



The Diocese of Rupert's Land

The Right Reverend Donald D. Phillips

Bishop of Rupert's Land

July 4, 2018

To Clergy and lay members of the Diocese of Rupert's Land

Dear Friends in Rupert's Land

On June 16th, the Synod of the Diocese of Rupert's Land elected The Ven. Geoffrey J.J. Woodcroft to be bishop coadjutor for Rupert's Land. **Geoff will be consecrated at a service at St. John's Cathedral at 7 pm on Friday evening October 12, 2018.** All are welcome to attend. Geoff will commence his ministry as Bishop Coadjutor on October 16th, and will work with me for approximately one month. I have announced the date of my retirement as November 15, 2018, so on November 16th, Geoff will become the 13th Bishop of the Diocese of Rupert's Land.

The Diocese of Rupert's Land is establishing an Episcopal Ministry Transition fund to assist with all of the costs associated with preparing for new episcopal ministry. This will necessitate the purchase of a variety of copes, mitres, cassocks, 'purple' shirts, pectoral cross, ring, and more. These items can be costly and we are inviting members of the diocese who wish to do so, to make a gift in support of these costs.

Cheques may be made payable to the Diocese of Rupert's Land and sent to 935 Nesbitt Bay, Winnipeg, MB R3T 1W6. We also have the capability of processing credit card payments through the Synod Office. We are pleased to be able to offer a charitable receipt in the amount of your gift. The list below provides an understanding of what is required and associated costs. If you would like to direct your gift to a particular item, please note this on your cheque or in your call to our office.

White Mitre	\$600
One other Mitre	\$525
Purple cassock	\$490
Rochet (long white surplice-like garment) & Chimere (red vest-like tunic)	\$395 \$395
Tippet (black scarf)	\$200
Episcopal Ring	*2,000 - *3,000 <i>(This gift is already being provided)</i>
Pectoral Cross	*\$750 - \$1500
Purple clergy shirts (short and long sleeved)	*\$500
Miscellaneous (Consecration & Reception)	*\$1000
<i>(*approximation, depending on design and materials)</i>	

More importantly, though, we invite your prayers, care and support for Bishop Coadjutor-elect, Geoff, his wife, Jennifer and their family, over these next few months.

Yours, in Christ,

The Rt. Rev. Donald Phillips, PhD
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