

Hello Everyone –

The Sudbury-Manitoulin Deanery is pleased to host the 2016 Lay Readers Conference. The theme we've chosen is "Ministry Outside the Church Walls".

Our guest speakers include Rev. Dr. Jay Koyle, our Diocesan Congregational Development Officer, Rev. Canon Genny Rollins who is the Incumbent at All Saints Church in Coniston and Chaplain at the Sudbury Jail and Pastor Kevin Serviss from the Samaritan Centre here in Sudbury.

Below this note you will find a registration form, a copy of the timeline for the weekend, as well as information on a hotel close to the Church of the Ascension. A block of rooms has been set aside at the Fairfield Inns & Suites by Marriott for the Conference.

Once again, our evening worship on Friday evening, following the welcome reception, will be a Taize service.

We are pleased that Norm Blanchard, Director of Music at the Church of the Epiphany, has agreed to assist us with Leadership of the service. We invite any Lay Reader who wishes to participate in the musical leadership (vocal or instrumental) of the service to contact Norm at [music@epiphanysudbury.org](mailto:music@epiphanysudbury.org)

Please indicate your name, email address, and what part you sing, or instrument you play. Norm will send the music to you ahead of time and we will gather at the Ascension prior to the service to run through the music. These details will be communicated to you closer to the date of the Conference.

If you have any questions regarding the upcoming Conference, please feel free to contact any member of the planning team:

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We look forward to welcoming you to Sudbury September 30<sup>th</sup> – October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

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## **Hotel Information:**

A block of 10 rooms has been reserved at the **Fairfield Inns & Suites by Marriott** at 490 Barrydowne Rd, Sudbury, ON P3A 3T3 (at the corner of Barrydowne & The Kingsway, behind Pizza Hut, access off of Palm Dairy Rd.)

Call the hotel at 705-560-0111 and mention **group code #ECC** to receive the price of \$106.00/night. Free Hot or Cold Breakfast is included. (They have agreed to give us the seniors rate, regardless of age)

**Book by August 31<sup>st</sup>** to get the special rate.

You must provide your credit card information when you call and must have the same credit card available at check-in. At check out you can use another credit card or pay cash etc.

Check-in time is 3:00pm and check out time is 11:00am.

More info on the hotel can be found [by clicking here](#)

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Speakers Bios:

### **Rev. Dr. Jay Koyle:**

#### **Embodying the Gospel We Proclaim *with Jay Koyle***

*“When a congregation starts taking seriously the vocation to make disciples, its life is bound to change too!” ~ Jay Koyle, in Go Make Disciples: An Invitation to Baptismal Living. (Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress, 2012) p. 21.*

As we reclaim the vocation to take ministry “outside the walls,” it is imperative that we also take seriously the call to be and make disciples. Today’s need is nothing less than a renewed way of being church, one that contours lives in the path of discipleship and enables us to live as Christ’s Body in the world.

We will consider the lay reader’s role in this work. Particular attention will be given to helping congregations engage the principles and practices exemplified in *Becoming the Story We Tell*, a process used by many of Algoma’s congregations over the seasons of Lent and Easter this year.

*Jay Koyle is Algoma’s Congregational Development Officer. He is a founding planner and facilitator of the annual Vital and Healthy Parishes National Consultation of the*

*Anglican Church of Canada and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. As a member of the Primate's Task Force on Christian Hospitality, and Christian Initiation and Formation, he shared in the development of the resource "Becoming the Story We Tell."*

**Kevin Serviss:** After graduating from Confederation High school in June of 1974, Kevin worked at various jobs in Sudbury area. Eventually he found his way onto the Metropolitan Toronto Police Force and began a career in policing which would span the next 23 years.

In 1978, Kevin moved from Metropolitan Toronto Police to the Sudbury Regional Police and moved back home to Sudbury. He enjoyed a diverse and fruitful career, and worked in various branches of the department including uniform, criminal investigation and taught for 2 years at the Ontario Police College in Aylmer, Ont.

During his time patrolling the downtown streets he became acutely aware of many of the social ills that affect our city including drug use, suicide and homelessness. This awareness caused him to head up a group in 1989 that would meet the needs of the homeless and would be known as the Elgin St. Mission. In 1999, he left police work permanently and went on staff at Glad Tidings Church to devote his efforts to these issues. He ministered at Glad Tidings church for a total of 9 years, during which time he ran (unsuccessfully) in the 2006 Federal election.

In 2011, an opportunity opened for him to once again return to his work with the poor, this time as the Executive Director of the Samaritan Centre, a multi-agency facility that meets the needs of the poor and homeless in Sudbury.

Kevin is the proud father of 2 grown children who, along with their spouses and families reside in Southern Ontario, and has 3 beautiful grand-daughters.

**Rev. Canon Genny Rollins:** Canon Genny is the incumbent of All Saints Church in Coniston, just east of Sudbury. She also serves as the Chaplain at the Sudbury and District Jail.

*"Using her gifts of tough and tender love, and following the commandment of Jesus to visit those in prison, she has inspired many friends and volunteers to assist her in bringing care and hope to those who are imprisoned; often by more than the walls that surround them.*

*Genny Rollins herself says that it helps to look like the grandmother that she is, as those to whom she ministers, can relate very easily to her non-threatening appearance! She is loved by both the staff at the jail, as well as the inmates, and is respectfully and*

*affectionately called and referred to as “Miss Genny”. She runs programs both for small groups as well as working with individuals at their request.” (Taken from the Algoma Anglican, January 2001)*

## **Conference Schedule**

**(All events are at the Church of the Ascension)**

### **FRIDAY, September 30<sup>th</sup>:**

6:00pm      Registration  
7:00pm      Welcome Reception  
8:45pm      Taize Worship

### **SATURDAY October 1<sup>st</sup>:**

8:00am      Registration  
9:00am      Opening Eucharist  
10:30am     Workshop 1 (Jay Koyle)  
12:00pm     Lunch  
1:00pm      Workshop 2: (Kevin Serviss)  
2:15pm      Break  
2:45pm      Workshop 3 (Rev. Canon Genny Rollins)  
4:00          Break & Dinner Prep  
6:00          Dinner & Entertainment:

### **SUNDAY October 2<sup>nd</sup>:**

10:30am     Gather to Vest  
11:00am     Eucharist

2016 Lay Readers Conference Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

I will be attending: (Circle your answer)

Friday Evening Reception:            YES            NO

Saturday Lunch:                        YES            NO

Saturday Dinner:                        YES            NO

I am bringing \_\_\_\_\_ guest(s) to dinner Saturday evening  
(please add \$25.00 per guest to your registration)

Sunday Lunch following service:    YES            NO

I would like to be Billed:            YES            NO

I have dietary restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

I require transportation from/to the Airport or Bus Station:

Arrival: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure: \_\_\_\_\_

(Airline, Flight #, Times, etc.)

**REGISTRATION: \$75.00/person**

Please mail completed form, and registration cheque (payable to Sudbury Manitoulin Deanery) by September 15<sup>th</sup> to:

David Stamp

315 - 99 Dow Dr. Box 833

Copper Cliff, ON P0M 1N0

Directions to the Church of the Ascension:

**From Sault Ste. Marie:**

**Follow Hwy 17 into Sudbury and** (after coming through Copper Cliff) **exit onto Big Nickel Road.**

**Follow Big Nickel Road and turn left at the traffic lights** at the other end. (you'll see a sign directing you to Lasalle Blvd.)

After crossing the bridge, **Exit Right onto Lasalle Blvd.**

**Follow Lasalle Blvd. to Barrydowne Rd.** (You'll see the New Sudbury Centre on your right)

**Turn Left onto Barrydowne Rd.**

**Sparks Street is the first right turn, immediately behind the Shell Station.** And you'll see the Church on the left.

**From North Bay:**

**Follow Hwy 17 into Sudbury.** You'll see the Town Place Suites Hotel on your right as you come to Falconbridge Rd.

The next set of lights is Barrydowne Rd. **Exit Right onto Barrydowne Rd.**

Follow Barrydowne Rd. towards the New Sudbury Centre Mall, which you'll see on your left.

**Continue on Barrydowne Rd. across Lasalle Blvd.**

**Sparks Street is the first right turn, immediately behind the Shell Station.** And you'll see the Church on the left.

**For those with GPS, the address of the church is 1476 Sparks Street.**