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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.]

CHRISTMAS 1 – New Year

1. [News and Events](#)

a. [From the Anglican Journal](#)

A number of articles from the December issue of the Journal and the latest issue of Epiphanies, will be shared via social media over the holidays. Here is what has been shared recently, in case you haven't read these yet:

- i. The light shines in the darkness by Caitlin Chiarelli
- ii. May God's name be holy by Archbishop Mark MacDonald
- iii. No room at the inn by Matt Gardner: The Rev. Jonas Allooooloo, retired dean of St. Jude's Cathedral in Iqaluit has found himself effectively homeless—another casualty of the housing crisis that plagues Canada's North.
- iv. Finding Joy in our challenged assumptions by Archbishop Linda Nicholls
- v. Why Christmas isn't my favourite season by Dean Peter Elliott
- vi. Pandemic, Advent and the church by the Rev. Edmund Laldin
- vii. Giving the hope of Incarnation (and goats)—even in isolation by Canon David Harrison
- viii. On the Plain of Waiting by Canon Richard LeSueur
- ix. 'We're all rooting for you' by Canon Martha Tatarnic
- x. Virtual unknowns by Joelle Kidd: In 2020, most churches have pivoted toward digital ministry and disseminating their messages through social media. But what can we learn about building communities online—and what assumptions do we carry about these platforms?
- xi. Considering Communion by Archbishop Mark MacDonald

Link to these articles at:

<https://mailchi.mp/national/anglican-church-of-canada-update-for-december-25-2020?e=23056c3f4c>

- xii. Congregation builds Holy Land app for Advent, inviting Episcopalians to join virtual pilgrimage via Episcopal News Service
Link at:
<https://www.episcopalnewsservice.org/2020/12/23/congregation-builds-holy-land-app-for-advent-inviting-episcopalians-to-em-bark-on-virtual-pilgrimage/>
 - xiii. Christmas messages from Anglican Primates via Anglican Communion News Service
Link at:
<https://www.anglicannews.org/features/2020/12/christmas-messages-from-anglican-primates.aspx>
 - xiv. Christmas Sermon from Archbishop Anne 2020 Dec 24, 2020
"...the Saviour will throw open the gates of heaven for us at darkest night on Christmas Eve, so that we can be joyful in spite of everything." Read more at:
<https://gmail.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=79c76a26fba103d687b53b6b6&id=2b817f46e1&e=527bcc543c>
 - xv. Sacred Teachings podcast: Season finale available
In the final episode of this season of Stories of Hope and Light, the Rev. Norman Meade shares his journey of a lifetime of service.
Listen at: <https://www.anglican.ca/im/podcasts/>
 - xvi. Jan 2 2021: New Year's Day Gospel Jamboree
At 9pm Eastern tonight (8pm Central), Indigenous Ministries welcomes you take in the New Year's Day Gospel Jamboree, themed "With a Good Mind, We Can Make it Through". This special event offers a compilation of Jamboree highlights from the past year, along with some new material to help kick off 2021 "with a good mind". The Jamboree will air on northern Ontario and Manitoba radio stations. You can also watch the full broadcast on YouTube. Watch/Listen at:
<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=b8f77b28f5&e=23056c3f4c>
- b. Seeking Justice
- i. The Archbishop's motto for 2021
What does the Lord require of you?

"He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."
Micah 6:8

- ii. Doctrine of Discovery: Stolen lands, Strong hearts
Released in 2019, this film is a challenging, truthful documentary. It is meant to educate people on the Doctrine of Discovery (introduced by a Papal Bull more than 500 years ago) and create an awareness of its legacy. Many Canadians were never taught this in school—consider taking time to learn about this part of our history, and how we might look at the Doctrine through the lens of Scripture. Watch at:
<https://www.anglican.ca/primate/tfc/drj/doctrineofdiscovery/>
- iii. 'For all the Unknown Indigenous Saints'
Christopher Trott (Diocese of Rupert's Land) examines the history of the Anglican mission in Canada, and calls for the acknowledgment of our country's Indigenous saints, whose stories can no longer remain untold. Read more at:
<https://tinyurl.com/yay6ow5m>

c. New Year's Messages/Reflections

- i. Primate's New Year's Day message to Anglicans
"We see the New Year as a fresh start — but we carry with us the burdens of the past years. Let us be the fresh start that is needed."
Read more at:
<https://anglican.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d120aa8efc4112c7cae41108e&id=859624e5b8&e=23056c3f4c>
- ii. From the Anglican Journal
A number of articles from the December issue of the Journal and the latest issue of Epiphanies, have been shared through social media since the last email update. Here is what has been shared recently, along with the January issue:
 - (1) January issue looks at the state of the church by Tali Folkins: With a new year beginning, the Anglican Journal looks at how the church coped in 2020, and where Anglicans see its priorities for the future.
 - (2) Hindsight is 20–40 by Matt Gardner
 - (3) Positive presence by Matt Gardner: The Journal interviews the Rev. Joanne Webster to discuss how the pandemic has changed seniors' ministry.
 - (4) Calgary priest elected 14th bishop of the diocese of British Columbia by Joelle Kidd

- (5) Indigenous Ministries ramps up pandemic pastoral care by Tali Folkins
- (6) Fyfe voted bishop of Nova Scotia and P.E.I. by Matt Gardner
- (7) Church mourns former General Synod prolocutor, Anglican Award of Merit recipient by Joelle Kidd
- (8) 'All my relatives' by the Rev. Ray Aldred
- (9) Pandemic-era wedding a simple, beautiful day for bishop of Ontario by Joelle Kidd
- (10) Blurred visions by Matthew Townsend: 2020 shattered our assumptions. What will 2021 bring?
- (11) 'The colonizing instinct is all over us' by Matthew Townsend: Listen to (or read) this interview with the Rev. Graham Singh and Journal editor Matthew Townsend, as they discuss how colonialism and decolonization exist within the Church.

Link to the above articles at:

<https://mailchi.mp/national/anglican-church-of-canada-update-for-january-1-2021?e=23056c3f4c>

iii. COVID UPDATE

After pandemic forced Eucharistic fasts, some churches experiment with Communion options via Episcopal News Service

Link to article at:

<https://www.episcopalnewsservice.org/2020/12/17/after-pandemic-forced-eucharistic-fasts-some-churches-experiment-with-communion-options>

iii. Name

We rejoice in faith that Jesus is the pronouncable, human name of God, to be taken upon our lips again and again with wonder at the salvation that has been offered to us in him. To know God by this name is no small thing. To be bound to God in love through the Name and Person of Jesus opens the way to intimate friendship with God.

–Br. Keith Nelson

Society of Saint John the Evangelist

<https://ssje.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=344ed142b391b2b520df4080c&id=1c6141ffe4&e=a530227ec1>

Son

If ever we find ourselves wondering if God really cares, we have only to look upon the strong but gentle face of Jesus to see the Love of God written for all to see. “No one has ever seen God,” the gospel writer reminds us, “It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father’s heart, who has made him known” (John 1:18).

–Br. David Vryhof

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- d. Prayers Requested via Algoma and Anglican Church of Canada News Anglican–Lutheran Weekly Prayer Cycle. See attached document.
- e. 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> Parish now has YouTube abd Facebook capabilities with videos of Christmas and Jan 2 services. Click on those buttons
 - 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>
3. Diocese of Algoma
Website: <http://www.dioceseofalgoma.com>
4. 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 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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