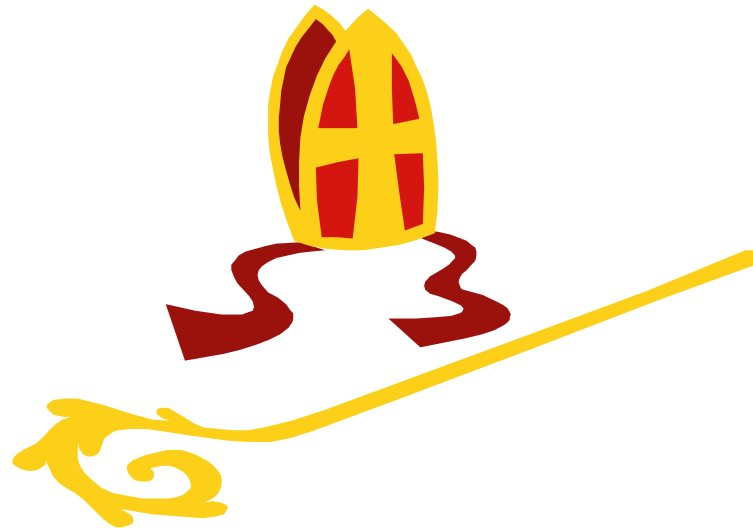


# Places of Refreshment

Bishop's Address to Synod



# **Creation: Day Seven**

**Rest and Refreshment**

# **The Mission of Jesus**

**To reconcile the world to God**

# We are Companions in God's Mission



# **Diocesan Vision**

**To become**

- **Christ-centered,**
- **Mission-minded,**
- **Ministering Communities of Faith**

# Healthy Congregations

from Synod 2006

- 1. Our congregation's members know who they are before God. **Identity**
- 2. Our congregation knows what it is called to do. **Vision**
- 3. Our congregation has the resources and leadership necessary to carry out its calling. **Stewardship**
- 4. People experience the power and energy of the Gospel in their worship and life together. **Worship**
- 5. The activities of the congregation make a discernible difference in individual lives and in the larger world around us. **Outreach**

# Strategies

- Healthy Congregations Fund (L4F)
- Parish Visioning Challenge & Resource
- Growth in stewardship understanding and response
- Support financial health of parishes
- Clergy Wellness Initiatives

# Challenges

- Lack of structure to support healthy congregations initiative
- Lack of integration of research into church planning resulting in disappointments and backlash

# **Embracing Youth**

# **Strategies Youth**

- **Leadership Development**
  - **Diocesan Youth Ministry Coordinator**
  - **Regional Youth facilitators**
  - **Youth participation in national programs**
  - **Youth delegates at Synod**
  - **Ecumenical Consultation on effective youth ministry at AST**

# Strategies Youth

- **Diocesan Youth Conference**
  - For 13 to 15 year olds
  - Keynote speaker
  - Workshops
  - Worship
  - Music
  - Christian Community

**Contact: Rev'd Brianna Andrews**

# Diocesan Youth Conference 2008



# Diocesan Youth Conference 2009

- Keynote speaker

The Rev'd Canon Bill Cliff



# Strategies Youth

- **Teens Encounter Christ**
- For 16 to 18 year olds
- Anglican Christian Formation
- Worship
- Fun
- Friends
  
- Contact : Rev'd Carl Fraser

# Teens Encounter Christ 2009



Contacts: Ms Cydney Proctor or Rev'd Elliott Siteman



# Challenges

- **Gap – Young families and children**
- **Development of liturgies and alternative worship to better connect with children, youth and young adults**
- **Continued connection to national**  
[www.generation.anglican.ca](http://www.generation.anglican.ca)
- **To foster electronic means of communication**
- **To maintain and grow post secondary school chaplaincies**

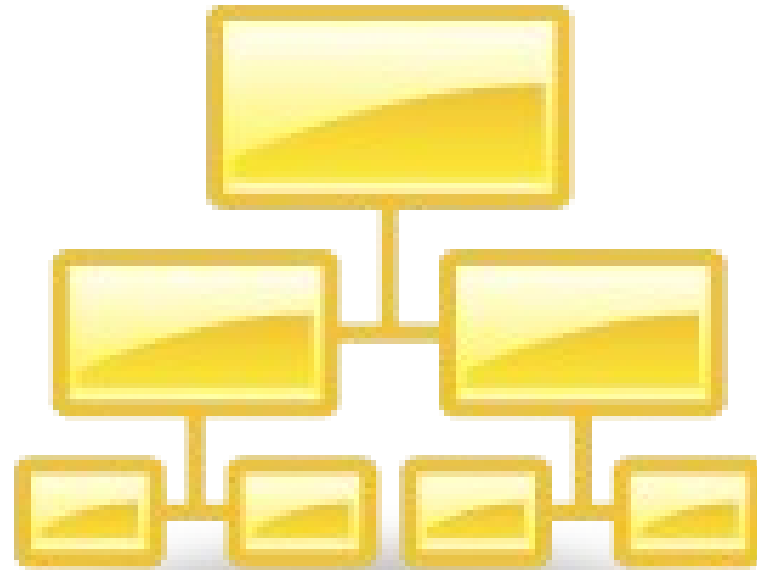
# **Anglican Christian Formation**

- **Justice Camp 2009**
- **2010 Celebrations**
- **Why I Love the Anglican Church**
- **Diocesan Profile**
- **2009 Liturgy Conference**

# Challenges

- **Lack of support**
- **No Committee**
- **No Staff**

# Organizational Effectiveness



# Places of Refreshment

- **Synod**
  - **Daily worship**
  - **Meals**
  - **Laughter**
  - **Singing**
  - **Celebrations**
    - **Leap for Faith**
    - **Clergy Long Service**
    - **Lay Accomplishments**

# **Why?**

**To grow personally**

**&**

**To grow as parishes in order**

**To carry out the mission of Jesus Christ  
to reconcile the world to God!**

# Mission

- **To proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ**
- **To teach and nurture new believers to bring them into the Body of Christ**
- **To respond to human need by loving service**
- **To seek to transform unjust structures of society**
- **To safeguard the integrity of creation and renew the life of the earth**