



THE LAMP



"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." (Psalm 119)

PBSC TORONTO BRANCH LENTEN QUIET DAY SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2013

***Theme: "Inheritors through Hope":
The Letter to the Hebrews - An Anglican Anatomy***

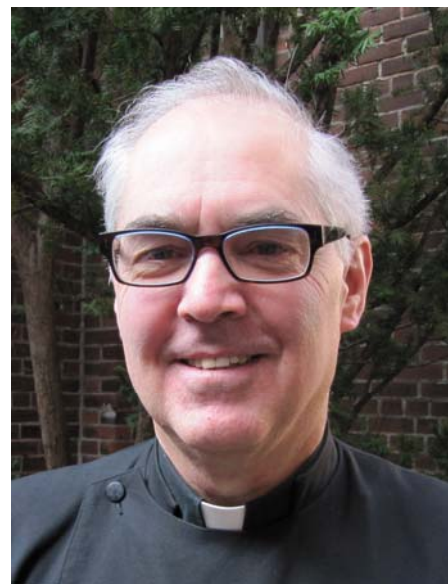
Leader: The Revd. Jonathan Eayrs

Fr Jonathan Eayrs studied political philosophy at Dalhousie University in the 1970s, and was a Tutor in the King's College Foundation Year Programme in the early 1980s. He went on to study theology at the University of Toronto and was ordained in the Diocese of Nova Scotia in 1986. He served in several Nova Scotia parishes before moving to the Diocese of Toronto in 2001.

Over the past year Fr Eayrs has been on an educational leave devoted to the study of Charles Péguy (1873-1914). During that time he assisted at St Thomas's, Huron St., and led retreat days and educational events there. He has recently been appointed Incumbent of the Church of St Barnabas on Danforth Avenue.

Schedule for the day:

9:30 AM	Morning Prayer (parish service)
10:00 AM	Holy Communion (parish service)
10:30 AM	Coffee and welcome
10:45 AM	<i>First talk: "Scripture: Patience and Comfort of the Living Word"</i>
11:30 AM	Period of silent reflection
12:15 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM	<i>Second talk: "Sacrifice and Communion: Dwelling in Him and He in Us"</i>
1:45 PM	Period of silent reflection
2:30 PM	Coffee break
2:45 PM	<i>Third talk: "Solidarity and Service: Holding Fast the Blessed Hope"</i>
3:30 PM	Wrap-up
4:00 PM	Evening Prayer



Revd. Jonathan Eayrs

The Quiet Day will be held at **St. Thomas's Church, 383 Huron Street, Toronto**. St. Thomas's is located a short walk south of Bloor Street, midway between the St. George and Spadina subway stops. A voluntary contribution of \$10 is suggested to cover lunch and refreshment breaks, but you are welcome to pay what you can. Please notify Diana Versegby (416-739-4422) if you intend to come, if possible by February 23 in order to help us plan for the catering.

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER ESSAY COMPETITION 2012

During 2012, the Prayer Book Society of Canada, Ottawa Branch, offered an essay contest in celebration of the 350th anniversary of the 1662 Book of Common Prayer and of the 50th anniversary of the 1962 Book of Common Prayer (Canada), with the intention of raising the interest in and use of the Prayer Book amongst Canadians aged 17-30. The assigned topic was “The relevance of the Book of Common Prayer in the 21st century.”

The Prayer Book Society of Canada, Ottawa Branch, now announces the winners of the 2012 Essay Competition. Three prizes were awarded, in the amounts of \$2,500, \$1,500, and \$1,000. The winning essays will be published during 2013 in the PBSC national newsletter.

The prizes were awarded to:

First Prize: Elliot Rossiter

Title: Trusting God’s Providence: The Importance of the Collects in the Book of Common Prayer

Born and raised in Toronto, Elliot Rossiter completed a one-year diploma at Augustine College, Ottawa, and a B.A. in Philosophy at the University of Ottawa. Elliot moved to London, Ontario, in 2009 to pursue graduate studies in Philosophy at the University of Western Ontario. He and his wife Sarah were married according to the rite of the *Book of Common Prayer* in St. George’s Anglican Church, London, in 2011. Now in his 3rd year of doctoral studies, Elliot is completing a dissertation entitled *Covenant and Natural Law: John Locke on God’s Legislative Power*.

Second Prize: Joel Reinhardt

Title: Language, Scripture, and Doctrine: The Relevance of the Book of Common Prayer in the 21st Century

Joel Reinhardt is an upper-year (J.D.) law student at the University of Ottawa. Before entering law school, he worked as a ministerial assistant in the federal government. Joel holds a B.A. in Philosophy, along with certification in leadership and applied public affairs, studying at Augustine College, Trinity Western University, and the Laurentian Leadership Centre in Ottawa. He enjoys participating in the daily use of the Book of Common Prayer in his parish church.

Third Prize: Aaron James (*The M. Elaine de Temple Prize*)

Title: The Daily Offices and the Pattern of Common Prayer

Aaron James is an organist and church musician currently studying at the Eastman School of Music (Rochester, NY) where he is completing a combined doctoral-degree programme in organ performance and musicology (PhD/DMA). He has received many awards for his organ playing, including First Prize (the Godfrey Hewitt Prize) in the 2011 National Competition of the Royal Canadian College of Organists, from which organization he also holds the Fellowship diploma, its highest. He has served as organist and choir director of several churches in Toronto and southern Ontario, and directs the music at the Prayer Book Society of Canada’s annual Cranmer Theological Conference. He is presently organist at Holy Cross Anglican Church, Webster, New York.

The jury for the competition consisted of:

The Right Reverend Dr. Stephen Andrews, Bishop of Algoma

Dr. Walter Hannam, Professor of Theology and Anglican Studies, The College of Emmanuel and St. Chad,
Saskatoon, SK

The Reverend George Westhaver, Rector, St. George’s Church, Halifax, NS

**GRAND VALLEY BRANCH LENTEN QUIET DAY
SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2013
ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, BRANTFORD**

*Theme: The Seven Last Words of Christ
Leader: The Revd. Robert Mitchell*

Fr. Robert Mitchell is the son of an Anglican priest, and grew up in Saskatoon. After studying theology at Wycliffe College; he was ordained deacon in 2002, and was priested later in the same year. His first position was as Assistant Curate at All Saints', Peterborough, where he served simultaneously as Priest-in-Charge of the Parish of Bridgenorth and Emily. In 2004 he was appointed Incumbent of the Parish of Churchill and Cookstown, and in 2008 he accepted the position of Associate Priest at St. Thomas's Church, Toronto. His wife is a young French Canadian woman, Caroline Audet; they were married in 2003.



Revd. Robert Mitchell

Fr. Mitchell writes: "The Gospels allow us to hear time and time again the last words of Jesus as he hung upon the cruel cross. Holy Scripture provides us with the opportunity to pause and savor Jesus' final utterances, probing them for their numerous layers of meaning. Lent is an appropriate time to allow Jesus' final words to speak to us again, challenging, comforting and inspiring us. In them we find inexhaustible meaning, helping us prepare for Easter and for daily life."

St. Luke's Church is located at 130 Elgin St. in Brantford, at the corner of Brock. The event will begin at 9:30 AM and conclude at around 2:00 PM. Lunch will be available at a cost of \$10.00. To register, please contact Brian Munro at 519-756-3053 or Emily Molewyk at 519-583-1901.

**The Cranmer Theological Conference
Tuesday, May 14 – Friday, May 17
The Church of St. John the Divine, 301 Main St. E., North Bay, ON**

*Theme: Is God Good?
Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?*



This new event builds on the Cranmer Conference for young people, held in previous years. Featured speakers include the Revd. Dr. George Sumner, Principal of Wycliffe College, Toronto, and the Rt. Revd. Dr. Stephen Andrews, Bishop of Algoma. Conference fees are \$100 for regular registration, \$50 for student registration. The registration deadline is April 30. Full details, including the schedule for the week, the conference background, a downloadable registration form, and information on accommodations in North Bay, are available on the conference website: www.stjohndivine.ca/ctc/.

At left: "Job on the Dunghill, With His Wife", by Albrecht Dürer (1471-1528). This work is linked to Job chapter 2, verse 9. Job is sitting on a dunghill, while his wife pours a bucket of water over him. Perhaps she wants to cool his body, which is covered with sore boils. The woman is dressed in clothes typical of Nuremberg, where Dürer lived. In the background Job's burning house is visible.

ONTARIO REGIONAL CYCLE OF PRAYER, APRIL - JUNE

(Over the coming months, please remember the following parishes in your prayers. You might consider using for this purpose one of Prayer #8 or #9, found on pages 43 and 44 of the Book of Common Prayer, or the prayer "For the Parish" found on page 736.)

APR.	7	<i>Easter I</i>	St. Paul's Church, Kanyengeh, Six Nations Reserve
	14	<i>Easter II</i>	St. George's Church, Hamilton
	21	<i>Easter III</i>	St. Mary's Church, Walkerville (Windsor)
	28	<i>Easter IV</i>	St. Luke's Church, Broughdale (London)
MAY	5	<i>Rogation</i>	St. Bartholomew's Church, Toronto
	12	<i>After Ascension</i>	St. James' Church, Humber Bay (Toronto)
	19	<i>Whitsunday</i>	Parishes in the ACNA
	26	<i>Trinity</i>	Christ Church, Deer Park (Toronto)
JUNE	2	<i>Trinity I</i>	St. Brice's Church, North Bay
	9	<i>Trinity II</i>	St. Paul's Church, Dunnville
	16	<i>Trinity III</i>	St. Paul's Church, Port Dover
	23	<i>Trinity XIV</i>	St. John's Church, Woodhouse (Simcoe)
	30	<i>Trinity XV</i>	St. John's Church, Peterborough

The Prayer Book Society of Canada was founded in 1986 by Anglicans who were alarmed at the erosion of classical Anglican doctrine, worship and spirituality that was proceeding alongside the adoption of new liturgies. The Society's aim is briefly to support the continuing use of the Prayer Book for all who value it as their preferred medium of worship, preserving as it does faithfulness to Holy Scripture and adherence to the orthodox Anglican doctrine of the Christian faith. The Mission Statement of the Society, adopted in 1995, is: "To promote the understanding and use of the Book of Common Prayer as a scriptural system of nurture for life in Christ".

The Society operates on two levels: the national level and the branch level. The National Council is responsible for setting policy and direction for the Society, and for overseeing activities with a national scope. All branch presidents are *ex officio* members of the National Council. The branches are individually responsible for organizing local activities and initiatives in their own geographical areas, in support of the aims and objectives of the Society.

The Ontario Council of PBSC Branches is an informal coalition of branches in southern Ontario, formed in 1994. It serves as a forum for the planning of joint activities, and provides a network of support for the branches. It publishes this newsmagazine, "**The Lamp**", which appears quarterly in the months of March, June, September and December. Opinions expressed in these pages are not necessarily those of the Society as a whole. Contributions of articles and news items are welcome, and should be sent to the editor (see opposite).

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