



NEWSLETTER

Queen's College Faculty of Theology

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Greetings from the Provost

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Easter Greetings to you all. We have made it through the Winter semester and are about to start our Spring Courses. There is so much to be grateful for as we look ahead to the celebration of the work of Queen's College at Convocation 2022. There is a lot of information in this Newsletter about our Convocation and I hope you take some time to read it through, to sign up for the Alumni Workshop with Bishop Shaw and to register your attendance at Convocation (Registration is not required but those registered will be guaranteed seating).

We are delighted to be honouring Dr. Janice Fitzgerald at this Convocation with a Doctor of Canon Law (D.Cn.L.) (Honoris Causa). The work she and her team, our healthcare system has done to help guide us through this pandemic has been exceptional. She has been a beacon of hope, with her steadfast spirit and her constant refrain: "Hold Fast, Newfoundland and Labrador". We want to invite you to join us in our action of awarding this degree. We are putting together a video compilation of pictures of folks from across our province holding a "Thank You". We are asking if you can gather together a group of children in a school, seniors in a home, health care workers, truckers, friends, walkers, whoever and take a picture (see sample picture with Dr. Carmel) and send it to us at pictures@queenscollegenl.ca by May 6, 2022 for inclusion in the video. Help us thank Dr. Fitzgerald and her team for all of their hard work.



Queen's College Convocation 2022

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| May 11 th | 7:30 pm Convocation Eucharist – St Augustine's Anglican Church
Reception sponsored by the Students Association |
| May 12 th | 9:30 am Alumni Workshop – St Augustine's Church Auditorium
Guest speaker: The Rt Rev Riscylla Shaw, Bishop of Toronto (Trent-Durham)
Registration fee of \$15.00 includes lunch
followed by
Alumni/ae Association Treasurer's Report and Election of Officers |
| | 2:30 pm Convocation Rehearsal – Church of St Mary the Virgin, Cornwall Crescent |
| | 7:30 pm Convocation – Church of St Mary the Virgin, Cornwall Crescent
Reception sponsored by Queen's College |



The final Day of Awareness for the semester took place March 25th. An Iona Morning Devotion based on the Creation of God was followed by Dr Michelle Rebidoux's presentation: 'Finding Art in

Creation, Finding God in Creation'. Dr Michelle shared some insights from the Jewish German philosopher Martin Buber's classic work "I and Thou", and used those insights to guide two contemplative exercises. The first contemplative reflection was based on Gerry Squire's "Spirit of the Beothuck" situated in Boyd's Cove, NL. Dr Michelle then shared her own personal journey in painting. One major art work of Dr Michelle's can be found in St Mark's Church, St John's, on the symbols of the four Gospels (see link). She shared that another of

her paintings, 'Jacob Wrestling with the Angel', took six years to take shape in her mind, explaining her process in its creation. She also shared some of her poetry. Throughout the morning there were times for reflection and sharing before we concluded with the Holy Eucharist. The presentation can be found on our Face Book page. For photos and a news story visit: <https://www.facebook.com/stmarksnl/photos/10156631292212535>. <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/art-meets-religion-1.4975882?fbclid=IwAR1XuVeEfiHifQdqtJGrtZp3kuPcoW9fiiplLaS94-zXsdVMOanhixF2y5PU>.

Academic Hoods: Anyone who may have a Queen's College hood they are no longer using and would like it to find a new home please contact the office. It is hoped that we will have a supply on hand that students may borrow.

Upcoming Ordination: God willing, the Rt Rev John Organ will ordain to the sacred priesthood the Rev Terrance Coates on June 29th in the Church of the Advent, Plum Point.



Congratulations to Queen's College Graduate, the Rev Debbie Pantin on her ordination to the sacred priesthood on March 25th in All Saint's Church, Dildo and to the Rev Amber Tremblett on her

ordination to the sacred priesthood in St Paul's Church, Lewisporte on March 31st.



Congratulations to the Rev Clayton Billard who will celebrate his 50th anniversary of commissioning in the Church Army this May.

Anniversaries of Diaconal Ordination:

Congratulations to the Rev James Spencer his 5th on April 28th, the Rev Jeff Blackwood his 10th on April 29th, the Rev Canon Byron Barter, the Rev Shirley Gosse, the Rev Margaret Hall, the Rev Gary Hussey, the Rev Randy Lockyer, the Rev Edward Samson and the Ven Sandra Tilley on their 30th on April 29th, the Rev Neal Buffett his 20th on May 10th, the Very Rev Jason Haggstrom and the Rev Hannah Dicks their 15th on May 17th, the Rev Stella Mills her 5th on May 30th, the Rt Rev Cyrus Pitman his 55th on June 4th, the Rt Rev Len Whitten his 60th on June 14th, the Ven Ed King his 50th on June 17th, the Rev Jane Allen, the Rev Faye Coffin, the Rev Wilhelmena Green and the Rev Kay Osmond their 5th on June 18th, the Ven Eli Evans his 15th on June 14th, the Rt Rev Martin Mate and the Rev Dr James Reid their 70th on June 15th, the Rev Effie Organ her 5th on June 18th, the Most Rev Stewart Payne his 65th on June 23rd, and the Rev Canon Reuben Hatcher and the Rev Ron Lee their 60th on June 24th.

Anniversaries of Priestly Ordination: Congratulations to the Rev David Pilling his 35th on May 24th, the Ven Tom Moulton his 60th on June 2nd, the Rev Everette Hobbs his 60th on June 14th, the Rev Canon Lynn Courage her 15th on June 15th, the Rev Garry Parsons his 20th on June 23rd, the Rev Lloyd Collett his 60th on June 24th, and the Ven Eli Evans his 15th on August 28th.

Our Sympathy is expressed to the Rev Irving Letto and family on the death of his wife Maisie Letto on March 21st, 2022; to the Rev Eli Cross and family on the death of his sister Florence Cross on March 29th 2022 and to the Rev Evelyn Smith-Cotter on the death of her husband Ken on April 18th 2022. May they rest in Peace and Rise in Glory!

Our Supervised Practical Ministry (SPM) takes place April 25th to July 15th. This summer there are 11 students placed in three areas of the province: St John's, Corner Brook and Hopedale.

Student Association President Joshua Haggstrom writes: "Another semester has come to an end, and the Queens College Student Association would like to congratulate all students on completing another semester. A special thank to all the staff for yet another amazing semester, even if it was unorthodox. Happy Easter to everyone. Alleluia, the Lord is risen. The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!"

Please note: The College Office will be closed for the month of July for annual vacation and **Chapel Worship** will resume in the Fall Semester.

The Convocation Edition of the Newsletter will be circulated the week of May 18th. We are hoping to have a new format for the Newsletter this Fall – Stay tuned!!

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 home page top right corner.

Queen's College Apartment: A small self-contained apartment with a private bathroom, kitchenette, and bedroom. When it is not in use by the College, it may be rented. We see this as an opportunity for others to come and share in our community life. If you are interested in using the College apartment, it is best to make reservations. Any questions should be directed to Sharon Anne Barrett by telephoning the General Office at (709) 753-0116.

Rental rates for the apartment are:

First night \$50.00;

Second & subsequent nights \$35.00

Reservations require \$50.00 deposit for the first night.

The deposit is non-refundable if cancelled within a week of the reserved date.

The College reserves the right to cancel reservations if the apartment is needed for College use. Full refund of the deposit will be made if the College cancels a reservation.