

GLOBAL SWANSONG with friends from the Dioceses of Qu'Appelle and Saskatoon

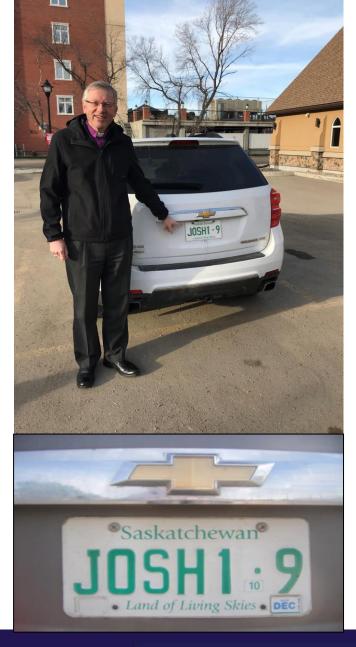


Monday July 12th 2021

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Indigenous Culture and Spirituality Bishop Chris Harper Diocese of Saskatoon



Reconciliation, Hope and New Advent

An introduction to indigenous culture and spirituality.

Monday 7th December at 3:00pm (local time for Bishop Chris 9:00am) via Zoom

This is the first of three sessions to be led by Bishop Chris Harper, the first indigenous Bishop of Saskatoon, Canada. Saskatoon is close to the Diocese of Qu'Appelle with which we have enjoyed a longstanding Companion Diocesan Link.

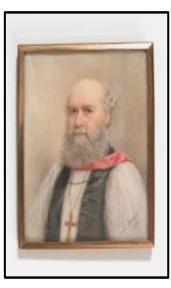
Bishop Michael is delighted that Bishop Chris has agreed to share his experience and wisdom and is looking forward to taking part in this experience of learning together. This is a remarkable opportunity to learn from and share our questions with someone whose life experience connects with many of the complex issues with which we are dealing.

To register your interest and request the Zoom link, please contact: denise.keen@lichfield.anglican.org.



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Historically: Bishop Adelbert Anson, the first Bishop of Qu'Appelle (1884), cultivated a relationship between Qu'Appelle and his home Diocese of Lichfield and with wealthy friends there. They briefly took on both the Diocese of Qu'Appelle as a mission field and the parish of St Peter's Pro-Cathedral as a particular focus of interest. Much of the early development of the St John's College Farm and the furnishing of St Peter's Pro-Cathedral are attributable to that early connection. Bishop Anson is buried in the churchyard of St Michael and All Angels in Colwich, Staffordshire.





Intergenerational worship and focus - grandparents

First Nation Issues

Ecumenical covenant – with Roman Catholics and Lutherans

Team ministry

Distinctive / permanent Diaconate

Interim Ministry



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Outgoing visits:

- First Curates' visit (2019)
- Revd Francis Wilson attends Permanent Diaconate Conference (2018)
- Bishop Michael visits (2017)
- Catherine Pollard SCVP (Aug 2017 July 2018)
- Mark and Gill Ireland (2015)
- Philip and Charlotte Swan (2014)
- Millie Swan SCVP (Jan-July 2014)
- Paul and Beryl Graetz (frequent visits)
- George and Joan Fisher (2013)
- +Mark for +Rob's consecration (2013)
- Philip Swan initial visit (2011)
- Michael Last spent two and a half years as a priest in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle.



Incoming visits:

- Matthew Gobbett SCVP (July 2017– June 2018)
- Archdeacon Cheryl Toth & Revd Michael Bruce (April 2018) Visit and attendance at Clergy Conference Swanwick
- +Rob attending +Michael's Installation (Sept 2016)
- Archdeacons Dell Bornowsky and Catherine Harper (May 2015)
- Dean Mike Sinclair (Goodness of God 2015)
- Kim and Sue Salo: focus on Team Ministry and Intercessory Prayer (Aug 2014)
- Archdeacon Peter Boote, formerly of Lichfield Diocese, (frequent visits to Stafford)





Curates' Placement 2019









Informed Prayer

Wed May 2020: *AROUND THE WORLD:* Pray for the Dioceses of Qu'Appelle and Saskatoon, Canada remembering Bishop Rob Hardwick and Bishop Chris Harper. We ask for your resourcing for them and for Archdeacon Catherine Harper in her role as Assistant to the Bishop of Qu'Appelle; for the Dioceses as they deal with financial pressures as giving declines and clergy worry over the provision of stipends. Give thanks for the imaginative responses with online services and the use of prayer-trees as parishioners pray for one another in a systematic and responsive way.

Wed 28th April 2021: Peter Chanel, Missionary in the South Pacific, Martyr, 1841) pray for Matthew Gobbett, a former St Chad's Volunteer from Moose Jaw in Saskatchewan, who was based at Holy Trinity Church, Oswestry; giving thanks for the positive experience of Christian formation he received and for him as he discerns God's way forward; for the Bishop of Qu'Appelle Rob Hardwick as he retires in July.

Bushwakkers Fellowship!



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Shaping for Mission Setting a Vision





"As we follow Christ in the footsteps of St Chad, we pray that the two million people in our diocese encounter a church that is confident in the gospel, knows and loves its communities, and is excited to find God already at work in the world.
We pray for a church that reflects the richness and variety of those communities.
We pray for a church that partners with others in seeking the common good, working for justice as a people of hope."

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⁴ For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. *Romans 12*















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