

General Synod Prayers for Algoma

In the following two collects, the words in italics should be replaced by the bracketed words in italics during General Synod (July 10 – 16).

God of promise and hope, who in your prophet Isaiah called us and named us as your own, speak to your Church as it *prepares for* (*gathers in*) General Synod 2019 in Vancouver. Guide and bless its members, particularly Archbishop Anne, Aidan Armstrong, Deborah Kraft, Hugh Mackenzie, Logan Rayment, and Gilles Tessier, chosen from this Diocese. Grant them wisdom to listen with insight and openness, and generosity to seek and understand a variety of perspectives. Clothe all of us with love and bind us together in perfect harmony, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

God who calls us by name, you have given your Church the Holy Spirit to lead us into all truth. Bless those who *prepare for* (*gather as*) General Synod 2019, particularly Archbishop Anne and Algoma's delegates, Aidan Armstrong, Deborah Kraft, Hugh Mackenzie, Logan Rayment, and Gilles Tessier. Keep them steadfast in faith and united in love. Guide them to be holy listeners, open to the leading of your Spirit. We ask this in the name of him who makes us one, Jesus Christ our Lord.

If the Prayers of the People take the form of biddings addressed to the congregation with a congregational response (ex. "Lord, have mercy" or "Lord, hear our prayer"), the following may be used or adapted:

For Archbishop Anne and Algoma's delegates to General Synod 2019, Aidan Armstrong, Deborah Kraft, Hugh Mackenzie, Logan Rayment, and Gilles Tessier; that they may be holy listeners, open to the leading of God's Spirit, let us pray to the Lord:

If the Prayers of the People take the form of a litany of petitions addressed to God with a congregational response, the following may be used or adapted:

We ask you to bless Algoma's representatives to General Synod 2019, Aidan Armstrong, Deborah Kraft, Hugh Mackenzie, Logan Rayment, Gilles Tessier, and our Archbishop, Anne. Grant them wisdom to listen with insight and openness, and the generosity to seek and understand a variety of perspectives. We pray to you, O God: