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Post Synod Materials

Minutes of the 143rd Synod of the Diocese of Niagara

The Diocese of Niagara; Looking Back, Looking Around, Looking Forward
Friday November 17 to Saturday, November 18, 2017, Christ's Church Cathedral,
Hamilton

Friday November 17, 2017

Call to Order

The Right Reverend Michael Bird called the meeting to order at 9:04 am with a territorial acknowledgement.

The Gathering

After the gathering worship, Bishop Bird gave his charge to synod, reflecting on his time as our bishop, highlighting some of the significant moments he has witnessed and reviewing the shared ministries of the diocese.

BREAK

Credentials Committee

Canon Robert Welch reported that quorum had been achieved in both Houses. Present were 63% of the Lay delegates and 73% of the Clergy.

MOTION: Canon Robert Welch/The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell
'THAT the report of the Credentials Committee be accepted.'

CARRIED

Welcome to New Members of Synod and Guests

Bishop Bird welcomed new clergy to Synod: the Reverend David Ponting, the Reverend William Roberts, Pastor Jeff Smith and the Reverend Malcolm Wilson; as well as delegates from All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church, Guelph and Greg Tweney, vice-chancellor.

Privileges of the house were extended to the Most Reverend Colin Johnson, Metropolitan of Ontario, Archbishop of Toronto and Moosenee; Esther Wesley Coordinator, Anglican Fund for Healing and Reconciliation, Melanie Delva, Anglican Church of Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Animator; Andrew Hyde, Chaplain, University of Guelph; the Reverend Andy Cromwell, Chaplain, McMaster University; and the Reverend Judith Altree, Executive Director, Mission to Seafarers Southern Ontario. In addition, Bishop Bird also recognized that there were a number of observers in attendance.

Election of Synod Secretaries

MOTION: Canon Robert Welch/The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell
'THAT Ms. Carol Summers be elected as the Honorary Lay Secretary of Synod and the Venerable Dr. David Anderson be elected as the Honorary Clergy Secretary of Synod at this session of Synod.'

CARRIED

Approval of Minutes of the 142nd Synod

MOTION: Ms. Carol Summers/The Venerable Dr. David Anderson
'THAT the minutes of the 142nd Synod of the Diocese of Niagara, as found on pages 15 through 20 of the Convening Circular be now approved.'

CARRIED

Notices of Motion

The Chancellor, Canon Rob Welch, gave notice of an additional motion related to the Cathedral Place Revitalization Project; Canon Welch also informed the house that one motion to be dealt with involved a canon change.

Agenda Committee Report

MOTION: The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell/The Reverend Sue-Ann Ward
'THAT the agenda as presented by the Agenda Committee be adopted.'

CARRIED

Reception of All Reports

MOTION: The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell/Mr. Terry Charters
'THAT all reports found in the Convening Circular and obtained at registration be received.'

CARRIED

Appointment to Diocesan Court

Bishop Bird announced his appointments to diocesan court: Rosemary Anstey, Andrew Clinkard, Susan Little, the Venerable Suzanne Craven, the Reverend Canon Stuart Pike, and the Venerable Peter Scott.

Election of Trinity College Corporation Representatives

MOTION: The Venerable Dr. David Anderson/Ms. Kathleen Randle
'THAT the representatives from the Diocese of Niagara to the Corporation of Trinity College be the Reverend Canon Dr. Darcey Lazerte (clergy), Ms. Mary Churchill (lay) and Mrs. Judy Connor (lay); for a term of two years.'
(Please note: the Reverend Aaron Orear, the Reverend Nigel Bunce (clergy) and Sister Heather Broadwell are continuing members of the Corporation of Trinity College.)'

CARRIED

Announcements

The Reverend Canon Terry DeForest made an announcement regarding an upcoming vocations event.

The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell made a number of housekeeping announcements and thanked all those involved in preparing for synod and those who offer hospitality for our time together.

Affirmation of Actions of Synod Council

MOTION: The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell/Ms. Susan Little

'THAT the Synod Council Report, having been fully considered, be now finally approved, and that all the decisions, agreements and documents entered into and signed on Synod's behalf since the last session of Synod, be hereby ratified and confirmed.'

CARRIED

Audited Financial Statements

MOTION: The Reverend Deacon George Henry/Ms. Joanna Beck
'THAT the audited financial statements for 2016 as found on pages 43-62, be received.'

CARRIED

Auditor's Report

MOTION: The Reverend Deacon George Henry /Ms. Joanna Beck
'THAT the Auditor's Report, as found on pages 44-45 be received.'

CARRIED

Appointment of Auditors for 2017

MOTION: The Reverend Deacon George Henry /Ms. Joanna Beck
'THAT KPMG be appointed as auditors for the fiscal year 2017.'

CARRIED

Provincial Synod Nominations

Greg Tweney, vice-chancellor, described the role of the Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario and explained the balloting process for the 2018 Provincial Synod. The Vice-Chancellor called for any further nominations from the floor for the order of the clergy; there were none.

MOTION: Mr. Greg Tweney/The Reverend Bill Mous
'THAT the nominations for the Order of Clergy for Provincial Synod be closed.'

CARRIED

The Vice-Chancellor called for any further nominations from the floor for the order of the laity; Mr. Andrew Clinkard was nominated by the Reverend Canon Matthew Griffin. Mr. Clinkard accepted and lay members were instructed to add his name to those listed on the ballot handed out at registration.

MOTION: Mr. Greg Tweney/The Reverend Bill Mous
'THAT the nominations for the Order of Laity for Provincial Synod be closed.'

CARRIED

The Vice-Chancellor declared that the balloting could begin.

Melanie Delva, Truth and Reconciliation Animator

The Reverend Bill Mous introduced Melanie Delva, the Anglican Church of Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Animator. Ms. Delva made a presentation about the work of the Canadian Church on Truth and Reconciliation.

Greetings from the Metropolitan, Archbishop Colin Johnson

The Most Reverend Colin Johnson, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario and Archbishop of Toronto and Moosonee, brought greetings to the synod.

Eucharist

Announcement of the Bishop's Appointment of Canons

Bishop Michael announced his appointment of Pat Davis as an honorary lay canon of Christ's Church Cathedral; and the Reverend Stephanie Pellow, the Reverend Bill Mous, and the Reverend Matthew Griffin, as honorary clerical canons.

LUNCH

Lunch was provided by Karam Kitchen. Towards the end of the break, delegates had an opportunity to meet with nominees to Provincial Synod.

Presentation by Esther Wesley, Healing Fund

The Reverend Canon Bill Mous introduced Ester Wesley of the Anglican Church of Canada's Healing Fund. Ms. Wesley outlined that the fund was established in 1991, to address the legacy of the Residential School system on individuals, communities, families, and the nation, and to support the healing process in these communities. To date, 710 projects have been funded for a total of more than \$8.1 million. A short video was part of the presentation.

The Reverend Canon Bill Mous shared how the Anglican Appeal is working to replenish the financial resources within the Healing Fund.

Current Property Development Project Highlights

The Reverend Ronda Ploughman reported on the status of the redevelopment project for All Saints, Hamilton. The plan includes a 23 story tower with condominium units, with two units owned by the church to generate income, and a multiuse space for the church on the main floor, where multiple agencies might share in mission. The plan is to break ground in the spring.

The Reverend Canon Rob Hurkmans spoke about the project, "New Life in the City: Working Together for a Better Port Colborne," spearheaded by the parish St. James and St. Brendan's. A video was shown that told the story of the work rehabilitating a derelict lot and property in the heart of that city.

The Reverend Jeff Ward shared the story of the work at St. Luke, Palermo. The plan involved building in order to serve a diverse set of community needs and missional opportunities. The parish is thriving because of many partnerships that have been cultivated.

Electoral Synod Planning Committee Report

The Reverend Ann Turner, Chair of the Electoral Synod Planning Committee outlined the process for nomination and the election. The date of the electoral synod has been set for March 3, 2018 (snow date, March 24), and for an episcopal ordination and consecration, if required, will be on May 5, 2018.

WOW Grant Highlight

The Reverend Terry Holub reported on Holy Trinity, Niagara Falls, Young Parents and Toddlers Program and its six pillars: (1) a spirit of welcome; (2) developing friendships; (3) structured play time; (4) integration into Sunday School program; (5) place of belonging; and, (6) love of church. A number of plans are emerging for the future of the parish working with this group.

BREAK

Diocesan Ministry and Mission (DM&M) Formula

MOTION: The Reverend Canon Richard Moore/Ms. Joanna Beck
'whereas the Bishop asked the FAC to review the DM&M formula and determine if a new formula would resolve some of the current formula issues; Therefore be it resolved THAT the new formula as presented be adopted beginning with the 2018 DM&M assessment year using the 2016 financial statements.'

CARRIED

Proposed Change to Canon 2.1 – The Election of Bishops

MOTION: The Very Reverend Peter Wall/The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell

'THAT the Regulations for Canon 2.1 – The Election of Bishops be amended to read

2.1

THE ELECTION OF BISHOPS

THE APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT BISHOP

Regulations

1. At a meeting of the Synod Council acting as the Nominations Committee, the following procedure shall be followed.

Each member of the Synod Council shall nominate by secret ballot three eligible persons, at least one of whom must be female and at least one of whom must be male, the first choice of each member to receive three points, the second two points, and the third choice one point. The ten with the largest number of points shall be the nominees of the Nominations Committee. In the event that two or more persons receive the same number of points for the position of the nominee with the tenth largest number of votes, the Synod Council shall determine the exact number of nominees to be nominated.

The names of the nominees so chosen shall be disclosed to the Council in alphabetical order and disclosed to the members of Synod after they have individually consented to allow their nominations to stand. To ensure a wider distribution of points, ballots containing less than three nominations shall be disqualified.

2. (a) A committee of seven persons chosen by the Synod Council and known

as the Electoral Synod Nominations and Planning Committee shall choose its own Chair and recruit other members, if necessary, and shall secure from the aforesaid nominees their consent to the inclusion of their names as nominees. The Committee shall prepare biographical material on the nominees giving their age, education background, and general experience and other information which in their opinion would be helpful to the members of Synod.

(b) Biographical material prepared on the aforesaid nominees shall be provided to that nominee to ensure its accuracy, after which the material on all nominees shall be mailed to the members of Synod not later than eight days prior to the Electoral Synod.

(c) Other forms of communication techniques authorized by the Electoral Synod Nominations and Planning Committee may be provided to the members of Synod.

(d) The committee shall cooperate with the regular officials of the Synod to organize the Electoral Synod.

3. Further nominations in writing by ten members of Synod, and with the consent of the nominee, may be placed before members of Synod as follows:

(a) By delivering the nomination to the Chair of the Electoral Synod Nominations and Planning Committee at least twelve days prior to the date of the Electoral Synod, in which case biographical material will be sent out with that provided for in 2 (a) and (b) above, or

(b) By delivering the nomination to the Chair of The Electoral Synod Nominations and Planning Committee prior to or during the Electoral Synod. The Chair of the Committee will address the Synod, and may give biographical material of any further priest or bishop so nominated.

4. The Synod to elect a bishop shall commence with the Holy Eucharist. A common collect and the prayers of the people bidding God's presence and spirit, will be said in all diocesan parishes, and thereafter the Metropolitan or Acting Metropolitan, or their designate, shall be the Chair of the Synod and preside at the election. Prior to the calling of each ballot, the Chair shall be satisfied as to further nominations.

When there are no further nominations, the Chair shall call for the first ballot and subsequent ballots shall be taken as necessary until a bishop has been elected.'

(new, 1994)

AMENDMENT TO MOTION: The Reverend Mike Deed/Ms. Su McLeod
'THAT the words, "three eligible persons, at least one of whom must be female and at least one of whom must be male," be replaced with the words, "three eligible persons of more than one gender identity."

CARRIED

As Amended; The Very Reverend Peter Wall/The Reverend Canon Marni Nanckivell

'THAT the original motion amended as follows be considered

Each member of the Synod Council shall nominate by secret ballot three eligible persons of more than one gender identity. the first choice of each member to receive three points, the second two points, and the third choice one point. The ten with the largest number of points shall be the nominees of the Nominations Committee. In the event that two or more persons receive the same number of points for the position of the nominee with the tenth largest number of votes, the Synod Council shall determine the exact number of nominees to be nominated.

CARRIED IN BOTH HOUSES.

Cathedral Place Revitalization Project Update

Mr. Terry Charters made a report and presented the motion; a handout with the additional motion was distributed at registration.

MOTION: The Very Reverend Peter Wall/Mr. Terry Charters.

'THAT this Synod confirm its support for the continuing work on Cathedral Place Revitalization and authorize the Bishop, Officers, and Synod Council to enter into such agreements as are prudent and appropriate to further this project, regularly reporting to Synod.'

Ms. Joanna Beck reported on the amount that had been spent by the synod to date in response to a question that had been raised. The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell reminded the house of the resolution passed by synod in 2015. After further questions and discussion the motion was

CARRIED

Valerie Kerr, Archdeacon for Truth, Reconciliation and Indigenous Ministry

The Venerable Valerie Kerr made a presentation about the work of Truth, Reconciliation and Indigenous Ministry in the Diocese of Niagara. Archdeacon Kerr also informed synod about her experience of the Call from Warm Springs, "A Call to the Church from the National Consultation on Indigenous Self-Determination," September 17, 2017.

The Provincial Synod balloting was closed and the boxes were removed for tallying.

Other Business

There was no other business brought forward at this time.

The Bishop dismissed the meeting with prayer at 4:25pm.

Saturday November 18, 2017

Call to Order

The Bishop called the meeting to order at 9:03 am with a territorial acknowledgement.

Morning Prayer

Bishop Bird called upon Archbishop Colin Johnson, our metropolitan, to lead morning prayer.

Provincial Synod Election Results

The members of provincial synod from the order of clergy are, in the order of their election: the Venerable Val Kerr; the Venerable Dr. David Anderson; the Very Reverend Peter Wall; the Reverend Canon Dr. Michael Mondloch. Alternates are, in the order of their election: the Reverend Canon Stuart Pike; the Reverend Pam Guyatt; the Reverend Jeff Ward; and the Reverend Shirl Christian and the Reverend Terry Holub (who were tied).

The members of provincial synod from the order of laity are, in the order of their election: Ms. Susan Little; Canon Patricia Davis; Mr. Neil Bell; Mr. Andrew Clinkard. Alternates are, in the order of their election: Ms. Lynn Barker; Ms. Janet Kaye; and Ms. Barbara Clunes.

The youth delegate, previously elected by the Youth Synod, is Ms. Siobhan Bennett and the alternate is Mr. Rob Lewis.

Human Trafficking Video and Reflection

The Reverend Canon Dr. Sharyn Hall introduced a video concerning the realities of human trafficking in Canada. The Reverend Canon Bill Mous shared how human trafficking is a real and present issue within area served by the Diocese of Niagara. After a group table exercise and discussions, Canon Mous shared a number of resources available for further education, discussion, and action.

2017 United Nations Delegation

The Reverend Canon Jean Archbell reported on her experience of attending the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women along with other representatives from our diocese and our national church. A number of parallel events were part of these important meetings in New York. Canon Archbell encouraged members of synod to follow these issues and to consider attending the Commission at some time. A video featuring Sierra Robertson-Roper was shown that gave the perspective of youth delegates from the diocese to the Commission.

BREAK

Regional Caucuses for Synod Council Nominations

Caucuses were held by region to name nominees for election by synod to synod council.

Property Task Force Report

The Venerable Dr. David Anderson gave a report on behalf of the task force and invited feedback from synod members.

The Marriage Canon

Ms. Susan Little, a member and representative of our diocese on the Council of General Synod (COGS), gave a presentation about her work and involvement with the COGS Working Group

on the proposed change to the Marriage Canon of General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada. All members of synod were invited to discuss the proposed Marriage Canon in a safe and supported environment. Canon Christyn Perkons also reported on how Niagara plans to participate in the General Synod-mandated conversation about the proposed canon change.

LUNCH

Lunch was provided by Lunch-Bags.

Election of Regional Representatives to Synod Council

MOTION: The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell/Mr. Greg Tweney
'THAT this Synod elect the regional members of Synod Council and alternate regional members for the 2017-2018 term, as nominated at the regional caucuses held during this session of Synod.'

CARRIED

Address by the Metropolitan

Archbishop Colin Johnson addressed the gathering and led the synod in an exercise of reflection and discernment as we prepare to elect a coadjutor bishop in March of 2018.

2018 Budget Presentation

Mr. Andrew Clinkard, chair of the Budget Subcommittee of the Financial Advisory Committee, presented the proposed budget. The budget was presented in a format similar to other non-profit organizations.

MOTION: The Reverend Deacon George Henry /Mr. Andrew Clinkard.
'THAT this Synod approve the 2018 proposed budget.'

CARRIED

Other Business

MOTION: Canon Christyn Perkons/The Very Reverend Peter Wall
Whereas the people of the Diocese of Niagara are profoundly grateful for the episcopacy of the 11th Bishop of Niagara, Michael Bird; for his prophetic voice and passionate commitment to God's justice, his visionary leadership, his pastoral care of both the people and clergy of the diocese, his humble and conciliatory leadership throughout the Anglican Communion, his openness to diverse and life-changing expressions of liturgy, his abiding prayerful presence, and his constancy of faith;
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara express its deepest thanks for the ministry of the Right Reverend Michael A. Bird, to this diocese and the wider Church.

CARRIED with a standing ovation

Bishop's Bird's Assent & Closing Remarks

Bishop Bird gave his thanks to the room, talking of his ministry in the diocese and his hope for the future of the diocese; asking all members to be champions for the life of the diocese in each of their parishes across our diocesan family.

Bishop Michael expressed his gratitude to all those who had worked together to make this synod a success.

The Bishop gave his assent to all that had transpired at this 143rd session of Synod.

The closing worship included a blessing with water from Bishop Bird and Archbishop Johnson.

Synod was adjourned at 2:03 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,

The Reverend Canon Marni Nancekivell, Secretary of Synod

Ms. Mary Anne Grant, Administrative Assistant

The Venerable Dr. David Anderson, Honorary Clergy Secretary to Synod

Ms. Carol Summers, Honorary Lay Secretary to Synod

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2017 SYNOD OF NIAGARA

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The Venerable Valerie Kerr, M.Div., Archdeacon for Truth, Reconciliation and Indigenous Ministry

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The Reverend Jeff Ward

The Reverend Ronda Ploughman

Brock

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Lincoln

Mohawk

Trafalgar

Undermount

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The Reverend Marya Buckingham
The Reverend C. Douglas Campbell
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REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR
DECEMBER 1, 2016 TO DECEMBER 15, 2017

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

- January 29, 2017 Christ's Church Cathedral, Hamilton
Janice Mary Maloney-Brooks
By the Bishop of Niagara, The Right Reverend Michael A. Bird
- September 21, 2017 Christ's Church Cathedral, Hamilton
Leonel Abaroa-Boloña
By the Bishop of Niagara, The Right Reverend Michael A. Bird
- September 21, 2017 Christ's Church Cathedral, Hamilton
Karen Rose Isaacs (for the Diocese of Toronto)
By the Bishop of Niagara, The Right Reverend Michael A. Bird

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

- June 25, 2017 Christ's Church Cathedral, Hamilton
Ann Electa Turner
By the Bishop of Niagara, The Right Reverend Michael A. Bird

APPOINTMENT TO PARISHES/MINISTRIES

- December 1, 2016 The Reverend Dean William Cormack, a licence to perform the office of Rector at St. John's, Winona, on a half time basis, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- December 1, 2016 The Reverend Holly Klemmensen, a licence to perform the office of Rector of Holy Trinity, Hamilton, on a half time basis, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- January 1, 2017 The Reverend Pamela Guyatt, a licence to perform the office of Transitional Pastor at the Church of the Transfiguration, St. Catharines, on a full time basis for a twelve month period, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- January 24, 2017 The Reverend Malcolm Wilson, a license to perform the office of Priest-in-Charge of St. Paul's, Norval, on a part time basis from January 24, 2017 to July 31, 2017 and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- February 23, 2017 The Right Reverend Terry Brown, a license to perform the office of Bishop-Rector at the Church of the Ascension, Hamilton, on a part time basis, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure

- March 15, 2017 The Reverend Canon Katherine Morgan, a license to perform the office of Rector at St. John's, Thorold, during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- March 26, 2017 The Reverend Allison Courey, a licence to perform the office of Director of Children's, Youth, Young Adult, and Family Ministry at St. Christopher's Church, Burlington, under the direction of the Rector, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- April 1, 2017 The Reverend William Roberts, a licence to perform the office of Rector of St. Mark's Church, Niagara-on-the-Lake, during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- June 1, 2017 The Reverend Thomas Vaughan, a licence to perform the office of Rector of Holy Trinity, Welland, full time, on a full time basis, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- June 4, 2017 The Reverend Canon Ian Chadwick, a licence to perform the office of Priest-in-Charge of St. Barnabas, St. Catharines, from June 4, 2017 to June 30, 2017, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- June 16, 2017 The Reverend Naomi Gakenia Kabugi, a licence to perform the office of Rector St. Alban the Martyr, Acton, on a full time basis, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- June 25, 2017 The Reverend Ann Electa Turner, a licence to perform the office of Priest-in-Charge of St. James, Fergus on a half time basis, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- July 1, 2017 The Reverend Daniel Bennett, a licence to perform the office of Rector of St. Paul's, Fort Erie, All Saints, Ridgeway, and St. John's, Ridgemount, on a full time basis, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- July 1, 2017 Pastor Jeffrey Smith, a license to perform the office of Pastor Priest of All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church, Guelph, during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- August 1, 2017 The Venerable Dr. John Course, a license to perform the office of Rector of Holy Trinity, Fonthill, on a half time basis and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- August 1, 2017 The Reverend Malcolm Wilson, a license to perform the office of Priest-in-Charge of St. Paul's Norval, on a part time basis, from August 1, 2017 to February 28, 2017, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- September 1, 2017 The Reverend Joan Dunn, a license to perform the office of Pastoral Assistant at Church of the Epiphany, Oakville, part time (September 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017) under the direction of the Rector and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure

- September 1, 2017 The Reverend Daniel Tatarnic, a license to perform the office of Pastoral Assistant at Christ's Church Cathedral, Hamilton, under the direction of the Dean, the Very Reverend Peter Wall, on a half time basis, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- September 21, 2017 The Reverend Dr. Leonel Abaroa-Boloña, a license to perform the office of Ministry Associate, on a full time basis for a six month shared appointment at St. John the Evangelist, Hamilton and Ascension, Hamilton, from September 1, 2017 to February 28, 2018, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- October 1, 2017 The Reverend Canon Joseph Asselin, a license to perform the office of Rector of St. John's Ancaster, during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- November 1, 2017 The Reverend Dr. Michelle Boomgaard, a license to perform the office of Rector of St. Christopher's Burlington, during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- November 1, 2017 The Reverend Pamela Guyatt, a license to perform the office of Rector of St. John's Jordan , during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- November 1, 2017 The Reverend Sue Nicolls, a license to perform the office of Priest-in-Charge of Christ Church, Flamborough, half time, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- November 15, 2017 The Reverend Canon Susan Wilson, a license to perform the office of Rector of St. Matthew-on-the-Plains, Burlington, during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- December 1, 2017 The Reverend Owen Ash, a license to perform the office of Diocesan Priest Associate for a six month limited term contract and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure

BISHOP'S PERMISSION

- January 8, 2017 The Reverend Brian Shoemsmith, a bishop's permission to perform the office of Honorary Assistant at Christ's Church Cathedral, Hamilton, under the direction of the Dean, the Very Reverend Peter Wall, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- January 15, 2017 The Reverend Canon Robert Brownlie, a bishop's permission to perform the office of Chaplain to the Priest-in-Charge of Christ Church, Flamborough, part time, for a limited term, January 15, 2017 to July 15, 2017, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- January 19, 2017 The Reverend Thomas Decker, a bishop's permission to perform the office Honorary Assistant at St. Jude's Church, Oakville, under

the direction of the Rector, Canon Rob Fead, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure

- January 29, 2017 The Reverend Deacon Janice Mary Maloney-Brooks, a bishop's permission to perform the office of Deacon at Church of the Ascension, Hamilton, under the direction of the Bishop in Charge, the Right Reverend Terry Brown, during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure and according to the terms of the job description filed with the Episcopal Office
- February 15, 2017 The Reverend Canon Dr. Margaret Murray, a bishop's permission to perform the office of Honorary Assistant at Church of the Resurrection, Hamilton, under the direction of the Reverend Michael Deed, Rector and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- February 16, 2017 The Reverend David Thomas, a bishop's permission to perform the office of Honorary Assistant at All; Saints Church, Ridgeway, under the direction of the Reverend Daniel Bennett, Rector and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- May 1, 2017 The Reverend Dr. Pamela Del Couture, a bishop's permission to perform the office of Ecumenical Honorary Assistant at St. Luke's, Burlington, under the supervision of the Rector, and according to the job description filed with the Episcopal Office, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- May 1, 2017 The Reverend James Laban Glass, a bishop's permission to perform the office of Ecumenical Honorary Assistant at St. Luke's, Burlington, under the supervision of the Rector, and according to the job description filed with the Episcopal Office, and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- July 1, 2017 The Reverend Gordon Walls, a bishop's permission to perform the office of Priest Assistant at St. George's, Guelph, part time, and limited term contract July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, under the direction of the Rector and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- July 2, 2017 The Reverend Deacon Diane Elliott, a bishop's permission to perform the office of Deacon in the parish of Christ Church, Wainfleet, under the supervision of the Rector, the Reverend Nirmal Mendis, from July 2, 2017 to August 27, 2017, during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure and according to the terms of the job description filed with the Episcopal Office.
- October 1, 2017 The Reverend Carole Langlotz, a bishop's permission to perform the office of Honorary Assistant at St. Luke's Burlington, under the direction of the Rector and during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
- December 1, 2017 The Reverend Deacon Christine Clatworthy, a bishop's permission to perform the office of Deacon in the parish All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church, Guelph, Ontario under the direction of

Pastor Jeff Smith, during the Diocesan Bishop's pleasure
and according to the job description filed with the Episcopal Office

LETTERS BENE DECESSIT

- January 17, 2017 From the Bishop of New Westminster
The Right Reverend Melissa Skelton
For the Reverend Gertrude Phyllis Lebars
- April 1, 2017 From the Bishop of New Westminster
The Right Reverend Melissa Skelton
For the Reverend William Arthur Roberts
- June 16, 2017 From the Bishop of Ottawa
The Right Reverend John Chapman
For the Reverend Naomi Gakenia Kabugi
- August 1, 2017 To the Archbishop of Toronto and Metropolitan of Ontario
The Most Reverend Colin Johnson
For the Reverend Maria Nightingale
- September 1, 2017 To the Bishop of Edmonton
The Right Reverend Jane Alexander
For the Reverend René Desjardins
- September 1, 2017 To the Bishop of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
The Right Reverend Ron Cutler
For the Reverend Elliott Siteman
- September 14, 2017 To the Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland
The Right Reverend Eugene Taylor Sutton
For the Reverend Elizabeth Sipos
- October 1, 2017 To the Bishop of Kootenay
The Most Reverend John Privett
For the Reverend Marcus Germaine
- October 1, 2017 To the Archbishop of Toronto and Metropolitan of Ontario
The Most Reverend Colin Johnson
For the Reverend Michael Daniel Patrick Cranley
- October 12, 2017 From the Bishop of Rupert's Land
The Right Reverend Donald Phillips
For the Reverend Allison Courey
- November 1, 2017 From the Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh
The Right Reverend Dorsey W. M. McConnell
For the Reverend Dr. Michelle Boomgaard

APPOINTMENT OF DIGNITARIES

March 1, 2017	Mr. Gregory Tweney, Vice-Chancellor, for a period of five years
March 10, 2017	Ms. Donna Bomberry, Honorary Lay Canon of Christ's Church Cathedral
March 10, 2017	Dr. Fred Hall, Honorary Lay Canon of Christ's Church Cathedral
March 10, 2017	The Reverend Richard Moose, Honorary Canon of Christ's Church Cathedral
March 10, 2017	The Reverend Katherine Morgan, Honorary Canon of Christ's Church Cathedral
March 10, 2017	Mr. Robert Morrow, Honorary Lay Canon of Christ's Church Cathedral
March 10, 2017	The Reverend Martha Tatarnic, Honorary Canon of Christ's Church Cathedral
October 12, 2017	The Reverend Ann Turner, Regional Dean of Greater Wellington, for a period of three years

BISHOP'S COMMISSARY

June 12, 2017 to June 23, 2017
The Very Reverend Peter Wall
Dean of Niagara and Rector of Christ's Church Cathedral

June 27, 2017 to June 30, 2017
The Venerable Peter Scott
Archdeacon of Greater Wellington and Rector of St. Mark's, Orangeville

APPOINTMENT OF DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATORS

March 8, 2017	The Reverend Pamela Guyatt appointed Diocesan Administrator of the Good Shepherd, St. Catharines, for a one year term
March 9, 2017	The Reverend William Mous re-appointed Diocesan Administrator for St. Peter's, Hamilton, for a term of one year

DECLARATION OF DISESTABLISHMENT

January 22, 2017	The parish of St. James (Merritton), St. Catharines, disestablished pursuant to Canon 4.5, Section 5
June 30, 2017	The parish of St. David and St. Patrick, Guelph, disestablished pursuant to Canon 4.5, Section 5
September 15, 2017	The parish of St. Matthias, Guelph, disestablished pursuant to Canon 4.5, Section 5

ORDER OF NIAGARA 2017

Richard Alcock, St. Cuthbert, Oakville
Joan Barty, St. John's, Winona
Barbara Baesso, Resurrection, Hamilton
Gail Bell, St. Paul's, Caledonia
Stan Bowers, Ascension, Hamilton
George Brett, St. Jude's, Oakville
David Coles, St. Alban's,, Beamsville
Gladis DiPaolo, St. Luke's, Palermo
Kath Dubecki, Nativity, Hamilton
Peggy Evanoff, All Saints, Hamilton
Mary Farrell, St. Michaels, Hamilton
Bonnie Grant, St. Aidan's, Oakville
Cyril Harding, St. Paul's, Glanford
Sandra Harper, St. Paul's, Hamilton
Toni Lynne Jackson, Grace, Waterdown
Emily James, St.John's, Niagara Falls
Paulene Jodry, St. Matthew on the Plain, Burlington
Janet Lampman, Our Saviour The Redeemer, Stoney Creek
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Jennifer MacKenzie, St. Simon's, Oakville
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Alison Meredith, Christ's Church Cathedral, Hamilton
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Robert Patterson, St. John's, Ancaster
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Cathy Sweeney, St. James, Fergus
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