

# St. George's church says its goodbyes Jim, Sally Boyles

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There were a lot of red eyes Sunday morning at St. George's Anglican Church in Georgetown.

Rev. Jim Boyles announced he'll be leaving the parish to take on an administrative post with the Diocese of Calgary August end.

The 47-year-old minister has been with St. George's since September 1981.

"I feel badly about leaving St. George's and the people in Georgetown. It has been a very good six years," Rev. Boyles told The Herald. "The parish has grown in its understanding of faith."

At the Diocese of Calgary, Rev. Boyles will be executive officer and assistant to Bishop Right Rev. Barry Curtis. It's a newly created position, which allows Rev. Boyles flexibility in his undertakings.

Basically, he'll be responsible for much of the detailed organization of the Diocesan office and relations with the clergy. There are about 60 Anglican clergy who will get extra training thanks to Rev. Boyles. He'll also be there for them if they have problems or need advice in their pastoral work.

Rev. Boyles anticipates he'll be doing a fair bit of travelling in the southern half of Alberta, to the rural areas, where the Diocese of Calgary extends.

"I'm excited about it. It will be quite a change from here," he said.

Although it will be his first time



Rev. Jim Boyles

living in the west, it won't be Rev. Boyles' first time doing administrative work in the Anglican Church. Before he came to Georgetown, he spent nine years working as ecumenical officer for the Church's national office in Toronto.

Previous to that, he was at a rural parish in the Diocese of Ottawa, and before studying theology, an economist with the federal Govern-

ment in Ottawa.

"I enjoy budgets, that's right," Rev. Boyles laughed.

One of the accomplishments he feels good about during his time in Georgetown is the establishment of Open Door for the young people at Georgetown District High School.

The three-year-old project shows the willingness of the church to reach out to its neighbors, Rev. Boyles said. Open Door is a drop-in centre for teens.

In 1983, St. George's was successful in raising \$125,000 for the Anglicans in Mission campaign, well above its target. Rev. Boyles takes pride in that accomplishment.

During his six years, he served as chairman of the Georgetown Ministerial Association from 1981 to 1983. From 1984 to 1986, Rev. Boyles was chairman of the program committee of the Diocese of Niagara. He was also chairman of the Open Door committee for the past three years, since its conception.

"I think my way of working with the parish is to involve as many people in leadership, and to encourage and support and find training for them. By involving people in that way, there is stronger commitment to the life of the church," Rev. Boyles explained.

It was during his stay that St. George's had its first woman priest. Rev. Boyles' wife Sally was hired on as associate priest for three years. When she left, two part-time lay associates Bob Tadman and Valerie Kelpatrick were hired on. Mr. Tadman left last year and Ms. Kelpatrick leaves the end of this month.

"Leaving is sad not only for the parish but also the clergy.

"You build a lot of friendships as a clergyman and get to know people in a close way through crises, baptisms, marriages and funerals, so it's hard to leave and hard for them to have me leave," Rev. Boyles said, promising to come back and visit.

"I think I'm leaving a healthy parish that has much going for it and a lively group of committed people who will ensure it will remain healthy," he concluded. There are 385 families in the parish.

Daughters Ginger and Sue will remain in Ontario-Ginger to study political science at the University of Trent and Sue to study visual arts management at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute. Rev. Sally Boyles will be giving up her job as prison chaplain at the Vanier Correctional Institute in Brampton.



## Hair-raising

Haves Haircutting owner Bonnie Brunton (back) and employees Christine Zilio (left) and Kelly Richardson (right) get set to give Mayor Russ Miller a trim at the grand opening of the haircutting

salon at 118 Guelph St. June 9. Haves also does nail manicuring and waxing. Haves officially opened on May 18 but prolonged its grand opening ceremony until June 9. (Herald photo)

## Alzheimer patients get boost in Halton

John Sweeney, Ontario Minister of Community and Social Services, and Don Knight, MPP for Halton-Burlington, announced that a grant of \$123,302 has been given to the Red Cross Societies in Oakville, Burlington, and Milton that will enable them to provide home respite care to families who are looking after relatives with Alzheimer's disease.

All three Red Cross societies in Halton Region will work together in the administration and delivery of the new service. The program is unique in that it serves an entire region, including rural and urban areas.

The respite care program, which became effective at the beginning of May 1987, will receive up to 100 per cent subsidy from the Ministry of Community and Social Services. The funding will cover the cost in-

curated by the Red Cross in providing staff and training the homemakers to give respite care. Each client pays a nominal hourly fee of \$2 for the service. The specially trained homemakers go into a family's home for a few hours at a time, to allow the family caregiver temporary relief.

Initially, the Red Cross program is expected to serve 25 families. When fully in operation, that number will rise to approximately 65 families and the trained homemakers will be able to offer each family up to eight hours of respite care each week.

A number of recent studies have estimated that approximately 5 per cent of the general population over the age of 65 suffer some degree of memory impairment. Of those who are memory impaired, approximately 50 per cent suffer from Alzheimer's disease.

## New life near the mountains

There's a house, a cottage, and two cats that need new owners now that Rev. Jim Boyles is off to Calgary, Alberta.

The house is on Edith Street, the cottage is on Bellwood Lake near Fergus, and the cats are named Sneaker and Tucker.

The minister at St. George's Anglican Church is looking forward to a new life near the mountains. He and his wife start their new life in September with the Diocese of Calgary.

Parish secretary Brenda Triggerson is sad to see Rev. Boyles leave, yet excited for him in the challenge he is taking on. The two have worked together for three years.

"There have been fun times when I can remember getting into fits of giggles," she said.

Rev. Boyles enjoyed teasing his parish about all the English accents, a phenomenon that struck him right away when he was welcomed with a party in 1981.

One time, maps of the world were put up and the parish stuck pins identifying where they came from. There were as many pins in the map of England as there were in Canada.

"We've done a lot of jokes about the English nature of St. George's," Rev. Boyles laughed. "I've been trying to suggest there's a Canadian dimension to St. George's as well."

Mrs. Triggerson found it funny that Sunday's reading, which came from a book of week-by-week readings for all Anglican churches, was on getting along and not squabbling. It was a reading from Corinthians, of St. Paul preaching on getting along with one another. Mrs. Triggerson found it seemed to anticipate what may happen when Rev. Boyles leaves.

"It was just as if Jim picked it himself," she laughed.

The last time St. George's was without a minister was in 1981. It took the parish seven months until Rev. Boyles was hired.

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By JIM HAYES

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Attention all who attended the Memorial Day Parade in Plymouth, Mass. this year; there will be a meeting on June 30 at 8 p.m. in the Lounge.

**ENTERTAINMENT:** June 20 Buckateers, June 27 Daniel Bruce, July 4 Boob.

**Legion ladies**

By MID BRUNSKI  
Herald Special

Saturday, June 6 saw 40 ladies auxiliary teams play off provincial cribbage at Peterborough and we are happy to report that the Royal Canadian Legion team of Marion Carney, Gretta Stoddard, Anne Nicholson and Manica Southern came in 7th. Well done ladies and congratulations. June 6 also saw one of our members, Joanne Coles celebrate her marriage to George Storm.

Our meeting is June 18 at 8. We hope to see a good turnout for this last meeting before summer takes over. Our new committee chairmanships and appointments will be announced at this meeting. Mae Law had had a letter from Hazel Preston's daughter and this will be read to us during Mae's report. We are happy that Pat Barr is home from hospital and will soon be back in action. Don't forget the appreciation night June 19 at 8 p.m.

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