

**The Diocese of Fredericton**  
**Eighth Annual Clergy College**  
**Christ centered**

Camaraderie ~ Communion ~ Community ~ Children ~ Carpenter ~ Communication  
Challenge ~ Catechism ~ Cross ~ Celestial ~ Ceremony ~ Communicate ~ Change  
Connecting ~ Cheerfulness ~ Choices ~ Church ~ Colleagues ~ Companionship ~ Concepts  
~ Concern ~ Confession ~ Congregation ~ Consecrate.

**At the Hugh John Flemming Forestry Complex (458-0643)**

**Mon, June 9 – Friday, June 13, 2008**

**Speaker 1: Rt. Rev. Bill Hockin**

Topic: Preaching

**Speaker 2: The Rev. Donald E. Baustian**

Topic: Healing Ministry

**Speaker 3: Michael W. Higgins**

Topic: Religion, Culture & Spirituality –

Pilgrims of Peace and Wisdom: Henri Nouwen, Donald Nicholl & Thomas Merton

**Fredericton, NB**

(Across from Regent Mall)

**Registration & Accommodation are available on Sunday, June 8, at 7pm.**

**Unless the LORD builds the house, its builders labor in vain. Psalm 127:1**

## **Welcome to our 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Clergy College!**

Dear Colleagues,

The Clergy College Planning Team warmly welcomes you to this year's Clergy College. We are delighted to inform you that Rt. Rev. Bill Hockin, Rev. Donald Baustian and Dr. Michael Higgins will be our guest-speakers this year. You will find their respective biographies, as you scroll down. The Planning team has the pleasure to inform you that, with the computer expertise of The Ven. Geoffrey Hall, registration will be fully on-line, with an automatic reply, confirming to you that you are registered. An exception has been granted to clergy who do not have access to the Internet; they will receive registration forms in the mail. If you do not have a "Continuous Education Fund" with the diocese, please, bring your payment cheque with you, made to "The Anglican Diocese of Fredericton". For those who can draw on the Continuing Education Fund, please note that it will only cover 80% of the fee. We would ask you to have your payments ready when you check in at the college. Your contribution will be: \$25.00 for one course, \$50.00 for two courses and 75.00 for all three courses. Please, register early!

The College will begin at 8:30 am on Monday, June 9, with a celebration of Holy Communion by our Bishop. The sessions will end at 12:00 noon, followed by lunch, on Friday June 13, with departure at 2:00 p.m. Registration and allocation of rooms will begin on Sunday, June 8, from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Please, note that the College will start on Monday, and end on Friday.

The Rev'd Gerry Laskey will be coordinating our Worship. Please indicate on your registration form if you would like to participate in any of the liturgical and/or para-liturgical activities.

We will be having a Maritime Kitchen Party on Wednesday evening in Holy Trinity Parish Hall. The Rev'd Bob LeBlanc and The Rev'd Bonnie Leblanc will be featuring. Bring along your musical instruments and your skits, and enjoy an evening of home made entertainment. If you have any questions, please, contact Canon Jon Lownds ([jon.lownds@anglican.nb.ca](mailto:jon.lownds@anglican.nb.ca)).

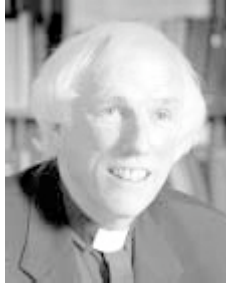
The option of Internet connection in your rooms will be made available again this year. Anglican House will be back again this year with a book table. We hope to see you there at the appointed time. If you have any questions, please, contact the Registrar, the Rev'd Paul Ranson at [curatepaulccpc@nb.aibn.com](mailto:curatepaulccpc@nb.aibn.com) or at (506) 451-0630 ext.#3.

Yours in Christ,

Paul Ranson

## **Our Guest-speakers for this year's Clergy College**

**Monday, June 9, 9:00 a.m. – Tuesday, June 10, 12:00 noon**



**The Rt. Rev. William J. Hockin**

Bishop Hockin graduated from Waterloo Lutheran University, ON with a Bachelor of Arts and from Emmanuel College, Saskatoon with a Licentiate in Theology.

In 1962 Bishop Hockin was ordained deacon, and he was ordained priest in the following year. Most of his ministry was done in the Diocese of Huron (1962-86). In 1986 Bishop Hockin moved to the Diocese of Toronto, and was Rector of St. Paul's Bloor St. until 1996. In 1995 he was made Canon of St. James Cathedral.

In 1996 Bishop Hockin moved to the Diocese of Fredericton and was appointed Dean of the Cathedral. On June 24, 1998 Bishop William was elected as Coadjutor Bishop of the Diocese of Fredericton. He was installed as Diocesan Bishop on April 25, 2000.

Rt. Rev. William has received honorary Doctorates in Divinity from Kings College, Halifax, Wycliffe College, Toronto, and the College of Emmanuel St. Chads, Saskatoon.

He is the author of three books: *God for a Monday Morning* (1987), *Twelve Stories You and Your Children Need to Know* (1994), and *The Habit of Hope* (2001).

Bishop Hockin has delivered a series of Advent and Lenten talks in the downtown area of Fredericton beginning in 1999. These have been well attended by people of various denominations.

Bishop Hockin is married to Isabelle and had two adult children and two grandchildren, all living in the Toronto area.

**Tuesday, June 10, 7:00 p.m. -Wednesday, June 11, 4:00 p.m.**



**The Rev. Donald E. Baustian**

THE REV. DONALD E. BAUSTIAN, a native of Iowa, is a retired priest of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Arkansas. He served as North American Warden of the International Order of Saint Luke the Physician from 1999 to 2004. He and his wife, Beverly, make their home in the south Arkansas pine forests. Three grown children live in Colorado, Michigan, and Iowa. They have three grandchildren.

Ordained in 1957 and a chaplain of the Order of Saint Luke since the early 1970's, Fr. Baustian has served as Order of St. Luke Regional Warden in the Upper Mid-West and as Executive Assistant to three past O. S. L. North American Wardens. He has been a leader and speaker for healing missions and regional conferences, as well as annual O. S. L. North American Conferences.

Fr. Baustian is a graduate of Augustana College, Rock Island, IL, and the General Theological Seminary, New York City. In 1981 the Baustians moved from Keokuk, IA, where he had been rector of Saint John's Church and OSL chaplain, to Arkansas where he became rector of Christ Church, Little Rock, succeeding the Rev. Rufus Womble. Then, in 1988 both he and Beverly were appointed by the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church to three year overseas mission terms on the faculty of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Haiti. Returning to the U.S. in 1991, he served congregations in southern Arkansas until his retirement from parish ministry in July, 1997.

Avid travelers and gardeners, the Baustian's Camden, AR, home is surrounded by a large yard filled with azaleas, camellias, dogwood, magnolias, daffodils, day-lilies, iris, as well as a wide variety of other plants and flowers. They also enjoy an annual harvest of edibles such as blue-berries, asparagus, and persimmons, to name a few.

“The ministry of healing,” he writes, “is not an option for Christians. It is part, — an essential part, — of our call and commission. If our life and ministry is to be true to the life and ministry of Jesus, then we must be about the business of ministering healing and wholeness in His name.”

**Thursday, June 12, 9:00 a.m. –Friday, June 13, 12:00 noon**



**Dr. Michael W. Higgins**

Michael W. Higgins is President and Vice-Chancellor of St. Thomas University, Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada. He is also a Full Professor of English and Religious Studies, Past President of St. Jerome's University in Waterloo, Ontario, and the author and co-author of numerous books including: *Thomas Merton: Pilgrim in Process*, *Women and the Church: A Sourcebook*, *Portraits of Canadian Catholicism*, *My Father's Business: the Biography of Gerald Emmett Cardinal Carter*, *The Jesuit Mystique*, *Heretic Blood: the Spiritual Geography of Thomas Merton*, *The Muted Voice: Religion and the Media*, and *Stalking the Holy: In Pursuit of Saint-Making*.

He has published many articles and reviews in such scholarly publications as *The American Benedictine Review*, *Cistercian Studies*, *Studies in Religion*, *Journal of American Studies*, and the *Thomas Merton Annual*. He also has a long career as a documentarist and writer for CBC Radio One's *Ideas*, as a scriptwriter for such programmes as *Testament* and *Celebration*, and as a consultant and commentator for numerous radio and television series, including CBC's *Sunday Edition*, CTV's *Canada AM*, and TVOntario's *Studio 2*.

He served as Chief Consultant for the 6-hour Sir Peter Ustinov's *Inside the Vatican* television series and as a film consultant for *Mariette in Ecstasy* and CBC's *Man Alive*. He is a former columnist for *The Toronto Star* (1986-2006) and a regular contributor to both *The Globe and Mail* and the *Literary Review of Canada*.

He sits on several national and international scholarly and administrative boards, served for twelve years as Editor of the award-winning *Grail: an Ecumenical Journal*, is a Contributor to the official blog of *Commonweal*, writes a monthly column—*Gallimaufry*—for the *Catholic Register*, and has given numerous named university lecture series, including the *Jordan*, the *Seton*, and the *Columbus*.

Dr. Higgins is a native Torontonion and married to freelance editor and liturgical musician Krystyna. They have four children: Rebecca, Andrew, Sarah and Alexa.

## **The Committee put together a short philosophy of the College, an excerpt of which is below:**

The Clergy College is unashamedly academic in tone. In searching for the presenters we have looked for people who are well known and highly regarded as current teachers, writers and thinkers in their specialized field. Anglican clergy are trained in university settings and we need the opportunity to review what we have learned as well as to hear current perspectives on the Biblical writings and the Traditions of the Church.

A new perspective enables us to reconsider our emphases on old topics that we may perhaps have, like Tristan Shandy's hobby home, ridden to near exhaustion. Listening to skilled presenters like Dr. David Allen, Bishop Graham Cray, Chris Edmondson, Bishop Bill Hockin and John Webster, can re-ignite our convictions concerning the divine mandate of the Church. Thus you should know that there is no thought at this stage of transforming the College into workshops dealing with specific clinical issues, such as mental health or the care of the aging.

Pressing issues are certainly involved in any consideration of the Tradition, the Scriptures, and the current culture, but the emphasis here is broad, and by God's grace, deep. We recognize the need for workshops and other professional days on specific topics and hope that those needs might be met either in the institutions that the Church continues to serve or on clergy days during the year.

### **What Do I Bring?**

If you are staying in the residence, there are a few things you need to know. First, you must **bring your own towels and face cloths**. Bedding is provided. Also, resist the temptation to sleep in. Don't forget your alarm clock! Some other things to pack include:

- Towel and facecloth
- Bible
- Hangers
- Musical instrument(s)
- Pen and paper



- Alarm clock

There is an opportunity to lead daily offices; please, feel free to bring additional worship aids. Contact The Rev. Gerry Laskey at 448-2069 if you would like to lead in worship.

There is some free time available, which provides an opportunity to take in some of Fredericton's services and culture. Plenty of shopping is available nearby; there are lots of cultural events (movies, concerts, art showings, etc.) taking place all around the city.

We will be dining out as a group on several occasions, with the first **\$11** of your bill being covered by the College (you may want to have some extra money with you, depending on your appetite).

## **Greetings from our Diocesan Bishop**

**Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,**

I want to say how pleased I am to encourage your participation in our Eighth Annual Clergy College.

This brochure provides all the details as to the venue and our elective facilitators. This year promises yet again to be a unique opportunity for fellowship, learning and theological reflection in the familiar surroundings provided by the Forestry Complex in Fredericton. We look forward to our three lecturers providing stimulating presentations that will enhance the theological, liturgical and pastoral aspects of the ministry we share. Continuing education of Clergy is not an option in our quest for excellence in ministry in our diocese.

Please, mark your calendar and submit your registration as soon as possible, so that the organizing committee will be given every opportunity to arrange details for your enjoyment and benefit.

A personal "Thank You" to our Clergy College Committee who have already excellent plans in place for our college in 2008. See you there.

Sincerely in Christ,

+Claude



Followed by the registration form and the following notice:

**Please, send your hand-filled forms to the address below**

The Rev. Paul Ranson  
Parish of Fredericton  
245 Westmorland Street  
Fredericton, NB E3B 3L9

***NB: Please, keep your cellular phones off during sessions and prayers. Thank you!***