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Report to Synod**

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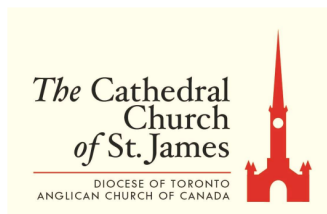
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The following is from the Report to
Synod about the
St. James' Cathedral - footcare clinic
a FaithWorks' ministry partner your
donation supports.

"We are making a tangible difference with minimal resources. I treat people who can't afford the recommended medications for their ailment. Many need extended care and more social interaction to understand what needs to be done in their treatment plan. Without these clinics, their feet would go untreated and, in many cases, lead to other chronic health problems."

- Dr. Minh Nguyen, Chiroprapist



"I would like to thank FaithWorks for their generous contribution for St. James' Cathedral's Foot Care Clinic for the past two years. The Foot Care Clinic has been supporting some of the most vulnerable people in Downtown East Toronto since 2021. This ongoing support of our participants (77% of them are over 50 years old) helps

them to create balance and mobility in their lives. After seeing the chiropodist, they can walk again, come back calm and grateful for their visit. We serve as many women as we do men. This is a free service whereas at other places there is a fee.

St. James' Foot Clinic shares over 725 individual clients with two other foot clinics. Our client's also have access to a clean room at Mustard Seed that Dr. Minh books for minor surgery that St. James' clients need. He will then book his ongoing appointments after the surgery at St. James."

- Kathy Biasi, Outreach Manager

"If I hadn't gone there, I may have had the infection spread. The cleaning out of my big toes' cavities all but eliminated the pain. I was afraid, I would need surgery to remove an ingrown toenail or a bunion. I suspect a private practitioner may have suggested that right away to make money. It's great that everything feels better without major intervention.

I'm not homeless but I spend a lot of time on my feet. I've seen the homeless at the drop-in with severe foot problems, including two that

day who sang Minh's praises and the improvement in their feet after seeing him. Being able to walk without foot pain is a huge benefit. We are all very grateful for Dr. Minh Nguyen."

- Anonymous Patient



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fwspeakersbureau@toronto.anglican.ca

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