

Share the Spirit--Spread the Word

December 3, 2019

Diocesan Synod

Attached you will find the motions passed at the Diocesan Synod which took place recently in Quebec City. You will also find the members who have been elected to the various committees.

Saturday, Dec. 7, 9:00 - 12:00

St George's Church, Ayer's Cliff. Come and enjoy coffee/tea Christmas cookies while you shop for Baked goodies, Gift baskets, attic treasures, books, decorations, handmade crafts and more. Sponsored by the Anglican Church Women

Saturday, December 14 at 4:00 pm

Church of the Epiphany, Way's Mills Carol Service. All are most welcome.

Ecumenical Advent Service

A time of worship with local Sherbrooke/Lennoxville churches will take place on Sunday, December 15th at 7:00 pm at Plymouth-Trinity United Church (380 Rue Dufferin, Sherbrooke). All are welcome.

Quebec Diocesan Synod 2019

Election results

1. Registrar:

Dr. Sean Otto (acclaimed)

2. Assistant Secretary of Synod:

Dale Keats (acclaimed)

3. Delegates to Provincial Synod (2 lay/2 cleric required + alternates):

- Lay: Dale Keats; Ruth Sheeran; Samuel Sinayigaye (alternate)
- Clerical: The Rev. Francie Keats; The Rev. Joshua Paetkau;
- Youth: -

4. Delegates to General Synod (2 lay/2 cleric required + alternates):

- Lay: Candace Aitkens; Stephen Kohner; Sean Otto (alternate)
- Clerical: The Rev. Canon Giuseppe Gagliano; The Rev. Canon Jeffrey Metcalfe; The Rev. Joshua Paetkau (alternate)
- Youth: Spencer Nadeau (acclaimed)

5. DEC: (2 from each deanery/region; no more than 1/3 of the total may be clerics)

- Gaspé: Candace Aitkens; Bethany Fehr Paetkau; Margaret Ann Mauger (alternate)
- North Shore: Dale Keats; Jody Lessard; The Rev. Francie Keats (alternate)
- St. Francis: Ruth Sheeran; The Ven. Dr. Edward Simonton; Sam Borsman (alternate)
- St-Laurent: Samuel Sinayigaye; Le Vénérable Pierre Voyer; Jean Thivièrge (alternate)
- Quebec: Anne Chapman; The Very Rev. Christian Schreiner; Louisa Blair (alternate)
- Kawawachikamach: Susan Nabinicaboo; Robert Swappie; The Rev. Silas Nabinicaboo (alternate)

6. Lay member of the Cathedral Centenary Fund:

Anne Chapman

7. Board of Triers (alphabetical order)

The Rev. Canon Giuseppe Gagliano; The Rev. Francie Keats;
The Rev. Canon Jeffrey Metcalfe; The Rev. Cynthia Patterson; Le Vén. Pierre Voyer

Main motions approved at the 85th Ordinary Session of the Synod of the Diocese of Quebec, November 21-24, 2019.

- Election of Dr. Sean Otto as diocesan registrar
- Election of Dale Keats as Assistant Secretary of Synod
- Motion: Canonical amendment #1: Canon 1: Definitions and Interpretations
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #2: Appendix C: Re-name it as Canon 33
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #3: Canon 3, article 3 to read: The current provincial Canon referred to in article 1 shall be published as part of the Quebec Diocesan Canons as Canon 33.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #4: Appendix A, article 6 to read: Following the election of officers, if that was necessary, the Synod shall recognize and grant Privileges of the House to others at this time or as required at any time during any sitting of Synod.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #5: Canon 14: Archdeaconries and Deaneries, article 4.B.iii.c) to read: an elected lay person from a Parish where the person who attended Synod as the lay delegate from that Parish has resigned, died, has formally become a member of another vestry within the diocese or has moved their permanent residence outside the boundaries of the diocese of Quebec.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #6: Canon 14: Archdeaconries and Deaneries article 4.H., at the end of the text, to read: Add the following to end of text: ... if this person has not been duly replaced.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #7: Canon 23, article 3: to amend the first sentence to read: Not later than April 15th of every year and not later than September 15th of every year for summer congregations, the Corporation of each Parish shall submit to Synod, through the Diocesan Office, a report on the full operation of the Parish and the election of Parish officers.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #8: Canon 26, article 4: to amend the date of March 15th to April 15th.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #9: Canon 15, article 12: Deputy Church-wardens must be 18 years of age.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #10: to replace the term “Executive Archdeacon” with “Vicar General”.
- Motion: Canonical Amendment #11: Appendix A, article 5.C. to read: The office

holders so elected will be appointed to the office immediately upon election in the case of a vacancy or up to three months following the prorogation of Synod in the case of a holder elected to replace either the Secretary or the Assistant Secretary who has filled the maximum term.

- Motion: Canonical Amendment #12: Canon 5, article 4: Remove the phrase, "...and to belong to no other religious denomination...".
- Motion: Synod charge the DEC to critically examine, review and edit the Constitution and Canons of this diocese in order to propose amendments to the next Ordinary Session of the Synod of Quebec.
- Motion: that this Synod increase the amount allocated to The Anglican Foundation to \$500 in the proposed 2020 and 2021 Synod budget. Furthermore, Synod approves the amended 2020 and 2021 budget.
- Motion: to approve the election results of the Cathedral Centenary Endowment Fund, General Synod Lay and Clerical delegates, Provincial Synod Lay and Clerical delegates, the Diocesan Executive Council and alternates, Board of Triers
- Motion: that the diocesan Registrar request that those presiding at burials record the specific location of each burial when possible.
- Motion: that this Synod extend its gratitude to the Quebec City Pastoral Team for all of its prompt, faithful and loving responses to the care of people from the regions.
- Motion: that the rules of order of this Synod be temporarily suspended in order to conduct a secret ballot on the motion dealing with same-sex marriage.
- Motion: that the Synod of the Diocese of Quebec, meeting in Quebec City from November 21 to November 24, 2019, request that the Bishop of Quebec authorize the solemnization of the marriage of same-sex couples in the Diocese of Quebec.

Vote results: 37 in favour / 6 opposed

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