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Season of Lent – 2

We continue to raise our voices calling for peace in Ukraine through our partnership in the World Council of Churches (WCC) and the Anglican Communion. Thank you for your continued prayers and for your generosity to the humanitarian crisis unfolding across Europe as millions flee the destruction. See [cut and paste the web address in each listing]:

- Archbishop and Primate Linda Nicholl's "Praying for Peace":

<https://www.anglican.ca/news/praying-for-peace/30038601/>

- "Anglican Communion welcomes UN call for peace in Ukraine":

<https://www.anglicancommunion.org/communications/press-and-media/press-releases/anglican-communion-welcomes-un-call-for-peace-in-ukraine.aspx>

- "WCC acting general secretary to Patriarch Kirill of Moscow: 'raise up your voice so that the war can be stopped'":

<https://www.oikoumene.org/news/wcc-acting-general-secretary-to-patriarch-kirill-of-moscow-raise-up-your-voice-so-that-the-war-can-be-stopped>

- PWRDF supports Ukrainians forced to flee:

<https://pwrdf.org/pwrdf-supports-ukrainians-forced-to-flee/>

1. News and Events

a. Covid Updates

- Behind the curve: When COVID-19 restrictions ease, how should churches react? via Anglican Journal.com
"The government should be guiding us. That's the way it ought to be. And increasingly that is not the case." Link to article at:
<https://anglicanjournal.com/behind-the-curve/>

- ii. Redefining “hybridization” via The Episcopal Church [American]
The Rev. Katie Nakamura Rengers, Staff Officer for Church Planting at The Episcopal Church, writes about emerging “hybrids” found in the church—bi-vocational clergy, bi-vocational congregations to hybrid spaces for church and more. Link to reflection at:
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/episcopalgenesis/redefining-hybridization/>
 - iii. Drive-thru Ash Wednesday service proves popular
This year, cars arrived during the Ash Wednesday supper hour in the Parish of Upper Kennebecasis (Diocese of Fredericton) to stop at three stations: guided confession and absolution; prayers and offering; and imposition of the ashes with prayer. Link to story at:
<https://nb.anglican.ca/news/drive-thru-ash-wednesday-service-proves-popular>
 - iv. New church, community centre a boon for Waterloo's Lakeshore North neighbourhood via the Waterloo Chronicle
According to the Rev. Marty Levesque (Diocese of Huron), the church is the only institution in the world that exists for people who don’t attend. “We want to serve our neighbourhood,” said the head pastor at All Saints’ Anglican Church in Waterloo, Ont., where parishioners recently held a ceremonial groundbreaking for a brand new church and community centre. Link to story at:
<https://www.waterloochronicle.ca/news-story/10577400--we-want-to-serve-our-neighbourhood-new-church-community-centre-a-boon-for-waterloo-s-lakeshore-north-neighbourhood/>
 - v. Grief Stories: Helping grief make sense
With countless losses experienced in the last two years—pandemic-caused or not—the Grief Stories website may be helpful to those in your congregation processing the death of a loved one. A 24/7 resource, Grief Stories shares stories and insights to help foster connection during times of loss. Link to several videos of personal stories at:
<https://www.griefstories.org/>
- b. Archbishop of Canterbury honours outstanding people in 2022 Lambeth Awards via the Archbishop of Canterbury
Among the 37 recipients honoured by the Archbishop of Canterbury this year are National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop Mark MacDonald, former Canadian Compass Rose Society president Bishop Philip Poole and former Anglican Consultative Council member Suzanne Lawson,

ODT (Diocese of Toronto). Link to story at:
<https://www.archbishopofcanterbury.org/news/archbishop-canterbury-honours-outstanding-people-2022-lambeth-awards>

- c. Primate's World Relief and Development Fund – Employment Opportunity
 Full-time 12 month contract position. Link to information at:
<https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/2022/03/08/primates-world-relief-and-development-fund-employment-opportunity/>
 - d. An update on Assembly 2022
 "On Friday, February 18, following prayerful consideration, the Assembly Planning Committee decided to postpone Assembly 2022." Link to statement at:
<https://anglicanlutheran.ca/statements/an-update-on-assembly-2022/>
 See also the latest issue of Anglican Journal at – check out several articles on this web page: <https://anglicanjournal.com/#currentissue>
 - e. The Anglican Journal, March 2022 edition is available on line. Link at:
www.anglicanjournal.com
 - f. Lenten Resources
 - i. Russian Invasion of the Ukraine
A Call to Prayer – Lent 2022 via Diocese of Algoma News
 Create a clean heart for me, God; put a new, faithful spirit deep inside me! Link to article at:
<https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Call-to-Prayer-Lent-2022.pdf>
 - ii. Lenten Studies
 - (1) In God's Hands 9 (written by Archbishop Desmond Tutu)– A Lenten Book Study
 Archbishop Anne Germond is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.
- Time: Mar 9, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
 Every week on Wed, 5 occurrence(s): March 9, 16, 23, 30, and April 6
 Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system: Weekly at:
https://us06web.zoom.us/joining/tZArdOqvpi8uHNA5L9Ls0e-OoHS05OkI_8nR/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGsqDgpHdyRtB-DRpwlBIjCb-3xiClbgo18yTO8LzMDZ07ZOcpXyudQG9Tv

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<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84633784464?pwd=YXYycTQwZVVON2U1VHVJT294YzhpUT09>

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(2) Stations of the Cross with Archbishop Fred Hiltz

On Friday afternoons at 3pm beginning March 4 Archbishop Fred Hiltz, Assisting Bishop of Moosonee, will be leading weekly 'Stations of the Cross' using a different form each week.

Archdeacon Larry Armstrong is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. Topic: Stations of the Cross with Archbishop Fred Hiltz Time: Mar 4, 2022 03:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) Every week on Fri, until Apr 8, 2022, 6

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<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84762632446?pwd=NIFSMFVrSjR4V3Y5cVRoRi9WcUJ0Zz09>

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<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/kbre1VG2CO>

- (3) From Bible Gateway: Weekly Brief: How to Hear God's Voice; the Meaning of Lent; Purim; more news... at:
<https://outlook.live.com/mail/0/inbox/id/AQMkADAwATE2ZTUwLWZjZTYtYWM0Zi0wMAItMDAKAEYAAAN3vK73MLQeRlpXMX4ugwkPBwAvFWG7mghwRK0nieMLvIL%2FAAACAQwAAAvFWG7mghwRK0nieMLvIL%2FAAWqD7K%2BAAAA>
 Plus: How to Hear God's Voice: An Interview with Pete Greig
 One of the most astounding yet possibly confusing acts we can do is enjoy a real, conversational relationship with God, the very creator and sustainer of life itself. How should we be hearing his voice? How can we listen to God more clearly amid the clatter and clamor of daily living? What does the Bible mean when it describes God as having a "still, small voice"? Bible Gateway interviewed Pete Greig about his book, "How to Hear God: A Simple Guide for Normal People (Zondervan, 2022)". Link to full interview at:
https://www.biblegateway.com/blog/2022/03/what-is-the-meaning-of-lent-frequently-asked-questions/?utm_source=bq&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=weeklybrief
- (4) Tuesday, March 15, 7pm CT (online): Mystagogy, a community chat hosted by Journey to Baptismal Living [post-Easter]: North American Association for the Catechumenate. Link at:
<https://journeytobaptism.org/free-community-chat-mystagogy/>
- (5) Care of God's Creation Ideas for a green Lent
 via the Anglican Communion Environmental Network (ACEN)
 The latest news digest from ACEN offers a helpful compilation of resources and activities (including some close to home!) to help us deepen our faithful observance in this season of Lent. Link to article at:
<https://mailchi.mp/c7004b366db9/acen-digest-5121617>

See additional resources via Anglican Alliance...

<https://anglicanalliance.org/anglican-resources-for-lent-2022/>

- (6) Every Thursday 10:00–11 AM through April 14, 10am ET (online): St. Paul's Cathedral [London Ontario] Lenten Sermon Series "Lent in Our Time: The View from My Pulpit". Features Bishops from across Canada. To Register go to: <https://www.stpaulscathedral.on.ca/events/lent-in-our-time-the-view-from-my-pulpit/2022-03-10>

- (7) The relief of Lent via Mockingbird
"Tis the season for grief, weakness, and the God who loves the worst of us." Link to reflection at:
<https://mbird.com/religion/church/the-relief-of-lent/>

- iii. Lent Madness via Forward Movement
This unique Lenten devotion is a fun, engaging way for people to learn about those in (The Episcopal Church's) Calendar of Saints. Lent Madness places 32 saints into a tournament-like single elimination bracket, where saints are paired up and receive votes on which is the "favourite" saint, until there is only one remaining, who is awarded the Golden Halo. Link to tournament at [patterned after the March Madness College basketball tournament in the United States]: <https://www.lentmadness.org/>

- iv. Virtual Preaching Monks for Lent and Holy Week
via Society of St. John the Divine
Link to video sermons for the Sundays in Lent and Holy Week at: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/10MPu68WfF1PZUMzqjgin_emmeT7GaiLk?_hsmi=58628849&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-8rurKFyRjo5pSb3kH6fzVAJ15ZmBUlgRd7uTLtAJE-POTK8kji0alHSeINN0OeJJHx7JAGjLnEbnhFNZFex-Msi7mFw

g. Justice

- i. Diocesan weaving project begins with Smudging of the loom
Remembering the Children, a project involving the tour of a weaving loom throughout the Diocese of Edmonton, kicked off on Ash Wednesday. The project, facilitated by the diocesan Indigenous Ministries Team, provides an opportunity for people to pray, repent and reflect, and is in memory of children who died at residential institutions in Canada. Link to story with video at: <https://edmonton.anglican.ca/news/diocesan-weaving-project-begins-with-smudging-of-the-loom>

See also Remembering the Children project on Instagram...

<https://www.instagram.com/rememberthechildren.dioedm/>

- ii. Kingston youth group trying to make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate via Global News
Youth at St. James' Anglican (Diocese of Ontario) and St. Mark's Lutheran have launched the "Sharing Through Caring Campaign". They hope to provide members of the Sleeping Cabin Community with services such as a meal, movie tickets or hair care. Link to video at:
<https://globalnews.ca/video/8658491/kingston-youth-group-trying-to-make-a-difference-in-the-lives-of-those-less-fortunate>
- iii. Community shows support for shop targeted with hate
via TBNewsWatch.com
Around 200 people gathered at sunrise Friday in an outpouring of support for a Thunder Bay, Ont., coffee shop that has reported homophobic attacks. Archdeacon Deborah Kraft (Diocese of Algoma) challenged the Christian community earlier in the week, to show up on Friday. Link to article and pictures at:
<https://www.tbnewswatch.com/local-news/community-shows-support-for-shop-targeted-with-hate-5125286>
- h. Requests for prayer
 - i. Please hold in your prayers especially this week the members of the Council of General Synod, as they gather to discuss and discern the work of the Church. May they be guided by the presence and wisdom of the Holy Spirit....Updates will be posted to the homepage of anglican.ca as they become available.
 - ii. Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycles
See attached document
 - iii. Solidarity
We can draw solace from Jesus's solidarity with our natural responses of anger, frustration, and helplessness in navigating the broken systems of our world. The simple and continuous practice of placing our compassion and anger into the hands of Christ transfigures them. —Br. Keith Nelson, SSJE
Prayer for your day(s):
God, this world is broken. My heart breaks with anger and compassion, and I know yours does too. Transform my righteous rage into action in solidarity with those who suffer most. Amen
 - iv. Mental Health Issues
Archbishop of Canterbury says his faith helped during depression

via BBC News

The Most Rev. Justin Welby told BBC Radio 4 it was "very odd" to feel the love of God and a "real, vicious sense of dislike of oneself" simultaneously. Link to article/interview at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-60451794>

See also BBC Radio 4's new program, "The Archbishop Interviews"... <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0014p3n>

i. Reflections

i. The battle lines of justice run through the centre of our lives

via Wycliffe College

Wycliffe professor Stephen Chester takes a compelling look at human nature and what it means to live in Christ. Link to blog at [Editor's opinion: this is a great theological treatment of the issue of justice, who is right, who is wrong in any situation and where the Christian can start to act upon their own sense of social justice/injustice]:

<https://www.wycliffecollege.ca/blog/battle-lines-justice-run-through-centre-our-lives>

ii. From Society of St. John the Evangelist

(1) Brother, Give us a Word via Episcopal News Service

For Lent, the Brothers of The Society of Saint John the Evangelist (SSJE) invite you to take on a simple practice that draws on the rhythm and richness of the monastic life – yet fits into your day.

<https://www.episcopalnewsservice.org/pressreleases/episcopal-monastery-invites-readers-into-a-bite-sized-daily-practice-during-lent/>

j. Coming Events

i. Thursdays, March 17–April 4, 7pm PT (Sechelt, B.C. and online): Views From Many Mountains, a four-part multi-faith series about wisdom and its application to contemporary issues at: <https://www.vancouver.anglican.ca/events/views-from-many-mountains/2022-03-17>

ii. Tuesday, March 22, 10am ET (online): Women peacebuilders build back with environmental and economic security, a Women of Courage Workshop at the UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW66). To register go to: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwkc-ihqzkoGNJzH2EWZkz78Fi7LXnUSQm4>

- iii. Saturday, April 2, 9:30am PT (Vancouver, B.C. and online): A day for churches to explore developing affordable housing, a housing conference hosted by City Gate Vancouver and Centre for Missional Leadership at St. Andrew's Hall. Information and to register go to:
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/a-day-for-churches-to-explore-affordable-housing-tickets-287989031947>
- iv. Daring to Share: What do you need to know about Anglican-United Church shared ministry?
 via United in Learning—Distance Learning for Church Leaders
 in The United Church of Canada
 In a webinar hosted this week [March 8], United and Anglican Shared Ministries colleagues share stories of ecumenical ministry within their communities. Within the recording, discussions revolve around about what's working, what our shared ministries hope for, and what our denominations might learn about forming new alliances, based on the experience of the ones that are already functioning well. Video recording available at:
<https://www.united-in-learning.com/index.php/webinars/recordings/441-daring-to-share-for-congregational-leaders-march-8-2022>

- 2. Parishes who are creating online services
See attached document
- 3. List of Parishes
See attached document (Updated Dec 17 2021)
- 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 Communion
 Website: <https://anglicancommunion.org/>
- 8. Anglican Journal
 Website: www.anglicanjournal.com

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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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