

## The clergy speak out...

by Father V. J. Morgan  
St. Joseph's Church



Man as a social being loves to talk, not to himself but to others and with others, in groups and gatherings, whether it be a gathering of women or a gathering of men.

The very existence of organizations — of teams, of clubs, of societies — proves this, whether they are gatherings for amusement such as bowlers, skaters, fishermen, hunters, card players, ball players or what have you. Or for education such as a debating or discussion club. Or of a musical or vocal nature, whether it is in the form of choir or chorister groups or even a barber shop quartet. Or less strenuous organizations such as bridge or euchre clubs, where not only the game is played but with a friendly conversation carried on (and let us hope always in a charitable manner, not in backbiting and calumniating our neighbor.)

As for the family group conversation — I don't think anyone would want to dispute, debate or deny that when the matured parents of today were children or teenagers or when our grandparents and great grandparents were only parents, the family conversation was much more in common, and for many reasons.

Perhaps because families in those days were much larger. Perhaps because there was not the large exodus from the farm and smaller centres to the large cities in search of employment. Because there was not the large number of children going away to universities for higher education. And because amusements in those days were made by the homesteaders in his home and consequently there was more of a homey spirit.

Family prayer also predominated more in those days, and for one reason it was realized that the fibre of social life depended greatly on prayer in the home.

It was also realized that the strength of the nation depended upon the strength of the family or home, and without that spiritual strength the home was not united, happy and strong and as a consequence the nation, lacking that spiritual life and strength became likewise.

Since Our Divine Lord said, "Where two or more are gathered together in My Name there am I in the midst." Where there is Family Prayer, there also is God and if God is not the apex, the centre of the nation the nation becomes weak.

One of the greatest men of our time who is spending his life preaching, exhorting, advocating, pleading for family prayer is the great Father Patrick Peyton, and the results are greatly paying off among every Christian denomination.

It was he who coined that great saying "The family that prays together, stays together" and we can add the salutation "The Nation that prays together remains God-like and strong together."

I might here mention briefly the work and results that this one man, Apostle of public prayer and prayer in the home, beloved by people of every denomination — Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Hindu, Moslem and even some Communists, achieved. His crusade has won the hearts and co-operation of people of every conviction and in every field of endeavour: of hard hearted business men and executives; of the poor and middle class working men; of Non-Catholic, Catholic, Jewish religious denominations, of the Hollywood movie stars, and men and women and children, rich and poor.

Under the banner "The Family that Prays together, Stays together", Father Peyton has had pledges from more than 10 million families who promised to bring family daily prayer into their homes.

He has given his guarantee not only by his preaching, his exhorting, but also by his example in a number of large cities in Canada, in dozens of the big cities of the United States, in England, Ireland, Europe, Africa, Australia, New Zealand, India, the Far East, Central America, Manila and the Philippines and South America.

In numerous places in the United States he prayed with as many as 224,000 at one time. In the Philippines a million prayed with him and in Cebu a total of more than 2,000,000 in the other eight dioceses.

If one man such as Father Peyton can do so much good by helping to keep the family holy by daily family prayer, and our nation strong and protected, surely every father and mother can follow his God-trusting example.

I might add that I have had the pleasure of meeting personally Father Patrick Peyton, and often hear from him.

## Churchmen quartette fills auditorium

By Mary Ann Freuler  
The Acton Baptist High Fellowship group presented the "Churchmen Quartet" to the Guelph Association and all

Acton Churches last Sunday. Due to lack of room at the church, the service was held in the High School Auditorium. An estimated 250 guests were present to hear their smooth singing and receive the message.



The group, from Toronto, travel to churches all over Ontario and have produced two record albums. Members of the "Churchmen" are Ed Wideman, bass; Raul Plumber, tenor; Dave Milligan, tenor; John Lindstrom, baritone and Gary Leno, pianist. Those who heard their voices will agree that they have little more to desire. Their repertoire contained hymns as well as songs with a modern background.

Those who were able to speak to the group would realize that their personalities are as outgoing as their voices.

The refreshments held at the Baptist Church after the service provided the best opportunity to prove this point. Upon request, even without the aid of the bass singer who had to leave, the group sang several more songs. Some were their favorites, other were requested by the audience.

If you have not yet attended a service at which the Churchmen were playing, next time they're in the area, try to make it.

## Onus on CN council says

The onus is still on the CN railway to prove no hardship or inconvenience will result if the Acton station is closed, as far as Acton council is concerned.

A letter from C. W. Rump, secretary of the Canadian Transport Committee, reviewed action to date on the application of the CNR regarding the Guelph master agency plan and requested an early reply outlining the town's position.

Clerk Joe Hurst was instructed to reply to Mr. Rump stating it was council's understanding a further hearing was to be scheduled at which the onus would be to prove the Acton station could be closed without inconvenience.

Meanwhile the Free Press is still receiving replies to a questionnaire which will be forwarded to Halton M.P. Rud Whiting who has requested some idea of how citizens feel about the issue. Mr. Whiting has been at the United Nations as a Parliamentary observer.

There once was a young couple so poor they couldn't afford a crib for their baby — so they put it in the box in which their color television came.

## Rebuke to 'false' religion at Witness convention

John F. MacPherson, district supervisor of Jehovah's Witnesses, issued a rebuke to all forms of false religion. He was speaking to a capacity audience of 1,458 at final sessions of the semi-annual circuit assembly in Brantford.

According to Mr. MacPherson it is not God's intention to permit false forms of worship to be practiced indefinitely, but to see to their removal from earth's scene.

Members of the Acton congregation attended the three-day convention. Many viewed proceedings via closed-circuit television which transmitted the entire program

to an auxiliary auditorium where overflow seating was set up.

A highlight of the assembly was a baptism ceremony at which 23 ministers submitted to total water immersion in official recognition of their ordination. Among the local program participants was Hugh Gourlay who shared in a ministry school that explained a portion of the Bible book of Revelation.

"The more liberal attitude of most church organizations today which allows for the lowering of moral standards, is something contrary to true worship," said Mr. MacPherson. "Religious organizations adopting such permissive views are branded by the bible as false."

## Roxy

Milton THEATRE

THURS. - FRI. - SAT. DEC. 4-6

ANGEL IN MY POCKET (Color)

ANDY GRIFFITH

NAUTICAL NUT (Cartoon)

SUN. - MON. - TUES. - WED. DEC. 7 - 8 - 9 - 10

HELLS BELLES (Adult) (Color)

WINTER WONDERLAND

THE VIOLINIST (Cartoon)

THURS. - FRI. - SAT. DEC. 11 - 12 - 13

COOGAN'S BLUFF (Adult)

CLINT EASTWOOD

BULLS OF PANPLONA

SECRET AGENT (Woody Cartoon)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13 - MATINEE

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## Medical help for neighbors

Both Rockwood and Erin have again been named as having inadequate health services and will get help under the Ontario Health Resources Development Plan, which guarantees an income of \$26,000 to doctors and \$22,000 to dentists who agree to work there for a year.

Health Minister Tom Wells released a revised list of names of the municipalities eligible, including the two neighboring municipalities in the medical scheme.

## Interim pastor at Baptist church

Howard Jacobson, Hamilton, is interim minister for Acton Baptist church and will be coring here each Sunday until arrangements have been made for a permanent pastor.

## Free Press

MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH  
81 Maple Ave., Georgetown  
Pastor: Rev. Robert C. Lohnes

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 1969  
Here is our sincere invitation to the whole family to attend church.  
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School. All ages.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Service.  
7:00 p.m.—Evening Evangel.  
Georgetown 877-6665

BETH-EL  
CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH  
Minister — Rev. P. Brouwer, B.A., B.D.  
Acton, Ontario

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 1969  
10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship Service.  
Nursery and pre-school Sunday School.  
11:10 a.m.—Sunday School.  
4:00 pm.—Afternoon Worship Service  
7:30 p.m.—Teen Meet at the church.  
Tuesday evening, 7:30-10:30 — Catechism Classes.  
Come, worship and study with us to be better equipped to serve God and men.  
Everyone Welcome

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA  
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON  
Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie, B.A., B.D.  
Minister  
Mr. E. A. Hansen, B.A.  
Organist and Choir Master

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 1969  
9:45 a.m.—Church School for ages 3 to 15 years.  
9:45 a.m.—Minister's Church Membership Class withdrawn this Sunday.  
11:00 a.m.—Divine Worship.  
Guest preacher: The Rev. Donald H. Powell, M.A., B.D., Toronto, missionary for Overseas Students and Laymen Abroad. Discussion and social hour after service Open to all.  
8:00 p.m.—Adult Study Group at home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Swallow.  
Everyone Most Welcome

ACTON BAPTIST CHURCH  
Founded 1842  
Mr. Howard Jacobson (Interim Supply)  
Wednesday, December 3, 8 p.m. — Prayer and Bible Study  
Friday, Dec. 5, 7 p.m.—B.H.F.  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 1969  
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Followed by Communion.  
Monday, 8 p.m. — Baptist Men Hillsburgh Baptist Church.  
All Welcome

## Church Notices

EVANGEL PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE  
P.A.O.C. 33 Churchhill Road  
Rev. S. M. Thoman, Pastor, 853-2715.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 1969  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.  
7:00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.  
Rev. Kudrav, guest speaker at both services. "The Musical Kudras" of Canada for "Christ" Crusade, talented musicians and singers, at both services.  
Tuesday, 8 p.m.—Prayer Service and Bible Study.  
Thursday, 8 p.m.—Christ Ambassadors.  
Friday, 6:45 p.m.—Crusaders.  
Psalm 116: 11 — "In Thy presence is fullness of joy; at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore."

CHURCHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH  
Churchhill Road North  
Minister:  
The Rev. A. Walter Fosbury, B.A., B.D.  
124 Tidey Ave. Phone 853-2386

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 1969  
11:00 a.m.—Worship and Church School. Sermon "The Word Incarnate."  
Visitors are welcome at all church gatherings at the Church on the Hill.

THE CHURCH OF ST. ALBAN THE MARTYR  
ANGLICAN  
Corner Willow St. and St. Alban's Drive  
Rev. H. J. Dawson, B.A., B.Th.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 1969  
Advent II  
9:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.  
10:30 a.m.—Church School and Nursery.  
10:30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.  
Wednesday, Dec. 10, 10 a.m. — Holy Communion, followed by coffee hour.

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH  
Minister:  
The Rev. Gordon B. Turner, B.A., B.D.  
Director of Music:  
Dr. George Elliott, M.A., Ph.D.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 1969  
10:00 a.m.—Corporate Worship.  
10:00 a.m.—Nursery.  
Sunday School (to Grade 4).  
11:00 a.m.—Sunday School (Grade 5-8).  
11:15 a.m.—"Talk Back" (adult program of dialogue with the Minister.)  
7:00 p.m.—Hi C. and Hi 9ers (Youth Groups for Teens — alternating Sunday evenings).  
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