

## ***Share the Spirit; Spread the Word***

***Wednesday, March 30, 2016***

### ***Ascension Day, Thursday, May 5, 6:30 p.m. - Episcopal Ordination of the Ven. Bruce Myers, Co-Adjutor Bishop Elect***

The Deanery is organizing a bus to transport deanery members to the Cathedral for the episcopal ordination on Ascension Day, Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. The bus will leave at noon to allow sufficient time for supper before the service. There is a reception following the service so the return trip will be late in the evening. The bus will stop in Richmond and Drummondville if required. The cost will depend on the number of participants. Reservations and pre-payment required. Please contact Kay Hartwell for information and to reserve your seat. ([819 349-1971](tel:8193491971)) The more the merrier and the more economical so plan to join us for this happy event.

### ***Sunday, April 3 - 2:00 p.m. Please note that this event has been cancelled.***

St Augustine's Church, Danville - Country Gospel Hour. The next gospel hour will be held on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

### ***Monday, April 4 - Monday, June 13, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.***

St George's Church Upper Room, Lennoxville - Lectio Divina. All are welcome to join this gentle reflection on the gospel reading for the upcoming Sunday. Using a technique that is at once both ancient and post-modern we listen for the leading of the Holy Spirit as we reflect on the meaning of the Word in our lives. Expect a lot of silence and expect to have your heart opened to God. If you have any questions about Lectio Divina, please contact [lyndillabough@gmail.com](mailto:lyndillabough@gmail.com)

### ***Tuesday April 5, 5:15-6:45 p.m.***

St Augustine's Church, Danville - Messy Church. All families with children 12 and under are welcome for this time of learning and worship. Parents (or grandparents) attend along with their children as we learn about our faith and enjoy a good meal. Storytelling, crafts, worship and dinner with materials and food all provided. We do collect a freewill offering during worship. This month we are learning about resurrection and hope. If you would like to attend, or would like more information about the program, please contact [lyndillabough@gmail.com](mailto:lyndillabough@gmail.com)

***Wednesday, April 6, 5:15-6:45 p.m.***

*St Paul's, Bury - Messy Church.* All families with children 12 and under are welcome for this time of learning and worship. Parents (or grandparents) attend along with their children as we learn about our faith and enjoy a good meal. Storytelling, crafts, worship and dinner with materials and food all provided. We do collect a freewill offering during worship. This month we are learning about resurrection and hope. If you would like to attend, or would like more information about the program, please contact [lyndillabough@gmail.com](mailto:lyndillabough@gmail.com)

***Saturday, April 9, 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.***

Opening to the Spirit Afternoon Writing Retreat at St Paul's United Church in Magog. Magog: All are welcome to join the authors of the weekly Opening to the Spirit column (Fridays in the Sherbrooke Record) for an afternoon of writing and sharing. Voluntary \$10 donation to cover the cost of a journal and refreshments. Please contact [lyndillabough@gmail.com](mailto:lyndillabough@gmail.com) for more information and to register.

***Sunday, April 10, 3:00 p.m.***

St Mark's Chapel, Bishop's University – Les Amis de l'Orgue de l'Estrie. is holding an concert with organists Leslie Young and Jean-Yves Saint-Pierre who will play a program including works by Liederbuch, Bonelli, Gabrieli, Pasquini and Bach. Tickets are available at the door. Regular admission 10\$. Parking is free on the campus on Sunday.

***Tuesday, April 12, 11:00 a.m.***

Christ Church, Eustis – The church which was moved to the Quebec Lodge property will be deconsecrated by the Archdeacon. Everyone is welcome.

***Saturday, April 16, 8 a.m. – Noon***

St Anne's Church, Richmond – Spring Rummage Sale, 8 am \$3.00 bag sale / 10 am \$5.00 box sale.

***Saturday, April 23, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.***

Lennoxville – “The Skills of Healing: Caring for Yourself and Others. Pastoral Ministry Workshop, hosted by the Deanery Pastoral Ministry Team. This workshop is for anyone who wants to develop greater skills of caring. Caregivers may wish to attend just for the afternoon which is about caring for yourself. See the attached poster for more information. Please contact Canon Lynn Dillabough to register at [lyndillabough@gmail.com](mailto:lyndillabough@gmail.com)

***Saturday, May 7, 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.***

Bishop's University - The BU/CRC Refugee Student Sponsorship Committee will be holding their annual large Garage Sale on Saturday, May 7 from 8 am to 2 pm in the Bishop's University W.B. Scott arena (old arena). Donations will be gratefully accepted from April 4, 2016 until May 4, 2016 and can be dropped off at the arena lobby from 8 am to 8 pm (including Saturday and Sunday). Please note we cannot accept tires, mattresses, TVs and very old computer monitors. Thank you very much for your donations, and we hope to see you at the sale on May 7, 2016. For further information please contact Heather Thomson at 819-822-9600 ext. 2718 or [hthomson@ubishops.ca](mailto:hthomson@ubishops.ca)

***Monthly Services of Holy Eucharist in Senior Residences***

Third Wednesday of the month at the Wales Home, Richmond, 10:00 a.m. The Rev. Canon Fred Richardson celebrating, Ann Clark, pianist. Third Friday of the month at the Grace Village, 10:00 a.m. The Rev. Canon Fred Richardson celebrating assisted by Lorna Gordon, Sandra Gallichon, pianist. All are invited to attend.

***Confirmation Class***

St John's Church, Waterville - Confirmation classes to begin at St. John's, Waterville. All who are interested please contact the Rev. Ruth Charleau ASAP so that she can plan the starting date and get material for everyone. 12 years old and up.

***Wednesday Evenings until March 30, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.***

St George's Church, Lennoxville - The Nicene Creed: What Does the Church REALLY Believe? A six week course on the Nicene Creed led by the Archdeacon will be held on the Wednesday Evenings in Lent. This course is particularly suitable for those of mature years considering preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. It is also suitable for those interested in the theology and philosophy of foundational Christian thought. Participants need not be Christians but it is for all those who are interested in what the Church REALLY believes as opposed to what most people THINK it believes. Conversation will take part over a Lenten soup supper. A sung service of compline to follow.

***Education for Ministry - Year One: September 2016 until June 2017***

Beginning in September, there will be an opportunity for new participants from the deanery to begin the Education for Ministry program. Now is the time to start thinking about this. EfM is a four-year program of theological education for lay people. The commitment is high, but the rewards are many as

you learn to reflect theologically on your own life and on the world in which we live. First year involves an intensive study of the Old Testament scriptures. The following three years are on the topics of: New Testament, Church History, Theology, Ethics, and Ecumenism/Inter-Faith Dialogue. All years have a strong component of practical theological reflection. In many dioceses this is the standard formation program for lay readers, but anyone seeking greater maturity in their faith will find the program enriching. Canon Lynn Dillabough is the registrar in the Deanery and co-mentors the program with the Rev. Ruth Charleau. You may contact her if you would like any more information.  
[lynndillabough@gmail.com](mailto:lynndillabough@gmail.com).

***First Saturday of Every Month, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.***

St Matthias Church, Fitch Bay – Community Coffee hour. Coffee, tea and muffins. No charge. Everyone welcome.

***Every Tuesday***

Wales Home, Richmond - Bible Study on the book of Luke from 1:30 – 2:30. All are welcome to this bible study in the chapel at the Wales Home. All materials are provided. Just bring a bible. We now have several people attending who are not residents of the home, so please feel free to join us any time. It may be a good opportunity to visit friends while you are there. Sometimes transportation from Lennoxville can be provided. Please contact [lynndillabough@gmail.com](mailto:lynndillabough@gmail.com) if you would like a drive or any other information.

Mark your calendars for this upcoming spring event

- May 27 - 29, Diocesan Youth Retreat & Deanery Service in Richmond (Poster is attached. Please print and share with your congregation.)