



## The Office of the Metropolitan of Ontario The Anglican Church of Canada

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The Most Reverend Anne Germond  
Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario

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Dear friends in Christ,

Your prayers are requested for the Diocese of Huron as they prepare for their Episcopal Election on Saturday 26th October, 2019. Lay and clergy delegates from across the diocese will gather at St. Paul's Cathedral in London early in the morning for registration, a meet and greet with the candidates, and a celebration of Holy Eucharist prior to the start of voting. I will chair this synod as Metropolitan for the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario. Thank you to the Electoral Procedures Committee, chaired by the Vice Chancellor Chris Sinal for all their work in preparing for this important day in the life of the Diocese of Huron and in the wider church.

We give thanks for the five candidates whose names will be on the ballot who are graciously and courageously discerning a call to be the 14th Bishop of Huron. We ask God to fill with peace - The Right Reverend William Cliff, The Venerable Dr. Tim Dobbin, The Very Reverend Paul Millward, The Venerable Tanya Phibbs, and The Reverend Canon Dr. Todd Townshend.

May God grant to the delegates and candidates all the gifts of wisdom and discernment they will need as they undertake this holy work in their church, and I invite your prayers...

"Gracious and loving God, we pray that you will call among us as the Bishop of Huron a person of prayer, a faithful disciple, a compassionate pastor, a chief shepherd of your own choosing who will guide the people of the Diocese of Huron as they share the transforming gospel of Jesus Christ.

Bless those who will elect Huron's new bishop with gifts of wisdom and discernment and understanding, so that they will have the wisdom to recognize whom you are sending.

In this time of transition, keep us all steadfast in faith and united in love, trusting in the promises of your Kingdom. Fill our hearts and minds with your grace and favour that our words and actions embody your story in our lives.

We ask this through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen."

I remain yours in Christ,

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