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EASTER 6

- 1. <u>News and Events</u>
 - a. News events:
 - i. <u>Covid Updates</u>
 - <u>PWRDF accepting donations for India</u> via Primate's World Relief & Development Fund (PWRDF)
 PWRDF is now accepting donations to support India as it struggles with the current COVID-19 outbreak. <u>Link at</u>: <u>https://pwrdf.org/pwrdf-accepting-donations-for-india/</u>
 - (2) <u>Searching for a new normal?</u> via GodSpaceLight.com What are new normals you are creating as we respond to the Easter call to join the risen Jesus on the beach for breakfast as our first step to create our own new normal in our lives in 2021? <u>Link to article at</u>: <u>https://godspacelight.com/2021/04/10/searching-for-a-n</u> <u>ew-normal/</u>
 - (3) Latest News from The Diocese of Algoma Important news from Camp Manitou – Covid–19 UPDATE Summer programming cancelled for 2021! The Camp Manitou Board has made the difficult decision to cancel all programs/camps for the 2021 season. With COVID–19's current status in Ontario and the restrictions in place, we will not be able to safely run summer programming. The decision was not made lightly and comes with a heavy heart. Letters to the Directors and Registrars, Campers and Volunteers are available at the links below:

https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/wp-content/uploads/20 21/04/Directors-Letter-COVID-19-2021.pdf And at: https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/wp-content/uploads/20 21/04/Camp-Manitou-Cancellation-Letter-2021.pdf

- (4) Not your great-grandmother's Alpha via Niagara Anglican Alpha online has taken off during the pandemic; churches across Canada are responding to the ways Alpha has adapted, with new content delivered via high definition videos and materials which are aimed at a wider audience. <u>Link to article at</u>: <u>https://niagaraanglican.news/2021/05/01/not-your-greatgrandmothers-alpha/</u>
- (5) Brandon bishop lends voice as ambassador for provincial vaccination campaign via ProtectMB.ca When talking with parishioners who seem hesitant about the vaccine, the Rt. Rev. William Cliff (Diocese of Brandon) shares, "I like to focus on the fact that we're watching science being done in real time, which we've never really seen before, and that getting the vaccine is how we show love for each other right now...." Link to article at: https://protectmb.ca/rt-reverend-william-cliff-bishop-of-b randon/
- (6) <u>As church struggles with pandemic, primate sees modified agenda for CoGS</u> via Anglican Journal The church can still accomplish good as long as it entrusts itself to God, the Primate told the Council of General Synod (CoGS) on March 13. The Spring 2021 session of CoGS begins today. Link: www.anglicanjournal.com
- Tuesday, May 11, 10am ET (online): Engaging the Parables of Jesus, hosted by Wycliffe College. Webinar at: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/1716176329911/WN _paUWArZeT4iClOzbSWRt_Q

iii. A discussion on the Resurrection

via St. Paul's Cathedral (The Church of England) Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury, joins Paula Gooder in a conversation about the meaning of the story at the centre of our faith: what Jesus' resurrection means to how we live, how we pray, how we change the world, and how we die. <u>Watch at</u>: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9wLxMSppSMk</u>

- iv. <u>Congratulations extended to Bishop Naoum in advance of installation as Jerusalem Archbishop</u> Archbishop Linda Nicholls and chair of the Advisory Council of the Companions of Jerusalem the Rev. Prof. Patricia G. Kirkpatrick have sent congratulations to Bishop Hosam Naoum, in the lead-up to Bishop Naoum's installation as the Anglican Archbishop of Jerusalem, taking place on Thursday, May 13. <u>Link to information and video at</u>: <u>https://www.anglican.ca/congratulations-bishop-naoum-installati</u>on-jerusalem/
- v. Anglican Foundation of Canada upcoming Annual General Meeting via Algoma News May 19th at 5 p.m. - Registration required! Link to information and registration at: https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/2021/04/27/anglican-foundat ion-of-canada-upcoming-annual-general-meeting/
- vi. <u>Diocesan ACW 53rd Annual Meeting May 26 via ZOOM</u>. Registration and agenda <u>documents (4) attached</u>. Invitation and Annual booklet will sent to you via email following the May 6 deadline registration date.
- vii. Thorneloe University: Important information for students at Thorneloe's School of Theology In a letter from Laurentian University President and Vice-Chancellor Robert Haché this week, he announced that, "Spring courses previously taught by any of the Federated Universities, including Thorneloe University, will no longer be counted for credit towards a Laurentian degree. These courses include...Religious Studies (RSLT)..." Archbishop and Thornloe University Chancellor Anne Germond has clarified, "The changes announced at Laurentian University this week... do not affect Thorneloe's School of Theology, the students currently enrolled or programs offered." Link to note from Archbishop Anne at: https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/2021/05/05/important-infor mation-for-students-at-thorneloes-school-of-theology/ See also letter from Laurentian University at: https://www.laurentianu.info/court-upholds-termination-of-feder ation-agreements-between-laurentian-university-and-the-univer sity-of-sudbury-thorneloe-university-and-huntington-university/
- viii. <u>May 13-23: Thy Kingdom Come Anglican Communion Global</u> <u>Prayer Initiative</u>

The Diocese of Fredericton has compiled a number of resources on their website for the upcoming global prayer initiative from Ascension to Pentecost. Among the list is a 24/7 Prayer Vigil hosted by the diocese—all are welcome to sign up. Link: https://nb.anglican.ca/events/thy-kingdom-come--470/2021-05 -13

ix. <u>Kids pray, too! World Day of Prayer 2021</u>

via Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada (WICC) Every year, the World Day of Prayer writing country includes a children's program in the package for coordinators and planning teams. This year, with many going online with the prayer service, WICC President the Rev. Steph McClellan and her colleague coordinated a virtual service led by and aimed at children and youth. Link to article at:

https://wicc.org/kids-pray-too-world-day-of-prayer-2021/

- b. Justice
 - i. Vaccination Equity

Parliamentary heading on the human rights situation in the Philippines

via the International Coalition on Human Rights in the Philippines Canada [On the evening of May 4], the Subcommittee on International Human Rights of the House of Commons Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Development conducts a briefing on the human rights situation in the Philippines. <u>Link to</u> <u>information at</u>:

https://www.ichrpcanada.org/2021-05-parliamentary-hearing/ See joint letter to the Prime Minister, of which the ACC is a signatory... at:

https://www.ichrpcanada.org/pmo-letter-bloody-sunday/ See A Call to Prayer for the Philippines...at:

https://www.anglican.ca/news/a-call-to-prayer-for-the-philippin es/30032548/

- ii. Racism
 - SAVE THE DATE <u>Sunday, May 23, 6pm</u> ET (online): <u>HEAR ME</u> <u>OUT: Anti- Asian Racism & Identity</u>, a discussion on Asian-Canadian experiences and anti-Asian racism in Canada, hosted by the Lutheran Campus Ministry—Calgary. <u>Link to registration [virtual] at</u>: <u>https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/hear-me-out-anti-asian-racis</u> m-identity-tickets-150288590219

(2) Five years after the TRC [The Reconciliation Commission] report, reflections on reconciliation via Anglican Journal "The House of Bishops—they can't even agree on when to

have lunch ... and they voted unanimously for this!" National Indigenous Archbishop Mark MacDonald said with a laugh. www.anglicanjournal.com

- (3) <u>'An opportunity for conversation': New Hamburg church</u> <u>opens diversity dialogue</u> via CTV News Kitchener St. George's Anglican Church (Diocese of Huron) is hoping some lawn signs will start a conversation about diversity in their community (near Waterloo, Ont.). <u>Link to article at</u>: <u>https://kitchener.ctvnews.ca/an-opportunity-for-conversati</u> <u>on-new-hamburg-church-opens-diversity-dialogue-1.5413</u> <u>103</u>
- (4) <u>Remember the Missing and Murdered</u> via the Wetaskiwin Times [Alberta]
 Immanuel Anglican Church Reconciliation Committee members and volunteers hung dresses in trees at nearby parks to mark National Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and Two-Spirits Day.
- iii. Gender Issues
 - (1) Indiana Episcopalians open state's first LGBTQ youth shelter via Episcopal News Service Trinity Haven's road from idea to reality was a long one, beginning in 2016 when its new rector convened a discernment committee to determine the best use of an empty house the parish owned. Link to article at: https://www.episcopalnewsservice.org/2021/05/05/indiana -episcopalians-open-states-first-lgbtg-youth-shelter/
- iv. Invisible homelessness and our approach

via Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada Mary Nordick, WICC Board member living in Saskatoon, invites us to consider how many might live "invisibly homeless" in our communities. <u>Link at</u>:

https://wicc.org/invisible-homelessness-our-approach/ See homelessness awareness and advocacy activities for youth from the Canadian Lutheran Anglican Gathering...at: https://claygathering.ca/nyp/

- c. Requests for prayer
 - i. <u>Anglican–Lutheran Prayers for the next week</u> attached.

- ii. Lament and hope will be expressed during Day of Prayer and Fasting for the healing of India via World Council of Churches The WCC will express its solidarity in lament, hope and courage with churches of India during a Day of Praying and Fasting for the healing of India on May 7, as COVID-19 continues to surge across South Asian countries. [Link could not be accessed through PDF.]
- iii. May 13-23: Thy Kingdom Come Anglican Communion Global Prayer Initiative The Diocese of Fredericton has compiled a number of resources on their website for the upcoming global prayer initiative from Ascension to Pentecost. Among the list is a 24/7 Prayer Vigil hosted by the diocese—all are welcome to sign up. Link: https://nb.anglican.ca/events/thy-kingdom-come--470/2021-05

d. Reflections

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i. 5 rules for engaging taboo subjects in churches

via Lewis Center for Church Leadership (at Wesley Theological Seminary) Are certain topics off limits in your congregation? If so, people may feel their real-life problems and concerns simply aren't welcome in the Church. Link to article at: https://www.churchleadership.com/leading-ideas/5-rules-for-en gaging-taboo-subjects-in-churches/

- ii. John Stott and Anglican evangelicalism via Wycliffe College Wycliffe College Principal Stephen Andrews reflects on the life and legacy of John R.W. Stott—whom he served as study assistant from 1984–1986—for the centenary of Stott's birth. Link to article at: https://www.wycliffecollege.ca/blog/john-stott-and-anglican-eva ngelicalism
- iii. Longing for some sort of Eucharist via Sarah Bessey's Field Notes
 "I wonder if we're supposed to be feasting more at the Table when this is all over. Less crackers-and-quick-sip-of-juice and more loaves of homemade bread and generous flasks of wine (or gluten-free bread and juice after all to include more folks, too)." Link to article at: https://sarahbessey.substack.com/p/longing-for-eucharist
- iv. <u>BRAND NEW Hymn for Thy Kingdom Come 2021</u> <u>Watch at:</u> <u>https://outlook.live.com/mail/0/deeplink?popoutv2=1&version=2</u> <u>0210426004.08</u>

- v. <u>Fresh Expressions Canada</u>: FRESH TAKES | Join Us Every Friday In May. <u>Link to web page at</u>: <u>https://outlook.live.com/mail/0/deeplink?popoutv2=1&version=2</u> 0210426004.08
- vi. Foundation Forward podcast examines another take on generosity via Anglican Foundation of Canada May 17-24 is International Face Equality Week. When the Foundation Forward podcast contacted Danielle Griffin, Executive Director of AboutFace, a charity serving Canada's facial difference community, they learned about yet another take on generosity we hadn't seen before... generosity of story. <u>Link to podcasts at</u>: <u>https://www.anglicanfoundation.org/podcast/</u>
- vii. J.S. Bach BWV 4 Easter cantata 'Christ lag in Todesbanden' performance available for on-demand viewing

via Capella Regalis

Two days before Nova Scotia went back into lockdown, Capella Regalis—accompanied by chamber orchestra Ensemble Regale—were welcomed into Saint Mary's Basilica to record and film J.S. Bach's Easter Cantata, Christ lag in Todesbanden. The recording is now available for on-demand viewing. Capella Regalis is a men and boys choir based in Halifax, N.S., in residence at the Cathedral Church of All Saints and the Chapel at the University of King's College. Link to YouTube video at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G8oeswZxoEo

viii. Gleanings from a prairie pastor

via the Centre for Rural Community Leadership and Ministry (CiRCLe M) Retired United Church of Canada minister Joyce Sasse has penned a collection of rural community memories and writings, encapsulating how key elements of rural culture and rural ministry differ from that of urban centres. The content is available as an eBook, as a free download—with a pay-what-you-can opportunity to give back. Link to information and free download of her book at:

https://www.circle-m.ca/gleanings-from-a-prairie-pastor---by-j oyce-sasse

ix. Leveraging church property can sustain your mission

via Lewis Centre for Church Leadership, Wesley Theological Seminary Exploring additional uses of church buildings and property is an exercise in prudent stewardship. Link to article at: https://www.churchleadership.com/leading-ideas/leveraging-chu rch-property-can-sustain-your-mission/

e. Resources

- i. The Anglican Journal: May issue now online. : <u>www.anglicanjournal.com</u>
- ii. Thy Kingdom Come: Cheeky Pandas: Children's AR App, Prayer Trails and Further Resources! <u>https://outlook.live.com/mail/0/deeplink?popoutv2=1&version=2</u> 0210426004.08
- iii. Anglican Deacons Canada's 2021 virtual conference announced Themed "Deacons in a Pandemic & its Aftermath: Coming Together in Virtual Community", the conference will take place July 9–10. Link to information and registration at: <u>https://www.anglicandeacons.ca/news/register-now-for-adcs-20</u> 21-virtual-conference
- iv. Saturday, May 29, 11am AT (online): <u>Wonder</u>, a worship conference for worship leaders, songwriters, musicians, creatives and tech teams. <u>Registration at</u>: <u>https://nb.anglican.ca/events/wonder-worship-conference/2021-05-29</u>
- v. <u>Archbishop Hiltz scholarships for St. George's College Jerusalem</u> The Most Reverend Frederick James Hiltz Scholarship Fund provides funding annually to attend courses at St. George's College in Jerusalem. Scholarships are available to individuals throughout the Church but priority is given to applicants from the Diocese of Toronto. Scroll down on the Diocese of Toronto webpage linked above for the scholarship guidelines and application.

https://www.toronto.anglican.ca/parish-administration/grants-funding/

- vi. <u>Anti-racism training</u> <u>via the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey</u> This diocese in The Episcopal Church links to a number of resources on their website, including details on an upcoming 20-hour online training session between June 18 to July 16 (with a follow-up on August 13). <u>Link to information at</u>: <u>https://dioceseofnj.org/antiracism/</u>
- vii. <u>Continuing education at AST</u> via Atlantic School of Theology (AST) Browse the spring/summer lectures and courses on offer. <u>Check</u> <u>out the courses at</u>: <u>http://www.astheology.ns.ca/con-ed/2021.html</u>

viii. <u>Pew & Beyond: Prayer walks</u> This week, Pew & Beyond hosts the Rev. Dr. Neil Mancor and the Rev. Canon Lisa Vaughn sat down to chat with prayer leaders the Rev. Cherry Workman and the Rev. Gloria Wendover to discuss prayer walks and other prayer initiatives. <u>YouTube video at</u>: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4MYxh1ntkkl&t=4s</u>

- 2. Parishes who are creating online services See attached document
- 3. List of Parishes See attached document
- 4. Deanery of Sudbury-Manitoulin Council Website: http://www.deanerysudbury-manitoulin.org
- 5. Diocese of Algoma Website: http://www.dioceseofalgoma.com
- 6. Anglican Church of Canada Website: http://www.anglican.ca
- 7. Anglican Journal Website: <u>www.anglicanjournal.com</u>

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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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