

FROM THE SOON NOT TO BE ACTING RECTOR-----

With a sense of genuine relief, I write this part of the Anchor, for (what we all hope will be) the last time. Sunday, February 1st will be my last service as Priest-in-Charge of St. Andrew's, and on February 3rd, Josephine and I set out on a journey to South America which will give us a much needed change and rest. On February 1st also, our Rector-elect, the Rev. John A. Greely, will be with us as our preacher, and the officers of the Parish elected at the Annual Meeting on January 28th will be installed. By the time we return in March, the Greelys will be in residence at the Rectory, and we shall have a strong hand steering our ship toward the brighter days ahead. I say "a strong hand" advisedly, for in my several meetings with Jack Greely, strength of mind and spirit is the quality about him that comes across "loud and clear". I bespeak for him and his family a warm and enthusiastic welcome.

During the four remaining Sundays of February, our good friend, the Rev. Christopher Atkinson, on loan to us from Grace Church, Vineyard Haven, will be in charge. In a few short months we have all come to love him and his Louise. I know you will continue to help him as you have me.

To all of you who have shared in this difficult, yet happy and creative time in the life of St. Andrew's - the Rev. Jack Burton - the Staff, the Vestry, the Choirs, the Church School Teachers, Acolytes and Ushers, I say a heartfelt "Thank you". Together, we have managed to keep St. Andrew's strong and vital - even growing. "Deo gratias!"

These words from T. S. Eliot's great poetic drama THE ROCK express what I hope we have tried to do together and what we shall continue to do under the guidance of our new Rector:

"I say to you: Make perfect your will.
I say: take no thought for the harvest,
But only of proper sowing.
The world turns and the world changes,
But one thing does not change

.....
However you disguise it. This thing does not change:

The perpetual struggle of Good and Evil.

The good man is the builder, if he build what is good.

I say to you: make perfect your will.

I say: take no thought of the harvest,

But only of proper Sowing"

Affectionately,
John T. Golding
Rector Emeritus

And to our beloved Rector Emeritus, the Anchor expresses for each and every one of us, our undying gratitude for what he has done for each and every one of us, and our wishes that he and his lady may have a lovely and restful vacation, and a safe and soon return to us.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:

Feb. 1, 4th Sunday in Epiphany

8 a.m. Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Choral Eucharist &
Sermon by Rector-elect, The
Rev. John A. Greely. Induction
of Officers for 1976.

Feb. 4, Wednesday

11 a.m. Holy Communion

Feb. 8, 5th Sunday in Epiphany

8 a.m. Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer and
Sermon

Feb. 11, Wednesday

11 a.m. Holy Communion

Feb. 15, Septuagesima

8 a.m. Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Choral Eucharist and
Sermon

Feb. 18, Wednesday

11 a.m. Holy Communion

Feb. 22, Sexagesima

8 a.m. Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer and
Sermon

Feb. 25, Wednesday

11 a.m. Holy Communion

Feb. 29, Quinquagesima

8 a.m. Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer and
Sermon

March 3, Ash Wednesday

Notice of Services will be in
March ANCHOR & Sunday Bulletins

Feb. 11, Wednesday, 12 Noon.
Meeting of Women's Guild. BYO
sandwich. Coffee and Tea provided.
Important discussion of Report from
Committee for Renovation of the
Parish Hall Kitchen.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTER:

Marriage: Robert Edward Carroll
Ada Marie Spillane
January 17, 1976.

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH
January 28, 1976:

This meeting was very well attended.
Between 75 - 80 Parishioners and their
families turned out, laden with contributions
for the family supper which preceded the
meeting.

The business meeting followed, during
which Herb Custer gave the children and
young people entertainment in the church,
and a group of the older ones retired to
the kitchen as a volunteer and greatly
appreciated Clean-up Committee.

Reports were presented and discussed,
Amendments to the Bylaws approved, and the
following Officers for 1976 were elected:

Senior Warden - Mrs. Walter Morris
Junior Warden - James R. Brown

Clerk of the Vestry - Frederick H Seacord

Treasurer - John T. Pratt

Members of the Vestry:

Curtis Collison Jr. (3 years)
Herbert Custer (3 years)
Mrs J Robert Windsor (1 year)

Delegate to District 7 - J Robert Windsor

Alternate - Richard Fligor

The Amendments to the Bylaws will be
submitted to the Diocesan Standing
Committees for approval, after which a
Special Parish Meeting will be called to
elect the additional six members of the
Vestry (including three members of our
Summer Parish), so provided in the
Amendments.

