



# Church of the Ascension Sudbury, Ontario

*'You know the generosity of our Lord Jesus Christ: he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that through his poverty you might become rich.'*

(2 Corinthians 8.9, REB)

-Bishop's motto for 2014

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## **In our prayers ...**

**Please pray for** the following people for God's continued healing and strength during the coming week., especially Ken Walsh, Doug Wilson, Tammy, Cathy Walton, Bill Craig, Brian, Joyce Laking, Naina, Christina, Sylvia, Wanda Barnes., Kay, Joanne, Joe, Mags Gill, Joan Cox, Leila Dunlop, Edna Bailey, Eunice McMahan, Irene Ginson Fiss, Jean Aceti, Quinton Doveton, Beryl Cole, Cheryl Arbuckle, John Hunte

**We pray for those** who are living in retirement residences or nursing homes, or who find it difficult to join us for church on Sundays; Milt Fleming, Aileen Haslam, Ron Little, Margaret Villeneuve, Velma Tansley, Bill May, Karin Hoffman and Daryl Keen. May they always feel God's presence in their lives.

**We pray for these families**, recently bereaved, the Turner family

**We pray for those travelling over the Christmas holidays – that God will grant them travelling mercies.**

**In our parish** we pray for our wardens and leaders and in our parish family, for Janet & David van Dyke, Tonia Van Kempen & Jason Lesney, Peter & Lee-Anne Verbree, and their families.

**We pray for the parishioners at St. James Anglican Church** in Lockerby as they prepare to move from their church building this week and begin a new period in the history of their congregation. May they continue to know and feel God's presence in their midst.

**In the Diocese of Algoma**, we pray for St. James', Gravenhurst, Church of the Holy Manger, Barkway, The Rev. Mal Binks (Interim), The Rev. Canon Tom James (Hon.)

**In the Anglican Church of Canada**, we pray for our Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, for our Metropolitan, Archbishop Colin Johnson, for our Diocesan Bishop, Bishop Stephen Andrews; for our Archdeacon Anne Germond and for our parish clergy Rev. Anne, Fr. Bob and Rev. Rhonda.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for Kubwa - (Abuja, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Duke Akamisoko

**Nativity of Our Lord**  
**7pm and 9:30pm Holy Eucharist**

*Bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people;  
for to you is born this day a Saviour, Christ the Lord*

**Year B**

**All hymns from the Blue Book**  
**The Gathering of the Community**

Pre service at 7pm:	Colin Germond & Philip, <i>Christmas Medley</i>
Processional Hymn	# 118
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**Proclamation Of The Word**

Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 52.7-10
<i>Heralds announce God's salvation.</i>	
Psalm 98	page 836
<i>All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.</i>	
New Testament Lesson:	Hebrews 1.1-4
<i>God has spoken by a Son.</i>	
Gradual	# 120
Holy Gospel:	John 1.1-14
<i>The Word became flesh.</i>	
Sermon	
Hymn	"Away in a Manger"
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**The Celebration of the Eucharist**

Offertory Hymn	# 140
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The Lord's Prayer	page 211
Communion	Colin Germond & Philip Balson, <i>O Holy Night</i> # 122, 126, 137
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Dismissal	page 215
Announcements	
Recessional Hymn	# 119

**Welcome to our Christmas Eve celebrations.** May you know and feel the joy, peace and wonder of this wondrous night, and find the love of Jesus in our midst. If you are baptized you are welcome to receive the Eucharist with us, but if you prefer a blessing, please cross your hands over your chest so Rev. Anne knows. Please let the sidespeople know if you prefer gluten free wafers, or if you would like communion at your seat.

May the joy of the angels,  
The eagerness of the shepherds,  
The perseverance of the wise men,  
The obedience of Joseph and Mary,  
And the peace of the Christ child  
Be yours this Christmas.  
And the blessing of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you throughout the New Year.

From:

*Rev. Anne, Fr. Bob, Rev. Rhonda  
The wardens Anne, Erma and Harley  
And the Board members of the Ascension.*

**Thank you for your support of the Ascension this year.** We are blessed by your presence at church each week and by the way in which you participate in the ministry of the church.

**Thank you to the many people** who prepared the church and bulletin for us, and to those who are participating in this evening's celebrations with your musical offerings, readings, and in serving. Our readers this evening are Gerry Lougheed Jr.; Lindsay Bonas; Maggie Leigh; the Kadwell family; the Hennessy/Graham family; Cathy Jewell, Brent Leigh and Chris Cawte. Thank you to those who are joining the choir this evening; to musicians Colin Germond and Philip Balson, and to singers Matt Walchuk, Jeremy Manella and James Wilson.

**The Christmas offering** will go towards our outreach projects in the New Year. Thank you for your generosity. Through it, we were able to prepare 25 Christmas stockings, 9 Christmas hampers, and 20 baskets of cookies for those in need, and our seniors.

**The parish office will be closed this week. In the event of a pastoral emergency please contact Rev. Anne at 705.671.6223.**

**There will be two services on Sunday 28th December** – one at 9am and one at 11am.

**The flowers in the church this Christmas are given to the glory of God and:**

In loving memory of Dennis Dionne; Ruth and Pete Manning and Fern and Betty Dionne; by Cathy Dionne and family.

In loving memory of Jackie and Bill Lampert; by their daughter Deborah Porlier and family.

In loving memory of husband Ron and granddaughter Christina and Gramma Bonas; from Betty Bonas.

In loving memory of Gail Milne: from Lloyd and Barbara Blanchard.

In loving memory of Keith Munro: from his wife Jean and family.

In loving memory of Julie Binder Nelson; from her husband Beaumont Nelson.

In loving memory of George Trimmer; from wife Anne and family.

In loving memory of William and Dagmar Chipchase; from Floyd and Joyce Laking.

In loving memory of parents Irene and Bert Deluzio; from Terri and Tom Tremblay.

In memory of loved ones from Molly Roberts and Chris Cawte.

In loving memory of parents Charles and Dorothy Germond, and Harold Derbyshire: by Colin, Anne and family.

May their souls rest in peace and rise again in glory.

In gratitude for blessings received by the Germond family.