Church School An enriching program for everyone

ur Church School children are enjoying their time in the Sanctuary at the beginning of every Sunday service, particularly on the Sundays when they are treated to "Children's Chat" with Rev. Chestnutt or Rev. Diviney! They will soon be participating in a number of services, as Will Duffy prepares songs with them.

The children once again did a wonderful job with the 51st Annual Christmas Pageant. More and more of our youth are involved behind the scenes as they prepare to "take over the reins" in the near future, many of whom were little shepherds and angels themselves not that long ago.

After the Pageant, over 200 attended the Family Christmas dinner for s wonderful time of fellowship. Many thanks go to Diane Aikens, Wilma Cobb and Iain Lamont for doing such a great job ensuring that all were served a delicious meal. Others who helped make this special evening a great success were David Christiani who once again led us in song, leading up to the grand entrance of our very own piping Santa! The sheer delight on the faces of the children as well as their parents is always priceless!!

In addition to the Christmas Pageant and Family Dinner, our families enjoyed and participated in many other Christmas events. Four of our families helped with the Advent Candle Lighting and our Church School prepared and led the Family Christmas Eve Service. Each year this Service grows in popularity and I believe it is due to the involvement of the Church School children and the invitation extended to all the children attending the service to join us in decorating the Christmas tree. All scriptures and readings are done by the Church School from Grades 3 through Senior High, with each reading revealing the significance of the decorations being placed on the tree by the children gathered around the tree. This is one of my favorite Christmas services and the Church School children do a wonderful job with their readings and



Above: The Family Christmas Eve Service provides a very special moment in all the 'busyness' of the Season.

Right: Rich ladies all dressed and made up for the pageant! Excited too!

