



## All Saints' Anglican Church

Incumbent - The Reverend Dr. Michael Peterson CD

### A Frozen Church! Could This Happen Here?



All Saints leadership is faced with the difficult decision of having to replace our old furnace boiler, which is now perilously near the end of its life. We're asking for your help in making a donation of any amount to help us manage the considerable cost. Remember that any donation received before 31 December qualifies for your 2024 tax receipt.

In the spirit of the season, Father Michael was inspired to write a new Christmas carol, based on an old tune.

### **An Appeal for Help With Our Boiler Replacement**

*With apologies to Christina Georgina Rossetti*

In the bleak midwinter, should our boiler go,  
We'd soon be all a shiver, ice from head to toe;  
Snow would fall, snow on snow, it would be no fun,  
in the bleak midwinter, if our heat won't run.

Our boiler's gotten ancient, it may not us sustain,  
The poor old thing has done its best, it is not to blame.  
In the bleak midwinter, its heat might not suffice.  
Time's come to replace it, lest we all turn to ice.

Angels and archangels may hover in the air,  
But our dear parishioners, it's to you we make our prayer.  
A new boiler's pricey, we say that to you plain,  
Hoping that your kindness will ease our fiscal pain.

What can you give, to help us in this jam?  
Anything would help, but please don't bring a lamb!  
Any large or small amount, if you could play your part,  
Would keep us warm and toasty, and gladden all our hearts.