Greetings from the Provost

Hi: Well, we are getting back at it for another academic year at Queen’s College … but it will be a very different year. The impact of COVID-19 ad the Global Pandemic has required significant change in all sorts of practices. We can no longer prepare by doing what we always did … maybe that’s a good thing. At Queen’s, we take direction from the NL Public Health and Memorial University. Here are the major adjustments for COVID-19

a. All classes and courses will be on line.
b. Faculty of Theology students will not be on campus for classes, meetings or other activities.
c. Faculty members can have access to the building to access their offices or deliver a class from the Smart Room. They must complete specific training and apply for permission to be in the building.
d. We purchased a new program for course delivery: GoToTraining.
e. We cannot have gatherings in the Common Room, Chapel, or Reading Room.
f. We will not gather on campus in person for worship, meetings or social events.
g. For those with permission to enter the building
   i. When in the General Office, wear a mask and come to the counter only.
   ii. Wear masks on corridors, stairways, washrooms, and other spaces where you might encounter others.

I am very confident we are well prepared for the fall. We have our courses in place and have strong enrolment in all programs. You can still register, if you find something of interest. We are being creative to ensure our students are supported in their discernment and formation with spiritual supports and pastoral care. We will be scheduling frequent opportunities for students to gather in sessions for prayer, reflection and sharing. We have specific plans and support to ensure new students are welcomed into the community.

This Newsletter (August 2020) has lots of information on our past, present and future activities. It reflects the dedication and interest of our faculty members and staff, and the enthusiasm of our students. None of what we do would be possible without the guidance of the Corporation (Board of Trustees), and the support of our benefactors. I must note that the support and dedication of my colleagues on the Leadership Team are essential to our efforts and success. Rev Canon Dr David Bell (Dean), Dr Carmel Doyle (Director of Student Programs), Rev Canon John Courage (Chaplain), and Ms Dana Bishop (Administrative Assistant) are wise, skilled, and enthusiastic contributors to the mission and life of Queen’s College.

As we launch into this unusual year, I ask for prayers that we continue to discern and respond to God’s will, and I ask for patience and flexibility as we endeavour to discern how to prepare people for ministry in the world and church in this time of rapid and radical change.

Blessings,

Rick

Lockdown of buildings: Our building, like many others on MUN campus and beyond, is under lockdown. Admission is for critical staff that is deemed to be those essential for academic and administrative continuity. Dr Rick and Dana are deemed essential for the Faculty of Theology. To make contact call the College at 709-753-0116 or email queens@mun.ca.

Queen’s College Student Association has made a donation to the MUN Undergrad Student Emergency Fund. This fund was created to assist students facing exceptional challenges, such as job loss, housing or food insecurity, or medical issues, during the COVID-19 pandemic. International students have been particularly hard hit during this time as many of them are not eligible for
government assistance. The Student Association, and the whole Queen’s community, has been a faithful supporter of the MUN Campus Food Bank and we are pleased to be able to support students experiencing hardship as a result of COVID-19.

**Information on Fall Programming** can be found at [http://queenscollegenl.ca/?page_id=406](http://queenscollegenl.ca/?page_id=406). We have lots of interesting courses. This might be a good time to consider some theological education and/or pastoral training. We are going with a full offering of courses and programs for Fall 2020 Semester.

The Diploma program is open to students of all denominations. In the Fall 2020 Semester, we will offer the Diploma Program in an on-line format. We will have one class session (7:00 to 9:30 p.m.) on Wednesday evenings for the 12 weeks of the semester.

The Associate in Theology (A.Th.) program is a course of study designed for persons who are interested in increasing their knowledge and appreciation of Christian belief and practice. As well as developing their pastoral skills, this program also provides a theological base for persons assuming leadership and ministry within the life of their faith community.

**Congratulations** to faculty member Dr. Jonathan S. Lofft who has been awarded the Nelson R. Burr Prize by the Historical Society of the Episcopal Church. Dr. Lofft is honoured for his article published in the September 2019 issue of Anglican and Episcopalian History entitled "X Marks the Spot: the Cult of St. Alban the Martyr and the Hagiotoponymy of Imperial Anglicanism in Canada, 1865-1921." The prize was awarded and received during the 2020 Annual Meeting of the Historical Society. The award honours that which best exemplifies excellence and innovative scholarship in the field of Anglican and Episcopal history. [https://hsec.us/news/9136975](https://hsec.us/news/9136975)

**Welcome to Queen’s College Faculty:**

*The Rev Joseph S. Pagano* is an Episcopal priest currently serving in the Diocese of Western NL. He has a B.A. in religious studies from the University of Pennsylvania, an M.Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary, and a Ph.D. in theology from Marquette University. His research and teaching focuses on systematic theology and ethics. His most recent book, co-edited with Amy Richter, is “Common Prayer: Reflections on Episcopal Worship” published by Cascade.


**Editor’s note:** The Ordination Anniversaries will be a new addition to the Newsletter as we recognize anniversaries (10, 20, 25, 30 etc.) of Queen’s College graduates and others associated with the college who have served the church in our province. Contact jjcourage@mun.ca to add to the list.


Election as Metropolitan the Most Rev Stewart Payne 30th Nov. 1990.

The Sympathy of our College Community is expressed to The Rev Gerald Giles and family on the death of his wife Lorna on June 19, The Rev Linda and Norman Budden and family on the death of his father Ernest on July 4; and to The Ven Gerald Peddle and Bishop Geoff Peddle and families on the death of their father Ralph on August 3.

Consultation: In response to a request from the Rev Dr Eileen Scully, Director of Faith, Worship, and Ministry, The Anglican Church of Canada webinar consultation sessions for the Queen’s College community took place. The submission prepared by the Rev Canon Dr David N. Bell and the Rev Canon John Courage of Queen’s College – Faculty of Theology was entitled “THE ESSENTIAL NATURE OF THE EUCHARIST AND THE MODES OF ITS RECEPTION” and was submitted on July 20th. A note to the provost from Dr Scully reads in part “Thank you very much for this. I look forward to reading it. It will be forwarded to the Faith, Worship, and Ministry committee who are also going to be reviewing the submissions.”

Our Facebook and Twitter links provide up-to-date ‘goings on’ at the College. Go to www.queenscollegenl.ca and click the links on the homepage top right corner.

Digital Ministry: Applied Theology and Technology Continuing Education Session took place in June. The links for this three series are found below. Panelists: Bishop Geoff Peddle, Dr Carmel Doyle, The Rev Paulette Bugden, The Rev Keith Denman and The Rev Robert Cooke. Facilitator: Dr Rick Singleton Topics covered:

1. Ecclesiology Matters: Perspectives on the Church before, during and post-pandemic. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TN6BGeexPYk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TN6BGeexPYk)
2. A Primer on Pastoral and Technical Tools and Skills. How to be effective and efficient in digital ministries. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AncHlmSANA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AncHlmSANA)
3. Personal and Professional Wellness. Healthy responses to the expectations and experiences in a time of radically changing ministry. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9ACdCqrCao](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9ACdCqrCao)

QC Worship Schedule

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Happy Birthday greetings to Dr Rick who celebrates his 65th Birthday on Aug. 29th!!
Congratulations to our 2019-2020 Scholarship/Award Recipients:

The Bertha and Fred R. Earle Scholarship for first place standing in year three of the M.Div./B.Th. program Dale Careen

The Mabel A. Gosse Scholarship for first place standing in year two of the M.Div. / B.Th. programs Deborah Pantin

The Bishop Mark and Dr Maxine Genge Scholarship for first place standing in year one of the M.Div. / B.Th. programs Marilyn Gardiner

The Bishop J.A. and Beatrice Meaden Scholarship for first place standing in the Master of Theology program Rebecca Soper

The Archbishop Robert L. and Elizabeth Seaborn Scholarship for first place standing in the Bachelor of Theology by Distance Program Beverly Buffett.

The Pentecostal Assemblies of Newfoundland and Labrador Scholarship for the first place Graduate in the Master of Theological Studies Corey Parish

The Canon Frank and Matilda Cluett Scholarship for the study of scripture Corey Parish

The Queen’s College Alumni/ae Association Scholarship for the Associate in Theology graduate with first place standing Bernice Ivey

The Queen’s College Alumni/ae Association Scholarship for the Associate in Theology graduate with second place standing Glenda Brown and Faustina Cornick

The Father Maidment Scholarship for highest grade in Homiletics is awarded to Deborah Pantin

The Harvey and Doris Murcell Scholarship for overall excellence in preparation for Ministry in Newfoundland and Labrador Dale Careen.

The Queen’s College Alumni/ae Association Award for continued demonstration of Queen’s College Core Values of Christ-Centeredness, Commitment, Development and Collegiality Tracy Sullivan.

The Clifton C. Hatcher Scholarship for Progressive Leadership in promoting ideals and activities appropriate to the role of Queen’s College and the Church in the modern world Deborah Pantin.

The Rev Dr Alexander Daley Memorial Award for Liturgical Praxis for excellence in demonstrating a good working knowledge of the directives and practical application of liturgical principles through effective preparation and leadership Eli Cross.

The Dr Tom Pope Memorial Bursary for Love of Church and Ministry demonstrated through commitment to continuing theological education Fronie Squibb.

The Pentecostal Assemblies of Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Commitment to Learning in the Master of Theology and Master of Theological Studies Lucas Perry.

The Venerable Frederick and Lillian Oake Memorial Scholarship for Excellence in Pastoral Leadership Eli Cross and Dale Careen.

The R.A. Parsons Scholarship for commitment to life-long learning Elizabeth Scammell-Reynolds.

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. John’s Award in support of Christian Discipleship Donald Devine.

The Rick Anthony Memorial Award for perseverance and dedication to the study of theology in the Associate in Theology program Kimberlee Rogers.

The Queen’s College Benefactors Award to for Continuing Education in Mission and Ministry Janice Rowe.

The Queen’s College Benefactors Award for Continuing Education in Mission and Ministry Linda Saunders.

The Queen’s College Benefactors Award for Continuing Education in Mission and Ministry for the Diploma Program:
RC: Lisa Snook-Lawlor
Western: Faye Coffin
Central: Gertie Hodder
St. John’s: Beverly Sheppard
Labrador: Nicole Critch