

Sudbury Manitoulin Deanery Digest

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Pentecost 2018

News and Events:

1. Current and Future Events to Mark on Your Calendars:

a. Church of the Ascension

Website: <http://www.churchoftheascensionsudbury.com>

Rector: Rev. Aiden Armstrong

Honorary Associates: Rev. Jeff Hooper, Rev. Dr. Robert Derrenbacker and

Rt. Rev. Dr. Stephen Andrews

Worship Services 9 AM and 11AM.

Christmas Pageant: Dec 16 during 11 AM service

Christmas Eve:

Family Eucharist 4:00 pm

Contemporary Eucharist Service BAS 7:00 pm

Midnight Mass Eucharist Service BCP 11:00 pm

Deanery Advent Quiet Day:

Because of Bethlehem with Max Lucado (DVD)

Friday, December 14th at Church of the Ascension, Sudbury 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Coffee, DVD and study 10:15 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., bring your own lunch

ALPHA

Spring of 2019.

MESSY CHURCH

4:30pm First Wednesday of the Month (starting in Oct.)

b. Church of the Epiphany

Website: <http://www.epiphanysudbury.org>

Interim Priest-in-Charge: Rt. Rev. Tom Corston (Part-Time) who also provides Bishop services to the Diocese of Moosenee

Curate: Rev. Sarah Armstrong

Honorary Associate: Rev. Rhonda Hirst, Lead Chaplain for the Health Sciences North Spiritual and Religious Care Department.

Worship Services: 8:30 AM spoken BCP service and 10:30 AM choral Eucharist.

Christmas Services: Christmas Eve: 8 PM
 Christmas Day 11 AM
 Dec 30 Festival of Lessons and Carols

Quilter's Group

Our Quilters plus group meets Thursday mornings at 9:30 and is always willing to welcome new members who quilt or sew or knit etc. Or who may want to learn.

We also offer space for a number of different community groups, including AA, a ladies exercise group, karate, Girl Guides and Raging Fire. The Epiphany is being used almost every day and evening.

Out of the Cold Dinners

Fridays 6-7 PM beginning November 23 and continues throughout the winter until mid April. Bishop Tom and Reverend Sarah continue to work in cooperation with St. Andrews United which also hosts these dinners.

c. Parish of Copper Cliff and Lively

Website: www.thelivelyanglican.ca

Rector: Archdeacon Glen Miller

Honorary Deacon Associate: Rev. Dr. Pattie Brace

Worship Services 9 AM at Christ Church and 11 AM at St. John's

Christmas Services:

Dec 23; 11 AM Lessons and Carols

Dec 24 Christmas Eve: 4 PM St. John's
 7 PM Christ Church

Dec 25 Christmas Day: 10 am Meadowbrook Village

Parish Small Group Ministry

Knitting/Crochet: Tuesday 10 AM at St. John's

Bible Studies: Wed 10 AM at St. John's

Men's Wed 7 PM Christ Church member's home

Ladies Friday 11:30 AM at St. John's

Nursing/Retirement Homes (Communion Services)

Pioneer Manor (Sudbury), Extencicare York (Sudbury), St. Joseph's Villa (Sudbury), St. Gabriel's Villas (Chelmsford), Meadowbrook Village (Lively), Walford on the Park (Copper Cliff)

Other Community Ministries

Out of the Cold dinners
 Good Food box
 Messy Church
 Mom's and Tots
 Breakfast for kids at a Lively School
 Walden Winter Carnival

d. Parish of Elliot Lake/Massey

Rector: Rev. Henk Willems and Rev. Beth Topps

Worship Services

St. Peters Anglican Elliot Lake—9.30 am
 Faith Lutheran Elliot Lake—11.00 am—1st and 3rd Sunday
 Zion Lutheran Massey 2nd Sunday of the month at 1 pm
 Gowan Gillmore Sagamok 2.00 pm at Harvey Owl house
 every 4th Sunday

Coldest Night of the Year

St. Peter's is hosting this event in February 2019. They continue to help out in the Elliot Lake Food Bank, particularly during Lent

e. St. Alban, Capreol

Website: <https://www.facebook.com/alban.church>
 Interim Priest-in-Charge: Archdeacon Glen Miller
 Assisting Priest: Rev. Jeff Hooper (part-time)
Service Worships Sunday Worship and Sunday School at 11 AM

f. All Saints Anglican, Coniston

Website: <https://allsaintsangcon.weebly.com>
 Rector: Rev. Canon Jenny Rollins
Worship Services: Sundays 10 AM
 Bible and Prayer Wednesdays 7-9 PM
 Christmas Eve: Saturday December 24th
 Carols @ 6:30-7:00
 Service @ 7:00 p.m.

Community Ministries

Run the Coniston Food Bank which serves Coniston and surrounding areas Thursdays 1-3 PM

Sudbury Jail: lay helpers with Jenny Rollins who also runs a Kairos program once a year for men and women with help from other Deanery people

We provide Christmas Assistance to some 40 families each year consisting of large food hamper and Christmas gifts

g. The Anglican Churches of Manitoulin Island

Website:

[http://dioceseofalgoma.com/UploadedFiles/file/Job%20Postings/Manitoulin%20Island%20Profile%20Dec%202015%20\(reduced\).pdf](http://dioceseofalgoma.com/UploadedFiles/file/Job%20Postings/Manitoulin%20Island%20Profile%20Dec%202015%20(reduced).pdf)

Priest-in-Charge: Rev. Doug Prebble

i. All Saints, Gore Bay

Worship Service: Sunday at 11 AM.

1st and 3rd Sundays are Morning Prayer Service @ 11:00 AM

2nd and 4th Sundays is Holy Eucharist Service @ 11:00 AM.

Events throughout the year

ACW Meetings: 1st Monday of the month with July and August off.

Dec. Christmas Potluck with other groups invited.

Funeral Luncheons when asked

Cafe (Hot and cold drinks plus varieties of deserts) once a month at the Farmers Market from May to October.

Outreach Projects funded during the year

Samaritan Purse Christmas Shoe Boxes

Manitoulin Secondary School Breakfast Club and Living Well Locker

C.C. McLean Elementary School Breakfast Club

Sleeping Children Around the World

Camp Manitou

Strawberry Point Summer Youth Camp

Mary Sherwood's Orphanage in Madagascar

Amanda Flanagan's Project in Africa

Manitoulin Family Resources in Mindemoya

Teen Challenge

Samaritan Centre in Sudbury

Food Bank

Sponsor Child

Threshold Ministries

- ii. Holy Trinity, Little Current
Worship Services: Sunday at 9 AM; Mid-week Service

Christmas Dinner in December

- iii. St. John the Evangelist, Kagawong
Worship Services: Sunday at 9 AM

Community Ministries:

Welcome Baskets for newcomers

Participate in Christmas Shoe Boxes and Winter hats and mitts for children

Christmas Baskets for those in need

Manitoulin Food Bank at Christmas

Christmas in Kagawong Saturday Nov 17: crafts and bake sale in the church's hall and cider, Christmas Cake, carols in the church's Nave

- iv. St. Paul's, Manitowaning
Worship Services: Monday's at 5:30 PM

- v. St. Francis of Assisi, Mindemoya
Worship Services: Sunday School and Sunday Service at 11 AM

- h. St. Georges, Espanola
Facebook Page:
<https://www.facebook.com/St-Georges-Espanola-1657007827882930/>
Lay Pastor: Beverly van der Jagt
Worship Services: Sunday 10:30 AM

Deanery Advent Quiet Day:

Because of Bethlehem with Max Lucado (DVD)

Monday, December 10th at St. George's, Espanola 9:30 to 10 a.m. coffee, DVD and study from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Lunch \$10.00 please call 705-869-3939 or email stgeorgesespanola@gmail.com to confirm attendance

Christmas Pot Luck:

Espanola Seniors Center on Wednesday, December 12th at 5:30 p.m.

Blue Christmas Service:

Monday, December 17th at 7 p.m.

Christmas Pageant:

Sunday, December 23rd , pizza for lunch

Christmas Eve Service at 7 p.m.

Community Ministries

Messy Church

Stewardship Committee: planning a special worship service
and to make visits to congregation members

i. St. Thomas' French River

Website: <https://www.frenchriver.ca/p/places-of-worship>

Lay Pastor: Beverly van der Jagt

Worship Services: every third Sunday 7 PM

Christmas Eve Service at 3 p.m.

2. Deanery Council News:

Website: <http://www.deanerysudbury-manitoulin.org>

Thorneloe University: from Rev. Dr. Robert Derrenbacher:

All are invited to attend the annual Advent Lessons and Carols service at the Fielding Memorial Chapel of St. Mark at Thorneloe University (on the Laurentian University campus), Sunday, December 9th at 7:00 PM. For more information, please contact the the Rev. Dr. Robert Derrenbacher at rderrenbacher@laurentian.ca.

3. Diocese of Algoma

Website: <http://www.dioceseofalgoma.com>

Diocesan ACW Annual Meeting – Advance Notice. May 29–31 in Sault Ste. Marie. See attached poster.

For those of you who know Rev. Reinhardt: Condolences to the Reinhardt family

Posted: December 4, 2018

We are saddened to announce that The Rev. Ted Reinhardt, a retired priest living in Elliot Lake, died peacefully on December 2, 2018 at the St. Joseph's Hospital in Elliot Lake at the age of 86.

He was ordained in 1967 and served in the Anglican Dioceses of Montreal, Saskatchewan, Quebec, Ottawa, Fredericton and Algoma. He

was recently named Honourary Assistant Emeritus at St. Saviour's, Blind River, by Archbishop Anne Germond.

A visitation will be held on Friday afternoon, December 7th, from 2–4 p.m. at the Elliot Lake Funeral Chapel and Cremation Centre (36 Ontario Avenue). The funeral will be held at St. Saviour's Anglican Church, Blind River, on Saturday, December 8th at 11 a.m.

May Fr. Ted rest this day in the arms of Jesus his Saviour and Lord. We pray for his family as they mourn him and for his parish family.

PLEASE NOTE

The Diocese of Algoma Synod Office will close for Christmas at noon on Friday, December 21st, 2018 and re-open in the New Year on Wednesday, January 2nd, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

4. Anglican Church of Canada: News from General Synod

Algonquin spiritual teacher in residence appointed at Ottawa cathedral



By Matt Gardner

Indigenous spirituality has a powerful new voice at Christ Church Cathedral Ottawa.

In a historic appointment, local Indigenous spiritual leader Albert Dumont has been named Algonquin Spiritual Teacher in Residence for a two-year term at the cathedral. During his term, Dumont will help educate members of the cathedral community on traditional Indigenous spirituality, while deepening the relationship between the Diocese of Ottawa and the Algonquin nation upon whose unceded territory most of the diocese sits.

Dumont's appointment marks the first time that a non-Christian Indigenous teacher in residence has been assigned to a cathedral of the Anglican Church of Canada.

"I see it as very important," Dumont said of his new role. "To me, it's an opportunity for people to know something about the Algonquin Anishinaabe in unsundered land."

"There are people who really don't know anything about the original inhabitants of this country," he added. "They're curious, and they want to know some details or some information about it. I'm going to be doing that ... I'll be happy to speak wherever they want about that relationship that's been established now."

The Very Rev. Shane Parker, dean of Christ Church Cathedral, appointed Dumont as Algonquin spiritual teacher in residence. The appointment came with the full support of Bishop John Chapman, as well as Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg Chief Jean Guy Whiteduck.

Both Dumont and Parker highlighted the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) as a crucial impetus for the appointment. The recommendations included recognition of the equal value of Indigenous spirituality.

"Albert is not a Christian," Parker said. "He is an Algonquin man who has been shaped by the spirituality of his community, of his ancestors, throughout his life. I feel that having him in the cathedral will help us to understand Algonquin spirituality in particular, but [also] Indigenous spirituality in the context of a relationship, because I believe at the heart of reconciliation is developing a meaningful relationship between non-Indigenous and Indigenous people.

"Having Albert at cathedral signals our mutual concern ... to learn and to share from one another's spiritual traditions, and recognize them as equivalent."

Confronting racism

Born in 1950, Dumont grew up in a reserve in Pontiac County in the Ottawa Valley. His father worked at a lumber camp for part of the year, and in order to leave the reserve, had to apply for a pass from a white Indian agent.

At this time, Indigenous people were also not allowed to vote in Canada, and practicing their own spiritual traditions was illegal.

"My parents were both honest, hardworking ... Christian people, but they couldn't leave the reserve without the pass," Dumont said. "And it's not they didn't have any interest in Indigenous spiritualities. But if they would have, that would have been a crime."

Dumont himself was a Christian until he was 12 years old. However, it was the racism from his teachers, fellow students, and community at large that gradually pushed him away.

To Dumont, it was “spiritually unacceptable” to see the very people who were cruel and vicious to him and his loved ones—simply due to their Indigenous ancestry—receive the Holy Communion.

“Whenever we first moved to [a] town, some people—thankfully, not all people, but there was a minority ... people in the town who didn’t want us there—they’d tell us to go back where we came from. Even though where we were living was where Algonquins or the Anishinaabe had been living for many thousands of years ... they told us to go back where we came from,” recalls Dumont.

Instead, he found refuge in the forest. On many days Dumont would pack a lunch and leave home in the early morning, not returning from the woods until dark.

“From that early age, I really connected with the forest ... I just knew that I was at peace there, and I didn’t have to worry about racism or that kind of thing,” he said.

‘I identify with the grassroots of the Indigenous community’

Growing up, Dumont’s role models were his parents. His mother had 13 children, and together with his father, raised 11 into adulthood. Tragically, two of his brothers died in the 1940s.

Comparing Algonquin Anishinaabe traditions with Christianity as presented by European settlers, Dumont pointed to a major difference between the two belief systems, in that the “original spirituality of this land” emerged from a matriarchal society.

In the traditional Indigenous belief systems of his community, he said, “women had a lot of say in what went on in their family and in their community and in their nation. The viewpoints of women were very respected and honoured.” His own mother had a strong leadership role in his family, often taking charge of how money was spent and how the children would be disciplined.

Over the course of his life, Dumont has lived with chronic pain, and overcome a struggle with alcohol.

“The pain I live with allows me to identify with the pain of people who come to me who are in some form of emotional distress,” he said. “My past is one of bad addiction problems. I overcame the cancer that alcohol was for me. I can help people recover from the ugliness of destructive addictions. [...] I identify with the grassroots of the Indigenous community. They know my heart as I know theirs.”

Role as teacher in residence

For many years, Dumont worked as a bricklayer. However, it is his storytelling abilities and knowledge of Algonquin traditions that eventually led to him working as a spiritual advisor for Corrections Canada at “a very violent prison”, as well as for the local parole board.

In this new capacity as Algonquin spiritual teacher in residence at Christ Church Cathedral, Dumont will share his knowledge wherever it is needed. Potential areas may include spending time with Anglicans engaged in music ministry, meeting with Anglican clergy to teach Indigenous spirituality, and helping the cathedral reach out to ecumenical and interfaith spiritual leaders.

“His formation as a man who’s well-versed in the spirituality of his people has tremendous depth to it,” Parker said of Dumont. “Just at a personal level, I recognize him as someone who is a mature spiritual guide, a mature spiritual leader, and certainly his community and the wider community recognizes that as well.”

Albert Dumont is very committed to his new role at the cathedral, and looks forward to what lies ahead.

“I’m definitely going to do everything I can to help out, let’s put it that way.”

Fulfillment

Advent is not simply a time of waiting for the birth of the child. It is not simply a time for waiting for the beginning of a life. It is also a time when we wait, indeed when we long for the end of human life and the fulfillment of all things. So we wait today, as we do every day, not just for the beginning, but also for the end, not just for the coming of God as saviour, but also as judge and redeemer of all at the end of time.

–Br. James Koester

Society of St. John the Evangelist
<https://www.ssje.org/>

We send the Deanery Digest weekly on Fridays, usually before 10 PM.

Improvements: If you have any concerns or suggestions regarding our editorial policies, please feel free to send them to me.

Feel free to send me and Allison Cline–Dean (our Webmaster) any and all events and news. “Your Viewpoint” articles are also very welcome. You can use either my personal email as above or the Deanery email address above.

We would like to receive items by the Wednesday evening before Friday. 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.

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