

Parish Life

Getting to Know You: Ken and Zel Creed

It is fun to sit down with a couple who are in the same age 'zone' as yourself and recognize the similar history you have. This was certainly the case when I interviewed Ken and Zelica (Zel) Creed.

Ken is a Toronto native, spending most of his formative years in Scarborough. Ken's family moved to K-W when he was 17. Zel is maritime native from New Brunswick but moved at a very early age to Kitchener- Waterloo. I asked Zel about her name which most of us would consider uncommon. Zel was named after her grandmother (Zelica) but was never given the history behind it. A little research on my part revealed that its use in some cultures means "a beautiful and amazing gift God gave us". I think that fits the individual I interviewed.



Zel and Ken 'connected' through Zel's brother who was a friend of Ken's. It was one of those love stories that moved from introduction, to interest, to marriage in 1966. Zel grew up in a Roman Catholic family while Ken's roots were Anglican. It is not uncommon that one party sets aside their own upbringing prior to marriage and in this case they were married in a Roman Catholic parish. Although not regular church attendees each of the Creed's three children were baptized into the Roman Catholic denomination of our Christian faith.

Ken worked in a number of local shops and industries primarily as a machinist or machine operator. In 1967 he joined Budd Automotive and rose through the ranks from press operator to Foreman to Division Manager. Zel spent many years as the 'home manager' but did spend some time working at C.N. Weber, Clarica, and for 15 years prior to retirement, at MCAP, a local finance company.

How did this couple end up at St. George's less than one year ago? They have been long term friends with Bob and Emily Berti and when Bob passed away they attended Bob's funeral at our parish. This couple were impressed with the warmth of the parish and the compassion shown by our clergy, particularly Fr. Stephen - regular attendance soon followed. Both shared that It is a delight to watch Fr. Stephen interact with young people during regular services or special events, such as baptisms.

Ken enjoys renovation projects and is well known in his neighbourhood for the skill he brings to the task. Zel is a knitter, and although she got away from this pastime for a few years, she now tackles a variety of undertakings. They both enjoy live theatre, travelling to Toronto on many occasions for shows there.

Ken and Zel have three children (Kevin, Cherie and Jason), 6 grandchildren, and one great grandchild. They look forward to the suspension of COVID protocols which will allow the resumption of social events. Remember this couple has joined our parish family during the pandemic so they have not experienced regular coffee hours, games nights, car rallies and yes even our murder mystery events.

Please introduce yourself to this lovely couple, and if you have name tags, please wear them. It is a challenge for new attendees to associate names with so many new faces.



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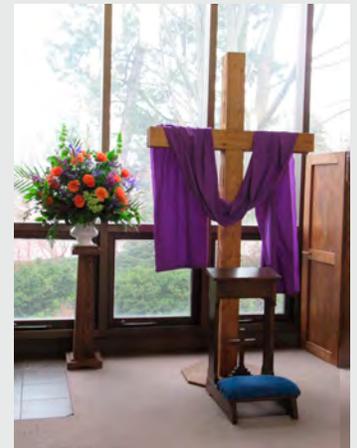
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