

Church of the Ascension

Sudbury Ontario

News and Announcements

Sept 27, 2015

Coming Up In the Parish

Monday 28th September: 6:30pm Sunday school teachers meeting at Jen Ames home.

Wednesday 30th September: 9:30am Holy Eucharist and "Lift Up Your Hearts" Bible Study 1 at 10:30am. All welcome!
1:30pm: NE Ministerial meeting at the Ascension.

Wednesday 30th September: 7pm - 'Credo' - a teaching on The Creed at the Church of the Epiphany. Followed by Compline at 8:15pm.

Thursday October 1st: 1:30pm ACW meeting. Rev. Anne will be sharing slides and stories of her recent trip to South Africa and Rome.
6:30pm - An evening of stories and listening as we welcome elder Julie to lead us in a circle. All welcome.

Saturday 3rd October: ACW Deanery meeting at St. John the Divine in Copper Cliff. All women are invited to attend. Registration is at 9:30am and Eucharist at 10am

Family Service and Stone Soup Sunday

The 11am service on 4th October will be a Family Service. The children will be participating in worship by leading the readings and prayers and Jennifer Ames will be offering a Godly play lesson during the sermon time. After the service you are all invited to stay for lunch which will be STONE SOUP! Please bring something to church with you to contribute to the soup. It might be a carrot, onion, potato, greens, tomatoes, some pasta, seasoning or broth. Whatever we get we will be putting into the pot to make soup during the service.

Messy Church is BACK in October

Join us on Wednesday 7th October for Messy Church! It all begins at 4:30pm and

goes until 6:30pm. The theme of this Messy Church is the 10 Commandments. This is for individuals, families....anyone wanting to experience church in a more casual way than on Sunday mornings. There is always a time of fellowship, crafts, music, worship and a meal. Join us! For more information or if you have any questions, please speak to Cindy Caines.

Harvest Thanksgiving Sunday

Harvest Thanksgiving Sunday is on October 11th. Please bring any fresh produce (squash, zucchini, cabbage) from your gardens to the church for decorating the sanctuary on Thursday 9th or Friday 10th October. If you wish to place flowers in the church as a thankoffering, please speak to Anne Trimmer.

Stone Soup

A kindly, old stranger was walking through the land when he came upon a village. As he entered, the villagers moved towards their homes locking doors and windows.

The stranger smiled and asked, why are you all so frightened. I am a simple traveler, looking for a soft place to stay for the night and a warm place for a meal.

"There's not a bite to eat in the whole province," he was told. "We are weak and our children are starving. Better keep moving on."



"Oh, I have everything I need," he said. "In fact, I was thinking of making some stone soup to share with all of you." He pulled an iron cauldron from his cloak, filled it with water, and began to build a fire under it.

Then, with great ceremony, he drew an ordinary-looking stone from a silken bag and dropped it into the water.

By now, hearing the rumor of food, most of the villagers had come out of their homes or watched from their windows. As the stranger sniffed the "broth" and licked his lips in anticipation, hunger began to overcome their fear.

"Ahh," the stranger said to himself rather loudly, "I do like a tasty stone soup. Of course, stone soup with cabbage -- that's hard to beat."

Soon a villager approached hesitantly, holding a small cabbage he'd retrieved from its hiding place, and added it to the pot.

"Wonderful!!" cried the stranger. "You know, I once had stone soup with cabbage and a bit of salt beef as well, and it was fit for a king."

The village butcher managed to find some salt beef . . . And so it went, through potatoes, onions, carrots, mushrooms, and so on, until there was indeed a delicious meal for everyone in the village to share.

The villager elder offered the stranger a great deal of money for the magic stone, but he refused to sell it and traveled on the next day.

As he left, the stranger came upon a group of village children standing near the road. He gave the silken bag containing the stone to the youngest child, whispering to a group, that it was not the stone, but the villagers that had performed the magic."

Moral: By working together, with everyone contributing what they can, a greater good is achieved.

Response to the Syrian refugee crisis

Following a motion at the Board meeting, we as a church will be discerning and learning together more about the Syrian refugee crisis, and what our response might be. In the meantime, if you would like to make a donation to the immediate needs of the refugees please give to PWRDF who are in a position to provide assistance in the short term. Make any cheques payable to PWRDF and write (refugees) on the memo line and we will make sure they are mailed to PWRDF. Next Sunday, October 4th we are having a family service and invite you all to join us for Stone Soup afterwards. There will be an offering basket out and you are invited to make a donation for the refugees at this time.

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

Lift Up Your Hearts

In conjunction with Bishop Stephen Andrews' Lift Up Your Hearts initiatives, the Rev'd Patrick McManus will be offering a weekly Bible Study via webinar Tuesdays from 10 till 11 am beginning 29 September through 03 November. To register for these webinars please email Linda Langdon at webconferencealgoma@ontera.net. The Church of the Ascension will be offering these Bible Studies on Wednesday mornings from September 30th – November 4th at 10:30am. They will also be offered on Sunday evenings at 7:30pm on October 4th, October 25th, and November 8th. The Sunday evening sessions will be lead by Brent Leigh. Shannon Hengen will be leading these Bible studies in November

Thought for the Week

"God will be faithful to see you through your storm and time of difficulty. Don't look down in discouragement, but look up to HIM, Who has promised to stay with you even "through the valley of the shadow of death" (Psalm 23:4)."

-Jim Cymbala

in her home – dates to be announced.

Please take home a copy of the devotions for individuals and families which have been prepared for the Lift Up Your Hearts Initiative.

The Lift Up Your Hearts sermon series begins on Sunday October 4th at 9am.

Deanery news

Note to all wardens, synod delegates, and treasurers - the fall deanery council meeting takes place at Thorneloe University on Saturday 17th October. The meeting will be held at the Church of the Epiphany and begins at 9:30am with coffee. Special guests will be Sr. Connie from St. John the Divine in Toronto.

The Rev. Sherry de Jonge, rector of all five Manitoulin churches, has been appointed as rector of Northern Lights Parish. This appointment is effective on November 15th 2015. A Concurrence Committee has been formed on the Island to appoint a new priest.

Message from the Primate on the Report of The Commission on The Marriage Canon (this document can be found on the Anglican Church of Canada's website, as well as the Church of the Ascension website)

Dear Friends in Christ,

Today (Tuesday 22nd September) the Council of General Synod received The Report of The Commission on The Marriage Canon. The report is very comprehensive and reflects the commitment of the members to address General Synod 2013's Resolution C003 in its fullness.

You will recall that the resolution requested consideration as to whether the proposal for amending The Marriage Canon would contravene The Solemn Declaration of 1893; and called for a theological and biblical rationale for the blessing of same sex marriages. The Commissioners take us into a deep exploration of the theology of marriage and present several models for understanding same sex marriage. In accord with the request in Resolution C003 for broad consultation throughout the Church the report includes a succinct summary of feedback received from Anglican Communion and ecumenical partners.

On behalf of the whole Church, I want to thank the Commissioners for the diligence with which they went about their work and fulfilled the mandate given them by The Council of General Synod. They have laboured long and produced a fine report which will be a valuable resource to the Church.

In commending it for widespread study, I pray we be guided by the wisdom of the Spirit's leading in our preparation for conversations at General Synod 2016.

Fred J. Hiltz

Archbishop and Primate



Lift Up Your Hearts
celebrating God's generosity

From October 4 to
November 1, we
will join parishes
throughout the Dio-
cese of Algoma in
celebrating God's
generosity and love



Final PUNishment:

I hate to be catty but here they come:

Q: What do cat actors say on stage?

A: Tabby or not tabby!

Q: How do you know if your cat has eaten a duckling?

A: She's got that down in the mouth look!

Q: Why did the cat join the Red Cross?

A: Because she wanted to be a first-aid kit!

Q: How do you know that cats are insensitive creatures?

A: They never cry over spilt milk!

Q: Why was the cat so small?

A: Because it only drank condensed milk!

Q: Why happened when the cat swallowed a coin?

A: There was some money in the kitty!

Sunday Lectionary for October—December

4 Oct 19th Sunday after Pentecost

Job 1:1, 2:1-10 Hebrews 1:1-4,

Psalms 26 Mark 10:2-16

11 Oct. 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Job 23:1-9, 16-17 Hebrews 4:12-16

Psalms 22:1-15 Mark 10:17-31

18 Oct. 21st Sunday after Pentecost

Job 38:1-7, (34-41) Hebrews 5:1-10

Psalms 104:1-9, 24, Mark 10:35-45
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25 Oct. 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Job 42:1-6, 10-17 Hebrews 7:23-28

Psalms 34:1-8, (19- Mark 10:46-52
22) **1 Nov. All Saints' Day**

Wisdom of Solomon Revelation 21:1-6a
3:1-9 or Isaiah 25:6
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Psalms 24 John 11:32-44

8 Nov 24th Sunday after Pentecost

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17 Hebrews 9:24-28

Psalms 127 Mark 12:38-44

15 Nov. 25th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 1:4-20 Hebrews 10:11-14,
(15-18), 19-25

1 Samuel 2:1-10 Mark 13:1-8

22 Nov. Reign of Christ

2 Samuel 23:1-7 Revelation 1:4b-8

Psalms 132:1-12, (13 John 18:33-37
-18)

29 Nov 1st Sunday of Advent

Jeremiah 33:14-16 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Psalms 25:1-10 Luke 21:25-36

6 Dec 2nd Sunday of Advent

Baruch 5:1-9 Philippians
or Malachi 3:1-4 1:3-11

Luke 1:68-79 Luke 3:1-6

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.

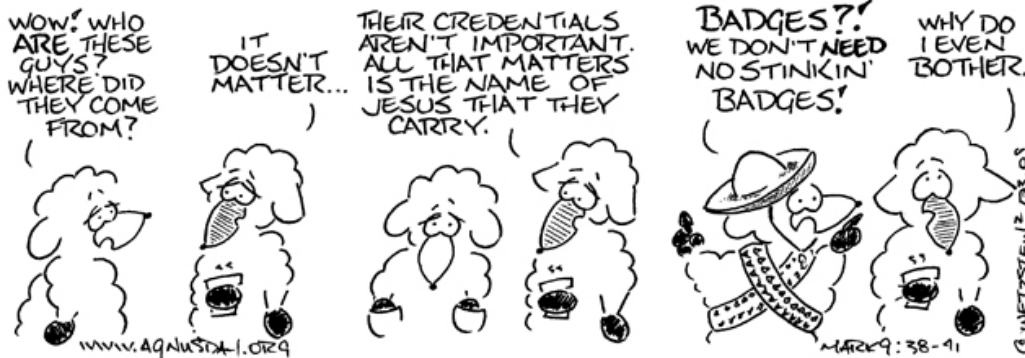
Wednesday morning: Holy Eucharist at 9:30am followed by Bible Study. All welcome! We have a team of parishioners who are licensed by the Bishop to bring the Reserved Sacrament to individuals or couples who are unable to make it to church on Sunday

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

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