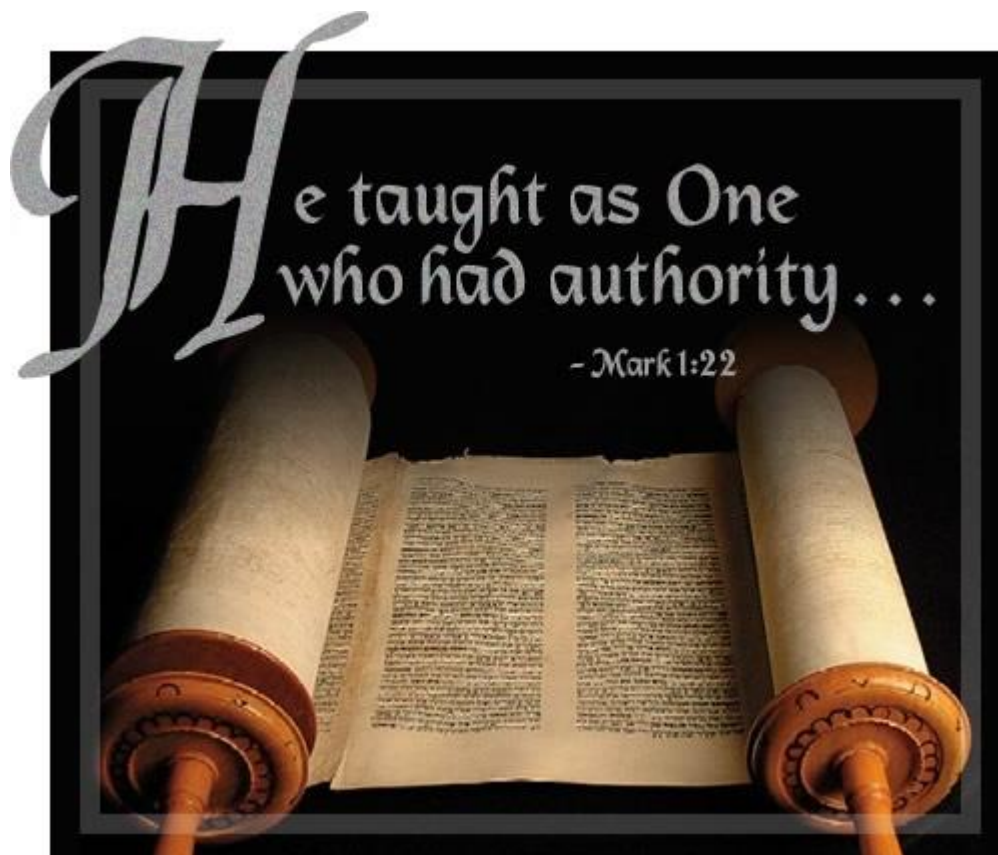


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Deanery News and Announcements

THIS WEEKEND: BOOK SALE: : The Church of the Epiphany Outreach Team's annual book sale will take place on Friday January 30 (3-7pm), Saturday January 31 (9am – 2pm) & Sunday February 1st (9am – 2pm). Proceeds from the sale will be used to fund Epiphany's Outreach projects - internationally through PWRDF, nationally through The Diocese of Moosonee and local charities such as Elgin Street Mission and the Sudbury Action Centre for Youth.

LOOKING FOR ANOTHER WAY TO LIVE LENT? "Exploring a Lenten Desert" is a six-session course that introduces participants to the desert as an image of spiritual dryness and refreshment and to the tradition of contemplative prayer that emerged from the practices of a fascinating group of 4th century men and women who fled the cities to seek closer relationship with God in the Egyptian desert. We will explore their pithy and paradoxical wisdom as we learn about (and practice) a variety of forms of contemplative prayer, including using psalms as prayer, awareness reflection, Ignatian imaginative prayer, centring prayer, *lectio divina*, and shared silence. If you've never heard of these, it's ok—that's part of the exploration! We will meet on Mondays through Lent, starting on February 23, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Church of the Epiphany (85 Larch St.). For more information and to register, please contact Patti Brace (pbrace@fibreop.ca, 705-673-1216)

MESSY CHURCH: Please join us at "Messy Church", A celebration for all ages at St. James Anglican Church, Southridge Mall (by the Food Court), 1933 Regent St, Sudbury, on Sunday February 8th, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Messy Church is a family friendly worship, with fun activities and snacks, all in a relaxed atmosphere. Our theme will be God Loves You

Please note: Children must bring an adult. For more information please call Reverend John Harvey at 705-929-6562. All are welcome

FROM THE DIOCESE OF ALGOMA FACEBOOK PAGE: The Mission to Seafarers in Thunder Bay requires a new van in order to continue the effective ministry it provides on our behalf. Please visit the Algoma website for more info about how you or your congregation can help! Click [here](#) for more information.

READINGS FOR THIS COMING WEEK:

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

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany (February 1, 2015)

- First reading
 - Deuteronomy 18:15-20
- Psalm
 - Psalm 111
- Second reading
 - 1 Corinthians 8:1-13
- Gospel
 - Mark 1:21-28