



Diocese of Fredericton

Ninth

Annual



Clergy College



Featuring

John Bowen Willis Noble William Imes

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

Fredericton, NB

(Across from Regent Mall)

Mon June 22 – Friday, June 26, 2009

Speaker 1: Dr. John Bowen

Topic: Evangelism and Mission

Speaker 2: Dr. William Imes

Topic: Preparing to Preach on the Gospels

Speaker 3: Dr. Willis Noble

Topic: Church Music and Worship

Registration & Accommodation are available on Sunday, June 21st, at 7pm.

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

Welcome to our 9th 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 Dr. John Bowen, Dr. William Imes and Dr. Willis Noble will be our guest-lecturers 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 contributions 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.

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 or at (506) 451-0630 ext.#3.

Yours in Christ,

Paul Ranson

Our Guest-speakers for this year's Clergy College



John Bowen

**Lecture Topic:
Evangelism and
Mission**

John Bowen teaches evangelism at Wycliffe College in the University of Toronto. He was born in Wales, but came to Canada with his wife Deborah in 1977. For many years he worked for Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship of Canada before coming to Wycliffe in 1997. He and Deborah have two married children and one granddaughter. John earned his Doctor of Ministry from McMaster University, and is the author of “Evangelism for ‘Normal’ People” (Augsburg Fortress 2002) and “The Spirituality of Narnia” (Regent College Publishing 2007). His next book, “Growing Up Christian: Why Young People Stay in Church, Leave Church and (Sometimes) Come Back to Church” is due to be published by Regent College Publishing on January 1 2009.



William C. Imes

**Lecture Topic:
Preparing to
Preach on the
Gospels**

Dr. William C. Imes was the President of Bangor Theological Seminary and Lowry professor of practical theology from 2001-2008. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, Eden theological seminary and Yale Divinity School. Dr. Imes taught Latin before his ordination in 1985. Following his ordination, he went to Maine where he served as Pastor of First Parish Church (UCC) in Brunswick until 2001. While in Brunswick he was a member of the Board of the Mid Coast Chapter of the American Red Cross, a board member of the Thornton Oaks Homeowners Corporation, a board member for Tedford House, a member of the Advisory Committee to Bath/Brunswick Big Brother/Big Sisters, a board member for Midcoast Hospital and the Bowdoin Summer Festival. Dr. Imes was Vice-Moderator of the Maine Conference of the United Church of Christ, Moderator of the Cumberland Association, Chair of the Maine Conference Business Committee, and member of the Maine Conference personnel committee. He currently is a member of Bangor Rotary and is on the Board of Directors of the United Way of Eastern Maine and of the Center for the Prevention of Hate Violence. He is married and has three daughters and seven grandchildren.



Willis Noble

**Lecture Topic:
Church Music and
Worship**

From 1997 until his arrival in Fredericton Dr. Noble was the Director of Music at the Church of St. Mary Magdalene in Toronto and also Director of Music and an Associate Professor of Divinity at Trinity College, University of Toronto. Until 1997, Dr. Noble was head of the Department of Music at Mount Allison University, where he taught church music, organ, and choral music as well as conducted the Chamber Choir. From 1984 to 1997 he was the Organist and Choir Director of St. Paul's Anglican Church in Sackville. Dr. Noble has extensive teaching experience, including history of choral music, church music, and Baroque music. He was a member of the board of the New Brunswick Choral Federation, and Director of the Diocesan School of Church Music. He has been an active recital organist, specializing in Canadian repertoire, including the music of Healey Willan. Willis has a Master's Degree in Music from the University of Toronto, and a doctorate from the University of Indiana. He also completed a reading course in theology from the Anglican Diocesan Theological College at McGill University, Montreal. He is the author of Sacred Choral Music in Canada. Dr. Noble is married to Mrs Virginia Leiter, they have two children.

Daily Schedule for the 2009 Clergy Conference:

- Sunday June 21st:** 7-9pm Registration
- Monday June 22nd:** 9-10 session 1: John Bowen
12pm Lunch
2-4pm session 2: John Bowen
4:15pm Evening Prayer
5pm Dinner out:
7pm Free evening
- Tuesday June 23rd:** 9-12 session 3: John Bowen
12pm Lunch
2-4pm free afternoon
4:15pm Evening Prayer
5pm Supper in residence
7-9pm session 4: William Imes
- Wednesday June 24th** 9-10 session 5: William Imes
12pm Lunch
2-4pm session 6: William Imes
4:15pm Evening Prayer
5pm Dinner out:
7pm Free evening
- Thursday June 25th:** 9-10 session 7: Willis Noble
12pm Lunch
2-4pm session 8: Willis Noble
4:15pm Evening Prayer
5pm Dinner out:
7pm Free evening
- Friday June 26th:** 9-10 session 9: Willis Noble
12pm Lunch
2pm Departure

Breakfast will be served from 7:15–8:30 AM every day and will be followed by Morning Prayer at 8:30 AM

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).

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

If you cannot register online, please send your hand-filled forms to the address below:

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

Name: _____

Parish: _____

Course Registration

The Continuing Education fund covers 80% of the total cost of \$125 per course. The remaining 20% (1 course = \$25, 2 = \$50, 3 = \$75) is to be paid upon arrival. Retired clergy and vocational deacons may seek financial support from their respective parishes.

I plan to attend the following courses during the 2009:

(Please, mark "YES" beside your choices)

John Bowen June 21-22 _____
William Imes June 23-24 _____
Willis Noble June 25-26 _____

Liturgical Participation:

Do you wish to [Check one, both or neither]:
Officiate at Offices ___ Read a Lesson(s) ___

Accommodation

Rooms and some meals at the Hugh John Flemming Forestry Complex are provided. Please, indicate the nights you would like to stay:

___ Sun., June 21
___ Mon., June 22
___ Tues., June 23
___ Wed., June 24
___ Thurs., June 25

Want a single room? Check the Box <input type="checkbox"/> \$10 extra per night

Internet access: \$5/day or \$15/wk

Please state number of days and amount payable

Registration is June 21st from 7-9 pm.

If you are going to be later than 9pm please check this box:

Allergies, special concerns or notes for the registrar:
