

Religion

'Take no thought for tomorrow' should not be taken literally

Have you made any pickles or relish, or packed away some squash and potatoes in a cold part of the cellar? Have you laid away some wood for the fireplace this winter? Have you checked that the wind won't find its way in through the seals around your windows?

"Take no thought for the morrow," Jesus said, "for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself." One of the newer translations puts it, "do not be anxious about tomorrow." Jesus is simply telling us not to worry about the future; he's not advising us to be careless about it.

I once knew a man who took literally the idea that he shouldn't think about the next day, and he quit his job so that he could study the bible. That might have been OK if he had only himself to care for, but he had a wife and children to look after as well. It's one thing to trust in God, and a very different thing to presume that God will do everything for you.

There are lots of places where Jesus warns us to think about the

Clergy Comment

By RICK RUGGLE
St. Paul's Church, Norval

future: the house-builder has to make sure he has a good foundation; the king going to battle has to know he has enough troops. The only time you can legitimately say, "Have faith, God will provide," is when you have done your share to look after yourself.

The Book of Acts tells how some early Christians pooled their goods and their wealth together. Then in Paul's letters we read how he had to warn against idlers: all can eat from the common lot, but only when they've contributed their work. Take care for the future, then trust to God.

Nor should you let your preparations get out of hand. You don't want to be like the greedy farmer who filled his barns with grain, and then discovered that he was

ready to live, but not ready to die. We can't protect ourselves against everything. Despite our efforts, we might be struck by a heart attack, or an accident on the 401 when other drivers lose their sanity during rush hour, and risk their lives and ours to get to their destination five minutes earlier.

Ultimately our trust in God does give a real security. That trust may not enable us to escape the ills of life; but it can give us confidence that in the bad times as well as the good, in death as well as in life, we are in God's hands.

Don't get upset by the future. For which of us by worrying can accomplish anything? So make your prudent preparations, and enjoy your home-made relish this winter, and be confident that at all times you are in God's hands.



50 YEARS OF LOVE AND MARRIAGE

Arthur and Margaret McKane celebrated their Golden Wedding in Union Presbyterian Church where they were married 50 years ago on September 20, 1941. Their family, Barbara McKane with sons David and Greg, and Paul and Dianne Lindsey with sons Glen and Donald were in attendance. Many of their friends and relatives joined in the celebrations.

New Allen organ serenades listeners at United Church

On Sunday evening, Sept. 29, Norval United Church was full to enjoy an evening of melodious organ music with organist, Stanley King of Toronto, demonstrating the new Allen Digital organ recently installed in the church.

Mr. King is organist in two churches in Toronto. His varied entertaining program demonstrated to the fullest the rich tones of the soft notes to the rousing tune of the closing hymn, "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory."

Mrs. Elaine Crawford, chairman of the Church Committee, who were in charge of selecting a new organ, introduced Mr. King, who opened the enjoyable program with Psalm 98 - "The Heavens Declare the Glory of God." This was followed by two old English selections by S. Wesley to demonstrate the different type of music.

Much pleasure was derived from three lovely Gospel style inspirational hymns, "Great is Thy Faithfulness," "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," and "This Is My Father's World," after which Mr. King demonstrated how the organ can be played by hands alone and then by feet alone in parts of Fugue in G.

For a change of pace, Miss Lorraine Lawrence, a member of the choir, sang a solo, "Under His Wings," accompanied on the piano by church organist Mr. Allen Forde.

Mr. King continued his pleasurable program with the beautiful old song, "The Bells of St. Mary's" with the joyful sound of the bells ringing in our ears. In response to a request the much loved old time favourite "Danny Boy" was delightful.

Norval news

By KAY WILSON

Members of the elders took up the collection for donations towards the purchase of the organ and Rev. Ann Ross Rowsell gave the dedication prayer. The Church "In Memorium Fund" has covered over half of the organ's expense.

The congregation stood to join in singing the closing rousing hymn that was a fitting end to an excellent organ program, played by an accomplished organist. All in all the people were delighted with the polished performance to demonstrate the capabilities of the new digital organ.

Many people from the surrounding area joined with the United Church members to enjoy the musical evening followed by a social hour.

50th Wedding Anniversary

Ken and Velma Ella of Hornby celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, October 19 at the Optimist Centre on Commercial St., Milton. Your friendship and love are the only gifts to bring on this happy occasion. Guests are welcome at 7 p.m. Euchre and dance at 8 p.m. Buffet lunch.

Church dinner

The annual beef dinner of Knox Presbyterian Church, Georgetown, will be held on Friday, October 18, at 5, 6 and 7:15 p.m. Tickets are available at the church, 877-7585 or call 877-4518 or 877-2836.

Bishop rededicates St. Joseph's

Bishop Ustrzycki will be at St. Joseph's Church, Acton, this Sunday, October 6, to rededicate the church following extensive renovations and redecorating both in the sanctuary and exterior of the century-old edifice. The bishop is the auxiliary prelate for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton with his seat at the Church of Our Lady, Guelph.

Bishop Ustrzycki will rededicate the church at the 11 a.m. mass and lead in the rosary before the mass for the intentions of the Pro-Life movement. A reception will follow in the parish hall after mass so parishioners can meet the bishop and enjoy a social time.

Life chain along Hwy. 25

Members of St. Joseph's parish are also being urged to spend an hour with members of other Acton churches the same Sunday in a life-chain along Highway 25 with a sign, "Abortion Kills Children."

Sunday has been set aside as Respect Life Sunday and the life-chain is designed as a peaceful, prayerful witness to the sanctity of life and to point out abortion kills children and exploits women.

Free Press indexed

After five years and approximately 55,000 entries the Halton Hills Public Libraries is pleased to announce the publication of *The Acton Free Press Index to Births, Marriages and Deaths*. This two volume set covers the first one hundred years of *The Free Press*, 1875-1975. Not only does it cover the town of Acton but all of north Halton. This genealogical finding aid was developed by library volunteer Marshall F. Neilson.

Copies of the two volume set may be purchased by contacting Geoff Cannon at the Halton Hills Public Library (416) 873-2681.

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9:30 a.m. - Family Bible Hour
10:30 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship
11:00 a.m. - Worship Hour
6:30 p.m. - Evening Praise Time

WEEK DAY
6:45 p.m. MON. - Pioneer Girls & Brigade
9:30 a.m. WED. - Ladies' Coffee Hour
6:50 p.m. WED. - Adult Prayer Group & Junior Choir
7:00 p.m. WED. - Youth "Meat & Potatoes"
8:00 p.m. WED. - Adult Choir
7:00 p.m. FRI. - Youthline
Home to Little Cherub Nursery
Mrs. Barb Hutzal / Director

Christian Reformed Church
Trafalgar Rd.
SUNDAY 10:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M.
Rev. P. Stadt
LISTEN TO THE BACK TO GOD HOUR
7:30 A.M. Hamilton CHAM 820
7:30 P.M. Burlington FM 108
9:00 P.M. Guelph CJOY 1460
and Mon.-Fri. Faith 20
5:30 A.M. Global TV Ch. 6 and 41
Ladies' Coffee Break Tues. 9:30 a.m.
(Sept. through May)

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537 Main St. Glen Williams
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416-877-8323

Rector: Rev. Carol A. Skidmore, L. Th.

Sunday Services: 8 am, 10:30 am
Church School/Nursery: 10:30 am

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Corner Main & Church, Georgetown

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11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship

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60 Guelph St., Georgetown 877-8044

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8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.
Sunday School/Nursery 9:30 a.m.
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Rector:
Rev. Thomas M.S. Kingston, B.A., B. Th.
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Keith A.P. Nunn, Parish Youth Worker
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