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

Future edition (Nov?): I would like to put out an edition in which there is a list of what individual parishes are doing to green up their building and congregations in the context of the evidence of Global Warming in order to reduce our energy and carbon footprints. Please send anything you are doing or planning to me by email – see above. Thanks for sending me your events and updates.]

NEW YEAR - Advent 1

An Advent reflection from the Archdeacon

"Glory to God in the highest" said the angels to the shepherds. We echo this sentence on a regular basis in the Eucharistic celebration as we sing the "Gloria". Interestingly, during the season of Advent, we are encouraged to choose another song with which to sing God's praise. Perhaps this is a way of preserving the excitement of that proclamation for the Christmas celebration. As I think about announcing God's glory I am reminded of a story told to me by a colleague. In an attempt to explain to his congregation what glorifying God's name means the Rev. Canon Harold Percy said it meant, "enhancing God's reputation in the world". I have found this to be a good working definition and a means to focus my own meditations during the season of Advent. I have learned a great deal by asking myself, 'is this action in which I am involved enhancing God's true reputation in the world?' or 'is what I have said (or what I plan to say) enhancing God's reputation in the world?'. As followers of Jesus Christ we are asked to glorify God in all that we do or say – to be bearers of God's light and love into the world around us. As we walk through the next few weeks I ask you all to consider making the question, "is what I am doing right now enhancing God's reputation in the world?" a part of your regular meditation. May we not only preserve the meaning of Christmas but also let others know the wonders of the God who revealed Himself in the person and work of Jesus the Messiah.

1. News and Events

- a. All Saints, Gore Bay
ACW Christmas Bazaar. Nov 30 2019 11 AM–2PM. See attached poster.
- b. Church of the Ascension
L'Arche Cooperative Sale – December 1st
The L'Arche community will be having a sale on December 1st between Ascension's 9am and 11am services. They will be selling beets, Christmas cards, ornaments and other beautiful items made by L'Arche Bethlehem. Please come and support this wonderful community
- c. Church of the Epiphany
"Memorial Organ Inauguration Concert" Dec 1 3 PM Guest organist is Robert Hall. See attached Poster for details.
- d. Parish of Christ Church and St. John the Divine
Messy Church Dec 3 4:45 TO & pm. See attached poster.
- e. Diocese of Algoma News
CLAY 2020
Nov 29, 2019 01:59 pm
Is CLAY 2020 for you? We want to hear from you NOW!! See attached poster and information!!!
- f. Anglican Church of Canada
 - i. Anglican–Lutheran Weekly Prayer Cycle. See attached document.
 - ii. Archbishop Fred Hiltz to serve as assisting bishop in Moosonee
The announcement was posted to the Diocese of Algoma's Facebook page over the weekend, "Archbishop Anne is delighted to announce that Archbishop Fred Hiltz, former Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, will serve as the new assisting bishop of Moosonee upon the retirement of Bishop Tom Corston at the end of this year. +Anne has called Moosonee to a year of Holy Discernment in 2020. 'Come north young man, come north!'"
Check it out:
https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=2743006989095996&id=154286687968052&utm_source=Anglican%20Church%20of%20Canada&utm_campaign=432572df0c-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2

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iii. World Day of Prayer journal now available

The 2020 World Day of Prayer International Committee Journal is now available on the World Day of Prayer website for everyone to read and enjoy! The Journal is a global look into the lively presence of this worldwide ecumenical movement of informed prayer, prayerful action.

This years country is Zimbabwe. Coordinator resources can be found at

<https://wicc.org/world-day-of-prayer/coordinator-resources/>

Also check out <https://worlddayofprayer.net/zimbabwe-2020.html>

iv. Advent reflections for 2019

(1) Advent Reflections 2019 by the Oblates and Sisters of the Sisterhood of St. John the Divine. If you wish to receive the reflections by email, there is a sign-up block in the top right hand corner of the blog page. Copy and paste the link below:
https://ssjdadventreflections.blogspot.com/?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=81ae7674ca-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2019_11_08_02_42&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-81ae7674ca-243900825

(2) Primate's World Relief and Development Fund: Advent Relection. Go to www.pwrdf.org/advent2019 to subscribe.

(3) Story of Jesus as told through the Church Calendar
https://vimeo.com/79923336?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=92381f73dc-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2019_11_29_12_33&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-92381f73dc-243900825

2. List of Parishes with Service Times

a. Church of the Ascension

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

Rector: Rev. Aidan Armstrong

Honorary Associates: Rev. Jeff Hooper and Rt. Rev. Dr. Stephen Andrews

Worship Services 9 AM and 11 AM

Alternative Services: MESSY CHURCH

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

b. Church of the Epiphany

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

Interim Rector: Rt. Rev. Tom Corston (Retired Bishop of Moosenee)

Curate: Rev. Sarah Armstrong (on leave)

Honorary Associates: Rev. Rhonda Hirst, the Rev. Canon John Gibault

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

Activities throughout the year: quilting group, Out of the Cold dinners, worship services by an group of African Christians Sunday Afternoons

c. Parish of Copper Cliff and Lively

Website: www.thelivelyanglican.ca

Incumbent: Archdeacon Glen Miller

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

Alternative Service: Messy Church first Tuesday's Feb-May and Oct-Dec at St. John's 4:45-7 PM.

Parish Small Group Ministries begin again the second week of September:

Knitting ministry group: Tuesdays 10 Am at St. John's

Wednesday Bible Study at 10 AM

Discovery Group noon in Lively

Men's study group at Christ Church 7 PM

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

Parish activities throughout the year:

Nursing/Retirement Homes services (Morning Prayer or Communion)

Out of the Cold dinners

Mom's and Tots

Breakfast for kids at a Lively School

Walden Winter Carnival; Chancel Guild

d. Parish of Elliot Lake/Massey

Incumbents: 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 1pm

Gowan Gillmore, Sagamok 2.00 pm at Harvey Owl house every 4th Sunday

e. St. Alban, Capreol

Website: <https://www.facebook.com/alban.church>

Priest-in-Charge: Archdeacon Glen Miller

Assisting Priest: Rev. Jeff Hooper (part-time)

Service Worship Sunday Worship and Sunday School at 11 AM

Coulson Court Ecumenical worship service 1st Wednesday of Each Month 1:30 p.m. at Coulson Court 38 Coulson St., Capreol

PLEASE NOTE NEW PHONE NUMBER: 705-988-6401

- f. All Saints Anglican, Coniston
 Website: <https://allsaintsangcon.weebly.com>
 Incumbent: Rev. Canon Genny Rollins
 Worship Services: Sundays 10 AM
 Bible and Prayer Wednesdays 7-9 PM
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: <https://anglicanchurchesmanitoulin.com>
 Incumbent: 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.
 Cafe 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
 Q&A Meetings 10 AM on Wednesdays – A time of study, questions & answers to deepen our faith and draw closer to God.

- iii. St. John the Evangelist, Kagawong
Worship Services: Sunday at 9 AM
Q&A Meetings 10:00 AM on Fridays – A time of study, questions & answers to deepen our faith and draw closer to God.
Community Ministries:
Welcome Baskets for newcomers
- 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/>
Incumbent: Rev. Beverly van der Jagt
Worship Services: Sunday 10:30 AM
Alternative Service: Messy Church the first Monday of the month
Community Ministries
Stewardship Committee
- i. St. Thomas' French River
Website: <https://www.frenchriver.ca/p/places-of-worship>
Incumbent: Rev. Beverly van der Jagt (effective June 1, 2019)
Worship Services: third Sunday of each month 7 PM
- 2. Deanery Council News
Website: <http://www.deanerysudbury-manitoulin.org>
- 3. Diocese of Algoma
Website: <http://www.dioceseofalgoma.com>
- 4. Anglican Church of Canada Website: <http://www.anglican.ca>

Darkness

If you right now are experiencing darkness in your spiritual life, if with Job you can say "he has walled up my way so that I cannot pass" – hang in there! The dark night of the soul might well be God's gift to you, and through the experience you may come to share in the dazzling darkness which is at the heart of our faith.

–Br. Geoffrey Tristram

Silence

God wants to come to us. God wants us to open ourselves to God as God has opened Godself to us. God wants our hope, our listening, our receptivity. God wants our silence. That is easy to say. It is hard to do. In noisy, frenetic lives, silence is an uncomfortable task. It is a dangerous rebellion against a culture whose armies encroach on all sides, war drums beating ever more loudly.

–Br. Lucas Hall

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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