

Can life get any better?

These are the words I pondered on a beautiful sunny day with downtown Vancouver across the harbour and the water lapping on the quayside, having had a visit with an Indian crew on a new ship which was loading grain at Cargill 2.

It was for me the crossing of a threshold as I began a new stage in my life as Senior Chaplain with the Mission to Seafarers in the Port of Vancouver. It is very much a hope come to fruition, a moment of thanksgiving having been moulded, prepared by 18 years of parish ministry.

It is of course about the privilege and joy that comes with serving others whether with the MTS or helping out at the food bank, soup kitchen or the seemingly other infinite ways that present themselves.

It is to be mindful that what we do for others through our presence says Jesus we do for him. Matthew 25:40

Life can get no better than that!

May the Lord bring joy and new life to you and through you to those who in Christ's name you serve.