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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.]

PENTECOST 25 – The Reign of Christ

1. News and Events

- a. From The Church of the Epiphany via Evelyn Fillier
Greetings book sale lovers.
Related to the pandemic the annual church of the epiphany book sale as been cancelled for January 2021.
Tentatively rescheduled for May 2021.
Any questions please contact me at this email address or leave a message at the church for me (Evelyn Fillier) 705 675 2279.
See attached poster.
- b. An Advent study of the Gospel of Mark facilitated by Valerie Tryon, St. Alban's, Capreol (part of her supervised parish placement for the C.A.L.L. program at Thorneloe University). See attached poster with contact info if you are interested in participating via an online platform.
- c. Upcoming winter term (2020–2021) courses at Thorneloe University.
In the Winter Term of 2021, Thorneloe University offers two remote courses on "The Inklings" and their friends, the influential circle of Oxford-based authors and public intellectuals, such as C. S. Lewis, J. R. R. Tolkien, Dorothy Sayers, and others. Their works are analyzed from perspectives in literature, religion, and philosophy.
RLST 2337: The Chronicles of Narnia
Dr. Jason Lepojärvi | Wednesdays, 4:00–6:50 pm
RLST 3266: J. R. R. Tolkien and the Religious Imagination
Dr. Jason Lepojärvi | Thursdays, 7:00–9:50 pm
Both courses include pre-recorded lectures, synchronous discussion sessions, Oxford-style tutorials, and fascinating guest lectures by

leading Lewis and Tolkien scholars from around the world including Oxford University.

For more information, please contact the course supervisor Dr. Jason Lepojärvi at jlepojarvi@laurentian.ca

Posters available at (opened with Google Docs):

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1kGkgdAo5guVjCas8nemzIULIXD7bB3ew?usp=sharing>

- d. My Journey Here: Heather Hynds via New Brunswick Anglican
In this instalment of a series profiling the life journeys of Anglicans in the Diocese of Fredericton, Heather Hynds tells the story of how she and her husband left Ireland just before The Troubles began. Link at:
<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=7510b4dbfe&e=23056c3f4c>
- e. Seeking Justice
 - i. Church of England publishes major teaching resource on identity and sexuality via Anglican Communion News Service
Living in Love and Faith (LLF) is a collection of Christian teaching resources to help Church of England parishioners address issues of identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage. Link at:
<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=859ce49d29&e=23056c3f4c>
 - ii. 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence (Nov. 25–Dec. 10) via Anglican Communion
The Anglican Communion and its provinces have been an active participant in the 16–Days campaign for a number of years. This year, to mark the 16 days, the Communion office is planning a social media campaign and has organized a series of webinars. Link at:
<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=ed6d80fd27&e=23056c3f4c>
 - iii. Diocese leads the way in 16 Days of Activism via Diocese of Edmonton
 - (1) The global call to 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence runs from November 25 to December 10, 2020. The Ven. Jordan Ware has worked with Bishop Jane and leaders from local Muslim and Jewish communities to create a series of videos addressing the ways that faith traditions can speak to this problem. Link at:
<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=e5fa2aa924&e=23056c3f4c>

- (2) Day 2 of 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence
The Diocese of Edmonton continues its short video series promoting the global campaign to end gender-based violence. In this video, Rabbi Gila Caine of Temple Beth Ora in Edmonton speaks with Stacey Leavitt Wright, incoming CEO of the Jewish Federation of Edmonton, addressing aspects of Judaism that speak to violence against women, and the need for safe-haven. If you missed it, catch up on Bishop Jane Alexander's intro video from Day 1. Watch at: <https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=c5d934a5e7&e=23056c3f4c>
- iii. Advent webinars to share stories of Indigenous people facing environmental racism worldwide via Episcopal News Service
The four part Zoom webinar series, "Prophetic Indigenous Voices on the Planetary Crisis," is a collaboration between the Anglican Indigenous Network, the Anglican Communion Environmental Network and the Anglican Alliance. Its goal is to lift up the voices of Indigenous people, who will be featured in videos sharing their experiences with environmental racism in four regions: the South Pacific, Africa, the Amazon and the Arctic. Link at: <https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=953d9b34ac&e=23056c3f4c>
- iv. Diocese of Montreal to form Anti-Black Racism Task Force
via Diocese of Montreal
A motion on Dismantling Anti-Black Racism was passed at the November 15th Diocesan Synod. The motion instructs Diocesan Council to appoint a task force which will engage the Diocese in a formal process to address systemic anti-Black racism. Link at: <https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=598f165b34&e=23056c3f4c>
- v. Visit Starry Black Night for a womanist Advent devotional featuring Black women writers. Link at: <https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=329bdb0dba&e=23056c3f4c>
- f. COVID UPDATE:
- i. Anglican Church distributes close to 400 masks in about three hours on Rankin Inlet via Nunavut News
After Rankin Inlet learned it had its first confirmed COVID-19 case, the Rev. Jared Osborn and church member Randy Miller took to the streets to run the Holy Comforter Anglican Church (Diocese of the Arctic) mask distribution effort in Rankin this past week.

Link at:

<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=6468a9d072&e=23056c3f4c>

ii. 80th Episcopal General Convention postponed to July 2022 as pandemic disrupts planning of triennial gathering

via Episcopal News Service

Amid the continued uncertainty of an unrelenting coronavirus pandemic, The Episcopal Church's presiding officers announced the decision to postpone the 80th General Convention from July 2021 to July 2022, a move intended to ensure the large churchwide legislative gathering can be held in person as originally planned. Link at:

<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=4067631ed3&e=23056c3f4c>

iii. Saskatchewan Bishops recovering from COVID-19

via Anglican Journal

"Having been in the ICU for two days, the seriousness and the lethal nature of COVID has been impressed upon me," says Bishop of the Diocese of Saskatchewan Michael Hawkins. Link at:

<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=d4a474facc&e=23056c3f4c>

iv. Letter to the Diocese of Edmonton via Diocese of Edmonton

In a letter to the Diocese, Bishop Jane Alexander announces the decision to keep church buildings closed until December 15, to help limit the spread of COVID-19. Link at:

<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=79a4c93aec&e=23056c3f4c>

v. Suspension of public worship via Diocese of Qu'Appelle

In a letter to the Diocese, Commissary to the Bishop of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle the Very Rev. Mike Sinclair has announced the suspension of in-person worship and ministry in the Diocese until at least December 13. Link at:

<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=2aceaa3e42&e=23056c3f4c>

vi. An Advent message from Bishop Susan Bell via Diocese of Niagara

Bishop of the Diocese of Niagara Susan Bell shares reflects on observing the season of waiting in a pandemic year. "It seems the whole world is holding its breath these days waiting for this pandemic to be over; waiting for normality to return; waiting to live again. We've been in a state of waiting since March, and it's

hard work." Link at:

<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=94f0b28594&e=23056c3f4c>

vii. An Advent message from Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson

via Diocese of Montreal

"Here then are some things to think about: How do I live now, while I wait for the pandemic to end? What do Advent and Christmas teach me about what the world is going through now?"

Link at:

<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=aa9c837f9d&e=23056c3f4c>

viii. Catholic Archbishop of Vancouver criticizes B.C.'s new COVID-19 rules for religious services

via CTV News

In a news release, the Archdiocese of Vancouver shared an excerpt from Archbishop J. Michael Miller's homily Sunday. "The reason why gathering for worship in limited numbers where all safety precautions are met is not allowed, while bars and restaurants and gyms can remain open with measures that are no more safe, is simply baffling," Miller said. Link at:

<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=22589af2d8&e=23056c3f4c>

h. Thoughts and Reflections

i. Reminder: Our Land of Hope and Light Gospel Jam this Saturday

Sign up for an event reminder with details of where to watch or listen to Saturday's national Gospel Jam at the link below.

Instructions are also available If you haven't yet sent in your submission for the event. Link at:

https://www.anglican.ca/im/gospeljam/?utm_source=Anglican+Church+of+Canada&utm_campaign=49a71dda60-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_11_27_02_59&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6285aca377-49a71dda60-243900825

ii. Anglican Foundation announces Fall 2020 grants

via Anglican Foundation of Canada

The Anglican Foundation of Canada (AFC) has announced \$210,000 in funding to support new projects across Canada in its November cycle of awards, with grants awarded to more than 45 applicants. Link at:

<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=1993e45d60&e=23056c3f4c>

iii. Advent: Readings and prayers for Advent at home

The Diocese of Brandon and the Henry Budd College for Ministry are offering a free and printable resource, compiled by the Rev. Dr. Kara Mandryk with prayers from Bishop William Cliff. Link at: <https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=31677d6e77&e=23056c3f4c>

iv. At-home Advent with PWRDF

The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund's Advent series this year includes video reflection from PWRDF staff and volunteers about how working with PWRDF has shaped them. Subscribe to receive a daily message in your inbox including scripture and prayer. Link at: <https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=31677d6e77&e=23056c3f4c>

v. On Eagle's Wings Ecumenical Ministries Advent Reflections

via Diocese of Athabasca

Advent reflections for 2020 from On Eagle's Wings Ecumenical Ministries are available online. Includes reflections from Anglican voices like Bishop of the Diocese of Caledonia David Lehmann, Fiona Brownlee (Diocese of Edmonton), and Tara Munn (Diocese of Athabasca). Link at: <https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=def7a4cf4d&e=23056c3f4c>

vi. Daily Offices mobile app launches Advent 2020

via Prayer Book Society of Canada

A new app from the Prayer Book Society of Canada makes the Daily Offices of the Canadian BCP available to all. The free app includes Morning, Mid-Day, and Evening Prayer, Compline, and Family Prayers, and the Great Litany. Link at: <https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=3639b512e3&e=23056c3f4c>

vii. Lenten study course via St. George's College, Jerusalem

St. George's College has produced a Lenten study course suitable for individual and group use. The course will be virtual and interactive, giving a unique insight into the places of the Holy Land in which Jesus conducted his ministry. To register for this course email resources@sgcjerusalem.org Link at: <https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=5382ca5b2f&e=23056c3f4c>

viii. The Reign of Christ via the Sisterhood of Saint John the Divine

The first Sunday of Advent "came to be known as 'Stir Up Sunday' a Sunday synonymous with making Christmas puddings," writes Sr. Elizabeth of SSJD. "After entering the community I learned that this Sunday was known as the Reign of Christ—a title which suggests 'King-ship,' but the images from the readings are not of a ruler sitting on a throne but rather of a shepherd caring for his sheep."

Link at:

<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=3f428f269c&e=23056c3f4c>

- i. Prayers Requested via Algoma News
 - i. Anglican-Lutheran Weekly Prayer Cycle. See attached document.
 - ii. Condolences to our sister The Rev. Claire Miller (Holy Trinity, Sault Ste. Marie) [who] received a call [this week] to advise that her father, John Miller, is dying. Rev. Claire is on her way to Peterborough today to be with him and her family. We uphold Rev. Claire and her family in prayer at this difficult time and pray for wisdom and compassion for John's healthcare team. [Her father died later this week.] Link to full obituary at:
<https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/2020/11/26/condolences-to-the-miller-family/>

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. John 14:1
 - iii. Prayers requested – Dale Sparkes
 We pray for our sibling in Christ. Dale Sparkes, Lay Steward for the Deanery of Thunder Bay-North Shore, is currently in Toronto awaiting surgery tomorrow. We uphold Dale, his wife, Sharon, and their family in prayer. We also pray for wisdom and skill for his healthcare team.
 "You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you." Isaiah 26:3
- j. 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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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 Thursday evening before Friday. Some items may be repeated due to 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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