

Sudbury Manitoulin Deanery DIGEST

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Epiphany 2018

Bishop Anne suggested the following as daily devotional material (website address below and you can sign up to receive an email from them daily)

BLESSING

What you're searching for, you already know. God has blessed us with this amazing life, with eyes to see, ears to hear, a mind to discern, and a heart in which to perceive the living presence of God in our midst.

Brother Jim Woodrum

Society of Saint John the Evangelist

<https://www.ssje.org/> (type into search bar and then scroll down to "Brother Give Us A Word")

News and Events:

1. **WALKING WITH OUR SISTERS:** A Commemorative Art Installation for the Missing and Murdered indigenous Women of Canada & the USA. January 7 - 17 at the MacEwan School of Architecture on Elm St. Sudbury. See www.walkingwithoursisters.ca for more information.
2. The Epiphany's annual **Book Sale** takes place on January 19-21. If you have good, used books to donate please drop them off at the church during the week of January 15th. Please, no textbooks. For more information contact Evelyn Fillier at keeper1916@gmail.com.
3. The Church of the Epiphany has that they have **PEWS FOR SALE**. 4 beautiful long oak pews. Price is negotiable. If you or someone you know is interested, please call our office. One idea - they could be cut in half and become the elegant seating for a breakfast nook.

4. **FROM REV. AIDEN ARSTRONG (CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION):**

ALPHA

An Alpha program will be running at the Church of the Ascension in partnership with the Samaritan center and Restoration Church beginning in February. Alpha is a program that explores life's big questions from a Christian perspective with those who have little or no Church background and with those who have been Christians a long time. If you are interested in taking the course or helping out with this exciting ministry, contact Father Aidan - armstong.aidan@gmail.com. Alpha will begin on Thursday February 01 and run for 10 weeks. All Welcome!

5. **From the Archdeacon's Desk: CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP**

"Over the next few weeks we will be gathering in our individual congregations to appoint and endorse Wardens, Treasurers and other congregational leaders at our annual Vestry meetings. These are very important and sometimes difficult tasks which are given to people we trust. In an effort to help them, as well as anyone interested in the administrative aspect of our congregational life, I have set aside some time on Saturday Feb 3 for a "Warden's Workshop" to take place at St. John's Church in Copper Cliff from 10 am to 2 pm. Topics will include a look at the Canons which apply to the position of Warden, a suggestion of some 'self-care' methods, and some practical advice on conducting meetings. It is my hope that by gathering together the Wardens in this Deanery will be strengthened in their particular ministry. I realize this is a sort of 'last minute' kind of invitation but I urge those of you who are Wardens, Deputy Wardens, Chairpersons, Treasurers to consider attending. Please email me at livelyanglican@bellnet.ca if you wish to attend. A lunch will be provided for those who reply. It is my hope that this will be just the first of a series of similar gatherings."

6. **WEEK FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICES:** From Bishop Anne (Information copied from a poster):

"Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power" Exodus 15:6

The Churches of the Caribbean were chosen to draft the material for the 2018 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The contemporary Caribbean is deeply marked by the dehumanizing project of colonial exploitation. Very regrettably, during five hundred years of colonialism and enslavement, Christian missionary activity in the region, with the exception of a few outstanding examples, was closely tied to this dehumanizing system and in many ways rationalized it and reinforced it. Whereas those who brought the Bible to this region used the scriptures to justify their subjugation of a people in bondage, in the hands of the enslaved, it became an inspiration, an assurance that God was on their side, and that God would lead them into freedom.

Today, Caribbean Christians of many different traditions see the hand of God active in the ending of enslavement. It is a uniting experience of the saving action of God which brings freedom. For this reason the choice of the song of

Moses and Miriam (Ex 15:1-21), as the motif of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2018 was considered a most appropriate one.

January 17 - Worship & Fellowship

2PM | St. Timothy's Lutheran Church (Copper Cliff)

Presented by the Copper Cliff Ministerial (705-682-2511)

January 19 - Christian Unity Service

2PM | Holy Redeemer Church (Minnow Lake)

Presented by the North East Ministerial (705-566-8330)

January 21 - Prayer Service & Fellowship

7PM | First Baptist Church (Garson)

Presented by the Nickel Center Ministerial (705-693-3278)

January 23 - Prayer Breakfast

7AM | Glad Tidings Church (Sudbury Central)

Presented by the Sudbury Central South End Ministerial (705-522-4523)

More Information about this.

Please note that the Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast, Tuesday, January 23, starts at 7:00 a.m. at Glad Tidings Church \$15.00 per person to cover the cost of catered breakfast

To book your breakfast reservation, please call Glad Tidings: Phone: (705) 522-4523 or Email: jessicao@gtsudbury.ca

Last date to make your reservation for the breakfast is January 20, 2018

Presented by the Sudbury Central South End Ministerial

Regards
Diane Ikonen

6. **St. Luke's Cathedral Sault Ste. Marie** [News](#): (Double click on the icons below)



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7. **FROM ST. ALBAN'S, CAPREOL:**

St. Alban's, through its association with Isthmus Canada (formerly Blessings in a Backpack) has been feeding students at C. R. Judd P.S., Capreol, for the past three years. Learn more about the program at Isthmus Canada (<https://www.isthmus.ca/>). Loblaw is offering \$25 gift cards to customers who were overcharged for bread bought between 2002 and 2015. Some people are

choosing to donate their cards to charity. We are hoping that some of you might consider applying for a card and donating it to St. Alban's Anglican Church to support the weekend nutritional program at C. R. Judd P.S.

Here's what you do:

Receive a \$25 Loblaw gift card by applying here:

Go to <http://loblawcard.ca/>. When you receive your card, deliver it to the office at C.R. Judd. P.S. or mail it to or drop it off at St. Alban's Anglican Church 34 Dennie St., Capreol, ON P0M 1H0 Attn. BBP

Hunger Doesn't Take Weekends Off and \$25 will feed one child on weekends for about 8 weeks.

Thanks,
Valerie Tryon
Mission & Outreach Chair

9. **FROM CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, SUDBURY**

ALPHA: See above item #4

Christian Unity Service – January 19

The Church of the Ascension will be taking part in the week of prayer for Christian Unity service with the other Churches in New Sudbury. The service will take place on January 19th at 2pm at Holy Redeemer Church. All are encouraged to attend this event.

Games Night – January 19

Come in from the cold and join us for some fun! Games night is on Friday, January 19th from 2-4, 6-8. Bring your favourite game and snack to share! Kids of all ages!

Dinner and Dance – February 9

The Church of the Ascension is hosting a Dinner and Dance on February 9th again this year at the Church of the Ascension. Everyone welcome! More details to follow.

May God grant you patience and perseverance as you prepare for Vestry meetings and the necessary reports. For those Parishes seeking full or part time Incumbents, know that you are all in our prayers.

So far we are sending our this Digest weekly on Wednesday, usually before 10 PM. Feel free to send me and Allison Cline (our Webmaster) any and all events and news. Articles are also very welcome. You can use either our personal email as above or the Yahoo address as above.

We would like to receive items by the Sunday night before Wednesday. Some items may be repeated due the date of the event. If you have some news and/or articles and miss the Sunday cut off, please send directly to either personal e-mail address above. We will gladly include parish events, special events, and worship times. Please make sure all info is as accurate as possible, and any poster type submissions are as camera ready as possible to be included as PDF attachments to the Digest.

Improvements: Any suggestions are always welcome.

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