

# Church of the Ascension

## Sudbury, Ontario

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**October 1, 2017**

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*"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns'." (Isaiah 52.7)*

Bishop Anne's Motto for 2017



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**Welcome to our worship!** It is good to have you here with us today. If you are visiting the Church of the Ascension for the first time, please know that the Anglican Church teaches that all who are baptised in any Christian tradition are welcome to receive the sacrament at the time of communion. It is God's invitation to the table; if you feel so moved, you are invited and welcomed.

Complications in processing exit visas by the Lebanese Government have delayed Manar and her family's departure. We are sad to report that they will not be arriving in Sudbury this week as expected. Our Canadian representatives are working with us and the Canadian immigration processes are fully complete. We now must just wait for the Lebanese government to follow suit, which we expect to take a few more weeks. Manar is terribly disappointed, but is working from her end to comply with all of the additional requirements; she is a strong lady.

We thank all of our supporters and hope to have more promising news soon.

At this time, Manar needs your prayers.

ARK Committee

**The flowers today** are given to the glory of God to the glory of God and in loving memory of my beloved son, David Wormington, who passed away a year ago today (October 1, 2016).

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Attendance on September 24th was 24 at 9am  
and 51 at 11am am

**Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**9 & 11 am Holy Eucharist**

*My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me.*

Processional (9am)	<b>#318</b>
(11 am)	<b>#3</b>
Collect of the day	page 383
<b>First Lesson</b>	Exodus 17:1-7
<i>The people become rebellious</i>	
Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16	
<i>Give ear, O my people, to my teaching</i>	
<b>Second Lesson</b>	Philippians 2:1-13
<i>Be of one mind with Christ Jesus</i>	
<b>Gradual</b> (11 am)	<b>#318</b>
<b>Holy Gospel</b>	Matthew 21:23-32
<i>Religious authorities challenge Jesus</i>	
<b>Offertory</b> (9 & 11 am)	<b>#385</b>
<b>Prayer over the Gifts</b>	page 383
<b>Communion</b>	
<b>Prayer after communion</b>	page 383
<b>Recessional</b> (9am)	<b>#444</b>
(11 am)	<b>#418</b>

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**Harvest Thanksgiving Sunday October 8th**

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## *Lectioary*

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### **8 October 2017      18th Sunday after Pentecost**

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

*The Ten Commandments*

Psalms 19

*The heavens proclaim the glory of God throughout the earth*

Philippians 1:21-30

*Paul writes of his conversion to Christ*

Matthew 20:1-16

*Unworthy tenants kill even the landowner's son.*

### **15 October 2017      19th Sunday after Pentecost**

Exodus 32:1-14

*The people turn to idol worship*

Psalms 106:1-6, 19-23

*The steadfast love of the Lord lasts forever*

Philippians 4:1-9

*Stand firm and rejoice in the Lord always.*

Matthew 22:1-14

*The Parable of the Wedding Banquet*

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## *Parish Directory*

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*In our prayers . . .*

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**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer** we pray for Southern Philippines - (Philippines) The Rt Revd Danilo Labacanacruz Bustamante

**In the Anglican Church of Canada**, we pray our Primate, Archbishop Fred Hiltz, for our Metropolitan, Archbishop Colin Johnson, for our Diocesan Bishop, Anne; for our Archdeacon, Glen, and for our parish clergy Fr. Bob, Rev. Rhonda, & Fr. Jeff.

**In the Diocese of Algoma**, we pray for Lay Readers of the Diocese as they attend their Conference (September 29th – October 1st) in the Deanery of Algoma, and for the ministries of all Lay Readers in the parish, deanery and diocese.

**We pray for the Church of the Ascension** during this time of transition and discernment

**We pray for the members of the ARK Refugee Steering Committee** as they prepare to bring a family to Sudbury.

**We pray for those attending the diocesan Lay readers conference** in Sault Ste Marie this weekend. May participants feel blessed as they learn about Vital Worship.

**We pray for** the following people for God's continued healing and strength during the coming week, especially Nancy Turner, Diane, Linda, Richard, George, Derald Balson, Dan Turner, Barbara Blanchard, Inge, Priscilla Allurut, Canon Michael & Muriel Hankinson, Theresa Kuehl (Megan's grandma), Brandon, Heather Kennedy, Roz Jones, Jerry Howarth, Andrew, Donna Barnes, Rick McNaughton, Laurent Constantineau, Gibb Roy, Beaumont Nelson, Daryl Keen, Donna, and Carol, Viren.

**We pray for these families, recently bereaved,**  
Kath Greenidge and family, the Van Dyke family,  
the Bailey family

**We pray for those** who are living in retirement residences or nursing homes, or who find it difficult to join us for church on Sundays; Milt Fleming, Margaret Villeneuve, Velma Tansley, Karin Hoffman. May they always feel God's presence in their lives.

**In our parish** we pray for our wardens and leaders and in our parish family, Ken & Kay Winfield, Rob & Yolanda Winfield, Helen Wormington, and their families.

**We pray for those** who are caregivers to sick and frail loved ones. We pray that the God of love will surround them with people to look after them, and grant them rest.

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*In the Parish this Week*

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**Today** – 8:00pm Evening Prayer

**Monday, October 2nd** –4:00-8:00pm Jen is in the office

**Wednesday, October 4th** – 9:00am Morning Prayer

11:30 Barrydowne College Lunch

8:00pm Evening Prayer

**Friday, October 6th** – 9:00am Morning Prayer

10:00am – 1:00pm Brent is in the office

**Saturday, October 7th** – 2:00pm Baby Shower for Sarah Jackson

7:30pm Benefit Concert at St. Andrews Place

**Sunday, October 8th**      **Harvest Thanksgiving**

9:00am and 11:00am Eucharist

1:00 pm-4:00pm 90th Birthday Celebration -  
Open House

8:00pm Evening Prayer

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## *Announcements*

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### **Anglican Church of Canada Banner on Display**

The Anglican Church of Canada banner on display in the church was created by Maggie Leigh as part of the Commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. Last Sunday, this banner was blessed by Fr. Jeff before it begins a journey around the Deanery. After all churches in the Deanery have had an opportunity to see this banner, it will be sent to Sault Ste. Marie to be put on display in the Synod Office. Bishop Anne has indicated that this banner will be available for other churches to display if so desired, and will be displayed whenever Diocesan Synod meets.

### **Harvest Thanksgiving**

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### **Prayers for Manar and Her Family**

Thank you for your numerous prayers for Manar and her children. Please continue to hold them prayer while they prepare to travel to Canada, during their journey and once they arrive in their new community. Below are nine prayers, thoughtfully composed by Jen and Jane of the ARK Committee, we can include in our daily prayers.

We pray that Manar and her family will be embraced

with love, understanding, and patience by the community of Greater Sudbury.

We pray for the kids' teachers who have large and important tasks.

We pray for all volunteers that help resettle our Syrian family.

We pray that they will be respectful of cultural differences, patient when things go awry, and recognize the richness of these new relationships.

We pray to God that the volunteers will allow resettlement to flow and not rush our family according to the volunteers' views/expectations.

We also pray that our volunteers remain well balanced and healthy in their own personal lives.

We have seen several other sponsoring groups struggle with 'burn out' of their volunteers.

God made us all different.

We pray for tolerance. We pray for travel mercies. Our family made up of a single, Muslim woman with 4 young children has never flown in an airplane, nor had connections to navigate.

We have been asked to "Welcome the stranger" in Mathew's Gospel. Please Lord, let us honour this request in light of our Syrian family.

We pray for the volunteers—that they will be patient with themselves and their team members as they help to resettle our Syrian family.