



DIocese OF KOOTENAY

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Special Ash Wednesday Pastoral Communication



Dear Friends in Christ,

As we begin our Lenten journey, I pray that your congregational worship and programs will deepen our devotion and strengthen our church. I pray too, that your personal observances and commitments through this season will strengthen your own life and encourage you in faith. There are many accretions and assumptions associated with this season Lent, but perhaps it can best be summed up in the invitation to “Take time for God.” May that be possible for each of us and so draw us closer to the source of all life and all love made known to us in the face of Jesus Christ.

A new diocesan video has been produced which answers the question “What is the DFB?” It has been produced as an educational resource for every parish. I ask that sometime in the first quarter of this year you present the video to your newly elected Church Committee. It can be downloaded from the Diocesan website at <http://dioceseofkootenay.squarespace.com/diocesan-news/> If you do not have the equipment to download and show it to your Church Committee there are DVD copies available through Kathryn at the Diocesan Centre.

Sorrento Centre has produced a series of photo/scripture based posters for Lent. The Rev. Ken Gray (formerly of this Diocese) has done the photography. The posters are available on the Sorrento website at <http://www.sorrento-centre.bc.ca/landg-latestnews.html> For each card there is both a high resolution poster suitable for printing and an emailable, low resolution card suitable for emailing. New cards will be posted each week through Lent, ending with Easter Sunday. They are published with a Creative Commons copyright so they can be reproduced for free as long as they are reproduced on a non-commercial basis with proper attribution.

The service of Induction for The Rev. Roger Cooper will be held at St. George’s, West Kelowna on Sunday, February 26 at 7:00 p.m. Clergy are invited to robe, and the liturgical colour will be white.

May you keep a holy Lent,
Archbishop John