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The West End of Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria BC, showing the four-manual Helmut Wolff organ. Former Kingston Centre member Mark McDonald is Assistant Music Director of the Cathedral, working with Music Director Donald Hunt to maintain a program with several choirs, a sung Eucharist and Evensong every Sunday, and several continuing concert series.

Their Christmas Carol Service is streamed at

<https://www.christchurchcathedral.bc.ca/podcasts/video-services/2021-12-19-christmas-lessons-and-carols>

(Service leaflet at <https://www.christchurchcathedral.bc.ca/pages/service-leaflets>)

Mark's Postlude is well worth hearing!

A Very Joyous Christmas

to all the Members and Friends of the RCCO Kingston Centre!



This brief special edition of the Newsletter takes the place of the usual late November edition. In Exodus 23:27 the Lord is reported as saying, "I will cause confusion among all the people to whom you come". That group must include us, the Harkness-Cameron household, your editors, because the illness of David's brother Ross, and his death on the weekend of 5-6 December have certainly brought us confusion aplenty! (Ross' executors, his daughters, live respectively in Peterborough and in Chigasaki, Japan. We, alas, live in Kingston).

Before Ross' death, as some readers know, David was hospitalized in September and October. Somehow we just haven't fully caught up yet!

We're sorry! Our private problems have become shared, general, across the full readership of the Newsletter. We didn't mean to share them with you all, but there it is. A new year lies ahead, and we hope a better time for RCCO news.

In the meantime . . . at the time of writing it sounds as if many Christmas services will be virtual rather than in-person, as Covid-19 Omicron makes Kingston the worst location in all of Canada.

BUT we hope that everyone has made time for The Twelfth Night Party on January 9, at 2:30 pm. Joan Egnatoff writes, "Bill and I will host the Twelfth Night Party on January 9 over Zoom. Hopefully it can go in the newsletter, and we would appreciate submissions of music, poems, stories, etc. for the event. People should get in touch with me if they are going to contribute a selection".

A reminder will be sent, including the link. Now, have a *Merry Christmas!*