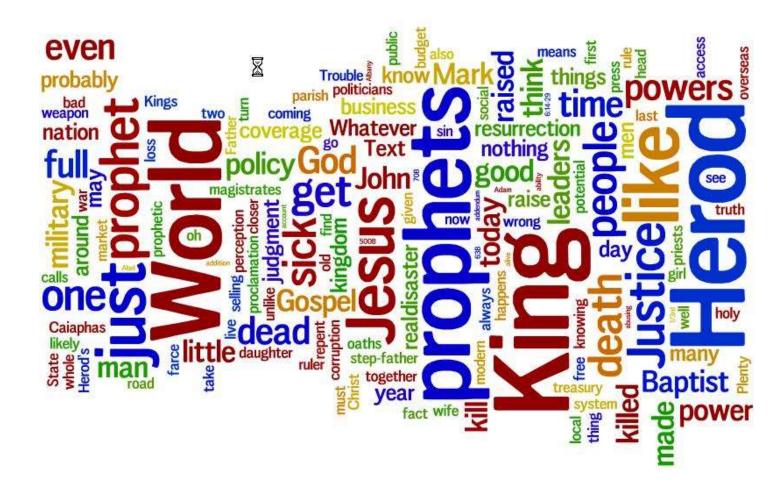
Sudbury Manitoulin Deanery Digest

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Deanery News and Announcements

PWRDF Announces \$15,000 in relief funding after Saskatchewan Wildfires:

"As of last Friday [July 3, 2015] there were 5,588 evacuees due to forest fires," said Bishop Michael Hawkins of the Diocese of Saskatchewan in a message to PWRDF. "On Friday night, fire penetrated the Montreal Lake Cree nation and nine houses were burned."

The number of evacuees has grown to over 12,000, with people being sheltered as far away as Regina or Cold Lake, Alberta. PWRDF, in consultation with Bishop Hawkins, has announced an initial grant of \$15,000 to the Prince Albert Grand Council (PAGC), a tribal council representing 12 First Nations with about 30,000 members.

PAGC is providing meals, clothing, and shelter to supplement the Red Cross' efforts, as the needs have overwhelmed the Red Cross' capacity to respond. PAGC is also helping to transport evacuees and to provide medical care to evacuees as needed, and is supporting the firefighters who are battling the wild fires.

You can support PWRDF's relief efforts in northern Saskatchewan in various ways:

Online

You can designate your online donation for "Saskatchewan Wildfires".

By Phone

For credit card donations contact: Jennifer Brown at 416-924-9192 ext. 355; or 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 "Saskatchewan Wildfires" and send them to: The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund

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<u>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:</u> EVEREST: Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power. August 10 – 15 at the Church of the Ascension. Click here for more information and online registration.

LOOKING AHEAD TO THE FALL:

There are many events scheduled for September in our Deanery...

1) Have you wondered what Messy Church is about? Come experience it at **MESSY FIESTA** a day to experience and learn about Messy Church. To find out more about Messy Church, visit www.messychurch.ca and look for the video!

Messy Fiesta takes place on Saturday, September 19, 2015 from 10 am -3:00 pm at the Church of the Ascension, 1476 Sparks St. The cost (includes lunch, crafts, handouts and a fun day) is \$25/person.

<u>2)</u> Fr. Tim Perry is leading a teaching series at the Epiphany on Wednesday evenings starting September. **CREDO: The Apostles' Creed and why we have it. An exploration of "Mere Christianity"** September 9 – October 28th. The talk will be at 7:00 and the evening will end with Compline at 8:15. A poster has been sent to all clergy.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF ALGOMA FACEBOOK PAGE: Seven Key Reasons Your Church Attendance May Be Dwindling.

Read the article by Thom S. Rainer; here

READINGS FOR THIS COMING WEEK:

Taken from http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Proper 10 (15) (July 12, 2015)

- First reading and Psalm
 - 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19
 - Psalm 24
- Alternate First reading and Psalm
 - Amos 7:7-15
 - Psalm 85:8-13
- Second reading
 - Ephesians 1:3-14
- Gospel
 - Mark 6:14-29