



THE DIOCESAN SYNOD OF FREDERICTON

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DATE: 27 March 2009
TO: Clergy and Lay Delegates to Diocesan Synod
FROM: The Secretary of Synod
SUBJECT: 04-06 June 2009 Diocesan Synod

The **130th Session of the Diocesan Synod of Fredericton: Celebrating God's Grace ... Responding to God's Challenge** will convene 04 June 2009 at Trinity Church, Parish of Saint John at 7:30 p.m. followed by worship. Registration will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday at the [Saint John Trade and Convention Centre, Saint John](#) and at 6:30 p.m. at Trinity Church. Delegates are asked to register prior to the Synod Service.



Agenda

This is a regular session of Synod and should include the following highlights:

- Synod Service and Bishop's Charge (Thursday evening)
- Reports from the Diocesan Council, groups, organizations and committees
- Presentation of Financial Reports
- Visit from the Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, Archbishop Fred Hiltz
- A special banquet dinner on Friday evening with our Primate as the special guest speaker. Guests are invited to purchase dinner tickets (200 maximum) at a cost of \$50 with information on availability via archdeacons of the diocese.
- Consideration of reports from task forces requested at the 129th Session of Synod, namely:
 - [Task Force on Rural and/or Struggling Parishes](#)
 - [Task Force on Parish Support of the Diocesan Shared Ministry Budget](#)
- Diocesan Officer Reports
- Election of Delegates to Provincial Synod 2009 and General Synod 2010
- Confirmation of a new Diocesan Council membership to begin a new two year term June 2009
- Notices of Motion received by 22 April 2009 and as time permits
- General Notices of Motion as given permission by the Synod

Notices of Motion

All notices of motion are to be in the hands of the Secretary of Synod at least six weeks prior to the Synod ([Canon Two](#)), 22 April 2009. Notices of motion made after this date will be put forward for debate by decision of the Synod. The [Resolutions Committee](#) will fulfill its role as outlined also in [Canon Two](#) and with Guidelines set out by Regulation. A template for the submission of motions is available on the Diocesan web site.

Reports

Reports and other items to appear in the Convening Circular are subject to the six-week deadline of 22 April 2009. Groups, committees and organizations are asked to report through the appropriate Diocesan Council Team as outlined in the [Summary of Roles and Responsibilities](#).

The Convening Circular

The Convening Circular should be distributed during the first two weeks of May 2009 and available for meetings of Archdeaconry Greater Chapter during that month. Elements of the Journal will be available on the [Synod 2009 page of the web site](http://anglican.nb.ca/synod/2009/) as they become available
<<http://anglican.nb.ca/synod/2009/>>.

Archdeaconry Greater Chapter Meetings

A first round of Archdeaconry Greater Chapter meetings were held during Lent 2009. A second series of meetings is being recommended during the month of May. Nominations for delegates to the 2009 Synod of the [Province of Canada](#) (4 lay, 4 clergy, 1 youth) and a 2010 meeting of the [General Synod](#) (4 lay, 4 clergy, 1 youth) are being sought and received by the [Nominating Committee](#). Each Archdeaconry is asked to make regional nominations to these important positions, if possible.

Memorials

Please forward memorials of former members of Synod now deceased to the Memorials Committee c/o the Synod Office, 115 Church Street, Fredericton E3B 4C8 or to [Phyllis Cathcart](#)
<<http://anglican.nb.ca/synod/>> by 22 April 2009.

Registration, Meals and Accommodations

Accommodations will be provided for those who request them by way of billets graciously provided by individuals in the Saint John area. Those able to [offer a billet](#) are asked to do so by way of the Diocesan web site; those wishing to [request a billet](#) may do so also from the web site by following links on the [Synod 2009 web page](#). Delegates/members are welcome to make their own accommodation arrangements. Members are on their own for Thursday supper and Friday lunch. It is hoped breakfast will be provided by billets on Friday and Saturday mornings. The location of the Friday evening banquet (200 guest tickets available) will be announced.

If you require accommodation by way of a billet, before 15 May 2009 please:

- 1. Complete the billet request form online at <<http://anglican.nb.ca/synod/2009/>> or have someone do it for you, OR**
- 2. Complete the Billet Request Form and mail it to the Synod Office, OR**
- 3. Telephone the Diocesan Synod Office.**

Displays

Groups, committees and organizations are invited to provide displays at the Trade and Convention Centre. Please contact Mrs. Mary Robinson <stjohns@nbnet.nb.ca> Phone: (506) 458-9411; Fax: (506) 453-9475 to reserve space.

Geoffrey Hall (The Ven.), Secretary of Synod

Members of Synod Planning:

Elizabeth Reid - Arrangements Committee
Ann Fairweather - Agenda Committee
Neville Cheeseman - Hospitality/Courtesies/Ecumenical Relations Committee
David Wilson - Technical Support Committee
Greg McMullin - Worship Committee
Julian Dickson - Nominating Committee
Clyde Spinney - Resolutions Committee
James Chandra - Credentials Committee (Registration)
Fred Scott - Staff support
Maureen Vail - Staff support
Geoffrey Hall - Secretary and Chair
