

Monday, 07 October 2024

Dear Lay and Clerical Delegates to Synod, Officers of Synod, and Lay Incumbents:

Bishop Bruce has summoned the 86th (Ordinary) Session of Synod of the Diocese of Quebec to meet on October 31 to November 3rd, 2024 at the Monastère des Augustines, in Quebec City. It is located in close proximity to Church House and the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity.

Please note the following:

Most of the documentation is available at https://quebec.anglican.ca/resources/synod-documents-2024

Motions or notices of motions, with the names of the mover and secondary, shall be submitted to me. They will be forwarded to the Resolutions Committee.

There is a series of significant proposed amendments to the Constitution and Canons. A series of webinars have been or will be held. You may register at https://forms.gle/X3gMm3ZfcH2E8yJ97

The proposed amendments and the recorded webinars may be viewed at https://quebec.anglican.ca/resources/synod-documents-2024

Nominations for various positions is still open and include: Diocesan Executive Council (DEC); Delegates to Provincial Synod and General Synod; Secretary of Synod; and Treasurer of the Diocese of Quebec.

The nomination form is at: https://forms.gle/wphzR3TGkfKGeDJW6

You are asked to send me the names of Synod members who have departed this life since the last meeting of Synod in November of 2019. So far, I have the following names:

Clerical: The Rev. Peter Spackman; The Rev. Malcolm Evans; The Rev. John LeGresley; The Rev. Garth Morrill; The Very Rev. Walter Raymond; The Rt. Rev. Alexander Bruce Stavert Lay: Mrs. Joan Gibb; Mr. John Rasmussen; Mr. Glenn Coates; Canon Graham Jackson; Mrs. Phyllis Gauthier

Travel: Keep all of your travel receipts. A reimbursement form will be made available at Synod. The travel expenses are as follows:

- Air/train/bus/Taxi/parking fare (full compensation-receipts are necessary)
- Car use: \$.65/km plus \$0.10/passenger to a maximum of \$0.95/kilometre

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- Meals: Maximum: breakfast: \$15; lunch: \$25; supper: \$40 (Synod does not reimburse for meals provided for on Synod sites)
- Hotel: lowest possible rate
- Lodging: \$40.00 per night (for extra lodging accommodation example: Wednesday and Sunday)
- You must submit receipts for air, train, bus, taxi, parking, meals, and hotel.
- Reimbursements are payable to Synod members (officers, delegates, lay incumbents, and some invited guests)

If you are a **NEWCOMER**, please try to make it to the Bishop Bruce's meeting for first time delegates scheduled on October 31 at 4:45 p.m.

Appendices A and B are attached: Order and Proceedings at Meetings of Synod and Rules of Order at Meetings of Synod. Please familiarize yourself with these two documents.

The Monastère des Augustines has an FAQ site: https://monastere.ca/en/frequently-asked-questions/

Parking is limited. To reserve your space, please contact Sean Otto at info@quebec.anglican.ca or 418-692-3858.

The agenda is still taking shape and will be made available shortly. For now, an abridged one-page agenda is attached.

For the closing Sunday Eucharist, clergy are asked to robe; lay readers are asked to vest. Quebec City-area churches will be closed that Sunday.

Looking forward to seeing you at Synod...

Canon Stephen Kohner Secretary of Synod

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