

# *Church of the Ascension*

*Sudbury Ontario*

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**News and Announcements**

**February 21, 2016**

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**In the parish this week**

**Tonight at 6:30pm** - Youth Alpha with Rev. Jeff

**Tuesday 23rd February** at noon - ELEVATE kickoff lunch at KFM radio station.

**Wednesday 24th February:** 9:30am Holy Eucharist and Bible Study.

11:30am: Outreach meeting

7pm: Eucharist and reflection.

**Thursday 25th February:** 1:30pm - Finlandia Eucharist

5:30pm ARK Refugee Steering Committee Volunteer Fair

7:30pm: Worship committee meeting

**ARK~ Church of the Ascension Refugee Steering Committee  
Invites You to a: Pot Luck ~ Volunteer Fair**

Please join us to learn about direct and indirect ways  
that you can VOLUNTEER to assist with our sponsored family.

Presentation and information provided.

RSVP by email to:

Darlene.lennox@sympatico.ca Or by telephone to: 705-524-2970

**Thursday February 25th at 5:30 p.m.**

**Church of the Ascension Fellowship Room**

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**Messy Church**

March Messy Church takes place on  
Wednesday 2nd March at 4:30pm. The  
theme for March Messy Church is "The Col-  
our Purple". Fellowship, food, worship,  
crafts and games - all ages are invited.

**Barrydowne College Needs**

There is an ongoing need for pasta sauce,  
sidekicks, peanut butter, cereal, cereal  
bars, individual snacks, and juice boxes at  
Barrydowne College. There is a cupboard

in the school kitchen that the students can  
go to during the day for a quick snack.

They are also in need of tea towels for the  
school kitchen.

**Altar Flowers**

If you would like to place flowers on the  
altar as a thank offering or memorial,  
please speak to Anne Trimmer. A suggest-  
ed minimum donation for flowers of \$40 is  
required. If you would like to place flowers  
on the Altar for Easter, please speak to

Anne Trimmer or call her at 705.566.2790.

## **Setup of Tables for Monthly Coffee Time**

Chantal Rozon has volunteered to coordinate the table setup for the monthly tea/coffee time on the first Sunday of the month. If you can help Chantal, please speak to her or let Rev. Anne know.

## **A Ministry of Care**

Every week we pray for those who aren't able to join us for worship. For the last several years Thelma Smith has been sending these people the weekly bulletin and announcements. Thelma is no longer able to take care of this task and we are in need of someone to take it on. It consists of mailing 8-10 letters a week.

## **The Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations**



The Church of England has unveiled the logo that it will use for its celebrations of Queen Elizabeth II's 90 birthday, after running a design competition through church schools. Ten-year-old Lucas Salinger from Potten End C of E Primary School in Hertfordshire, part of the St Albans Diocese, drew the winning design, which was selected from more than 1,000 entries.

It depicts a circular crest bordered by children holding hands. It is dissected by a cross, reminiscent of the one that hangs above the altar at Holy Trinity, the village church. It has two candles and the number 90 in the quarters; and is topped by the Royal Crown and the E-ii-R insignia, representing in Latin Elizabeth Regina II – Queen Elizabeth II.

"I feel amazed that my design was chosen," Luke Salinger said. "I feel lost for words!"

The Queen's actual birthday is on 21 April;

## **Thought for the Week**

*"Those who argue against absolute truth must rely on its existence to do so." - Unknown*

*"The standard that measures two things is something different from either." - C.S. Lewis*

but it is traditional for public celebrations of the Monarch's birthday to take place on an "official birthday" in the Summer. On the Queen's actual birthday, there will be a number of gun salutes in London: a 41 gun salute in Hyde Park, a 21 gun salute in Windsor Great Park and a 62 gun salute at the Tower of London.

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

Official events taking place on the Official birthday weekend will include a thanksgiving service at St Paul's Cathedral, a Birthday Parade on Horse Guards Parade and a street party in The Mall.

## **Syrian Emergency Relief**

The government of Canada has extended the deadline for matching funds for eligible donations to Canadian agencies working to provide relief to Syrians displaced within Syria and living as refugees in the surrounding countries to February 29, 2016.

Funds raised will provide assistance to meet the ongoing humanitarian needs of those affected by the conflict in Syria, including shelter, food security, health care, water and livelihoods. 2.4 million people are in need of shelter in Syria according to the UN 2016 Humanitarian Needs Overview.

PWRDF continues to respond to the needs

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of displaced Syrians through the ACT Alliance and the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, as well as through its long-time partner Refuge Egypt in Cairo. The ACT Alliance appeal for 2016 is a continuation of its 2015 appeal and PWRDF has approved CAD \$300,000 from designated donations for the 2016 appeal.

Thanks to the generosity of Anglicans in Canada, PWRDF has received over \$526,000 for the ongoing Syrian refugee crisis.

**Donations can be made to PWRDF  
OR to Church of the Ascension  
Refugee Fund  
for the family we will be  
supporting as a parish.  
Lent 2016**

You'll notice that we have a new Gathering Rite for Lent. Please leave the sheets in the pews so that we can use them each week. There is a Lenten Handout - 40 things to give up for Lent. Keep it handy and let it speak to your life.

**Youth Ministry Update  
and Confirmation Class**

Rev. Jeff, Cora, Erma and Megan will continue with Youth Alpha on Sunday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:30pm for the next six weeks. If any youth are interested in confirmation this year, Youth Alpha is a great way to begin a deeper journey of faith. Formal confirmation classes will begin on May 1st after church. If you have a youth 11 and up in your home interested in confirmation, please speak to Rev. Anne.

**Rev. Jeff Hooper**

Rev. Jeff Hooper will be installed as the Honourary Assistant at the Ascension on Sunday February 28th. We welcome Rev. Jeff in this capacity and assure him and his family - wife Michelle Taylor and children

Kaitlyn, Ellen and Joanna of our prayers and support.

**Meetings, Meetings, Meetings**

- ◆ Property Committee meets on Tuesday 23rd February at 7:30pm
- ◆ Worship Committee meets on Thursday 25th February at 7:30pm

**Vacation Bible School**

Looking ahead to the summer and Vacation Bible School - "Cave Quest" - SAVE THE DATE

The dates have been set for "Cave Quest " our Summer vacation Bible School. The week will be August 8th - 12th 2016.

Bev has set up a SudburyManitoulin Vacation Bible School page on Facebook and also on Pinterest where you can view the Child and Youth Ministry Deanery Sudbury Manitoulin posts on the Cave Quest Board

There will be a **fundraiser for VBS** held at Boston Pizza on Monday, April 11th from 5 to 8 p.m. If we can get 100 people to attend and to say that they are there as part of our fundraising event we will get 10% of their food and non alcoholic order. It is hoped that this will help pay for the resource material.

**ELEVATE 2016**

You're invited to lunch at KFM Radio on Lasalle Blvd. on Tuesday February 23rd to listen to Lee Beach, author of, "The Church in Exile: Living in Hope after Christendom". At this lunch information will be released about ELEVATE 2016 and each church will receive a media kit and material to help with publicity of this event. A free will offering will be taken to cover lunch costs.

**Refugee Fund**

We are so grateful for your support of the Refugee family we will be bringing to Sud-

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bury. Thank you for the donations of money and your promise of assistance when they arrive. Please note that the ARK (Refugee group) finances are kept in a separate bank account to the church funds. If you are making a donation to ARK please write a dedicated cheque to "Church of the Ascension refugee fund". We cannot separate funds on one cheque.

### Your weekly offering

Gladys Abigail has the 2015 Tax Receipts ready to be handed out. Thank you for your generosity to the Ascension last year in your weekly/monthly/ occasional offering. We give because God first gave to us. Your offering makes full time ministry possible. If you wish to sign on for, or alter your Electronic Offering through the Diocese, please take a copy of the form at the back of the church. Gladys Abigail has served as the Envelope Secretary for 35

years and is now giving up this role as we are going to electronic receipting. Thank you Gladys for your faithfulness in this regard for so many years.

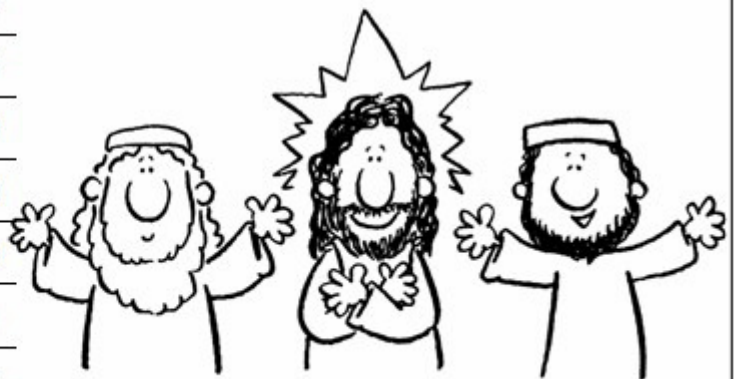
### Your 2016 Offering

If you usually give your offering by monthly cheques, this is a gentle reminder that they are now due in the office. If you wish to receive weekly envelopes for your donations, please speak to Gladys Abigail. There are a number of people who now make their offering through the electronic program set up through the Diocese of Algoma. If you wish to make your donation this way, please speak to Rev. Anne and she will give you the necessary forms. Thank you for your generosity in 2015. We had a number of new donors and every gift is appreciated. It is what makes ministry possible at the Ascension and God loves cheerful givers.

## WORD SEARCH

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PRAY	ASPECT	FACE	BRILLIANT
MOSES	ELIJAH	GLORY	LIGHTNING
SLEEP	TENTS	VOICE	LISTEN





### How much warning do you need?

A West Virginia state trooper, stopped a woman for going 15 miles over the speed limit. After he handed her a ticket, she asked him, "Don't you give out warnings?"

"Yes, ma'am," he replied. "They're all up and down the road. They say, 'Speed Limit 55.'"

### Beware of "spin"

Case in point:

A group of doctors and a group of lawyers got together to play a softball game. The doctors won the game, but they lost the public relations war. Here's how the lawyers reported the game: "The lawyers powered their way to a second place finish, while the doctors managed to finish next to last."

### For the kid in all of us:

Q. What did the boy elephant say to the girl elephant on Valentine's Day?

A. I love you a ton!

Q. What did the boy pickle say to the girl pickle on Valentine's Day?

A. You mean a great dill to me!

## Sunday Lectionary for February – April

### 28 Feb 3rd Sunday in Lent

Isaiah 55:1-9  
1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Psalms 63:1-8  
Luke 13:1-9

### 6 Mar 4th Sunday in Lent

Joshua 5:9-12  
2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Psalms 32  
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

### 13 Mar. 5th Sunday in Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21  
Philippians 3:4b-14

Psalms 126  
John 12:1-8

### 20 Mar Liturgy of the Palms

Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29  
Luke 19:28-40

### 20 Mar Liturgy of the Passion

Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Philippians 2:5-11

Psalms 31:9-16  
Luke 22:14-23:56  
or  
Luke 23:1-49

### 27 Mar Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34-43  
or  
1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Isaiah 65:17-25  
or  
Acts 10:34-43

Psalms 118  
1-2, 14-24  
John 20:1-18  
or

Luke 24:1-12

### 3 Apr 2nd Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32  
Revelation 1:4-8

Psalms 118:14-29  
or  
John 20:19-31

### 10 Apr 3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)  
Revelation 5:11-14

Psalms 30  
John 21:1-19

## 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 parishioner's emails to any other group.

## Agnus Day



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## Your privacy

Every week the church bulletin and news and announcements is posted on the Church of the Ascension's website. Sometimes these items include names of individuals within the parish. If you prefer not to have your name on the website, or photos of yourself posted, please let Rev. Anne know so that she ensures your privacy.

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

**Family Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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