

# *Church of the Ascension*

*Sudbury Ontario*

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## **News and Announcements**

**April 26th, 2015**

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### **In the parish this week:**

**After church today** - both services. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall to receive a small peat container to plant seeds for the Twin Forks Community Garden which we will be helping grow this spring/summer.

**Rev. Anne** will not be in the office until Wednesday morning next week.

**Tuesday 28th April:** 9:30am Stand Up!

1pm: Outreach meeting

**Wednesday 29th April:** 9:30am Holy Eucharist

Noon: Senior's Luncheon with the Rising Stars for entertainment.

**Thursday 30th April:** 11:30am Meeting of the Deanery officials.

1pm: Area meeting for Elevate at the Christian Radio station.

7pm: Choir

**Saturday 2nd May:** 1pm. World Labyrinth Day at the Grotto

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### **Sidespeople**

Thank you to everyone for attending the Sidespeople meeting last Sunday. Don't forget to sign your name on the roster for the coming months, and let's keep the enthusiasm and welcome going.

### **Yard Sale Thanks**

Thank you for bringing in your gently used items for the Yard Sale on Saturday. The Sunday school is using the proceeds from the Yard Sale to buy a BBQ for the Church. It will be dedicated to the memory of Dennis Dionne who was a much loved Sunday school teacher and supporter of youth programs in the parish.

### **High School Teachers**

In the event that there is a strike for High School teachers this week, the wardens have given permission for the teachers from Lasalle to use our facility for a rest

and refreshment centre. Please be hospitable to the teachers during this time which is difficult and stressful for all parties. They will not be here during any church related events.

### **Sunday School Bake Sale**

The Sunday school will be having a Bake Sale after church next Sunday - May 3rd. If you wish to make something for the sale, please speak to Cindy Caines.

### **Synod 2015**

Please pray for Bishop Stephen and our Diocese as we prepare for Synod 2015. Synod takes place from May 6th - 9th in Sault Ste. Marie. Members of our congregation who will be attending Synod are Ven. Anne and Fr. Bob, Your Synod delegates Jennifer Ames and Cathy Jewell, Deanery Lay Steward Don McLeod, Youth delegates Megan Trimmer and Nick Ames. The two alternate delegates, Catherine Bird Heuft

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and Kath Greenidge will be attending Synod as guests.

### **Elevate 2015**

Once again the Ascension will be joining together in prayer and community service, with other Christians around the city on the Pentecost weekend. Please keep the evening of May 24th free to join in the prayer service at Glad Tidings Church at 6pm.

The Ascension is striving to be a nut free and scent free parish, due to the many nut and scent allergies.

Our ward's (Ward 8) project is to help the growing of the Twin Forks Community Garden. This is located on Gary Street (near Madison Ave). Today you will be given peat pots with seeds to take home and nurture. We will let you know when to return the pots for planting. Two days have already been set aside for us to work together with others in the spirit of Christian Unity (May 20th from 9am to noon and May 21st from 4pm- 7pm). Hope you will join us!

### **World Labyrinth Day "Walk as One at 1"**

On May 2nd, 2015 from 12:00pm - 1:30pm there will be a Global Celebration of the Labyrinth. The theme is "Making Music at the Labyrinth". Please meet at the St. Peter's United Church labyrinth at the Lourdes Grotto, 271 Van Horne Street.

Members of the St. Peter's Choir and friends will lead participants in an exploration of sacred chant in the Taize style as a way of enhancing the meditative experience of the labyrinth. We will then walk the labyrinth together at 1pm.

### **Thought for the Week**

*"It is easy to sing when we can read the notes by daylight; but he is skillful who sings when there is not a ray of light to read by, who sings from his heart. No man can make a song in the night of himself; he may attempt it, but he will find that a song in the night must be divinely inspired....Since our Maker gives songs in the night, let us wait on him for the music....Let us not remain songless because affliction is upon us, but tune our lips to the melody of thanksgiving."*

*Charles Spurgeon*

### **The Food Cupboard is (Almost) Bare**

As summer fast approaches we would like to boost our food cupboard for the needy over the summer months. We are looking for cereals, peanut butter, canned stews and soups, rice, canned veges. We continue to support the Barrydowne College Value Vault and thank you for your food donations this year.

### **61st Flame Conference**

Fellowship and Learning for All Men's Enlightenment.

This annual conference for men takes place at Jackson's Point Ontario from October 30th - November 1st, 2015. For an online registration form go to [www.flameconference.ca/toronto/](http://www.flameconference.ca/toronto/) registration The cost is \$195 for double occupancy if it is paid before May 31st, 2015.

For more information please email Nelson McDowell: [nelsonmcdowell10@gmail.com](mailto:nelsonmcdowell10@gmail.com)  
Or call him at 705.665.1240

### **Seniors Lunch**

All seniors are invited to a lunch on

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Wednesday 29th April at noon. There will be guest singers, The Rising Stars to entertain us, and if you need a ride please give the office a call.

There will be a sign up sheet in the entrance in the coming week.

### **Children's Ministry News**

The children's ministry is hosting a bake sale on Sunday, May 3, 2015 from 1:00 - 3:00 and we are asking for your help. We need volunteers to package and price the baked goods on Saturday, May 2 from 1-4, and bakers to make some delicious goodies. Please drop off your baked donations preferably on Saturday from 1-4 or on Sunday morning.

Don't forget the Yard sale coming up next weekend. Drop off times for your treasures are 11am -8pm on Friday 24th April and the sale goes from 8am to 3pm on Saturday 25th April.

The Sunday school are going to buy a BBQ for the parish with the proceeds of these events and hope you'll support them. The BBQ will be dedicated to the memory of Dennis Dionne, a former Sunday school teacher and friend of many at the Ascension.

### **Life in the Eucharist Program**

We will be offering a Life in the Eucharist program for children ages 7-9 (or thereabouts) in September 2015. This is a four session program is designed to help children understand the Eucharist. Parents will be invited to share in this program at home with their children as well. The program will run outside of Godly Play time, and we will find a suitable time to accommodate children's after school curriculum. More information coming soon.

### **ACW Thank offering**

In June a group of women from the parish

will be travelling to Thunder Bay for the ACW Annual meeting. There is always a 'thank offering' taken up at the Annual meeting. This year, the thank offering will be given to the Mission to Seafarers (check it out at

[www.missiontoseafarersthunderbay](http://www.missiontoseafarersthunderbay)) for the important ministry they offer to men and women who work on ships that travel our lakes and seas. The ACW has set up a jar outside the office and we hope you'll bring your nickels, dimes, quarters, loonies and twoonies and make an offering to this worthwhile cause. The ACW group at the Ascension will be given \$200 towards this cause, and the Board voted to give \$100 at the meeting on Tuesday from Outreach funds.

### **Message from the Elgin Street Mission**

The Elgin Street Mission is putting on a Spring Fundraiser event on Saturday May 2nd with the local churches of Greater Sudbury. We'd like to bring together the local body of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, in support of the mission to raise funds to continue in the call that God has given us, which is to feed, clothe, care for the widows, orphans and visit the sick. We have recently installed a new walk-in fridge and other renovations to improve our services and hope to do more updates in the future. We invite you and your congregation to join with us in fulfilling this call by attending this dinner event and prayerfully giving to this ministry of hope to those without.

The event will be held at Glad Tidings Church in the gymnasium, dinner tickets will be \$22, doors will open at 5:30pm and dinner will begin at 6pm, special guest speaker, musical guest and door prizes.

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## Upcoming parish meetings.....

### Outreach Committee

The next Outreach committee meeting takes place on Tuesday 28th April at 1pm. Topics on the agenda are ELEVATE 2015 and Barrydowne College Graduation, and OOTC 2015 - 2016.

### Building and Property Meeting

This committee will meet on Wednesday 29th April at 7pm.

One new item we will be discussing is a new initiative/policy that is being developed on increasing our accessibility. As special needs rise which comes with an aging population, we want to be equipped to accommodate and ensure that we are accessible to everyone.

## Senior's Lunch

There will be a Spring Lunch for all seniors on Wednesday April 29th from noon until 2pm - and you are invited to attend. A delicious meal of ham and scalloped potatoes will be served and there will be entertainment from the Rising Stars. Please sign the sheet in the church entrance if you are planning on attending - this is for catering purposes. If you need a ride to the lunch, please speak to the members of the ACW or Parish Life Committee.

## Youth Weekend

There will be a Challenge weekend for youth at Christ Church Lively from Friday May 1st until Sunday May 3rd. For more information or to get a registration form please speak to Cora Felbel or Jeff Hooper.





One day I explained to my 5-year-old daughter that if she chose to disobey me, she would have to live with the consequences.

"Oh, Mommy!" she said with a terrified look on her face. "Please don't make me live with the Consequences. I want to live here with you!"

Our five-year-old son Mark couldn't wait to tell his friend about the movie we had watched on television, "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea."

The scenes with the submarine and the giant octopus had kept him wide-eyed.

In the middle of the telling, my husband interrupted Mark, "What caused the submarine to sink?"

With a look of incredulity Mark replied, "Dad, it was the 20,000 leaks!!"

## Sunday Lectionary for May—July

### 3 May Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:26-40                      1 John 4:7-21  
Psalm 22:25-31                      John 15:1-8

### 10 May Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:44-48                      1 John 5:1-6  
Psalm 98                      John 15:9-17

### 17 May Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26                      1 John 5:9-13  
Psalm 1                      John 17:6-19

### 24 May Day of Pentecost

\*Acts 2:1-21 or                      Romans 8:22-27 or  
Ezekiel 37:1-14                      Acts 2:1-21  
Psalm 104:24-34,                      John 15:26-27;  
35b                      16:4b-15

### 31 May Trinity Sunday

Isaiah 6:1-8                      Romans 8:12-17  
Psalm 29                      John 3:1-17

### 7 June Second Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 3:8-15                      2 Corinthians 4:13-  
5:1  
Psalm 130                      Mark 3:20-35

### 14 June Third Sunday after Pentecost

Ezekiel 17:22-24                      2 Corinthians 5:6-10,  
(11-13), 14-17  
Psalm 92:1-4, 12-                      Mark 4:26-34  
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### 21 June 4th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-                      2 Corinthians 6:1-13  
11, 19-23), 32-49  
or  
1 Samuel 17:57-  
18:5, 18:10-16  
Psalm 9:9-20 or                      Mark 4:35-41  
Psalm 133

### 28 June 5th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27                      2 Corinthians  
8:7-15  
Psalm 130                      Mark 5:21-43

### 5 July 6th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-                      2 Corinthians 12:2-  
10                      10  
Psalm 30                      Mark 6:1-13

### 12 July 7th Sunday of Easter

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b                      Ephesians 1:3-14  
-19  
Psalm 24                      Mark 6:14-29

## 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.

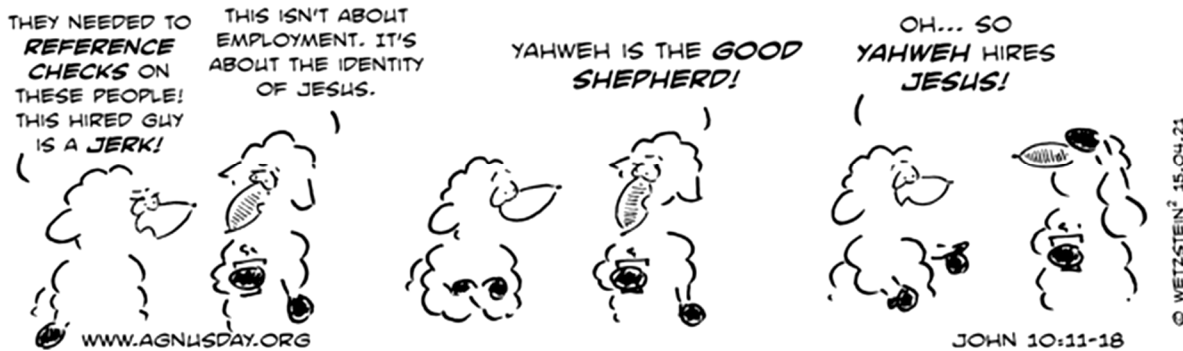
Wednesday morning: Holy Eucharist at 9:30am followed by Bible Study. All welcome! We have a team of parishioners who are licensed by the Bishop to bring the Reserved Sacrament to individuals or couples who are unable to make it to church on Sunday mornings.

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## 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

## Agnus Day



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

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