

BACKGROUND OF THE HEALING MINISTRY AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH

For many years there has been an active Healing Ministry at All Saints Church. It began to expand in 1992, when The Rev. Can. James Glennon of St. Andrews Cathedral of Sydney, Australia, came to conduct a Healing Mission at All Saints. The Rev. H. David Wilson, Rector of All Saints (now retired), invited Don Jaeger, a parishioner in the advanced stage of an incurable muscular disease, ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease), to accompany him to the Healing Mission. Canon Glennon laid hands on Don and prayed for Christ's healing. Don was miraculously healed completely over the ensuing months. His was the first such medically documented healing of ALS. This was a life changing event for many people.

In 1997, Fr. Dave Wilson and Don Jaeger, along with a small group of committed people, began a Tuesday evening Healing Service at All Saints. When Fr. Al Durrance joined the ministry, he added prayer ministry for inner healing (healing of memories) to physical healing. Attendance at this Service continues to increase, with the congregation consisting of members of many denominations in the area.

On October 3, 2001, the ministry acquired a former Bed and Breakfast Inn located next to the All Saints' property. Renamed the Glennon House, it allowed the ministry to add individual healing prayer for all those in need of physical, spiritual or emotional healing, either by appointment with Prayer Ministers or by ministers on duty at the house for drop-ins and phone calls. In addition, groups meet for Core Teaching for clergy and lay ministers from other churches, Soaking Prayer, Care Givers Sessions, General Discussion Sessions and special healing prayers.

The Rev. Canon Jim Holbeck and his wife Carole, of Sydney, Australia, Cannon Glennon's successor at St. Andrew's Cathedral, have been instrumental advisors and provide prayer ministry and teaching annually.