



# Saint Patrick's Church Restoration Society

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## Give Saint Patrick A Hand

### May Update

The Saint Patrick's Church Restoration Society thanks every single person who has helped us on our journey to meet our campaign goal of \$600,000. by June 30, 2008. This month we particularly salute the following people.

On July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 pm, Scott MacMillan and Jennyfer Brickenden are creating an evening of celebration and splendour for the visitors to Saint Patrick's Church. Marking the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its composition by Scott MacMillan, the *Celtic Mass for the Sea* will be presented and feature the Cape Breton Chorale and the Inverness County Singers. In addition, based on a sailing trip to Sable Island organized by the "Sable Island Preservation Trust", Scott MacMillan will release an original musical creation drawing his inspiration from the winds and sands of Sable Island. Scott says "it is a unique opportunity to reach out to the audience through music to be aware of the significance of Sable Island and the need to preserve it." Silver Donald Cameron will participate in this part of the program by reading a poem by Halifax poet, Jill MacLean in which she reflects on the natural beauties of Sable Island. Holly Carr will produce a visual reflection of the sounds she hears, painting live as the premiere unfolds musically. She is donating her creation from this evening to the Society for a future fundraiser. Tickets are \$30.00 each and are available by calling 429-4170.

Friends of the Restoration Society are hosting a Celebration Lobster Dinner on July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30 pm in the Saint Patrick's Church Hall. Tickets are \$20.00 each.

Tom Forrestall has generously donated a number of signed limited edition prints of one of the Rome series paintings to the Society. These prints will be available at the Church on Sundays beginning May 11<sup>th</sup>. Unframed prints are \$300.00 and framed prints are \$500.00.

Twenty women from Saint Patrick's Parish have joined together and donated \$500. each to adopt a \$10,000. stained glass window in our Church. They offer a challenge to other groups to do the same.

Bucky Adams is launching his new DVD "*Bucky Adams Trio Live At Saint Patrick's Church*" on Sunday, May 11 at 11:30 am. Part of the proceeds from the sale of the DVD's will be donated to the Society.

For \$25.00 each, Margaret and Kurt Abhalad are selling our Mother's and Father's Day packages at the back of the church and on line. This includes a miniature potted rose and Mother's Day card, a potted geranium and Father's Day card and a package of Bells of Ireland seeds in a card. Orders can also be placed by calling 429-4170.

Len McNeil of Leisure Days RV Centres, 600 Windmill Road Dartmouth, has donated a fully loaded tent trailer, valued at \$10,500. including all applicable taxes. Silent auction bids are now being accepted on line, by phone or fax. Visit our website, call our information line, visit the Leisure Days Centre on Windmill road or their display at Exhibition Park on June 6, 7, 8 to get additional information. Bids will close on June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Denis Ryan has agreed to be the honorary chair of our second annual dinner on October 18, at the WTCC, Halifax. Sponsorships ranging from \$50,000. to \$5,000. as well as dinner tickets priced at \$100. each are now available. On Sunday May 18 the Candlelight Trio will present a classical string music concert with a Viennese flair. Tickets are \$15.00 and proceeds will be donated to the Restoration Society.

On Saturday, May 31 at 7:00 pm, the Caledonian Scottish Fiddle Orchestra will be taping a live performance. Tickets are \$15.00. All proceeds will be donated to the Restoration Society.

The Society welcomes donations at any level and we are extremely grateful to each and every donor for your faith and trust in our efforts.