

Church of the Ascension

Sudbury, Ontario

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"Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? .

- Luke 15.4

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In our prayers ...

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church of the Province of Uganda The Most Revd Stanley Ntagali Archbishop of Uganda & and Bishop of Kampala, Assistant Bishop of Kampala - (Uganda)
The Rt Revd Hannington Mutebi

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

We pray for the Diocese of Algoma during this time of change and transition as we approach the election of a new Bishop in October.

In the Diocese of Algoma, we pray for St. Simon's, Temagami, The Rev. Beth Hewson

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

We pray for the repose of the soul of Floyd Laking, dear husband of Joyce Laking, who died last week. May Floyd's soul rest in peace and rise again in glory.

We pray for the following people for God's continued healing and strength during the coming week., especially Beryl Cole, Nancy Turner, Diane, Sherry, Linda, Alan Findlay, Richard, Lillian, George, Derald Balson, Eddie Gudbranson, Dan Turner, Barbara Blanchard, Inge, Ivan & Glenys Cutler, Priscilla Al-lurut, Canon Michael & Muriel Hankinson.

We pray for these families recently bereaved, the Sheppard family, the Peters family, the Aceti Family, the Walchuk 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, Ron Little, Margaret Villeneuve, Velma Tansley, Karin Hoffman, Leila Dunlop, Joyce Laking, Ivan Cutler. May

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they always feel God's presence in their lives.

In our parish we pray for our wardens and leaders and in our parish family for Cathy DeGuire, Marc & Jennifer Denis, the Rev. Dr. Bob & Mrs. Cindy Derrenbacker

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.

Prayer for Electoral Synod

The Electoral Synod, where our new Bishop will be chosen, takes place in Sault Ste. Marie on the 14th and 15th October. Our Synod Delegates, Cathy Jewell, Jen Ames and Rev. Anne will be three of the many delegates from across the Diocese casting votes in this election. In these months and days before our Electoral Synod to elect a bishop, it is appropriate that across the diocese we join in prayer, asking God for discernment and guidance.

Gracious and loving God, we pray that you will call among us as our bishop a person of prayer, a faithful disciple, a compassionate pastor, a chief shepherd of your own choosing; who will guide the people of this Diocese of Algoma as they share the transforming Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Bless those who will elect Algoma's new bishop with gifts of discernment and understanding, so that they will have the wisdom to recognize whom you are sending.

In this time of transition, keep us all steadfast in faith and united in love, trusting in the promises of your Kingdom. Fill our hearts and minds with your grace and favour that our words and actions embody the Story we proclaim.

We ask this through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

1 September—17th Sunday after Pentecost

9 & 11 am Holy Eucharist

There is joy before the angels of God
over one sinner who repents.

Processional	#418
Collect of the day	page 380
First Lesson	Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 <i>Jeremiah prophesies the judgement of the Lord.</i>
Psalm 14	page 717 <i>The Lord is the refuge of the poor.</i>
New Testament Lesson:	1 Timothy 1:12-17 <i>Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners .</i>
Gradual	#438
Holy Gospel:	Luke 15:1-10 <i>The parable of the lost sheep.</i>
Offertory	#615
Prayer over the Gifts	page 381
Communion	#76, 68, 60
Prayer after communion	page 387
Recessional	#352

The flowers in the church are given to the glory of God and in joyful celebration of the 60th wedding anniversary of Roz and Richard Jones on September 13th. Congratulations Roz and Richard!.

The Clergy and People of the Ascension welcome all visitors. We hope that you find a warm welcome in our midst. All who are baptized are welcome to receive the Eucharist. If you do not wish to receive communion but would like a blessing, please come forward and cross your hands over your chest.

Attendance on Sunday 4th September was 67.

In the Parish this Week

Tuesday 13th September - 5:30pm Children's Ministry Team meeting. Soup will be served at 5:30pm and all teachers are encouraged to attend and join in the conversation.

6:30pm - Parish Life Meeting

7pm: Finance meeting

7:30pm - Board meeting

Wednesday 14th September - 9:30am Holy Eucharist and Bible Study.
Wednesday 14th September - noon - Meeting for Pastoral visitors.

Thursday 15th September - 10am ARK refugee steering committee meeting.
7pm - Choir meets.

Friday 16th September - 9am BCP Morning Prayer and Lay readers meeting.
5pm wedding rehearsal.

Saturday 17th September - 2:30pm - Hirvi/Weber wedding.

Sunday 18th September - Parish Golf tournament after church followed by dinner at Cedar Green Golf Course. Register now!
8pm - BCP Evening Prayer.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Back to School and Back to Godly Play!

As the children and young people return to school it's back to our usual Sunday schedule of two services at 9am and 11am. Welcome back to everyone who has been travelling this summer or spending time at camps and cottages. Today also sees the start of Godly Play and Nursery Care for our children. This is the third year we are using Godly Play method of teaching the sacred stories of our faith to our children. Jen Ames is the God-

ly Play storyteller each week and there are other teachers to help during the response time in the lesson. If you are interested in experiencing a Godly Play story you are invited to the Godly Play Open House on Sunday 2nd October during the Godly Play time.

Open Doors, Open Arms and Open Hearts

Hospitality and welcome is an important aspect of who we are at the Ascension. Part of that is the greeting that is offered at the front door of the church as people arrive on Sundays and when they enter the sanctuary and are offered a bulletin and a place to sit in our sanctuary. If you are already a sidesperson or greeter you are asked to sign the new roster and if you are interested in becoming a sidesperson you are asked to speak to Rev. Anne or Ken Winfield. Each one of us has a role to play in welcoming each other to worship. Please take a moment to introduce yourself to the person sitting next to you in worship today. Perhaps there is someone here you've never met and would like to - greet them too!

Ministry of Caring, Inside and Out!

Every week Ascensionites can be found caring for people inside the parish, and outside its walls. This happens in big and little ways as we reach out to those who are hungry, lonely, sick, or bereaved. One of the ministries of caring at the Ascension is the visiting that our Pastoral team does by visiting the frail elderly who are living in nursing homes or on their own. Those visits are often the only time our parishioners see someone else in a week. Thank you to our pastoral visitors for your ministry of care and prayer. This Wednesday , September 14th, at noon, there will be a meeting for all pastoral visitors so that we can support one another in this ministry.

" The Light of Christ" We've been given the Light of Christ not to hoard, not to squander, but to receive, to allow it to penetrate the deepest

darkness of our own crevices and shadows, and then to reflect this light." (SSJD - Word for the Day Thursday September 8th)

Invitation to a High Tea

On Saturday 17th September St. Stephen's on the Hill are hosting a High Tea and you are invited to attend. The tickets are \$15 each and there will be delicious cakes and sandwiches which will be served at 1pm. To reserve your seat please call 705.560.5986.

Parish Golf Tournament

There is still time to sign up for the Annual Parish Golf Tournament at Cedar Green on Sunday 18th September. Registration forms and sign up sheets are available at the back of the church. Come and join the fun and get to know your fellow parishioners. If you don't have a group to play with we will find one for you.

Top 10 Things to Do on the First Day of School

A TICKLE FOR YOUR FUNNY BONE

10. As soon as you receive your textbook, page through it scratching each picture and sniffing it.
9. Wear earmuffs. Every few minutes ask the instructor to speak up a bit.
8. Squint thoughtfully at the instructor. In the middle of his or her remarks, raise your hand. Say he or she looks familiar and ask if they've ever been on an episode of "Friends."
7. Speak only in rhymes.
6. Have a friend bring cymbals. Inform the class you are Belgian royalty and have your friend clash the cymbals each time your name is spoken.
5. Address the instructor as "your Excellency."
4. Sing your questions.

3. Sit in the front, sniff a lot while looking around, and finally say, "Okay, who's to blame?"
2. Say, "WOW!" after every sentence in the instructor's lecture.

AND THE NUMBER ONE THING to DO ON the FIRST DAY of SCHOOL?

1. When the instructor calls roll, after each name scream, "That's MEEEEEEEE! Oh, no, wait ... sorry!"

School Jokes

TEACHER: Ellen, give me a sentence starting with "I".

ELLEN: I is...

TEACHER: No, No, Ellen. Always say, "I am."

ELLEN: All right... "I am the ninth letter of the alphabet."

JASON: Dad, can you write in the dark?

FATHER: I think so. What do you want me to write?

JASON: Your name on this report card.

FATHER: Why on earth did you swallow the money I gave you?

JUNIOR: You said it was my lunch money.

TEACHER: In this box, I have a 10-foot snake.

MATT: You can't fool me, Teacher... snakes don't have feet.

TEACHER: How can you prevent diseases caused by biting insects?

JOSE: Don't bite any.