

# Sudbury Manitoulin Deanery Digest

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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: 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.]

## EPIPHANY 6-7

### 1. News and Events

- a. Annual Vestry Meetings: please pray for all congregations preparing reports and budgets and conducting their Annual Vestry meetings in the next couple of months.
- b. The Church of the Epiphany  
**PARISH AND COMMUNITY EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**
  - i. LENT BEGINS with Ash Wednesday, February 26th. This year we are offering the annual Penitential Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes twice, at 10 am and again at 7 pm. Please take advantage of this opportunity. On Wednesday mornings in Lent, for those interested, we will embark on a Lenten Bible Study entitled "People of the Light", each week following the Eucharist.
  - ii. SPECIAL GUEST: Quiet Day  
We are delighted to announce that The Right Rev'd. William Cliff, Bishop of Brandon and chair of the Council of the North will be our guest on the weekend of March 28–30.  
Bishop Cliff will lead us in a parish Lenten Quiet Day (\$20) on Saturday, March 28th at the Villa Loyola, then preach for us on Sunday, March 29th and share information about the Council of the North at a Lunch & Learn following worship. Before heading home, Bishop Cliff will lead a clergy Lenten quiet day on Monday, March 30th. Some of you might remember that Bishop Cliff visited the Epiphany twice in the past as one of the "Three Tenors".

- iii. LENTEN PROGRAM... Bishop Tom will be leading a weekly Lenten program every Wednesday following Eucharist (10 AM). The DVD program is entitled "Jesus: The New Way" by Bishop N.T. Wright
- iv. MARRIAGE CANON 21 Another opportunity is being offered to all wishing to discuss and share their views on Marriage Canon 21, specifically relating to the marriage of same-sex couples. Archbishop Germond has requested that each deanery plan a gathering to provide members of the Church across Algoma Diocese an opportunity to share prior to the convening of a special diocesan synod, at which time a decision will be made for our diocese.

The opportunity for all Sudbury Anglicans will be on Thursday, March 15th at 2 pm or 7 pm at Villa Loyola. Archdeacon Glen Miller will facilitate the event. You can choose either time to attend.

c. Church of the Ascension

i. Alpha Program

On January 23rd our Northeast Alpha program begins at the Church of the Ascension at 6:30pm. This program is designed for those who are new to faith or are questioning. It is also a great program for those who would like to deepen a long-held faith in Christ. All are welcome and you are encouraged to invite others. This is a 10 week program and people can join anytime. If you have any questions please contact the church office 705 566 2790.

- ii. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper February 25<sup>th</sup> 4:00–7:30 PM.  
See attached poster.

d. St. Georges, Espanola

World Day of Prayer Service March 6 2 PM at St. Georges 213 Tudhope Street Espanola

e. Women's World Day of Prayer March 6 2020

Program written by the women of Zimbabwe  
<https://worlddayofprayer.net/index.html>

f. The Diocese of Algoma/Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario

i. 2020 ACW Annual

Jan 15, 2020 02:59 pm

Register NOW! Check out (copy & paste) the following web address and/or also see the attached pdf registration form and <https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/ministries/anglican-church-women-acw/> for more details.

ii. CLAY 2020 – Registration Now Open

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Registration is now open for CLAY 2020 on January 15, 2020! Youth leaders, Rectors, Youth aged 14–19, send your names and contact information to Rev. Nancy Ringham in Thunder Bay at ringhams@tbaytel.net or 807–627–5667.

CLAY 2020 UPDATE: Fund raising opportunity to help youth get to CLAY 2020 in Thunder Bay.

<https://isolate.norton.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.dioceseofalabama.com%2F2020%2F01%2F31%2Fclay-2020-update%2F>

iii. Upcoming Collation and Celebration of New Ministry

Archbishop Anne Germond invites all to attend the Collation service of the Venerable Kelly Baetz as Archdeacon of Muskoka and the Celebration of New Ministry between Kelly and All Saints', Huntsville on Sunday, March 8th at 4 p.m. at All Saints'.

The Reverend Judy Paulsen from Wycliffe College and head of the Institute of Evangelism will be the preacher.

Clergy and Lay Readers are invited to vest and process. The liturgical colour is purple. Reception to follow.

We uphold Kelly, All Saints', and Muskoka Deanery in prayer as they prepare to undertake ministry together and begin a new journey of hope and faith.

iv. 2020 CLERGY/LAY PASTOR RETREAT

Information is now available for the 2020 Clergy/Lay Pastor Retreat being held on May 5th – 7th at Cedar Campus (Cedarville, MI).

An invitation to Incumbents (Clergy/Lay Pastors), Honoraries, Deacons, and Retirees with accompanying information is provided at the link below. Please note the response deadline of March 2, 2020!

v. ALGOMA'S SPECIAL SYNOD – MAY 8, 2020

Jan 15, 2020 11:03 am

Synod session called to provide advice to the Archbishop on same sex marriage in the Diocese of Algoma.

Algoma Special Synod for May 8, 2020 in Sault Ste. Marie

She has asked the Special Session of our Synod to provide her with advice about the place same sex marriage will hold in the life of our Diocese. This Special Synod session has now been called for Friday, May 8, to do this. See the attached document for the MEMORANDUM To Diocesan Clergy and Lay Delegates to Synod.

g. Anglican Church of Canada

i. Anglican–Lutheran Weekly Prayer Cycle. See attached document.

- Jesus teaches us that if we are holy, then so too is the other person. If we are made in the image of God, then so too is our enemy. If we are God's temple, then so too is

the one who perhaps doesn't even know it. We have been made in the image and likeness of God, and our faith demands that we recognize this in ourselves and in those around us, even in those who say otherwise.

–Br. James Koester

#### Fortitude

Today [February 5 2020] is the Feast of the first martyrs in Japan, which occurred on February 5, 1597 at Nagasaki. The age of martyrs is not past. Even now we know that in other parts of the world, martyrdom unto death is still occurring. Give thanks for those who stood steadfast in ages past, and pray for those who may yet have to bear witness by the shedding of blood. Pray for your own fortitude as witness to the truth in Christ.

–Br. David Allen

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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