

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Southern Africa.

In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for our Primate, the Most Rev Linda Nicholls; for our Metropolitan and Diocesan Archbishop, the Most Rev Anne Germond; for the Deanery of Sudbury-Manitoulin, and our Archdeacon, the Ven Glen Miller, and for the Deanery summer intern, Catherine Hazlitt; and for our parish and the ministry of our parish clergy: Canon John, Rev Jeff, and Bishop Andrews.

In the Diocese of Algoma, we pray for St Mary's, Nipigon, and the ministry of the Rev Patti Brace, and for St John's, Schrieber.

We pray for reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples: Merciful God, you call us to loving relationship with one another. Be with us now as we seek to heal old wounds and find joy again in this relationship. Replace our hearts of stone with hearts of flesh. Give us the gifts of honesty and openness, and fill us with your healing power and grace. We ask this in Jesus's name.

We pray for the following people for God's continued healing and strength during the coming week, especially – Tamara, Nancy, Marshall, Kay, Dave Fowler, Annette, Barbara, Claudette, Gerry, Mary Rose, Sarah, Jaqueline, Colin, Catherine, George, David, Dan & Marc, Gary, Lucette, Estelle, Richard, Maggie, Carol, Michelle Caswell, Marjorie Morton, Michael Sheppard, Rob Caines, Spruce, Del, Vince, Helen, Chris, Erica, Lynne, Connie Lee, Bishop Tom, David Caines, Trischa, Ed, Heather, and Lori.

We pray for those who are living in retirement residences or nursing homes: Milt Fleming, Karin Hoffman, Laurent Constantineau, Bessie Morgan, Sybil Crawford, Marlene Moulton, Betty Bonas, and Del Gates; may they always feel God's presence in their lives.

In our parish we pray for our wardens, board members, and lay leaders; we pray for parents, grandparents, and godparents, for spouses and siblings, for children and dependents, for all families and friends, for those with whom we are hurt, angry, or at cross-purposes, and for those who might be alone, in any circumstance, that they might be comforted and know the love of God.

A Note from the Wardens and General Board: We continue to gain against our budget deficit, but we haven't cleared it yet. We're grateful to all who have helped with our commitments. We encourage you to keep up with your weekly offerings for the parish, especially during the summer months, where typically we see a decline in dedicated givings. You may drop off your envelopes at the Church, or make arrangements with the Wardens to have them picked up. We also encourage you to look at the Diocesan Electronic Offering Programme, or to use Canadahelps, as means to keep up your contributions. You can find full details for both in our Weekly News and Announcements email, or you may contact the Wardens for further assistance.



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"He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." (Micah 6:8)

Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2021

Sunday morning service live-streamed on Facebook @ascensionsudbury at 10.00 am. In-person worship Sunday mornings at 10.00 with no more than 40 in congregation.

Welcome to our worship! It is good to have you here with us today. Please know that the Anglican Church teaches that all who are baptized with water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are welcome to participate in the sacrament at the time of Communion.

St Mary the Virgin

10.00 am Holy Eucharist

Liturgy, BAS pp. 185 - 215
(readings are per *Revised Common Lectionary*, NRSVA translation)

Gathering	BAS, p. 185-7
Collect of the Day	BAS, pp. 419
First Reading	Isaiah 7. 10-15
Psalm 132 vv 6-10, 13-14	BAS, p. 889-90
Second Reading	Galatians 4. 4-7
Holy Gospel	St Luke 1. 46-55
Sermon	
Confession of Faith	BAS, pp. 188-9
Prayers, Confession	
Absolution, Peace	BAS, pp. 190-2
Prayer over Gifts	BAS, p. 419
Eucharistic Prayer # 2	BAS, pp. 196-7
Lord's Prayer	BAS, p. 211
Prayer after Communion	BAS, p. 420
Doxology	BAS, p. 214

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Collect for St Mary the Virgin: O God, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate Son. May we who have been redeemed by his blood, share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah (Is 7. 10-15)

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good."

Psalms 132, vv 6-10, 13-14 (BAS, 889-90) **Refrain:** *Arise, O Lord, into your resting place.*

Second Reading

A reading from the Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Galatians (Gal 4. 4-7)

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke (Lk 1. 46-55)

Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

[The Lectionary provides an option for the Gospel on the Feast of the Virgin Mary, which is included here:]

[Lk 2. 1-7. *In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while*

Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.]

Prayer over Gifts

God of mercy, receive all we offer you this day. May we share with the Virgin Mary the joys of your eternal kingdom, and live with you in unending love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayer after Communion

God of grace, today we raise our voices to magnify your holy name, and, in our own generation, to call her blessed who became the mother of our Saviour Jesus Christ. May we who have shared this holy food continue, with her, in your glorious kingdom, founded and established in Jesus Christ our Lord. We ask this in his name.