

Sudbury Manitoulin Deanery Digest

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Deanery News and Announcements

DEANERY GATHERING: Members of Deanery Council are reminded of this event, taking place on Saturday October 18th beginning at 10:00am at St. John the Divine in Copper Cliff.

Archdeacon Anne says "Because this day is so important, I would also ask you not to plan any parish events for October 18th. This event will replace the Fall Deanery Council meeting, and will be very different in format. As such, **every congregation is expected to send representatives** as its success is dependent on it. It is my hope that this will be a positive experience for everyone"

ATTENTION LAYREADERS: The Anglican Church of Canada - Diocese of Algoma **LAYREADERS CONFERENCE** will take place on **September 26-28, 2014** in Bracebridge, Ontario. This year's topic is "**Learning and Growing**".

The presenters for this conference are The Rev. Dr. Jay Koyle who will speak on The Role of Layreaders in Congregational Development and The Rev. Dr. John Harvey who will speak on Role of Further Education for Layreaders.

A Registration form and more information is available [here](#)

NEW THIS YEAR, The keynote address by Bishop Stephen Andrews, and workshops by Rev. Dr. Jay Koyle [The Role of Layreaders on Congregational Development] and Rev. Dr. John Harvey [Role of Further Education for Layreaders] will be available via Web Conference Algoma [Webinar].

The **Keynote address** will take place on Friday 26 September 7:00-8:30 pm;

The **workshops** take place Saturday 27 September from 10:00 am - 12:30 pm and 1:30-4:00 pm

Algoma webinars are available to anyone who registers and who has access to high speed Internet [Java plugin required], and computer speakers. Registering for any or all of these sessions also

provides participants with the ability to replay any session anytime later. There is no cost to attend an Algoma webinar. Please register for the web conferences by contacting webconferencealgoma@ontera.net or by calling Linda Langdon 705.476.0791.

Please note that this registration is separate from registration to attend the LR Conference in person, [although people attending the conference are welcome to sign up for the webinars in order to have later access to the playback facility].

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF MINISTRY: THIS FRIDAY: Our brothers and sisters at the Church of the Ascension have a variety of events planned to celebrate the 60th anniversary of their parish. The next event is a Coffee House with Electric Kazoo (EK) on September 19th at 7:00pm

BLESSING OF PETS: Several Churches in Copper Cliff, including St. John the Divine, Anglican, are hosting a service of Blessing of Animals. The outdoor service takes place **THIS Sunday** at 3:00 in Nickel Park in Copper Cliff. A poster is attached.

ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN: The ACW Deanery Fall Meeting, with a theme "Instruments of Love" will be held at All Saints Coniston on Saturday, October 4th. Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. and a Eucharist will begin at 10 a.m. lunch will be provided by donation and we will wrap up by no later than 3:30 p.m.

We are looking for items for the Toonie Table which was a huge success last year. Proceeds from the Toonie Table will go towards the costs associated with hosting the Diocesan Annual Meeting in the spring of 2016 which will be held in Sudbury.

If you have any questions please contact Beverly van der Jagt at 705-919-6541 or by email at beverlyvanderjagt@bell.net

A poster is attached.

SOCIAL MEDIA: The use of Social Media, such as Facebook, Twitter etc. is a great way to help spread the word about your parish/congregation and the events and activities you are involved in. It is also a great way for those who have moved away from the parish to stay connected.

Administrators of a Facebook page are able to see how many views a post to the page has had. For example, a recent post to the Church of the Epiphany's Facebook page, was viewed nearly 200 times, another post, which another facebook user also posted, or "shared", to their personal page, was viewed over 400 times.

Currently, The Church of the Epiphany, Church of the Ascension (just created this week) and Manitoulin Anglican Parishes all have Facebook pages.

If you would like to create a Facebook page for your church, and are unsure of how to set it up and maintain it etc. please contact our Deanery Program Associate, Marion Collinson. Marion will assist you with the creation, maintenance and moderation of a page for your church.

PRIMATE'S WORLD RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT FUND:

As of September 11, 2014: Our PWRDF has sent an initial grant of \$20,000 through the [ACT Alliance](#) for relief work after severe flooding in Punjab, Gilgit Baltistan, and parts of Kashmir. Torrential monsoon rains have killed or injured over 500 people in Punjab, Pakistani-administered Kashmir, and Gilgit Baltistan Province. Thousands of houses have been damaged or destroyed, and schools and other community buildings have also been affected. Crops and clean water sources have also been badly damaged. Roads and communication infrastructure have left thousands of people without enough food and vulnerable.

The ACT response will provide:

Food to 14,800 people, including flour, rice, [pulses](#) (legumes), cooking oil, sugar, salt, and tea

Clothing, bedding, and other household items to 7400 people

Shelter kits to 400 families Mobile health care facilities to care for 22,200 people

For more information, go to www.pwrdf.org

To donate to PWRDF's response:

By Phone

For credit card donations contact:

Jennifer Brown

416-924-9192 ext. 355; 1-866-308-7973

Please *do not* send your credit card number by email or fax.

By Mail

Please make cheques payable to “PWRDF”, mark them for “Pakistan Floods” and send them to:
The Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund
The Anglican Church of Canada
80 Hayden Street
Toronto, Ontario M4Y 3G2

FROM THE DIOCESE OF ALGOMA FACEBOOK PAGE:

“Unless a congregation reconnects faith with context in a fresh and powerful way, no strategy, structure, or program will make much difference in its long-term viability.” ~ Alice Mann

READINGS FOR THIS COMING WEEK:

(taken from <http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/>)

Proper 20 (25) (September 21, 2014)

- First reading and Psalm
 - Exodus 16:2-15
 - Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45
- Alternate First reading and Psalm
 - Jonah 3:10-4:11
 - Psalm 145:1-8
- Second reading
 - Philippians 1:21-30
- Gospel
 - Matthew 20:1-16