

The Clergy speak out

What do we think about during Holy Week?

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From Palm Sunday until Easter is called Holy Week. Some may ask the question why is this so. Why is there one week in the year that we call Holy?

The answer lies in the historical fact, that Jesus of Nazareth died on a cross on a hill near Jerusalem. More than 1,900 years ago a man was crucified and that event has changed the world. You see, the man who was crucified was Jesus Christ, the anointed Saviour of the world. The one who was crucified was both God and Man. He was the Immanuel, the God with us. And when He died on the cross on Good Friday then it was no ordinary man that died there, it was God in the flesh who gave His life for the sins of man.

In the fall of Adam the human race became alienated from God. Sin had separated man from his Maker. There was for man no hope. Man was lost forever and that is why God gave His Son Jesus Christ that He die in our place.

He was conceived of the Holy Spirit and He was born of the virgin Mary. He was born contrary to the laws of nature. He did not have an earthly father. He was conceived of the Holy Spirit

and He was born in a place called Bethlehem and He grew up in a place called Nazareth.

And this Jesus when He was about 30 years old preached the gospel that by believing in Him man would have eternal life. In the gospel of John He says "I am the way, the truth and the life, no one comes to the Father but by Me."

You see, it is in Jesus Christ that man is forgiven and is right with God. God gave His Son and then He laid upon Him "the iniquity of us all," and He died to pay for our sins.

Jesus Christ was crucified on Good Friday, not for what He had done, but He died for what we had done. He died for our sins. That is what the prophet Isaiah means when he said:

"He was wounded for our transgressions. He was bruised for our iniquities. Like sheep we have all gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way. And the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all."

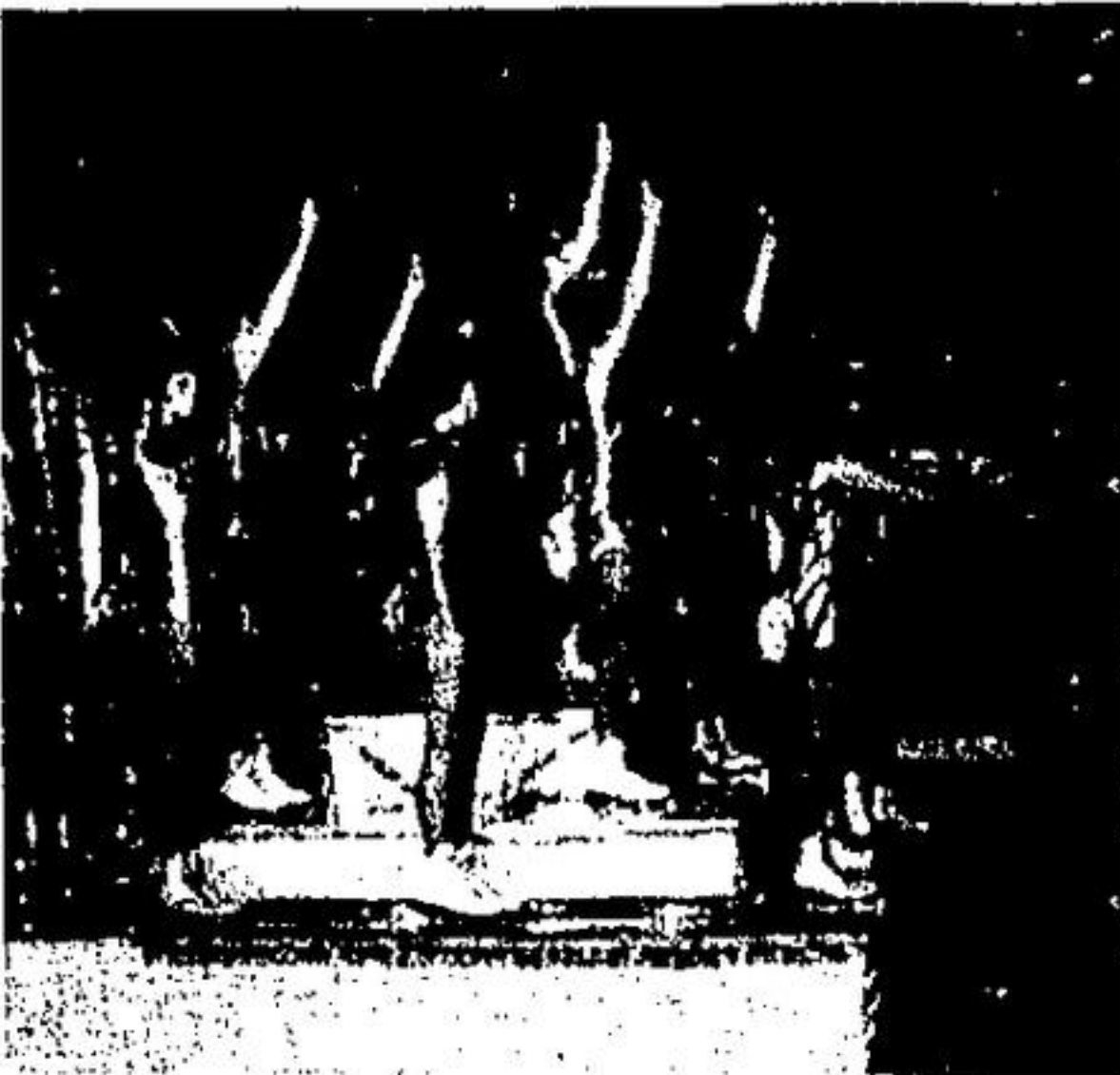
Jesus Christ died on Good Friday for the sins of man and by accepting Him as our Saviour, by believing in Him, we are righteous before God. The apostle John writes that, "to all who believe in His

name, He gave power to become the children of God."

In the fall of man we were alienated from God, but in Jesus Christ we who once were far off have been brought near in the blood of Christ. And that is what we remember during Holy Week on Good Friday. Because it was on that day that Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of God, died for the sins of man. That is why we call it Good Friday, because on that day our sins were paid for.

On the Sunday after Good Friday we celebrate Easter for on that day we remember the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It was on Easter that Jesus Christ rose from the grave. The crowning glory of His redemptive work for man. He died for our sins and He rose again for our justification. In the resurrection of Christ lies our comfort that we also shall someday arise from the grave. For when He returns the dead in Christ shall arise to meet Him.

In Jesus Christ man has eternal life, for He took our sins upon Himself, died for us and arose from the grave that we may have eternal life. And this is what we remember during Holy Week.



ACTON CENTENNIAL birthday cake, covered with skaters and sparklers, was a climax of the annual figure skating carnival.

Picture highlights of the ice carnival



DIANNE HICKEY, Kim Ottaway and Lori DeBruya make surprisingly thin pumpkins.



OLD MACDONALD and Mrs. MacDonal-David McGilloway and Susan Kinal.

Waste, tyranny charged

Urge education study

Halton's education system should be studied by independent consultants, to determine the real power structure in the system and to root out its waste and extravagance. Milton evangelist Ken Campbell, leader of the Halton Renaissance Campaign Committee said Friday.

Campbell told a press conference in Milton the whole system is like a senate system "where political parties send those who don't win", and should be thoroughly studied.

He also continued his criticism of the Halton board's director of education Jim Singleton, who he claims slandered and maligned him and has used "bullying tactics and intimidation" against Campbell. "The system is dominated by a ruthless, insensitive, cowardly, intimidating tyranny and no one from the youngest child to the teacher, the principal, the administrator, the trustee, the parent or taxpayer can avoid the tragic consequences of such an administration," he charged.

Not eager to pay Campbell said the board has condoned Singleton's actions by not rebuking him for his actions but Campbell said the taxpayers will have the final say in this manner—"If Mr. Singleton can continue in the employ of the Halton Board of Education uncensored for this performance, the board need not expect that parents and taxpayers will be eager to pay the taxes that provide his salary."

Campbell also:—Announced he has not accepted one cent of remuneration for his work with the Renaissance campaign. He explained the campaign was being run on voluntary contributions and suggested a \$5,000 grant should be given the group by the Halton Board of Education. "I'm doing what I'm doing with a good conscience as a private citizen and as a parent who's concerned to see a return to the highest quality of education in our Ontario system," he added.

—Explained he has been spending 16-hour days on the campaign for most of March and April but would leave the campaign up to the elected committee once the steering committee is organized enough to take over from him.

—Said the committee was asked for "more specifics" during and after its March 28 rally in Milton, but the group preferred not to go into specifics. Regarding regional councillor Jim Watson's charges about liquor in a Halton high school, Campbell said he was "sitting on" a letter from a Halton educator asking him not to divulge the situation.

—Claimed he had been

slandered by Singleton, called a bigot by the board's John Graham and termed a liar by M. M. Robinson principal Keith Craig in letters to the local papers last week.

Typical —Suggested the incident where a stone was thrown through a bedroom window at his home was "understandable" behavior for a student (an obscene note apparently attached to the rock was signed "MMR Student")—as the school administrators are guilty of unethical conduct too.

—Called for the Halton board to make it a policy that no more lesbians and homosexuals visit classrooms in the system. Director of Education Singleton says in his opinion these people should not be invited back; now it's up to the board to go on record and make Singleton's opinion a matter of policy, he said.

—Said the Renaissance Committee was not considering running candidates in the next board of education election. The group is not a "political lobby" but a voluntary parent-taxpayer lobby seeking to prepare constructive proposals to present to the board for the improvement of our public educational system.

—Assured the press that although he feels he has good grounds for a libel action against Singleton, he does not intend to go to the courts.

Under examination Campbell said the press

conference was called to give the press a chance to examine the committee.

Councillor Watson and retired principal Ronald Darnude shared the platform with Campbell at the 90-minute conference. Watson delivered a scathing attack on education in Halton, suggesting morale in the schools is "fierce" and in one school

where he used to teach, half the staff has resigned in the past year. "Believe me, the child comes last in this system," he said.

Watson claimed the administrators of the Halton board are guilty of "bullying and intimidation" and cited several instances.

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**REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON**  
The former ESQUESING Township WASTE DISPOSAL SITE has been CLOSED effective  
**MARCH 30th, 1974**  
All refuse and garbage should now be disposed of at the ACTON and GEORGETOWN DISPOSAL sites  
R.R. Baillie, Director of Public Works

OUR READERS WRITE:

MUST LEARN BASICS BEFORE NEW CONCEPTS

Dear Editor:

In the article "Attack on School Sex Education at Moral Pollution Rally" (The Spectator, Mar. 29), I found many of the allegations by Mr. Larry Henderson conflicting yet very true. Though my experience with school-age children is limited I feel that the lack of discipline in subject matter and classroom deportment is quite obvious.

Our growth in the Western world has progressed so rapidly because of men and women educated in the last 50 years in the three "R's"—the old system. Thinking and questioning are excellent and should continue to be encouraged. But without basic knowledge in all subjects being taught as background, how can we expect to be able to intelligently question the future? What is learned today from yesterday is preparation for tomorrow's thoughts and decisions.

I am constantly amazed when I hear of businesses having difficulty in finding reliably educated young people. It astounds me that people who are hired to do secretarial work, accounting, research, writing, etc., and are required to condense material into logical reports, have to have these reports submitted to men or women, older and in higher positions, for corrections in spelling, grammar and composition. These older people are products of the "old system", yet they have learned to think, organize and to evaluate on the basis of the "old system".

In my opinion the current problem is manifold; many of our younger teachers were raised in a "Dr. Spock" society of permissiveness. How can we expect them to know how to be disciplinarians? Many of us who are parents were also raised in a permissive atmosphere, and because, in many cases, we were not given a firm foundation on which to decide what is right or wrong, we now find it very hard to decide and act today—we're just not quite sure we are right. But, we were not taught to accept being wrong. Therein lies the problem; many of us have opinions; but we can so easily be intimidated by those "in the know" that we are afraid to express ourselves.

The old system taught that there was right and wrong, criticism and self-expression, and the ego was often affected. That system had its pitfalls, as does the present system. I am aware that from this same generation come the administrators and Board of Education members, who either try out any new concept that appears or are too afraid to make evaluations and

question proposals which are put before them.

Many aspects of education have undergone rapid change in the last decade. I don't agree with the open concept which allows a child to progress at his or her own rate; most children have not enough self-discipline to accomplish this feat. Yet, I don't agree with the old system of sitting at a desk for six hours a day learning by rote. I think there is a happy medium. The five steps of note, recognition, re-statement, relationship and realization, require both types of classroom structure; and both types of discipline: firm and permissive, each in moderation. This could be called democratic. It should be applied in both primary and secondary education in order to prepare the students for the working world and/or university. As parents we need to define what our educational goals are for our children, and to object strongly, by group action if necessary, if we feel that our children are not learning the basics as well as the new concepts.

If there are facts which substantiate statements made in recent months in local news media, I request that these facts be presented at open meetings in the various parts of Halton to which they apply. The main reason for the decay and downfall of ancient societies was because the people delegated their responsibilities to others and then forgot to keep their fingers on the pulse of events. I hope all parents will listen, question and act!

Sincerely,  
M. F. Pearce.

STUDENT COUNCIL REGRETS ROCK INCIDENT

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the students of M. M. Robinson High School, I would like to express regret that the rock was thrown through Mr. Campbell's window.

It was a cowardly act of aggression against everyone in our community. Whoever signed the note "MMR Student", has insulted us and our school.

Many of us have been upset by the distorted criticism of our school recently, but we have exercised restraint. We have accepted the fact that Mr. Campbell has to the right to express his opinions, both as a concerned parent and a taxpayer.

Lorena Zullian,  
Student Council President,  
M. M. Robinson High School.

Thanks from Red Cross

The Editor  
Acton Free Press

We would like to extend congratulations and thanks to all who were concerned with the Red Cross Campaign held last month.

To those who gave, warmest thanks. You may be assured that what you gave will go to help the many activities of our local Branch.

If you have not had an opportunity to donate to the Red Cross Campaign fund this year, it is not too late. Please send to the above address, a receipt will be sent to you for income tax purposes if you so wish.

At this moment we have received \$8000.00 which is still below our target of \$8500.00. Further contributions would ensure that we exceed our objective.

We would like to take this opportunity to also thank the various news media for informing the public of this campaign.

Yours very truly  
Douglas Tucker

John Wickens  
Campaign Co-Chairmen  
Georgetown & District Branch of  
The Canadian Red Cross Society.

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