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1. [News and Events](#)

a. COVID UPDATE:

i. Bishop Andrew's letter to the Diocese

Diocese of Toronto Bishop Andrew Asbil reflects on the return to in-person worship, the breaking of bread as a community and continuing efforts to keep everyone safe and healthy.

https://www.toronto.anglican.ca/2020/09/18/letter-to-the-diocese-from-bishop-andrew-25/?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=c04965e057-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_21_04_39&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-c04965e057-243900825

ii. Religious leaders in Quebec denounce an injustice

via L'assemblée des évêques catholiques du Québec

"We insist that gov't authorities reclassify places of worship in the category of concert halls, cinemas and theatres, which would allow us to continue welcoming a maximum of 250 people in our places of worship, instead of being limited to 25 or 50 people." English:

https://evequescatholiques.quebec/sn_uploads/fck/2020-09-21_Les-leaders-religieux-du-Quebec-denoncent-une-injustice_FINAL--ENGLISH-.pdf?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=c04965e057-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_21_04_39&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-c04965e057-243900825

French:

https://evequescatholiques.quebec/fr/news-item/les-leaders-religieux-du-quebec-denoncent-une-injustice?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=c04965e057-EMAIL_CAMP

AIGN_2020_09_21_04_39&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-c04965e057-243900825

- iii. Stratford faith groups enjoying return of weekly gatherings, for now via Stratford Beacon Herald
 Bells are ringing again at St. James' Anglican Church (Diocese of Huron) and just like before the pandemic forced its doors closed, an organ and piano are filling the building with music on Sundays. But not everything is exactly as it used to be.
https://www.stratfordbeaconherald.com/news/local-news/stratford-faith-groups-enjoying-return-of-weekly-gatherings-for-now?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=c04965e057-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_21_04_39&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-c04965e057-243900825
 - iv. COVID-19 means new format for Germany's largest ecumenical gathering in 2021 via World Council of Churches
 The Third Ecumenical Kirchentag (church convention), scheduled to take place from May 12-16 and had been expected to gather more than 100,000 participants from Germany's main Christian churches.
https://www.oikoumene.org/en/press-centre/news/covid-19-means-new-format-for-germanys-largest-ecumenical-gathering-in-2021?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=bf88de5ea3-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_23_12_43&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-bf88de5ea3-243900825
 - b. **Congregational news re Reopening our Buildings**
 - i. Church of the Ascension.
 In the coming weeks information will be released about the resumption of in person worship. As of right now I can tell you the following details. In person worship has resumed the September 6th. Each weekend we will be having one Eucharist Saturday night at 7:30 Pm and Sunday morning at 10 AM.
 Online services will continue as well.
 - ii. Church of the Epiphany.
 Please note that while many of the documents from the Diocese indicate an opening date of September 6th, Rev. Elizabeth and the Wardens have decided that we have waited and re-opened Sunday September 20th.
 Please note that a Service of New Ministry Sunday Oct 4 at 4 PM. Please call Gwen at Epiphany at 705-675-2279 to reserve as a spot as there 20 places left (50 is the maximum number people allowed under Covid-19 restrictions).

Check us out at: <http://epiphanysudbury.org/news/etw/>
Online services will continue as well.

- iii. Parish of Copper Cliff and Lively.
St. John the Divine reopened Sept 6 2020 at 11 AM. Christ Church Lively's reopening is to be determined due to electrical problems in the building.
Online services will continue as well.

- c. Attention all Layreaders
LAY READERS' ONLINE CONFERENCE – ARE YOU READY?
Jul 16, 2020 To be held by ZOOM
Registration is 7 PM on ZOOM using the link sent to you Rev. Peter Armstrong's email dated Sept 14 2020.

- d. General Synod News from the Anglican Church of Canada

- i. Sacred Teachings podcast:
In this week's episode of the Sacred Teachings podcast, "The Creator's Game", guest host Peter Downie looks at the origin and evolution of lacrosse as well as its spiritual significance. Online at:
<https://www.anglican.ca/im/podcasts/>

- ii. Watch anytime: "Dreams of Long Ago For Tomorrow"
The fourth national online Gospel Jamboree is now available for on-demand viewing. Pray, sing and worship the Holy Spirit with Indigenous and settler Anglicans from across Canada and beyond. Online at:
https://www.anglican.ca/im/gospeljam/?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=c04965e057-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_21_04_39&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-c04965e057-243900825

- iii. Consecration and installation of Bishop Lincoln
St. Paul's Anglican Cathedral has shared a recording of the Service of Consecration and Installation of the Rev. Lincoln Mckoen, as the next Bishop of the Territory of the People. Online at:
https://kamloopsanglicancathedral.com/2020/09/19/consecration-and-installation-of-bishop-lincoln/?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=c04965e057-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_21_04_39&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-c04965e057-243900825

- iv. Cree Hymn Sing: Learning Together via Henry Budd College
The Rev. Dr. Kara Mandryk introduces the first 20 minutes of a Cree Hymn Sing at Church of the Messiah (Diocese of Brandon),

held earlier this week in Opaskwayak Cree Nation.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jVXYrLrOy9U&feature=youtu.be&utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=bf88de5ea3-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_23_12_43&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-bf88de5ea3-243900825

e. Seeking Justice

i. Ruth Bader Ginsburg and the Bible via SALT

In 2015, Ruth Bader Ginsburg was asked by the American Jewish World Service to write an insert for the Passover order of service. She organized it around what she called “The Heroic and Visionary Women of Passover,” five figures who played pivotal roles in the story, and yet are often overlooked. Article Online at:

https://www.saltproject.org/progressive-christian-blog/2020/9/19/ruth-bader-ginsburg-and-the-bible?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=c04965e057-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_21_04_39&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-c04965e057-243900825

ii. Prayer vigil planned in support of universal basic income

via Winnipeg Free Press

In advance of Wednesday’s federal throne speech, Winnipeggers who want Ottawa to create a universal basic income, plan to hold a prayer vigil at the St. Boniface office of cabinet minister Dan Vandal.

https://www.winnipegfreepress.com/arts-and-life/life/faith/prayer-vigil-planned-in-support-of-universal-basic-income-572476321.html?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=24c79dec78-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_22_03_45&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-24c79dec78-243900825

iii. Decolonizing our descriptions, unsettling our practice

via Anglican Journal

Laurel Parson, General Synod archivist, shares how language and imagery used in the church's records document the racism embedded in society and the church—and what's being done about it.

https://www.anglicanjournal.com/decolonizing-our-descriptions-unsettling-our-practice/?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=bf88de5ea3-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_23_12_43&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-bf88de5ea3-243900825

f. The Environment:

i. Season of Creation Sept. 1-Oct. 4

- ii. In Season of Creation, “no action or initiative is too small to begin”
via World Council of Churches (WCC)
Athena Peralta, WCC programme executive for Economic and Ecological Justice, speaks to this year's theme of the Season of Creation ("Jubilee for the Earth") and shares her thoughts on how we can join in the jubilee. Online at:
https://www.oikoumene.org/en/press-centre/news/in-season-of-creation-no-action-or-initiative-is-too-small-to-begin?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=7026723f9e-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_14_05_51&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-7026723f9e-243900825
 - iii. Reminder: Weekly devotions by Anglican and Lutheran leaders available for Season of Creation 2020, Sept. 1-Oct. 4.
https://www.anglican.ca/publicwitness/season-of-creation/?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=0243a1b5ab-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_08_13_04_31&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-0243a1b5ab-243900825
 - v. Environmental racism via KAIROS Canada
Environmental racism refers to policies, practices, institutions, decisions and laws that discriminate against communities where the majority of residents are Black, Indigenous and people of colour by harming the air, land, water, biodiversity — or people's ability to connect with and steward these. This resource from KAIROS connects experiences of environmental racism in both Canada and the Global South.
https://www.kairoscanada.org/climate-action-month-day16?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=24c79dec78-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_22_03_45&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-24c79dec78-243900825
- g. Thoughts and Reflections
 - i. Finding sacred spaces via Companioning Centre
Where do you find your sacred spaces? If you are not yet able to return to your church sanctuary, how will you cultivate a sacred space in your own home? Article online at:
https://www.companioningcenter.org/post/finding-sacred-spaces?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=c04965e057-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_21_04_39&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-c04965e057-243900825

- ii. Hearing God in the midst of anxiety via Relevant Magazine
 "Ever been there? Have you ever asked, Where is the peace I've been promised in the Lord? ... God calls our name in the midst of our anxiety." See attached document.

- iii. The amazing, overwhelming, eternal love of God
 via the Sisterhood of St. John the Divine
 A homily from Sr. Constance Joanna, SSJD, for Holy Cross Day.
https://ssjd.ca/2020/09/17/the-amazing-overwhelming-eternal-love-of-god/?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=24c79dec78-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_22_03_45&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-24c79dec78-243900825

- iv. The Vicars' Crossing podcast: Clint Malaruchuk
 In their latest episode, the Vicars' Crossing hosts sit down with former NHL goalie to talk about his book The Crazy Game, mental health and his journey.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P9QPD_tX3Mo&feature=youtu.be&utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=bf88de5ea3-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_23_12_43&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-bf88de5ea3-243900825

- v. Finding faith in my darkest hour
 Parishioner Lauren of St. Matthew's Anglican (Diocese of Toronto) shares details of her faith journey, including the challenges faced in the wake of tragedy.
https://www.saintmatts.ca/post/finding-faith-in-my-darkest-hour?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=bf88de5ea3-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_23_12_43&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-bf88de5ea3-243900825

- vi. My journey here via New Brunswick Anglican
 Had it not been for a conversation with a nun from Chicago, Kurt Schmidt might never have ended up in Fredericton. (The New Brunswick Anglican's new series, My Journey Here, features a member of the Diocese of Fredericton whose roots are far from New Brunswick.)
https://nb.anglican.ca/news/my-journey-here--374?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=bf88de5ea3-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_09_23_12_43&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-bf88de5ea3-243900825

- vii. Compassion

Jesus' compassion was also controversial. The ways Jesus reached out to others, and the others to whom he reached out, shocked the righteous people of his day and scandalized them. Our strong human inclination is to associate primarily with those who think like us, dress like us, and act like us. Jesus invites us to go outside our comfort zone and to risk opening our lives to those we might be tempted to think of as "unrighteous" or "sinners." God's embrace is wide enough for us all.

–Br. David Vryhof The Society of St. John the Divine

<https://www.ssje.org>

- h. Prayers Requested via Algoma News
 - i. WE did it!!! A word of "thanks" from James Mesich
46 hours of hiking time to raise funds for PWRDF!
<https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/2020/09/23/we-did-it-a-word-of-thanks-from-james-mesich/>
 - ii. Anglican-Lutheran Weekly Prayer Cycle. See attached document.
 - iii. Outreach for Tarime
Money Transfers can still be sent to rwilso@xplornet.com with the password Tarime2020. Unfortunately, we are unable to supply tax receipts for these gifts.
- g. Deanery Parishes producing Services online
 - i. Churches of Manitoulin Island
Virtual services are usually up late Saturday night on YouTube. Best way to access the services is to simply Goggle: Doug Prebble YouTube. The videos are dated, choose and enjoy!
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQDMLTd18dMsO8hW9Tpzp3A>
 - ii. Church of the Epiphany
 - (1) <http://epiphanysudbury.org/news> Streamed on Video available anytime after Saturday afternoon.
 - (2) Online 'Godly Play' for the children.
With thanks to Fr. Aidan and the children's ministry of the Church of the Ascension, we are posting their weekly online 'Godly Play Storytime' on the Church of the Epiphany's Facebook Page:
(<https://www.facebook.com/EpiphanySudbury/>)
Parents are encouraged to check it out and share with their children.
 - iii. Church of the Ascension

Online service and Godly Play Storytime on their FACEBOOK
PAGE @ASCENSIONSUDBURY

- iv. Parish of Copper Cliff and Lively
<https://www.thelivelyanglican.ca/news>
- v. St. Alban's Capreol
www.facebook.com/alban.church – they have posted the readings from the Revised Common Lectionary and many other very vaulable pieces of hope in various posts.
- vi. All Saints Coniston
<https://allsaintsangcon.weebly.com/sunday-service-bulletins.html>
The full service is printed there with a couple of video's embedded.
- vii. St. Georges Espanola
Check out their online services on facebook at:
<https://www.facebook.com/1657007827882930/videos/1148115742201139/>

- 2. Deanery of Sudbury–Manitoulin Council
Website: <http://www.deanerysudbury-manitoulin.org>
- 4. Diocese of Algoma
Website: <http://www.dioceseofalgoma.com>
- 5. Anglican Church of Canada
Website: <http://www.anglican.ca>

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We would like to receive items by the Thursday 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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