partner with the Bereavement Team to host and pray the Stations of the Cross on a Friday night during Lent. (Friday, April 3, 2009). The program for the Stations was prepared, once again, by our treasured SPECIAL EVENTS member. All expressed their appreciation by voicing how poignant and memorable the service was.

**FIRST FRIDAYS:** Pastoral Care Team Members are encouraged to attend Mass and afterwards bring Holy Communion, if possible, to housebound parishioners. At the end of the Mass the members of the team, who are in attendance, are called forward for a special blessing.

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**PRESENT PASTORAL CARE COORDINATOR'S:** Two Year term is completed. The torch will be passed to PATRICK DONNELLY, for a one year term at our Pastoral Care Meeting on June 3, 2009.

## **BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE**

**Chair:** June Kelly

The Bereavement Committee is an Ad Hoc Committee under the Pastoral Care Group and its mandate is to liaise between the parish priests and family members who have lost a loved one and assist in planning the liturgy for their funeral.

Our last Memorial Service was held on November 2, 2008 at which 104 deceased parishioners and or their relatives were honoured.

Since May 2008 there has been 59 parishioners who have died with a number of funerals held here at Holy Cross.

In December, 2008, Hub Deveau of the Bereavement Committee organized a Seniors Day celebration which included a Eucharistic mass at 12:15 p.m. and a luncheon in the church hall with sandwiches and cake. Santa Claus arrived and presented each senior with a Christmas gift. There were approximately 35 seniors in attendance.

A prayer and bible reading group coordinated by Hub Deveau was held in Feb/Mar 2009 at which 12 parishioners attended.

We now have only two members on our team who prepare funeral liturgies and we are in need of more volunteers to help with funeral arrangements for deceased parishioners.

## **HOSPITALITY**

**Chair:** Karen Flynn

The Hospitality Committee provides occasions for parishioners to gather for social activities after Mass, and invites participation from church members through other events. Along with our ongoing activities such as "Coffee Sundays", the Committee runs the "Old-Fashioned Parish Supper" in November, with wonderful assistance from the Youth Group, and hosts Strawberry Sunday in early July.

Once or twice a year, we ask parishioners for donations of baked goods. Last year, we had a bake table as part of the Christmas Craft sale in early December, which was very successful. The committee prepares freshly baked pies the day before, which always prove to be a popular item on the table.

Hospitality frequently works alongside other groups to assist with their parish events. We helped the Youth Group prepare for the Pasta Night they hosted. The committee provided the beef and lamb stews for the St. Patrick's Day party put on by the Knights of Columbus.

A sub-committee of Hospitality, providing Funeral Catering, has been active again this past year serving food and refreshments for families holding receptions at the church. Anyone who is interested in using this service is asked to contact the parish office, who will then get in touch with our committee.

We would like to thank all parishioners who helped us during the past year with food preparation and baking, and the many that have assisted in the kitchen with cleaning-up after large gatherings.

The committee is always willing to assist where needed, such as coordinating the celebration in the hall following the Easter Vigil. New members are always welcome.

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Holy Cross' Knights of Columbus Council 10617 have many activities in which our members perform:

- Supporting Net Ministries with funds and assistance
- Supporting Action life and Pro-life with funds and protesting
- Supporting Youth Groups with funds
- Financial support for Catholic Youth Leadership Camp
- Supporting our Pastor when requested to paint and perform repairs to the church building and equipment
- Assist various organizations within the church such as setting up tables and chairs
- On the last Saturday of each month a group of K of C members and their families help at the Shepherd's of Good Hope Soup Kitchen
- During the week we have a number of individual members helping out at the Shepherd's Soup Kitchen
- Distribute Christmas Religious Mementoes to the Children in December
- Distribute Rosaries to the children on their first Communion
- Distribute New Bibles to the Children at Holy Family, and Holy Cross Schools
- Teaching the prayers and the mysteries of the Rosary to the Children at Holy Family school
- Support and participate in the Drug Awareness Poster Contest in six area schools
- Participate and support Children's Basket Free Throw Completion at six area Schools
- Cleaning of the Air port Parkway of garbage between Walkley Rd. and Hunt Cub Rd. during the Month of May
- Distribution of Flowers (Carnation) on Mother's Day
- Serve Pancake Breakfast to the Parishioners and to the Children at Holy Cross and Holy Family School

We have a number of other activities such as:

- Pig Roast in the fall (late September)
- St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance in the month of March
- Hope Volley Ball Parking duties in July to raise funds
- Sale of Arthritis Raffle tickets from November to May
- Sale of Roses for Life and St. Patrick's Home Shamrocks
- Assisting the Bereavement members during a Funeral Mass
- Ushering and taking up the collection at all Masses

For more information on Council 10617 and its activities, please consult the bulletin board at the back of the church or visit the web site [www.holycrossparish.com](http://www.holycrossparish.com) - Knights of Columbus. We welcome new members over the age of 18 and gratefully appreciate the support of parishioners in our various pursuits.

## Youth Group

The Youth Group has grown dramatically over the past year. There are now about twenty-five active members and we are always looking to involve more young people in the group. The Youth Group strives to bring the youth of our parish together to participate in a variety of social, spiritual, and community based activities. The Youth Group tries to have at least one activity per month; we also meet with Fr. James at several points in the year to help guide us along the right path.

Our social activities help us to grow in fellowship with each other and they allow us to meet in a relaxed atmosphere outside of the Church. Some of our social events included a barbeque in the summer, a morning of Praise and Worship, a Christmas party, an afternoon of sledding, and an Easter egg hunt.

The Youth Group held two retreats for spiritual enrichment. In September, speaker Steven Boucher, o.p., taught the youth about Mary's loving qualities and why she is a mother to us all. The youth also made rosaries and attended a special Mass conducted by Fr. James. A second retreat is scheduled for May and is entitled "Catholic Superheroes—the Saints".

The Youth Group also gives back to the community in a variety of ways. In November we volunteered to help the Hospitality committee serve at the Old Fashioned Parish Supper. In the Christmas season, the youth gave out candy canes to the children at the 9:30 a.m. Mass alongside the Knights of Columbus, as well as filling a Christmas hamper. We also helped put up the Christmas lights at the front of the Church. On one Friday in Lent, the Youth Group led an evening of Adoration followed by the Stations of the Cross. Finally, the Youth Group participated in the annual Parish Clean-Up.

The Youth Group hosted its Second Annual Pasta dinner in January. The youth served over 150 parishioners lasagna, salad, garlic bread and dessert. The dinner was a great success and the proceeds from the dinner will help fund the activities the youth partake in, as well as help send some of our members on diocesan retreats. The Youth Group is also setting aside funds for youth interested in attending the next World Youth Day in Madrid

The Youth Group would like to thank the parish for their continued support. We would also like to thank Frs. James and Lukose for their enthusiasm and guidance. The Youth Group targets young people of high school and university age, but younger parishioners are encouraged to participate in certain activities. Young people interested in the group are always welcome.

## SOCIAL ACTION

### MISSION, PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT

**Contacts:** Peter Tobin, John Dorner

The committee strives to gain a better understanding of social justice issues, to communicate that understanding to the parish community and to follow up with action to address those issues.

#### **DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE (D&P)**

MPD members have been working closely with the Catholic Organization for (D&P). Members attended two training workshops held by Development and Peace: the Fall Action workshop and a Share Lent Campaign workshop. MPD members implemented the training by speaking at weekend Masses and informing the parish through bulletin inserts, announcements, and bulletin board displays.

Members also collected signatures on postcards that asked the Prime Minister and Members of Parliament to hold Canadian mining companies to account. A total of 152 were signed by Parishioners.

MPD continues to collect stamps for D&P. Since this project began in 1992, \$250,000 has been raised through donations of stamps from across Canada for Development and Peace projects.

In addition, MPD members attended the launch of the Share Lent campaign, led the Solidarity Way of the Cross during Lent at our parish, and worked with the parish on the Solidarity Sunday collection.

In March of 2009, Maria Cristina Cucuri, a D&P partner from Ecuador, met with Holy Cross parishioners at Mass and with MPD members over dinner. At a presentation held at the Diocesan Centre, she elaborated on her work with indigenous women in Ecuador and how D&P supports her role. With the support of D&P she has been able to bring about significant changes for indigenous women in Ecuador.

### **AFRICAN AIDS ANGELS PROJECT**

This project was formed to raise awareness about the HIV/AIDS pandemic in Africa and to raise funds for those affected by HIV/AIDS. A core group of about 15 women meet in Room A throughout the year to craft African AIDS Angels. The Angels are sold at local churches and bazaars as well as at Salem Storehouse and the Canterbury/St. Paul Bookstore. The entire proceeds of the sales are sent to St. Mary's Hospital in South Africa and Children's Homes in Zambia and South Africa where we have personal contacts. In the calendar year 2008, the Angel project sent over \$18,000 to Africa.

Members of the Angel team gave workshops at a "Day of Awareness" at St. Paul Catholic High School in Ottawa and at Zion Memorial Church in Carleton Place.

We provided advice and assistance to a group who started making AIDS Angels in Halifax and we are in the process of helping students from St. Augustine High School in Markham start an Angel-making group.

### **FAIR TRADE**

During 2008-2009, MPD continued their efforts to raise consciousness about the principles of Fair Trade in two ways: articles were written for the Church Bulletin, and Fair Trade products were sold at the Church Christmas Bazaar. In both cases, a special emphasis was placed on the wide variety of Fair Trade items available in addition to foodstuffs.

### **FOOD DRIVES**

Once again the committee organized three major food drives during the year. A total of 425 bags of groceries were donated by Holy Cross parishioners. Committee members delivered the groceries to the food banks at Debra Dynes, Heron Road, Greenboro Pavilion and Banff Community House.

### **NICARAGUA**

Guest speaker Maureen Monette provided an update on the Generando Vida (Generating Life) Project in our sister community in barrio El Recreo in Managua. Sister Ana Maria has added a program for the prevention and treatment of cancer for the women of the barrio.

### **RE-USE AND RECYCLING**

The committee accepted donations of new and lightly used children's shoes for the Dominican Republic. This year 127 pairs of shoes, cleaned and fitted with new laces if required, were collected. The shoes were taken to the Dominican Republic by students and staff at St. Mark High School.

The committee collected eyeglasses for countries of the global south, cell phones for the city food bank and wired ribbon for the Angel project.

### **PROVIDING INFORMATION TO THE PARISH**

The bulletin board at the back of the church is updated frequently, with a particular emphasis on issues brought forth by Development and Peace. The MPD column in the weekly bulletin provides topical information and comment on social justice issues and alerts the parish to events of interest.

## **SUPPORTING OTHER GROUPS**

MPD assists the women of our parish who are members of the local Riverside Grannies. The Grannies raise money for the Stephen Lewis Grandmothers to Grandmothers campaign in support of the grandmothers of Africa.

## **Environmental Stewardship**

The parish "Green Team" met in March to review the progress of our parish in meeting its moral responsibilities as Stewards of Creation as identified in Scriptures and Catholic Social Teachings. Most Sunday bulletins contain an entry on Environmental Stewardship providing a reflection and suggestions for action. The Hospitality Committee and other parish groups/committees have eliminated plastics, Styrofoam cups and other products that harm the environment, and use Fair Trade products. MPD provides strong support of Development and Peace's campaign to protect the environment and promote human rights in the global south.

Our parish in association with the interfaith organization, Faith & the Common Good, is co-sponsoring a special "film and discussion night" at 7 pm on June 8 at Temple Israel (1301 Prince of Wales Drive). Members of the Jewish, Muslim, Christian, Bahà'í, Buddhist and other faiths are involved in this joint project. The Knights of Columbus will include a speaker regarding Environmental Stewardship and Catholic Church teachings at their upcoming October meeting. Youth on the parish Green Team show high interest in supporting parish initiatives and are becoming increasingly involved. A detailed energy efficiency audit was completed at the parish in 2006. The key recommendations of the report regarding energy and cost savings are being given consideration by the Finance and Property Committees. There continues to be interest in establishing a Parish Memorial Garden to remember our loved ones and to show love of our Creator, the source of all life. The inclusion of a section in the Parish Website on Environmental Stewardship is currently under construction.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Parish Green Team is invited to call John Dorner at 613-739-0963.