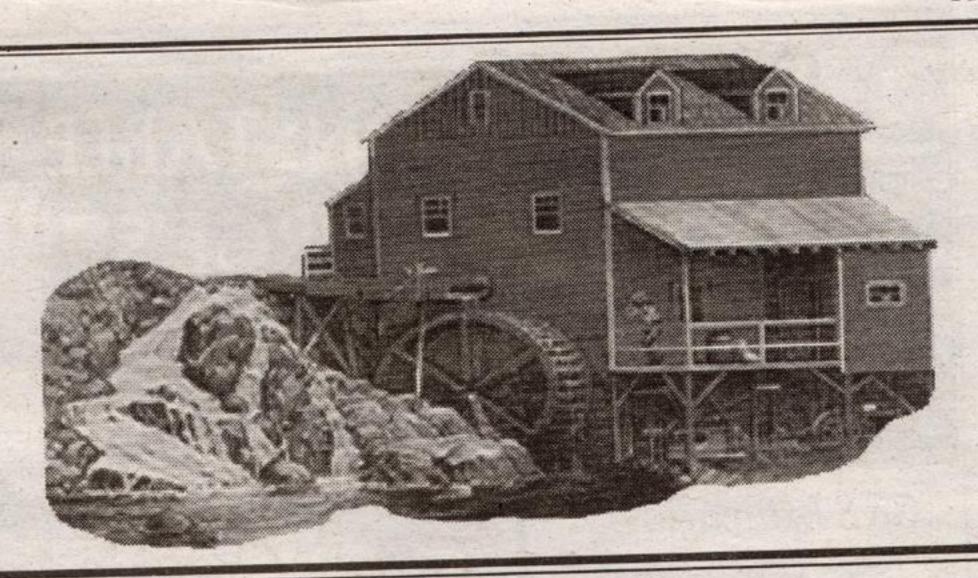
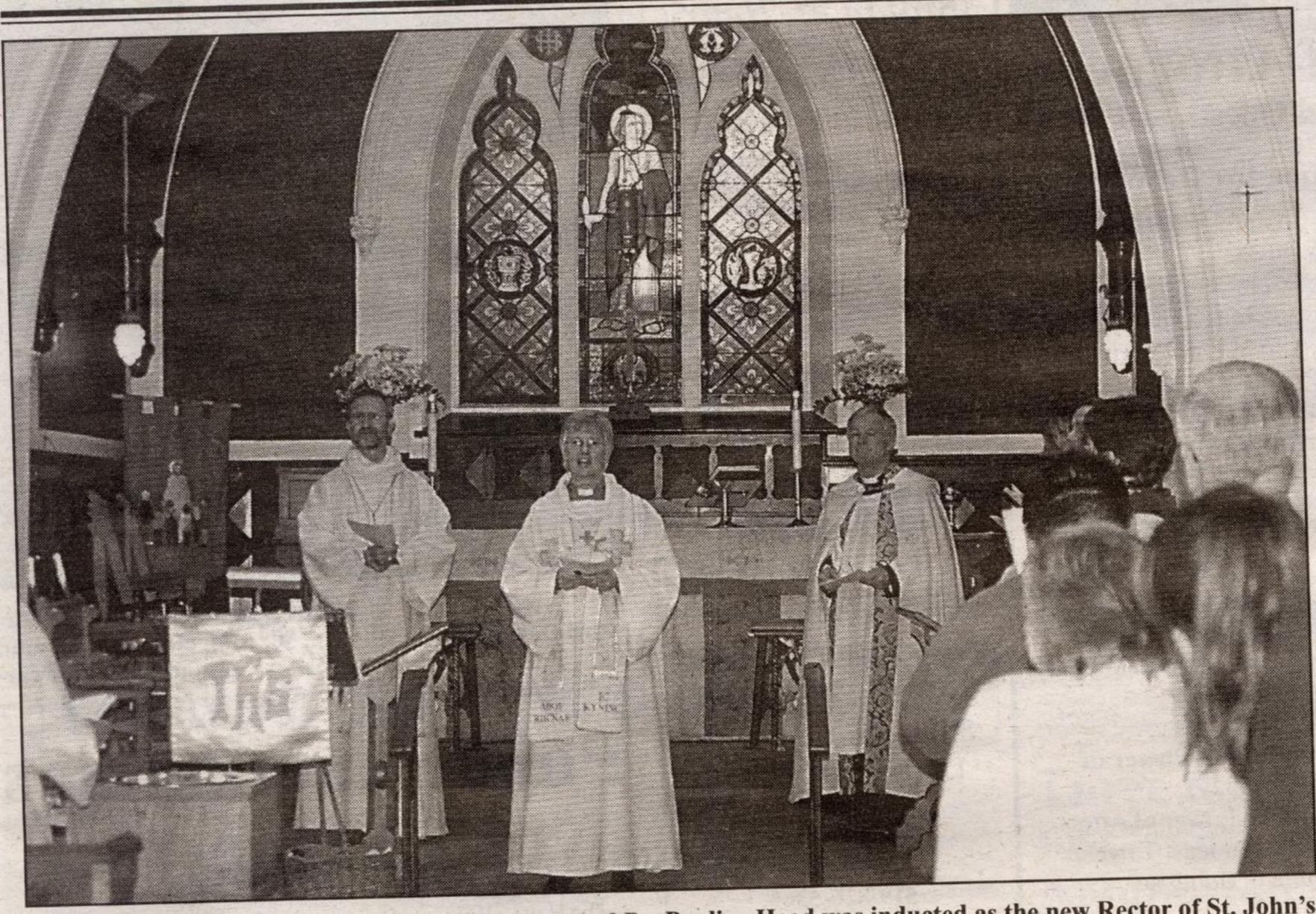
The Rockwood





CELEBRATING A NEW MINISTRY: The Reverend Dr. Pauline Head was inducted as the new Rector of St. John's Anglican Church and parish of Rockwood on Sunday. From left to right are the Reverend Canon David Howells, the Reverend Dr. Pauline Head, and the Venerable Thomas Greene. - Rebecca Ring photo

Rev. Dr. Pauline Head inducted as Rector of St. John's Church

By Rebecca Ring

St. John's AnglicanChurch in Rockwood celebrated the induction of the Reverend Dr. Pauline Head as Rector last Sunday. Officiating at the ceremony were the Venerable Thomas Greene, Archdeacon of Greater Wellington, and the Reverend Canon David Howells, Regional Dean of Greater

Wellington. The ceremony began with Reverend Head knocking on the door of the church. The archdeacon opened the door and officially inducted her into the church "by virtue of the mandate of the Bishop." The ceremony continued with blessings, prayer and

song. The Archdeacon said "This ministry continues the good work done through the years in this community, and is part of the work and witness of the whole church. It is a new beginning as Pauline and the people of. St. John's bring together their particular gifts in ministry".

The Reverend Canon David Howells gave the sermon and spoke about the reality of answering God's call in our busy, secular and agnostic society. He said it is a gradual process and one must reach below the layers

ness" within, where one can find God and listen. He congratulated the Reverend Dr. Head on hearing and heeding this call to the ministry.

The ceremony continued with the Covenant of Ministry, where the Archdeacon invited the Regional Dean to read the mandate and licence from Bishop Spence of the Diocese of Niagara. The new priest then vowed with the congregation to "be one who baptizes into the Community of Christ...a preacher of the word of God and a teacher of the faith...to break the bread and bless the cup...to reach out to the needs of those beyond our walls".

The service concluded with all clergy blessing the parish of St. John's.

Archdeacon Thomas Greene commented on the ceremony saying "We join the people of Rockwood and Pauline together as they celebrate a new ministry. We come from beyond the parish to support the signs and symbols of the wider Church, of which we are all members. We wish God's peace and blessing and much happiness as they minister together and reach out to the community. It is an exciting time for both priests and people."

saying "This is a big day for me because I used to be the rector of this parish and have taken a large hand in helping Pauline prepare for the ministry. She is very accomplished, intelligent, wise and has a tremendous commitment to the faith. To me, this is a real sense of celebration, akin to a marriage, in that two pieces are joining together in a relationship."

The Reverend Dr. Head was ordained as a priest in January. She is also a professor of Medieval English Literature at York University and holds a Master's degree in Theology. When asked what has been most challenging so far, she said as part of her training, she counselled people at hospitals and in one weekend there were 14 deaths. She

of noise to the "velvety still- Dean Howells commented discovered what her own boundaries were and continued forward, knowing that "God is there. God is at the ground of your being".

Asked what has been most joyful, she said that "today is very joyful and rewarding. This has been a very powerful welcome". She moved from Toronto to Guelph over two years ago. She is excited about spending more time in Rockwood, which she said "is a beautiful village with lots to explore."

She is looking forward to hosting an interdenominational World Prayer Day at St. John's Church this Friday, March 4. The local Catholic, Anglican, United and Presbyterian churches are participating. Poland will be the country of focus and celebrations will include prayer, music, scripture reading, and a sermon.

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