



FORMATION PROGRAMME

Diocese of Fredericton

Unit Description

TITLE:	Preaching: Preparation and Practice
INSTRUCTOR:	The Rt. Rev. William Hockin, Retired Bishop, Lecturer, Speaker and Author
DAY-LONG LEARNING EVENT	
DATE:	Saturday, 18 February 2017 (Snow Date: 11 March 2017)
LOCATION:	Christ Church (Parish) Church, Fredericton

OVERVIEW:

Basics of preparation and delivery of a Sunday sermon by way of consideration of the topic during lectures, group discussion and the assignment addressing practicalities of the preaching task. Sessions themes are: Introduction, Principals of Effective Preaching, Four Words of Preparing a Sermon (Lead, Lection, Leaven, Lock) and Application of the Principals. This final section will involve beginning to write a sermon. Please bring bible, paper, laptop and other resources which is felt might be needed.

REQUIRED TEXTS:

- [GOSPEL Therapy – Homilies of Hope and Possibility](#) by Bishop Bill Hockin, 2015, Taylor Printing Group. Gospel Therapy is available at the Synod Office (\$15.00), Lighthouse Bookstore and Westminster Books in Fredericton, as well as the Catholic Bookstore in Saint John.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED TEXTS:

- [Preaching - Communicating Faith in an Age of Skepticism](#) by Timothy Keller, 2015, Viking Books
- [Craddock on the Craft of Preaching](#) by Fred Craddock, 2013, Christian Board of Publication
- [The Witness of Preaching](#) by Tom Long, 2005, Westminster John Knox Press

WRITTEN SUBMISSION TOPICS:

Students will prepare to submit to the Instructor a Sunday Sermon for March 5 (Lent 1) Gospel Text of Matthew 4:1-11 and summary of feedback from the congregation(s) to whom the sermon was preached. Instructor comments and grade will be provided toward the end of April.

- Sermon and Summary of Feedback: Submitted by e-mail to the instructor by Wednesday, March 29 or earlier.
- Feedback format will be provided on February 18.

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