

## REPORT OF THE BISHOP'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON CHURCH BUILDINGS (BACCB):

### Message to Synod 2014.

**The first thing to do-**

**- if you want to repair, improve or build:**

**- Is to write to the Bishop,**

**- explaining the what, the why and how it is to be paid for.**

**The Bishop will decide whether (a) the Parish is free to go ahead, or (b) he wishes some oversight.**

If a Parish desires project advice or assistance in matters of structural or mechanical design-options or in procurement or in contract management, the parish representative is free to contact either Mary Anne Grant in the Synod Office at (905) 527-1316 x 380; [maryanne.grant@niagaraanglican.ca](mailto:maryanne.grant@niagaraanglican.ca) Or Ian Chadwick, BACCB chair at (905) 988-7873; [ianchadwick@look.ca](mailto:ianchadwick@look.ca)

The requirements of Canon 4.6, with which we all should be familiar, demand a rigorous approach to the hiring of architects and engineers and the awarding of contracts. In essence the catchwords are competition, transparency and protection (of the owner).

Over the past year we have been privileged to work with more than 20 parishes in Hamilton, Halton, Guelph, Oakville, St. Catharines, Welland and Niagara Falls.

Our ambition and purpose is to help you do it right the first time, to save you money and to assist you in finishing the job within budget. We think that's somewhere between a sacred trust and a holy mission.

For the Committee,  
Ian Chadwick.