

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

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 our parish of the Church of the Ascension and for our parish clergy, Rev Jeff and Bishop Andrews.

In the Diocese of Algoma, we pray for ecumenism in Algoma as the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins.

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, Marjorie Morton, Michael Sheppard, Rob Caines, Spruce, Del, Vince, Helen, Chris, Lynne, Connie Lee, David Caines, Trischa, Ed, Lori, John P, Ivan, and Audrey and her friends, companions, and neighbours at L'Arche.

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.

We pray for those who have died, remembering especially Bishop Tom Corston: rest eternal grant unto him, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon him; we pray that those who mourn, especially the Corston family, may know the consolation of God's love at this time, and that all who know sorrow might uphold one another in comfort and prayer.

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.

Items of Note: The Diocese of Algoma's Pandemic Response protocols and policies, including the Archbishop's vaccine policy, can be found online at www.dioceseofalgoma.com/about-the-diocese-of-algoma/covid-19-pandemic-response/



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"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" (2 Cor 5.17)
Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2022

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

2d Sunday after the Epiphany

Holy Eucharist
Sunday morning 10.00 pm

Liturgy, BAS pp. 185 – 215

(readings are per *Revised Common Lectionary*, NRSVA translation)

Gathering	BAS, pp. 185-7
Collect of the Day	BAS, p. 349
First Reading	Isaiah 62. 1-5
Psalm 36, vv 5-10	BAS, pp. 748-9
Second Reading	1 Corinthians 12. 1-11
Holy Gospel	St John 2. 1-11
Sermon	
Confession of Faith	BAS, pp. 188-9
Prayers, Confession, Absolution, Peace	BAS, pp. 190-2
Prayer over Gifts	BAS, p. 350
Eucharistic Prayer #3	BAS, pp.198-200; 220
The Lord's Prayer	BAS, p. 211
Breaking of the Bread	BAS, p. 212-13
Prayer after Communion	BAS, pp. 350
Doxology, Dismissal	BAS, p. 214-15

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Collect for the Second Sunday after Epiphany: Almighty God, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading (*Is 62.1-5*)

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Psalm 36, vv. 5-10 (*BAS, pp. 748-9*) **Refrain:** *We feast on the riches of your house, O Lord.*

Second Reading (*1 Cor 12.1-11*)

A Reading from the First Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Gospel (*Jn 2.1-11*)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding.

When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Prayer over the Gifts

Living God, you have revealed your Son as the Messiah. May we hear his word and follow it, and live as children of light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

God of glory, you nourish us with bread from heaven. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that through us your light may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.