

Sudbury Manitoulin Deanery Digest

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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. Most information is from the Anglican Church of Canada's News from General Synod and Algoma News web pages.]

Season of Pentecost (15)

O God, from whom comes everything that is upright and true:
Accept our thanks for the gifts of heart and mind thou didst bestow
on thy servant Elizabeth,
And which she showed forth among us in her words and deeds;
Deal graciously we pray thee, with those who mourn,
especially the members of the Royal Family,
that casting every care on thee, they may know the consolation of thy love,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
— On the occasion of the death of Queen Elizabeth II

1. News and Events

- a. The Death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II
 - i. From the desk of Bishop Anne Germond via Archdeacon Glen Miller

Greetings:
Please find attached a document from Archbishop Germond containing the instructions you may need as you plan and prepare for worship services in the coming days. For those churches with bells please make preparations to have the church bell rung once for every year of the Queen's life and for those Churches with flags they are to be lowered to half-staff until her funeral. More detailed information is contained in the attachment.
Glen Miller
- b. Father Michael Lapsley to visit Algoma, September 15-18

Take note of the events open to the public.
<https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/2022/09/07/father-michael-lapsley-to-visit-algoma-september-15-18/>

- c. Annual Lay Readers’/Church Leaders’ Conference – October 1st, 2022
Registration required by September 16th, 2022! Living the Gospel we Proclaim – 2022 Annual Lay Readers’/Church Leaders’ Conference

This year’s conference will be a hybrid model – in person and via zoom. Registration is required by September 16th, 2022. Further details are available at the link below.

<https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Annual-Lay-Readers-Conference-2022.pdf>

- d. National Day of Truth and Reconciliation – Diocesan wide service
Deadline to register is noon on Friday, September 16th! Details on the service and how to access the Zoom link are available at the link below.
<https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Diocesan-Zoom-Gathering-for-National-Day-of-Truth-and-Reconciliation.pdf>

- e. New appointment – Manitoulin Island
Pastoral Associate appointed for Manitoulin Island Parishes.
<https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/2022/09/07/new-appointment-manitoulin-island/>

- f. Archbishop announces upcoming ordination
God willing, on October 15th at 2pm in the afternoon the Rev. Ann Camber, Incumbent of Gathering Table in Thunder Bay, will be ordained to the sacred order of priests. The celebration will take place on the day the church remembers St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross. Archbishop Anne will be presiding and Archdeacon Deborah will be the preacher. Clergy and lay readers are invited to vest. The liturgical colour will be red. We uphold Rev. Ann, her family and the parish in our prayers as they prepare for this celebration service which will form part of Gathering Table’s 150th anniversary.

g. **Requests for prayer**

- i. The Rev. Canon Bob Elkin
Prayers for healing requested. Canon Bob and Connie Elkin are requesting prayers for Bob as he recovers from a bad fall during their time in Gregory. He is in hospital in Bracebridge awaiting a transfer to Barrie for further tests.
We pray for healing for Bob, comfort and strength for Connie, and wisdom and compassion for his health care team.

“Nevertheless, I will bring health and healing to it; I will heal my people and will let them enjoy abundant peace and security.”
Jeremiah 33:6

- ii. Synod Office news – September 19th
Office will be closed Monday, September 19th. In order for each of us within the Synod Office to observe the day of The Late Queen’s funeral, the office will be closed on Monday, September 19th.

The Archbishop asks that others across the Diocese join us and mourners around the world in gathering to remember the Queen with thanksgiving for her dedication and faithfulness to those she has served for 70 years, to grieve her death, and to uphold the members of the Royal family and all who mourn in our prayers.

We also pray for our new King as he takes up new responsibilities in the midst of personal grief. God save the King.

We will reopen on Tuesday morning at 9 a.m.

- iii. Condolences to the Montague Koyle family
Psalm 48:14. For this God is our God for ever and ever; he will be our guide even to the end.
We are saddened to announce the death of The Rev. Iris Montague, mother of The Rev. Susan Montague Koyle (Parish of St. Joseph and St. George) on September 10th at home surrounded by family. Her son-in-law, The Ven. Dr. Jay Koyle, has shared the following within the diocesan circles: In Loving Memory of The Rev. Iris Janet Montague (née Robertson) 1947–2022
<https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/2022/09/14/condolences-to-the-montague-koyle-family/>
- iv. Prayer Cycles from the World
See attached document

- h. Ecumenism
September 1–October 4: Season of Creation
General Synod 2019 passed a resolution adopting the ecumenical Season of Creation, held annually from Sept. 1–Oct. 4 as a time of prayer, education, and action and encouraging dioceses and parishes to participate. A number of worship and educational resources are linked from anglican.ca.
https://www.anglican.ca/publicwitness/season-of-creation/?mc_cid=f6d7b58145&mc_eid=23056c3f4c

i. **Reflections**

From the Society of St. John the Evangelist

i. Eden

All of us have a role in reclaiming Eden in this world. Whether we're tilling the soil, sowing seeds, watering, weeding, feeding, beaming light, harvesting, sharing the bounty, we all have a distinct role in the little garden patch of our own life. It's God's garden, and we're given a role for a blink in time to help steward the garden's fecundity for all. Br. Curtis Almquist, SSJE

ii. Flourish

Just as the branch cannot flourish and bear fruit if it is cut off from the vine, so our spirits cannot stay strong and joyful for long if we stop praying. Prayer is our life blood. It is how we abide in Christ and how we receive his strength and courage.

Br. Geoffrey Tristram, SSJE

iii. Identity

It is not that we have "put on Christ," like a favorite sweater, to make us feel good. We put on the Lord Jesus Christ to show the world who and whose we are. In baptism, we "put on" a life of faithfulness, repentance, proclamation, service, justice, and the care of creation.

Br. James Koester, SSJE

2. Parishes who are creating online services
See attached document (revised Aug 5 2022)
3. List of Parishes
See attached document (Updated Aug 5 2022)
4. Deanery of Sudbury–Manitoulin Council
Website: <https://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

We send the Deanery Digest Fridays or Saturdays, usually before 10 PM.

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 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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