

International Anglican-Roman Catholic-Ukrainian Catholic Conference on the Diaconate Campion College, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada – 10-13 May 2018 The Ministry of the Deacon: Word and Sacrament, Charity and Justice <u>diaconate2018@sasktel.net</u>

Message #2 to the Participants in the 2018 Conference on the Diaconate

September 2018

Dear Friends of the Diaconate,

This is our second message to the participants in the May conference on the diaconate in Regina. We are also sending this to our wider diaconal network in Canada, the US, the UK and New Zealand. So some of you may receive it twice!

Website and Video-recording of Conference Sessions

Deacon Joe Lang has set up the following website: <u>https://sites.google.com/view/skdiaconate2018/</u> You'll find video-recordings of the conference sessions except one (for technical reasons), the biographies of the speakers, information on the conference, and articles about it. Many thanks to our "techno-deacon" for his diligence and expertise!

We have not posted the texts of the conference papers, as these are different from the oral presentations in the sessions. However, as indicated below, we are actively pursuing the possibility of a print publication.

Publication of Conference Papers

We are in promising discussions with a church press about publication of a book based on the conference presentations. As editor, I have received and edited fifteen papers and am expecting one more. They are of a high standard and would make for a fascinating volume on the contemporary diaconate. We'll keep you posted on developments.

Other Conferences

In our July message we mentioned the idea of another Anglican-Roman Catholic-Ukrainian Catholic conference on the diaconate, preferably in Ontario. There has been an expression of interest in holding such a conference in Ottawa in two or three years. Stay tuned!

Publicity

More articles have appeared on the conference:

David Lappano, a participant in the conference from Winnipeg, gave his impressions on the website of the Centre for Christian Studies. Here is the link: <u>http://ccsonline.ca/2018/05/baptised-and-formed-ecumenical-conversations-on-the-diaconate/</u>

Deacon Pam Nesbit, of the Episcopal Church in the USA, published an article in the August 2018 issue of *Diakoneo*, the quarterly magazine of the Association for Episcopal Deacons.

Canon Michael Jackson, conference secretary, has an article in the September 2018 issue of *Saskatchewan Anglican*, the monthly newspaper of the three Anglican dioceses in the Province of Saskatchewan.

These last two articles are attached to the covering email. All three also appear on the new website, along with previous articles.

With prayers, blessings and best wishes as we resume our activities, following (we hope) a good summer break. Let's stay in touch!

Deacon Canon Michael Jackson, Conference Secretary

on behalf of

Archbishop Donald Bolen and Bishop Robert Hardwick, Conference Co-Chairs

Deacon Joe Lang, Deacon Canon Susan Page, Dr. Brett Salkeld, Committee Members



"Gopher Deacon" by Joe Lang – our conference mascot

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