

SYNOD 2017 BREAKOUT SESSIONS - Thursday, May 4th

	<u>WEST HALL</u>	<u>CENTRE HALL</u>	<u>EAST HALL</u>	<u>COURTYARD</u>
2:00 – 3:00 PM	<p>STEWARDSHIP IN YOUR CHURCH: Getting the Basics Right</p> <p>Building on his plenary addresses and drawing on nearly thirty years of ministry as a priest in five different parishes, our featured guest at Synod will share proven principles and practicalities for creating a community of cheerful and generous givers. Andrew Asbil</p>	<p>CONSTITUTION AND CANONS</p> <p>A review of the changes to the Constitution and Canons proposed at Synod 2017. Participants will be given an opportunity to ask questions regarding the changes. Deborah Kraft and Members of the Constitution and Canons Committee</p>	<p>EQUIPPING THE SAINTS: The Future of Ministry in Algoma</p> <p>This session will provide an opportunity to consider the long-term future of pastoral ministry in Algoma. We will discuss emerging alternative programs for training priests in the Canadian church, the growing ministry of deacons, the relationship between formation for all the baptized and preparation for ordained ministry, and how the emergence of less traditional forms of ministry may impact formation and training overall. Marie Loewen and Jay Koyle</p>	<p>CHURCH MANAGEMENT</p> <p>This session will deal with the administration requirements of the church and will cover the following subjects: year-end forms and when they are due, Charity Information Return (T3010), HST rebate forms, insurance requirements, payroll requirements, apportionment and the Diocesan budget. Jane Mesich</p>
3:15 – 4:15 PM	<p>STEWARDSHIP IN YOUR CHURCH: Getting the Basics Right</p> <p>Building on his plenary addresses and drawing on nearly thirty years of ministry as a priest in five different parishes, our featured guest at Synod will share proven principles and practicalities for creating a community of cheerful and generous givers. Andrew Asbil</p>	<p>WELCOME TO CANADA... SENSITIVE SPONSORSHIP OF REFUGEES</p> <p>This session will deal with various aspects of sponsoring refugees within the Diocese. It will include such topics as the history of sponsorship in Algoma, first steps, preparations, funding, meeting and greeting, challenges, and sensitivity. Delegates will have an opportunity to ask questions and engage in conversation. Bob and Connie Elkin</p>	<p>REIMAGINING YOUTH MINISTRY IN ALGOMA</p> <p>A 'cultural shift' is needed in our congregations so that children and youth are not viewed as 'commodities' to be attracted to the church, but rather as an important part of the vocation and ministry of the whole people of God. So, how might youth ministry be reimagined to serve this end? We will look at some perspectives and strategies being encouraged and engaged in the Diocese, particularly those shifting our focus to a greater emphasis on building relationships between adults and youth, and being disciples of Christ together. Jeffery Hooper, Jane Mesich and Jay Koyle</p>	<p>INSURANCE</p> <p>Representatives from Marsh Canada Limited and Ecclesiastical Insurance will outline insurance requirements for parishes within the Diocese. They will review liability insurance, property insurance, user group insurance and the risk assessment tools. There will be ample opportunity for questions and answers. Carl Murray Marsh Canada Limited</p> <p>Jane Williamson and Rob Jordan Ecclesiastical Insurance</p>