


**Governance**  
 Pamela Boisvert, Secretary of Synod  
 & Marg Creal, Chancellor



Diocese of Toronto  
 Anglican Church of Canada

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**Current Legal Framework**

- **Religious Organizations' Lands Act** (Ont.) R.S.O. (1990) c. R.23
- **Anglican Church of Canada Act** (Ont.) S.O. (1979) c.46
- **The Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto**
- **"The Church Temporalities Act"**
- **The Constitution & Canons** (*ie.* 'by-laws')
- **"Epicopally led" and "Synodically governed"**



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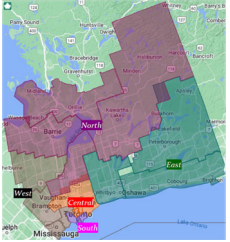
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**The Rt. Rev. Andrew Asbil, Bishop**  
 Bishop's Assistant: Jennifer Bolender King




**Central Archdeaconry**  
*Deaneries and Regional Deans*

- Eglinton: The Rev. Pamela Rayment
- Scarborough: The Rev. Canon Greg Carpenter
- York Central: The Rev. Mark Stacey
- York Mills: The Rev. Nicholas Morkel

**Archdeacon**

- The Ven. Theadore Hunt



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**The Rt. Rev. Riscylla Shaw, Suffragan Bishop**  
 Bishop's Assistant: TBD




**North Archdeaconry**  
*Deaneries and Regional Deans*

- Holland: The Rev. Canon Erin Martin
- Huronia: TBD
- Nottawasaga: The Rev. Susan Snelling
- Victoria-Haliburton: The Rev. Canon Ted McCollum

*Canon Administrator*

- Canon Laura Walton, ODT




**East Archdeaconry**  
*Deaneries and Regional Deans*

- Durham-Northumberland: The Rev. Jesse Parker
- Oshawa: The Rev. Canon Ruthanne Ward
- Peterborough: The Rev. Samantha Caravan

*Archdeacon*

- The Ven. John Anderson



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**The Rt. Rev. Kevin Robertson, Suffragan Bishop**  
 Bishop's Assistant: Sue Willoughby




**South Archdeaconry**  
*Deaneries and Regional Deans*

- Toronto East: The Rev. Shelley McVea
- St. James: The Rev. Canon Greg Sangwine
- Parkdale-Toronto West: The Rev. Canon Philip Hobson, OGS

*Archdeacon*

- The Ven. Cheryl Palmer



**West Archdeaconry**  
*Deaneries and Regional Deans*

- Etobicoke-Humber: The Rev. Patrick McManus
- Mississauga: The Rev. Susan Climo
- North Peel: The Rev. Julie Meakin
- Tecumseth: The Rev. Canon Darrell Wright

*Archdeacon*

- The Ven. Steven Mackison



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**Parishes & Congregations**

- Under the oversight of an Incumbent/Rector
- Churchwardens and Vestry
- Each congregation is a separate provincial (Ontario) corporation
- Not incorporated under the Ontario Not for Profit Corporations Act
- Each congregation is a Registered Charity with CRA



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## Vestry

- Voting membership
- Annual meetings
  - Chaired by Incumbent
- Vestry list
- No proxy voting
- No quorum




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## Churchwardens

- Corporation
- The Churchwardens of the Church of <name of parish or church> [in the village of], <location>.”
- 2 Churchwardens – 1 elected, 1 appointed
- Must act jointly and in concert with the Incumbent



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## Duties of the Churchwardens

Main areas of responsibilities include:

		
Upkeep of buildings and land	Management of finances and budget	Hiring and firing of staff (excluding clergy)
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Canon Rob Saffrey	Rebecca Scott	Deb Journeaux



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## Duties of the Churchwardens

Other areas of responsibility include:




Parish  
Communications

Canon Stuart Mann




Records  
Management

Claire Wilton



Stewardship  
Education

Peter Misiaszek



Canon 15

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## Incumbent & Churchwardens

- Responsible for the leadership of the congregation
- Includes parish staff supervision



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  Canon 10
  Canon 15

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## Incumbent & Churchwardens

*Anglican Church of Canada Act (Ontario) S.O.(1979) c. 46*

1.-(2) The parson or other **incumbent** of the church for the time being and the **churchwardens** thereof shall, for the purposes of The Religious Organizations' Lands Act, 1979 be deemed to be **trustees** within the meaning thereof.

2.-(1) Land shall not be sold or leased, mortgaged or otherwise encumbered under the powers conferred by The Religious Organizations' Lands Act, 1979 except with the **consent of the vestry** of the church or congregation interested therein **and of the bishop** of the diocese **and the executive committee of the synod of the diocese**, and the consent of the vestry given in accordance with the rules and canons of the church shall be deemed to be the consent of the congregation.

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## Deputy Churchwardens

- Appointments are optional
- Equal numbers
- No automatic succession




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## Treasurers

- Appointed by and responsible to the Churchwardens
- If appointed by Vestry to be a signing officer, can only act as a second signature on cheques
- Parish Finance Manual

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## Signing Officers

- Normally all cheques are signed by both Churchwardens
- One churchwardens must sign
- Vestry appoints signing officers
- Incumbent should NOT be a signing officer

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## Other Bodies

- Advisory Board
  - “Advisory role”
- Parish Executive Committee
  - Multi-point parishes

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 Canon 18

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## Save the Dates!

**Pre-Synod (Zoom)**  
Oct. 21, 2023

**Synod (Sheridan Parkway)**  
Nov. 17 – 18, 2023



[www.toronto.anglican.ca/upcomingsynod](http://www.toronto.anglican.ca/upcomingsynod)

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## Governance Structure

**Synod Council**  
Chair: Bishop Andrew Asbil  
Staff: Pamela Boisvert

<b>Audit</b>	<b>Finance</b>	<b>Human Resources</b>	<b>Property</b>	<b>Risk &amp; Governance</b>
Chair: Don Gillespie Staff: Canon Rob Saffrey	Chair: George Lewis Staff: Canon Rob Saffrey	Chair: Delores Lawrence Staff: Deborah Journeaux	Co-Chair: Stuart Hutcherson Co-Chair: Peter Patterson Staff: Canon Rob Saffrey	Chair: Marg Creal Staff: Pamela Boisvert

 Team seeks input on governance pilot project:  
[governancereview@toronto.anglican.ca](mailto:governancereview@toronto.anglican.ca)

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**LINKS & RESOURCES**

- [The Constitution and Canons](#)
  - [Parish Leaders' Manual](#)
  - [Parish Finance Manual](#)
- [Parish Human Resources Manual](#)
- [Parish Property Management Guide](#)
  - [Diocese of Toronto website](#)

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## Team

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