

# St. Mark's to be re-dedicated Sunday

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Dating from 1868, Orangeville's oldest church now has a new look, a new entrance and the town's newest stained glass window.

The original brick work on St. Mark's Anglican Church is long gone, covered by a stucco-like, weatherproof grey surfacing. An addition at the southwest includes a welcoming area and an elevator that makes both floors of the church fully wheelchair accessible, and this week a local artisan installed a new stained glass window with some uniquely local features.

The church on First Avenue is actually the parish's third. The original log church east of what is now Orangeville dated from 1837 and was replaced in 1854 by a stone building on the present church's site.

This Sunday, St. Mark's will have a single service of dedication for the \$1.1-million restoration and the window, which was donated

by the Raymond family in memory of their mother, Bernice Marie Raymond.

And then there'll be special services on Sept. 27 in which Ven. Peter Scott, recently appointed Regional Archdeacon of Wellington, will tell the story of the window and of its significance at both regular services, 8:30 and 10 a.m.

The window might have a special significance to glass artist David Burns, as he is about to close Foiled Again, his Mono Plaza outlet, and continue his craft in St. Jacob's where he will work with Robert Brown Glass and Metal in addition to carrying on his own work.

The stained glass window at St. Mark's, he said, will be his last major installation in Orangeville for at least the time being.

The window itself has a representation of an angel looking over Orangeville. If you look closely, you can recognize the waters of Island Lake, the buildings of the town, and the surrounding fields in a

prosperous farming area.

It is surmounted by a Celtic cross, perhaps representing the settlement of the area as well as the fact that the church normally holds Celtic services on the first Sunday of each month, Archdeacon Scott said.

The Celtic services are, however, in English but in a more "earthy" and straightforward phrasing than the traditional. "I barely know two words of Gaelic," joked the rector. "I suppose I shouldn't say that with a name like Scott."

Mr. Burns doesn't take credit for the angel itself, as it came from a church in Toronto. He said he and the rector designed everything surrounding the angel, including part of the angel's damaged wings.

Crafting a stained glass window of this magnitude and detail wouldn't be the work of an amateur. Mr. Burns said he has been 20 years in the business. You keep growing in the business as the years pass, he

said. Archdeacon Scott said that with the renovations, the church is now fully accessible with the 1,000-square-foot "lift area" and the elevator that has been in use since April.

The exterior of the church as taken on a new appearance, with Dryvit — a "new and improved form of stucco" — all around.

The brick-like stucco that was applied over the crumbling brick in the

## Trouble, strife in store at Museum

The Dufferin County Museum and Archives will have Canadian Independent Music Award Winners Trouble & Strife, featuring Larry Kurtz with special guest Paul James, perform at the opening of its 2009 Made of Wood Show.

A low-down, hard-edged and soulful blues band, Trouble & Strife was formed in 1997 by a group of like-minded blues lovers who had diverse musical backgrounds.

At the opening, raffle

tickets will be sold on some fantastic prizes, with proceeds going to help keep red oak in the Dufferin County Forest.

The Made of Wood Show Opening Night Party takes place this Saturday, September 12, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person and include entry, performance by Trouble & Strife, and ticket for one refreshment and burger. The licensed event is restricted to persons 19 years and older.



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LOOKING FOR A BIG BROTHER OR SISTER: Deputy Mayor Warren Maycock, right, proclaimed September Big Brothers and Big Sisters month in Orangeville Tuesday at Town Hall. Present were Big Brothers Big Sisters of Dufferin director Nancy Stallmach, Taylor Small and Taylor Snell and case worker Dawn McAllister.

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From September 14th to the end of November 2009, on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, Water Works Staff will be flushing fire hydrants and conducting flow tests as part of a regular hydrant maintenance program.

Due to sedimentation, this flushing may cause discoloration, so please check your cold water supply before using. If discoloration does occur, let the cold water run until it is clear.

Users are also reminded that Water Works Staff will continue to regularly flush hydrants in some areas in Town on subsequent Wednesdays as part of its regular maintenance program. Again, the water should be checked for discoloration before using it on those days.

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