

2nd Sunday in Epiphany | Jan. 15/23



Join Us for Worship Sundays
In-Person @ 10:00 am | Online @ 4:00 pm



All are invited
All are welcome
No experience required



Today's Readings

Isaiah 49: 1-7 ♦ 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 ♦ John 1:29-42

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Upcoming at Christ Church

- ✘ Tuesday, January 17, 2023
 - Corporation Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- ✘ Wednesday, January 18, 2023
 - Worship Collective Rehearsal @ 7:00 pm
- ✘ Thursday, January 19, 2023
 - Choir Rehearsal @ 7:00 pm
- ✘ Sunday, January 22, 2023
 - Church In-Person @ 10:00 am
 - Church Online @ 4:00 pm
 - NA Group @ 7:00 pm – Auditorium

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Readings for next Sunday

Isaiah 9: 1-4 ♦ 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18 ♦ Matthew 4:12-23

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Sunday School



Sunday School is ideal for children aged 4-12 years of age & they children are welcome to join any time. Children leave for Sunday School following the Children's Focus and return to worship in time for the Eucharist.

Letter to the Diocese from Bishop Andrew

January 13, 2023

Dear Friends,

One of the great joys of emerging from Covid's pandemic restrictions has been the return to large liturgical celebrations. And this Sunday will be particularly joyful!

As I mentioned in my Friday letter of Dec. 16, the Diocese has four new archdeacons and one new canon administrator – Archdeacon John Anderson, Archdeacon Theadore Hunt, Archdeacon Steven Mackison, Archdeacon Cheryl Palmer and Canon Laura Walton – to assist the College of Bishops primarily in exercising the administrative functions of episcopal ministry. The Service of Collation at St. James Cathedral on Sunday afternoon will be a true celebration. Please join us at 4:30 p.m., either in person at the cathedral or online on our YouTube channel, as we commission and pray for these faithful servants in their new ministry.

I have now communicated to the new archdeacons and canon administrator where I have assigned them. As part of its work, the Episcopal Leadership Implementation Team spent a great deal of time determining numerically equitable territorial archdeaconries, comprising three or four contiguous deaneries each. The College and Synod Council concurred with its proposal in December, and the suffragan bishops and I have discussed and divided the territories amongst ourselves for our day-to-day oversight of parishes and ministries in this next chapter in the life of our Diocese. Our expectation continues to be that bishops will serve the whole Diocese and will, over time, rotate amongst the archdeaconries in order to have a personal relationship with every parish and deanery. For the immediate future, this is the current structure of direct episcopal oversight:

The North Archdeaconry will consist of the deaneries of Holland, Huronia, Nottawasaga and Victoria-Haliburton, and will be served by Canon Laura Walton. Bishop Riscylla Shaw will be the suffragan bishop with oversight in the North.

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The Central Archdeaconry will consist of the deaneries of Eglinton, Scarborough, York Central and York Mills, and will be served by Archdeacon Theadore Hunt. I will take direct episcopal oversight of the Central Archdeaconry.

The South Archdeaconry will consist of the deaneries of Parkdale-Toronto West, St. James and Toronto East, and will be served by Archdeacon Cheryl Palmer. Bishop Kevin Robertson will be the suffragan bishop with oversight in the South.

The East Archdeaconry will consist of the deaneries of Durham-Northumberland, Oshawa and Peterborough, and will be served by Archdeacon John Anderson. The suffragan bishop for the East will be Bishop Riscylla Shaw.

The West Archdeaconry will consist of the deaneries of Etobicoke-Humber, Mississauga, North Peel and Tecumseth, and will be served by Archdeacon Steven Mackison. The suffragan bishop for the West will be Bishop Kevin Robertson.

A helpful map and this chart have been prepared to illustrate these new territorial archdeaconries and the episcopal ministry team for each.

I want to emphasize an important point: territorial archdeaconries are **not** new “areas” of the Diocese. They do not have a function or identity beyond demarcating the deployment of archdeacons, and to some extent bishops’ particular oversight. The existing area councils will continue for now. The deaneries will become the primary locus for our corporate life and ministry together; if you do not know your parish’s deanery, please use our Find a Church feature to find out what it is. The current deanery boundaries and the regional deans themselves remain unchanged.

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I also want to say that the College has spent quite some time discussing how our transition will unfold. While the archdeacons and the canon administrator can begin their work in their archdeaconries immediately, for we bishops who are handing off “active files” to each other, please be patient as we make those moves. This is a good opportunity to live into what I have already mentioned: every bishop in this Diocese is a bishop to the whole, and we hope, in the fullness of time, to have a relationship with each parish and every cleric in the Diocese, wherever you may be. In fact, further to this point, we have determined as a College that we will keep our engagements that have already been made in our calendars for 2023. If you have an episcopal visit in the coming months, you can expect to see the bishop you’ve already booked. Having said that, however, if you would prefer to make a change to your “new” bishop (assuming a switch is possible), we have agreed to stand down – no hard feelings – as we want to support the forging of new relationships. Just call the bishops’ assistants to see what’s possible.

This coming Tuesday, the College of Bishops, their administrative assistants and the new archdeacons and canon administrator are meeting for the whole day, to start our work together. We are grateful to God for building this new leadership team with such varied gifts, experience, passions and perspectives. I ask the Diocese to welcome John, Theodore, Steven, Cheryl and Laura into their new ministries and roles, and to pray for this new model of shared episcopal ministry in our Diocese. May we seek to serve Christ, the Diocese and our wider communities, guided by the Holy Spirit and filled with God’s love.

See you Sunday!

Yours in Christ,

The Rt. Rev. Andrew Asbil
Bishop of Toronto

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an annual ecumenical celebration. Christians around the world are invited to pray for the unity of all Christians, to reflect on scripture together, to participate in jointly-organized ecumenical services, and to share fellowship.

In the northern hemisphere, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is traditionally held every year between January 18th (the Feast of the Confession of Saint Peter) and January 25th (the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul).

Join Bishop Kevin Robertson and participants from churches across the GTA for this year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity service. The theme this year is "Do Good – Seek Justice," and the preacher will be the Rev. Dr. Robert Faris, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

**DO GOOD;
SEEK JUSTICE.**
(ISAIAH 1: 17)

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR
CHRISTIAN UNITY 2023**

Ecumenical Prayer Service
Sunday, January 22, 2023
4:00 pm EST
St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
73 Simcoe Street
(@ King Street West - opposite Roy Thomson Hall)

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Robert Faris
Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Canada

For more information:
info@standrewstoronto.org or (416) 593-5600

Join us in-person
Refreshments to follow

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Resource Management

Financial Giving

Because the life and vitality of our Church is important to us, we are each called to make a financial commitment to ensure that the ministry of our church continues to flourish now and for the years to come. We are so grateful for the intentional, purposeful and sacrificial gifts that enable us to invite, welcome and connect all of us together with Him who abides with us in all times and circumstances. We have a number of ways to give:

1. **Envelope Sets** are available by contacting the parish office.
2. **Pre-Authorized Remittance ("PAR")** is a monthly amount withdrawn from your bank account.
3. **E-Transfers** via the Interac system. Email address is: christchurchbrampton@bellnet.ca
4. You can donate electronically via **CanadaHelps** using your credit card through the Christ Church Brampton website.
5. You can **drop off** your church envelope in the mail slot at the church.
6. You arrange for a **pick-up** by calling Martha at: Office: (905) 451-6649 / Phone or Text: 416-420-3765
7. **More information** is available at: <https://www.christchurchbrampton.ca/how-to-give>



Scenes @ Christ Church

See our website for photos of Advent & Christmas
www.christchurchbrampton.ca/recent-events



Resource Management (continued)

2023 Envelopes Are Available

- ✘ They are listed in alphabetical order and located in the Narthex.
- ✘ **As at January 1st, 2023, all parishioners are asked to destroy any and all previous years' envelopes ~ this ensures accurate tax receipting.**

Over the years, some numbers have been reassigned as a result of parishioners taking advantage of Pre-Authorized Remittance ("PAR") thereby reducing the number of boxed sets.

Additionally, a review is taken each year as to update our envelope subscriber listing to ensure we have current information. If you have any doubt as to your current Envelope Number, please contact me directly.

- ✘ **Many Envelope Subscribers have moved to e-transfer** and we continue to be grateful for your offerings. We have provided sets for these households this year. For 2023, those making e-transfers will maintain the same envelope number. Over the year, we will be exploring how best to reduce some of these sets.
- ✘ Should your envelope set not be available, you desire an envelope set or wish to switch/start Pre-Authorized Remittance, again please feel free to contact me or leave a note at the church office.
- ✘ **2022 Tax Receipts** Work has commenced on preparing our 2022 tax receipts. Parish Households should expect to receive theirs and a parish update by mid-February.

If there is anything else I can help you with, please let me know.

Carolynne Atkinson

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R.I.P. MARGARET (PEGGY) ROBSON
JULY 10, 1923 – JANUARY 9, 2023

A memorial service will be held at Ward's Funeral Home on Friday, January 20th at 1:00 pm with The Rev. Canon Byron Gilmore presiding.

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Next Advisory Board Meeting: Tuesday, January 24 @ 6:00 pm



(November 29, 2022)