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St.

Philip's was like coming home, with the church bathed in candlelight and decorated with evergreen boughs and poinsettias while the soft strains of Silent Night were being sung. It's at events such as these, as well as the wonderful church dinners in the area that I have met so many of you, and your warmth has made us feel so welcome.

A service at St. Philip's is like attending a family reunion with Christ as the guest of honour. There is always a friendly welcome at the door and a chorus of greetings from those already assembled, and a chance to relax afterwards over a cookie and a cup of coffee or tea at our coffee hour. St. Philip's is a church with a lot of energy, lots of events and activities, and a dynamic ministry to the community. As a church community, we are always ready to welcome and support new members.

Reading the South Marysburgh Mirror is always enjoyable, and so the people of St. Philip's and I are delighted to have the opportunity to contribute to this fine Milford community paper. What all of this means, is that from time to time, various people from St. Philip's will contribute an article describing some aspect of the life of our church. We will explore our roots, both from a historic perspective and a faith perspective, and we will let you know where our 'wings' are taking us with upcoming events and happenings! We hope you will enjoy reading our column, and remember, our doors are always open.

Blessings,  
Janet+

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- I would venture to suggest that we all know the answer yet are, it seems, powerless to act.
- Remember that the CO2 gases created by the 3 millions or more masses in Toronto area are sent East by the prevailing winds.
- Their health problems as a result are increasingly becoming ours in our 'one time rural paradise.'

'O.K I have read enough' you may say, and I say, 'I have said enough.' I don't want to become depressed over this. **What to do?**

Because I want my friends grandchildren to have a good place in which to live I will encourage voting GREEN PARTY at the next federal election and a move to proportional representation. We need to pressure our Government to take REAL and **effective** action. (The last Environment Bill was an embarrassment to every Canadian.) We need to pressure our Provinces and our cities and municipalities to do likewise. If collectively we could bring about a complete HALT endless growth; a HALT to **increasing** greenhouse gas emissions, **followed** by annual reductions of several percentage points, the problem is solvable. THERE IS NO OTHER WAY!

WE ALL HAVE A PART TO PLAY. Turn your home thermostat down 1 or 2 degrees in winter and wear a sweater, and reverse the process during the summer cooling season. Stop buying gas guzzling trucks and SUV's. When yours eventually dies or comes up for replacement, please obtain one with significantly reduced fuel consumption/improved KPL. If we stop buying them the car manufacturers will have to stop making them. Simple economics!

The answer will only come if the public makes a collective decision. That decision begins right here in PEC with you and me. Are we up to it?

Bill Yates,  
Friend of the County.



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