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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.]

PENTECOST – TRINITY SUNDAY

1. News and Events

a. News events:

i. Covid Updates

- (1) Archbishop Anne addresses the people of God in Algoma
Let us reaffirm our commitment to being members of Christ's body and, living into its promise, celebrate the global witness of the church, and contribute to the healing of the world. Link to pastoral letter at:
<https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/May-26th-Letter-to-Algoma-Covid.pdf>
 - (2) COVID may have hastened Christianity's decline in Canada
via National Post
The pandemic is only a passing story. The real question is what will happen once the restrictions are lifted. Will the faithful come back? Link to article at:
<https://nationalpost.com/opinion/raymond-j-de-souza-covid-may-have-hastened-christianitys-decline-in-canada>
- ##### ii. Algoma's Seeds of Hope Team Says YES to Kids!!
- (1) Is Algoma up to the challenge? We sure are!! The Anglican Foundation of Canada (AFC) needs your help to fund an ambitious new program of support for a pandemic-impacted generation. Link to information and to donate at:
<https://www.dioceseofalgoma.com/2021/05/17/algomas-seeds-of-hope-team-says-yes-to-kids/>

- (2) Say Yes! to Kids receives \$25,000 matching gift
via Anglican Foundation fo Canada (AFC)
“In 1957, the [AFC] was launched on the strength of a \$25,000 matching gift,” says the Rev. Canon Judy Rois, executive director. “We are incredibly grateful at this time to receive a similarly generous gift, particularly as AFC branches out with this new and ambitious program.” Link to message at:
<https://www.anglicanfoundation.org/say-yes-to-kids-25000-matching-gift/>
- iii. Canadian Lutheran Anglican Youth (CLAY) national event registration opens tomorrow [May 27 2021]
Registration open[ed], May 27, at 10am ET for youth leaders to register their teams planning to attend the national online gathering of CLAY, held August 20–22 this summer. Themed “En Route”, this event has certainly experienced a “detour” or two—the gathering was originally scheduled to be held in person in 2020. The National Planning Committee has been working steadily to build a lineup of events for the gathering that will be inclusive for all youth, no matter from what region of the country. Link to registration at:
<https://us20.campaign-archive.com/?u=a27d1f3115f41554cae941fd9&id=25f3e325d4>
- iv. AFC releases 2020 annual report
via Anglican Foundation fo Canada (AFC)
Grant recipients inspire audiences with an uplifting Canada-wide journey, highlighted in the 2020 AFC Annual Report. Link to report at:
<https://www.anglicanfoundation.org/now-presenting-2020-annual-report/>
- v. COVID trials have boosted faith communities' resilience
via London Free Press
“Suddenly, a lot of [people in] small communities could get together to study something or share a common interest,” says the Rt. Rev. Todd Townshend (Diocese of Huron). Link to article at:
<https://lfpres.com/opinion/columnists/cornies-covid-trials-have-boosted-faith-communities-resilience>
- vi. Science and Religion
(1) ‘Religion entered into me’: A talk with Jane Goodall, winner of the 2021 Templeton Prize via Religion News Service

The celebrated primatologist is only the fourth woman to win the prize, established to honour those who use science to explore humankind's place and purpose in the universe. "What I love today is how science and religion are coming together and more minds are seeing purpose behind the universe and intelligence." Link to article at:
<https://religionnews.com/2021/05/20/jane-goodall-celebrated-primatologist-wins-2021-templeton-prize/>

(2) Scientists and theologians join forces for new Anglican Communion Science Commission

via Anglican Communion News Service

A new Anglican Communion Science Commission (ACSC) is being formed to "resource the whole Anglican Communion for courageous and confident spiritual leadership in issues involving science." The ACSC will formally launch at the Lambeth Conference next year. Link to article at:
<https://www.anglicannews.org/news/2021/05/scientists-and-theologians-join-forces-for-new-anglican-communion-science-commission.aspx>

b. Justice

i. Anglican minister in Dryden hasn't seen family in 3 years while waiting on permanent residency application via CBC Thunder Bay
 The federal government cites pandemic delays in processing files for the Rev. Naboth Manzongo (Diocese of Rupert's Land), whose wife and two children remain in Zimbabwe and await news of whether they can join him in Canada. Link to story at:
<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/thunder-bay/dryden-nbaoth-manzongo-immigration-1.6036540>

ii. At George Floyd memorial service, Episcopalians remember lives lost and recommit to 'stand against the tide'

via Episcopal News Service

One point in the service included silence for 9 minutes and 29 seconds - the amount of time that Derek Chauvin pressed his knee into George Floyd's neck. During the silence, a slideshow played that showed Floyd's place in a long line of African American victims of racist violence and police brutality. Link to story at:
<https://www.episcopalnewsservice.org/2021/05/26/at-george-floyd-memorial-service-episcopalians-remember-lives-lost-and-recommit-to-stand-against-the-tide/>

- iii. Register for upcoming KAIROS workshops for June, National Indigenous History Month via KAIROS Canada
KAIROS offers a number of KBE Teaching & Sharing Circle online events taking place in June—the events are Indigenous-led, interactive online sessions which seek to foster ‘right relations’ and reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people. Link to courses at:
<https://www.kairosblanketexercise.org/event/>
- c. Requests for prayer
- i. Anglican-Lutheran Prayers for the next week – attached.
- d. Reflections
- i. The gift of ritual via Rupert's Land News
Chaplain at St. John's College and spiritual care provider Helen Holbrook reflects on the idea of ritual more generally and the importance of creating new rituals during times of grief and uncertainty. Link to article at:
<https://rupertslandnews.ca/the-gift-of-ritual/>
- ii. From the Brothers of St. John the Evangelist
- (1) Rebirth
The author of the book of Acts sends a clear message: we are there among the first followers of Jesus. The Holy Spirit has come upon us, and is with us, and is in us. The whole world has changed. A new era has begun. In this baptismal rebirth, the Spirit can be given by one believer to another, like the passing of a candle flame. –Br. Keith Nelson
- (2) Intimacy
We can know God’s Holy Spirit in the intimacy of our personal relationship with Jesus. In our prayers, as we allow him to minister to us, and set us on our feet again when we fall. In those private, intimate moments with the Lord, we can feel the power of the Spirit shaping and gently molding us into the men and women God longs for us to be.
–Br. Geoffrey Tristram
- (3) Dare
If we are dissatisfied with our current state, or if we’re troubled by what we see in the world around us, we may be ready to kneel before Christ and plead for the power of the Holy Spirit to fall on each one of us, on the Church, and on the world. We may be ready to open the windows of our souls to let the mighty wind rush in and throw everything

into chaos by turning our lives inside out. Is it risky? You bet! Do we dare? “The Spirit blows where it will.” There’s really no telling what will happen if we dare to ask.

–Br. David Vryhof

e. Resources

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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: www.anglicanjournal.com

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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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