

ONTARIO PROVINCIAL SYNOD

**DRAFT** Agenda for Meeting in Kingston  
October 9 – 12, 2012  
*Draft to become final when approved by Synod*

**Theme: Marks of Mission**

Tuesday, October 9:

2:00 pm: meeting of House of Bishops, continuing into evening with dinner

4:00 – 10:00 pm: registration

- hospitality suite open

7:00 pm: orientation session: Harry Huskins, Executive Officer

- All first time delegates urged to attend

Wednesday, October 10:

[mixed seating by assignment]

7:30 – 8:30 am: breakfast in common at hotel

Information desk open throughout the day

No specific breaks are planned; coffee will be available throughout the day

9:00 am – noon:

- Constitute Synod
  - Call to order by Metropolitan: the Most Rev. Colin Johnson, Archbishop of Toronto
  - Introduction of Head Table: Susan De Gruchy, Executive Officer
  - Welcoming remarks by guests invited to Opening
    - ❖ Archbishop Brendan O'Brien (Roman Catholic Diocese of Kingston)
    - ❖ The Honourable John Gerretsen (Attorney General and MPP for Kingston and the Islands)
    - ❖ Representative from Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory (name to be provided)
- Worship
- Bible study on Mark of Mission: *To Proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom*
- Housekeeping: the Ven. Bill Clarke, Chair of Local Arrangements
- Election of Assessors – see motions section
- Election of Honourary Secretaries – see motions section
- Agenda check
- Courtesies of the House: Archbishop Brendan O'Brien  
The Honourable John Gerretsen  
Representative from Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory (name to be provided)  
The Ven. Bill Clarke

The Rev. Blair Peever  
The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz  
The Ven. Paul Feheley  
The Rev. Dr. Eileen Scully  
The Honourable Donna Cansfield  
Mr. John Brewin  
Mr. Murray MacAdam  
Mr. Michael Skaljin  
The Rev. Canon Douglas Graydon  
The Rev. Joanne Davies  
Ms. Elin Goulden

- Omnibus Motion organizing Synod – see motions section
- Nominations for Prolocutor open: submit to one of the Executive Officers
  
- Diocese of Moosonee: presentation by Bishop Tom Corston and delegates from the Diocese of Moosonee

Mid-day prayers

Lunch in common at hotel

2:00 – 5:00 pm:

- Bible study on Mark of Mission: *To Respond to Human Need in Loving Service*
- Panel and discussion on purpose of Provincial Synod: what could we be?
- Governance Working Group of General Synod: presentation by David Philip Jones, Q.C., Chancellor of General Synod

4:00 pm: nominations for Prolocutor close

6:00 pm:

Synod Dinner – speaker: the Most Rev. Fred Hiltz, Primate of All Canada, on *Marks of Mission*

Hospitality suite open

Thursday, October 11:

[mixed seating by assignment]

7:30 – 8:30 am: breakfast in common at hotel

Information desk open throughout the day

No specific breaks are planned; coffee will be available throughout the day

9:00 am – noon:

- Agenda check: Susan De Gruchy
- Bible study on Mark of Mission: *To Teach, Baptize, and Nurture New Believers*
- Election of Prolocutor: balloting will continue throughout morning if needed

- Theological education: presentation by Primate's Commission on Theological Education

Mid-day prayers

Lunch in common at hotel

1:30 – 2:30 pm: Advocacy Workshops

- Skills for Advocacy: led by Donna Cansfield (MPP for Etobicoke Centre) and John Brewin (former MP for Victoria)
- Poverty: led by Murray MacAdam (Social Justice and Advocacy Consultant, Diocese of Toronto) and Michael Skaljin (Executive Director of Interfaith Social Assistance Reform Coalition)
- Pastoral Care in an Increasingly Secular Society: led by Douglas Graydon (Coordinator of Chaplaincy Services, Diocese of Toronto) and Joanne Davies (Chaplain at Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto)
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2:45 pm: Bible study on Mark of Mission: *To Seek to Transform Unjust Structures of Society*

3:30 – 4:30 pm: Advocacy Workshops

- Spirituality for Social Advocacy (Elin Goulden, Parish Outreach Facilitator for the York-Credit Valley Area of the Diocese of Toronto)
- Poverty: repeat of above
- Pastoral Care: repeat of above

4:30 pm: deadline for additional motions: submit to one of the Assessors

5:00 pm: buffet dinner at hotel

7:00 pm: Eucharist, with installation of prolocutor, at St. George's Cathedral

Celebrant: the Most Rev. Colin Johnson, Metropolitan and Archbishop of Toronto

Preacher: the Rt. Rev. Michael Oulton, Bishop of the Diocese of Ontario

Reception at Cathedral

Transportation will be provided

Friday, October 12:

[seating by diocese]

7:30 – 8:30 am: breakfast in common at hotel

Information desk open throughout the morning

No specific breaks are planned; coffee will be available throughout the morning

9:00 am – noon:

- Agenda check: Susan DeGruchy
- Bible study on Mark of Mission: *To Strive to Safeguard the Integrity of Creation*
- Formation of Council
- Any remaining motions

- Invitation to Synod 2015, Diocese of Toronto
- Metropolitan's closing remarks
- Prorogation of Synod