

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA

MEMORANDUM

TO: Diocesan Clergy and Lay Delegates to Synod

FROM: The Diocesan Treasurer

DATE: January 8, 2020

We are communicating with you in regards to several matters relating to the forthcoming Special Diocesan Synod which will take place in Sault Ste. Marie, commencing Friday morning, May 8, 2020 and ending with a lunch in common prior to departure. Since this is a special synod happening in a non-synod year the lay delegate list from 2019 will be used.

CONVENING CIRCULAR

In accordance with Section C, Article 4, of the Constitution, the Convening Circular will be posted to the diocesan website at www.dioceseofalgoma.com one month before the meeting of Synod, and this date has been scheduled for the week of April 6, 2020.

TRAVEL COSTS, ACCOMMODATIONS, MEALS ETC.

Would you please note that the Parish is responsible for these costs. Executive approved a synod site fee for each delegate to cover one lunch and coffee breaks in the amount of \$50. Parishes will submit the fee for each lay and clergy delegate with the certificate of election of lay delegates.

Insofar as Youth Delegates are concerned, we will be writing to them by separate communication under today's date.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodations have been successfully negotiated with the Water Tower Inn for the nights of May 7th and 8th (for those requiring an extra night). The actual session of synod on Friday May 8th will be held at Zion Lutheran, 189 Upton Road.

In the past, considerable and unnecessary work has been caused by asking the Synod Office to arrange for accommodation, and we would suggest that you make your own reservations directly. We would suggest that you confirm your room rates at the time of registration. You should also indicate at the time of booking that you are attending the Algoma Diocese May Synod.

Water Tower Inn & Suites (www.watertowerinn.com)

Phone: 1-888-461-7077 (toll free)/705-949-8111 (local)

\$109.00 single or double plus applicable taxes

This rate will only be honoured via telephone reservations with the hotel directly!

Alternate accommodations are available at www.saulttourism.com/plan-your-trip

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS

We will be more than happy to make special arrangements for any delegates with special needs: e.g. - dietary restrictions, handicap facilities, etc. Please let Liz Hamel know full details as soon as possible at adminassistant@dioceseofalgoma.com .

REGISTRATION

The Credentials Committee will commence registration on Thursday, May 7, 2020 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Synod Office. Our staff will be available at that time to assist in handing out additional material to the Delegates.

OPENING EUCHARIST

An opening Eucharist will be held at St. Luke's Cathedral on Thursday May 7, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Jane Mesich, CPA, CA
Diocesan Treasurer