

The Old Catholic Church of B.C.

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L'Église Vieille Catholique de C.B.

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Three Ordinations at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Redmond, Washington, USA on September 7, 2008

Bishop Gérard LaPlante ordained two new deacons and a new Priest; Mr. Jean Doucet and Mr. Stephen Terry were ordained to the diaconate and Deacon Dana Updegrove was ordained to the priesthood. Deacon Jean will be at St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church in Vancouver, Deacon Stephen and Fr. Dana will work with Fr. Gary Wulf at Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Redmond, Washington. Special guests included the Rev. Fr. Charles Barnes, Jesuit, the parochial vicar of St. Aloysius Roman Catholic parish in Spokane, Washington, Mrs. Barbara McKenzie, Mr. Pete Bloomsberg, Professor of Mathematics, Bellevue College, and Mr. Jim Gee from Vancouver, representing the board of the Old Catholic Church of BC.

This year Bishop Gérard LaPlante ordained three new deacons and a new Priest; the life of the Church goes on and we pray for the new members of the clergy that they may remain faithful to their calling and to their Lord Jesus Christ.

Inside the sanctuary of Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Redmond, WA: On the left side, the candidate for the ordination to the Priesthood, Deacon Dana Updegrove with the server Mr. Sam Bloomsburg; on the right side the candidates for the diaconate, Mr. Jean Doucet left, and Mr. Stephen Terry, right.





Biographies of the three new members of the clergy

The Reverend Father Dana Mark Updegrove

The Rev. Fr. Dana was born in Pennsylvania and grew up in the Midwest. After High School graduation in Houston, Texas he joined his family in Idaho where he took his first studies. He worked for the aerospace industry as a mathematician and engineer, and became a teacher and then professor in his field. His interest for the faith led him to study theology. He loved the liturgy and eventually joined Holy Trinity Anglican Church after his move to Bellevue Washington. He was ordained Deacon at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Redmond, WA on 22 November 1998 by the Most Reverend Robin Bradley Connors. He is a working Priest and will assist Fr. Gary Wulf.

Fr. Dana received several degrees, a Bachelor of Science in 1977 from Idaho State University, a Master of Science in Mathematics in 1979 from the University of Tennessee, a Master of Divinity from Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary in 1987, and a Master of Arts in Philosophy from the University of Mississippi in 2008. He is a full-time professor of Mathematics and Philosophy at Bellevue Community College since 1991.



Fr. Dana Updegrove receives the laying on of hands

Fr. Dana is married with Dauna and has two grown children.

The Reverend Deacon Stephen Terry

Deacon Stephen Terry is a native of Seattle, Washington, where he was baptized at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension. He grew up in California and studied at Wayne State University in Michigan, where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology and took further studies at the University of Connecticut in Clinical Psychology. He has worked in technical and computer support for most of his life and has volunteered for the Anglican Church for many years. He will assist Fr. Gary Wulf and Fr. Dana Updegrove at Holy Trinity Anglican Church.



Deacon Jean Doucet (left) and Deacon Stephen Terry receive the laying on of hands

The Reverend Deacon Jean Doucet

Deacon Jean Doucet was born in Bathurst, New Brunswick, where most of his family still live. He is Acadian and speaks French and English. After graduating from the University of Moncton with a Bachelor of Arts, his work led him to Louisiana and Quebec before settling in Vancouver, British Columbia and working in the home renovation business. The Doucet family has a long time connection with Bishop Gérard LaPlante and the Old Catholic Church of BC going back to his brother Patrick Doucet, who came to Vancouver in 1978. He will assist Bishop Gérard LaPlante and Fr. Jürgen Schmode at St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church.



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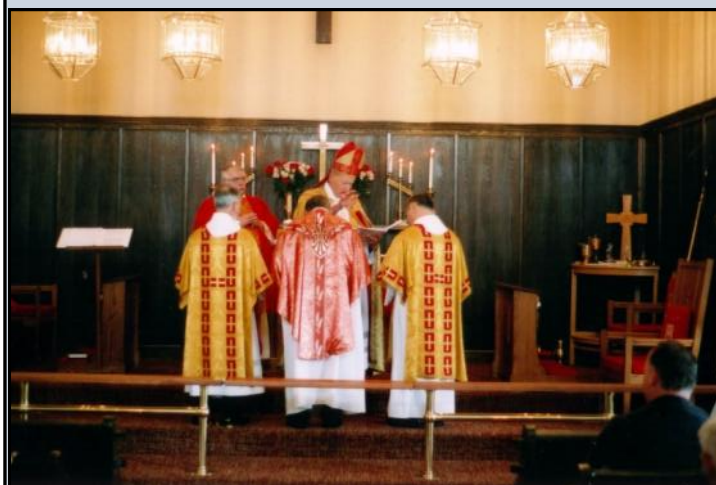
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Picture 1: After the service, left to right: Fr. Deacon Stephen Terry, Fr. Dana Updegrave, Fr. Gary Wulf, Bishop Gérard LaPlante, Fr. Deacon Jean Doucet



Picture 2: in front of Holy Trinity Anglican Church: Fr. Deacon Stephen Terry, Fr. Charles Barnes, SJ (friend of Fr. Dana; he is the parochial vicar of St. Aloysius Roman Catholic Parish in Spokane, Washington), Bishop Gérard LaPlante, Fr. Deacon Jean Doucet, Fr. Gary Wulf



Picture 3: Bishop Gérard LaPlante with Rector Fr. Gary Wulf;

Picture 4: Fr. Gary Wulf, board members of Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Mrs. and Mr. James Andrew, Bishop Gérard LaPlante, Fr. Deacon Jean Doucet





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Picture 1: The new pulpit of Holy Trinity Anglican Church;
Picture 2: Mr. Jim Gee on the right with clergy;
Picture 3: Mrs. Barbara McKenzie with Bishop Gérard LaPlante



Picture 4: at the rehearsal with left to right: Mr. Jean Doucet, son of Mr. Bloomsberg, Dr. Pete Bloomsberg, Mr. Sam Bloomsburg, Bishop Gérard LaPlante
Picture 5: Special treat for the reception; **Picture 6:** The choir led the congregation singing

