



DIocese OF KOOTENAY

The Anglican Church of Canada

Kootenay Contact

December 7, 2011

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Prayer

Prayer Commemorating the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

O God, who appointed the Blessed Virgin Mary while yet in her mother's womb to be the Mother of our Lord, grant that with her we may share full adoption into the life of your heavenly family; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

From *For All the Saints*, © 1994

➤ **Prayer Requests**

- We give thanks with Dana Hall and his family for his return home after surgery.
- Please continue to uphold Sue Mayoss-Hurd and Christine Muise in your prayers.
- Remember all for whom this season brings sadness, hardship and the reawakening of painful memories.

➤ **Archbishop's Schedule**

- December 8 BARDS teleconference; St. Saviour's, Penticton – Church Committee
- December 10 St. Mary's, Sorrento – 100th Anniversary
- December 11 St. Cuthbert/St. Paul's, Princeton
- December 12 Canons Revision Committee
- December 13 Examining Chaplains; Provincial Exec. Skype
- December 14 Preside at Cathedral; Diocesan Synod Planning teleconference;
Camp Owaissi Board meeting
- December 19 Cathedral Carol Service

➤ **Diocesan News and Events**

- The Synod Office will be closed on **December 23 at noon** and will reopen on **Tuesday, January 3**.
- All are invited to an Open House to celebrate the Epiphany and the opening of the Diocesan Centre on **Saturday, January 7, 2012 from 1:00-4:00 p.m.** There will be a short dedication ceremony at 2:00.
- *Christians in a Dangerous Time: April 20-22, 2012* at All Saints, Vernon. An exciting conference for everyone, discussing issues for the church's life and future under the inspiration of Bruce Cockburn's music and poetry. Keynote speakers will be Douglas Todd, religion columnist for the Vancouver Sun, and Dr. Brian Walsh, a U of T

scholar whose book on Cockburn will be coming out this year. Clergy note: there will be a clergy-only event in the afternoon of April 20. Sponsored by EfM Canada. For further details, contact Bill Harrison at williamhenryharrison@shaw.ca

- The next Diocesan Council meetings are planned for **March 30-31, 2012** and **June 15-16, 2012** (locations TBA).
- The Kootenay School of Ministry Catalogue and roster of courses for 2011 and 2012 is now available at <http://www.kootenayanglican.ca/kootenay-school-of-ministry/?SSLLoginOk=true>.
- Clergy Retreat **Feb. 27-Mar. 1, 2012**; Clergy Conference **Oct. 15-18, 2012**.

➤ Camp Owaissi

- See “Positions Available” section, below, to view the advertisement for an Executive Director.
- The Family Sites next to Camp Owaissi on Okanagan Lake offer unparalleled beauty and quiet, for a bargain price. Please visit www.campoac.com and scroll to the bottom of the landing page to find the Family Site rental forms. Seasonal and weekly sites are available, as are tent and RV sites. Apply now to avoid disappointment.
- See the Camp Owaissi Fall 2011 video at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sOyeq8gry2g> and the newsletter at <http://www.kootenayanglican.ca/storage/Owaissi%20Fall%20Newsletter.pdf>
- The Camp Owaissi Property and Maintenance Committee is looking for a “road-worthy” camp truck. The current vehicle is now in its final season. Please contact Brian Sunderland at brian@sund.ca if you can help.

➤ Reminders

- The next Kootenay Contact will be distributed on **December 21, 2011**. Submission deadline is **December 19**.

➤ Positions Available

- Camp Owaissi is looking for an Executive Director. For details, go to the Kootenay website at <http://dioceseofkootenay.squarespace.com/camp-owaissi-executive-directo/>

For more job listings, see the Anglican Church of Canada website at <http://www.anglican.ca/jobs/index.php>

➤ FYI

- Looking for an opportunity for Christian Education? There is an excellent study guide on the proposed Anglican Covenant and an opportunity to share your thoughts with the wider church. See the Anglican Church of Canada Website at <http://www.anglican.ca/resources/covenant/>
- A retreat called *Engaging Impasse* will be held at Seton House of Prayer in Kelowna on **July 2012**, with facilitator Nancy Sylvester IHM. Enrollment is limited to 18. For more information, contact Sr. Elaine Biollo at elaine.biollo@nelsondiocese.org
- Justice Camp 2012 will take place in the Diocese of Toronto in Peterborough, Ontario, **August 19 – 24, 2012**. The theme is *Shalom Justice Camp: Uniting Us All, Rural & Urban*. For more information, see the website www.justicecamp.ca or contact Heather Burton 905-668-1558 or HBurton@toronto.anglican.ca
- Manulife Claim Forms are located at <http://www.anglicanpension.ca/forms> You can register at <https://wwwec7.manulife.com/GBPlanMemberUI/Login.aspx> to do Manulife claims online and then the money is direct deposited to your bank account in about 3-4 days.