

PROVINCIAL PRAYER CARE - 2007 REPORT

The Province of Canada Prayer Care is prepared four times a year by the Diocese of Western Newfoundland who took on the role of preparing it effective January 1, 2005. It is compiled from submissions by member dioceses. Master copies are prepared in a calendar format and sent to each diocesan office for distribution so that we can pray for individuals, ministries, special events and concerns. Use of the leaflet also ensures a rotating cycle of provinces, dioceses and bishops being prayed for each Sunday, along with the work of Provincial Council.

Use of the Prayer Care helps us become part of each others' lives in the Province of Canada. The cryptic entries represent many of our daily concerns and joys, ranging from our prayers for the restoration of right relations with the earth and with the Aboriginal peoples of Canada - in particular our Settlement Agreement regarding Residential Schools, to our thanksgiving for the ordinations, installations, anniversaries and retirements of clergy in our Province.

Preparation of the Provincial Prayer Care has become increasingly easier and efficient with modern technology and the internet age. We rely on submissions by member dioceses to form a broad and comprehensive prayer network of intentions throughout the province. Submissions are emailed to the Diocese of Western Newfoundland and the compiled calendar of prayer intentions is made available in a Portable Document Format (PDF) via the internet and email.

We thank the Diocesan Offices of the Province for their continued assistance in providing submissions for the Prayer Care in a timely manner. If you have comments or suggestions that might improve the publication, please feel free to contact our office.

Respectfully submitted,

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