

# Church of the Ascension

Sudbury Ontario

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**News and Announcements**

**January 4th, 2015**

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## In the parish this week:

**Monday 12th January:** Friendship Quilting and Crafting at 10am.

**Tuesday 13th January:** Stand Up! at 9am.

Wardens meeting 9:30am.

Parish Life meeting 6pm

Finance meeting 6:30pm

Board meeting 7pm

**Wednesday 14th January:** 9:30am Holy Eucharist

11am Taco lunch for students at Barrydowne College.

**Thursday 15th January:** Clericus meets at Thorneloe University

7pm: Choir

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### Annual Meeting

The Annual meeting of the Church of the Ascension will take place on Sunday February 8th at 1pm.

Committee chairs are asked to submit their reports by January 15th to Rev. Anne for publication in the Annual Booklet. The following reports are needed - Wardens, Honourary Assistant and Associate, Building and Property, Outreach, Worship, Children and Youth Ministry, Parish Life, Visioning, Envelope Secretary, ACW, Finance.

2015 is a Synod year and at this meeting delegates for the May Synod will be elected. If you are interested in attending Synod, please ensure that the nominating committee members (Erma, Marlene Moulton, Cathy Dionne) know.

**Thank you for your donation of bread and fixings for the Elgin Street Mission this morning**

### Friendship Quilting and Crafting

This group, which used to meet on a Tuesday from 10am to 2pm has moved to a Monday to accommodate the STAND UP Exercise Program. If you are interested in joining this group, please speak to

Anne Trimmer.

### Out of the Cold dinner: January

The January Out of the Cold dinner will be on Friday, January 23rd. At this dinner we will be giving our guests new socks, new or gently used mitts, toques and scarves. If you are able to donate any of these items please bring them to the church.

Stephanie Doveton and Matt Walchuk report that the 'Motley Crew' - will be preparing the meal for January's OOTC dinner. Help is needed on Friday 23rd in the morn-

ing for setup, and in the evening for serving, washing dishes and cleanup. If you can help, please speak to Stephanie or Matt.

### Messy Church Thanks

On a frigid Wednesday evening several people ventured out to join in the Epiphany Messy Church. Thanks to those of you who made it possible by your preparations of crafts, dinner and the meal. The next Messy Church will have a Valentine Theme and everyone is invited to join us on Wednesday 4th February. It starts at 4:30pm with crafts and the worship service usually starts at 5:00pm. Hope to see you there.

## ACW President

The ACW has a new president! Cathy Dionne is the new ACW president and we congratulate her on this position. A special thank you to Betty McLeod for her faithful leadership of the ACW for so many years. Thanks also to the other executive members for their faithful service - Gladys Abigail (Treasurer); Betty Bonas (Devotions); Myrna Sheppard (Little Helpers); Roz Jones (Secretary). The ACW is a committed group of women who work hard in our church and support many of our ministries. Their teas are renowned in Sudbury and through these fundraising efforts local, national and international charities are helped.

## Barrydowne College Lunch

On Wednesday 14th January we will be preparing lunch for the students and teachers of Barrydowne College at the Ascension. This was a great success last year and we are looking forward to welcoming the students again this week. Tacos will be served. If you would like to help, or join us for lunch with the students please speak to Kath Greenidge or Anne Trimmer.

## Tea for toddlers

Attention toddlers! Please join us for a toddler tea

## Thought for the Week

*"It's not 'God loves you if you're good.' It's not 'God loves you if He's having a good day.' It's 'God loves you!' Desperately. Passionately." - Rich Mullins, musician best known for "Awesome God"*

party with Rev. Anne on Sunday 18th February at 2pm. There will be cake and juice and some games. Parents and caregivers are welcome too!

## Service of Christian Unity

The Service for Christian Unity takes place on Sunday 25th January at 3pm at the Ascension. This year we will be joined by churches from the around the city so it will be a wonderful celebration of our unity in Christ. It is being held in the afternoon so that people don't have to drive at night. Hope to see you there!

## Church of the Epiphany Booksale

The Church of the Epiphany holds a GIANT book sale on the last weekend in January. If you have any used books that you wish to donate, please contact the Epiphany church office at 705.675.2279



## Reflection on the Baptism of Jesus

"On you my favour rests."

John poured the water, God sent the Spirit. It is the usual cooperation we know as a sacrament. We perform the sign. God provides the grace.

Our cooperation in the event of grace in our world is a significant part of the story. Sometimes we sit on our hands, waiting for God to go to work. We forget that God is waiting for an invitation from us that only we can provide.

What may God be hoping to do through you this week? Look for opportunities to offer God's peace to someone.

- Alice Camille



**Gardening Rule:** When weeding, the best way to make sure you are removing weed and not a valuable plant is to pull on it. If it comes out of the ground easily, it is a valuable plant.

When my daughter, Kelli, said her bedtime prayers, she would bless every family member, every friend, and every animal (current and past). For several weeks, after we had finished the nightly prayer, Kelli would say, 'And all girls.'

This soon became part of her nightly routine, to include this closing. My curiosity got the best of me and I asked her, 'Kelli, why do you always add the part about all girls?'

Her response, 'Because everybody always finishes their prayers by saying 'All Men!'

My daughter's 5th-grade class had been studying astronomy. One morning at breakfast she announced, "On Friday we're having a quiz on the moon."

That's when her little brother piped up, saying, "Are you gonna let her go, Mom?"

## Sunday Lectionary for January-March

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### 11 January Baptism of the Lord

Genesis 1:1-5  
 Acts 19:1-7  
 Psalm 29  
 Mark 1:4-11

### 22 February First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 9:8-17  
 1 Peter 3:18-22  
 Psalm 25:1-10  
 Mark 1:9-15

### 18 January Second Sunday after Epiphany

1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20)  
 1 Corinthians 6:12-20  
 Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18  
 John 1:43-51

### 1 March Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16  
 Romans 4:13-25  
 Psalm 22:23-31  
 Mark 8:31-38 or Mark 9:2-9

### 25 January Third Sunday after Epiphany

Jonah 3:1-5, 10  
 1 Corinthians 7:29-31  
 Psalm 62:5-12  
 Mark 1:14-20

### 8 March Third Sunday in Lent

Exodus 20:1-17  
 1 Corinthians 1:18-25  
 Psalm 19  
 John 2:13-22

### 1 February Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Deuteronomy 18:15-20  
 1 Corinthians 8:1-13  
 Psalm 111  
 Mark 1:21-28

### 15 March Fourth Sunday in Lent

Numbers 21:4-9  
 Ephesians 2:1-10  
 Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22  
 John 3:14-21

### 8 February Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 40:21-31  
 1 Corinthians 9:16-23  
 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c  
 Mark 1:29-39

### 22 March Fifth Sunday in Lent

Jeremiah 31:31-34  
 Hebrews 5:5-10  
 Psalm 51:1-12 or  
 Psalm 119:9-16  
 John 12:20-33

### 15 February Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

2 Kings 5:1-14  
 1 Corinthians 9:24-27  
 Psalm 30  
 Mark 1:40-45

## Services of Worship at the Ascension

Sunday morning: Holy Eucharist at 9am and 11am. Sunday school takes place at the 11am service and there is also a nursery for babies and toddlers.

Wednesday morning: Holy Eucharist at 9:30am followed by Bible Study. All welcome!

We have a team of parishioners who are licensed by the Bishop to bring the Reserved Sacrament to individuals or couples who are unable to make it to church on Sunday mornings.

Please call the church office at 705-566-2790 and we will be happy to make arrangements..

## Membership at the Ascension

We love it when people say that they are a member of our church, and we want to keep track of our parishioners so that we can send you mailouts, newsletters, and keep you posted on parish events. If you are a new member and wish to be on our parish list, please fill out the form at the bottom of this newsletter and return it to the office, or put it in the offering plate today. If your address, phone number or email address has changed, please fill out the form. Your email address is also important as we have an enews group. We do not give out parishioners emails to any other group.

### Agnus Day



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### Your privacy

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The church website address is [www.churchoftheascensionsudbury.ca](http://www.churchoftheascensionsudbury.ca)

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New

Person 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Person 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Change of  
Address

Address Family As \_\_\_\_\_

(John & Mary Smith, Mr. & Mrs J. Smith, The Smiths)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ (Please include all 10 digits)

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