

A word from Bishop Jane regarding prayer for the primatial election to be held at General Synod 2019:

The bishops have nominated five bishops from among their number to stand for election as the next Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada. Bishops nominated for the election of the 14th Primate are:

- The Right Reverend Jane Alexander of the Diocese of Edmonton
- The Most Reverend Ron Cutler of the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island and Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada
- The Most Reverend Gregory Kerr-Wilson of the Diocese of Calgary and Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land
- The Right Reverend Linda Nicholls of the Diocese of Huron
- The Right Reverend Michael Oulton of the Diocese of Ontario

Archbishop Hiltz has asked that we reflect on the responsibilities of the Primate's ministry:

- leading our Church in God's mission in these times
- visiting all of our dioceses and territories
- pastorally caring for our bishops and nurturing them for their apostolic leadership
- working in a particularly close relationship with the National Indigenous Bishop, with respect to the emerging of the self-determining Indigenous Church representing our Church throughout the Anglican Communion
- strengthening our relations with other Churches, particularly in Canada
- writing and speaking prophetically to the issues of our times, and
- forging relationships with people of other faith traditions and all people of good will dedicated to the building of a truly just, healthy and peaceful world

Please pray for all the candidates:

Almighty God, giver of all good gifts, look on your Church with grace, and guide the minds of those who shall choose a Primate for our beloved Church, that we may receive a faithful servant who will care for your people and support us in our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Please also pray with thanksgiving for ++Fred Hiltz' ministry as our Primate:

Heavenly Father,
in every age you raise up pastors and leaders for your Church
to reflect the light of Christ and to lead us in the way of holiness.
We thank you for Fred
who has been shepherd of your flock in the Anglican Church of Canada:
We thank you for his pastoral heart and godly leadership
We thank you for the gifts of grace in his ministry.
We thank his family for sharing Fred with the whole church
and we pray for a time of refreshment for Fred and Lynne in the months ahead.
Continue to bless their ministry and give them joy in serving you.
Amen.