

# **Friends of the Cathedral**

## **St. John's Cemetery News and Events**

**The Annual Flower planting** was on June 6 this year, a perfect hot summer day for planting. Approximately 280 plots were planted with multi-coloured impatiens, a hardy flower that will last well into the fall.

We would like to thank all of the individuals who participate in the Annual Flower program. Your continued support of St. John's Cemetery is much appreciated.

We would also like to thank our eleven volunteers who turned out for this year's planting. A good time was had by all, followed by a hearty, well-earned lunch. And as always, a big thank you to our groundskeepers, Wallace and Dennis, who prepare the plots each year for planting.

### **'Put Down Roots!!' Campaign...**

In 2015, the Cathedral Cemetery began a new and ongoing campaign to help restore the Cathedral's urban forest canopy. Over the past few years we've lost too many trees (to storms, disease, etc). Help us to restore the Cathedral's canopy! You buy 'em, we'll plant 'em, and the squirrels, crows, hawks and other critters will thank you! Various species are available.

We have been fortunate to participate in the city of Winnipeg's 'Releaf' program for the past 2 years, which has stretched our ability to replant even further. This year's assortment included Discovery Elms (which are more disease resistant), Linden, Juliet Cherry, Bur Oak, Saskatoon, Pinnacle Birch and Amur maple trees. In all, with the help of your generous donations, we planted approximately 15 trees and several bushes in 2016. We sincerely appreciate your generous contributions to this important program. To donate to this program, you can send an additional amount along with your payment for the Annual Planting. **Donate today and watch your investment Grow!!**

### **Perpetual Flowers Program...**

Last year, several families took advantage of our perpetual flowers program. For a one-time cost of \$700 per plot, you can ensure that your family plot(s) is planted every year. Some people may prefer this method for the peace of mind in knowing that your plot is looked after for the many years to come.

For more information on either of these programs, please call the office at (204) 586-8385 or email [office@stjohnscathedral.ca](mailto:office@stjohnscathedral.ca).

### **2020 Vision...**

We will be celebrating soon 200 years of God's faithfulness, giving thanks for the past and rejoicing in the hope which is ours. We are planning now for a year of the Cathedral Bicentenary, October 2019 through October 14th, 2020, the actual 200th Anniversary of the arrival of our first priest and the establishment of this parish and so the Anglican Church in Western Canada. If you have any ideas to share for our consideration, please do send them to us at the Cathedral office. Thank you.

### **On the reverse...**

We have included photos from this year's motley crew of volunteers and staff, as well as a picture of this year's assortment of trees purchased through the 'Releaf' program. We hope you enjoy this representation of your dollars at work!

