



### Who we are

*Biblical, Missionary, Uniting*

#### Parishes

There are currently 47 parishes and church plants in the Anglican Network in Canada (ANiC), some small, some large. Among these are the largest Anglican parish in Canada, St John's Vancouver, and the largest Chinese Anglican parish in Canada, the Anglican Network Church of the Good Shepherd Vancouver.

#### Clergy

Well over 120 clergy members – including six bishops – are licenced in ANiC under the jurisdiction of the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone and are members of the Anglican Church in North America (ACNA).

#### Comparative size

Average Sunday attendance at ANiC parishes is over 4000. By this measure, ANiC is larger than 14 Anglican Church of Canada (ACoC) dioceses – based on 2001 ACoC statistics, the most recent available.

#### Jurisdiction

ANiC parishes and clergy are under the episcopal authority of Bishop Donald Harvey, who is currently under the Primatial authority of both Presiding Bishop Hector (Tito) Zavala of the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone and Archbishop Bob Duncan of the Anglican Church in North America.

#### Brief history

ANiC traces its roots to the Anglican "Essentials" movement and Essentials' founding theological statement, the 1994 Montreal Declaration, which defined the "essentials" of the Anglican expression of the Christian faith. In 2005, the Anglican Network in Canada was established together with the Anglican Federation as the two constituent partners in Anglican Essentials Canada (AEC).

In November 2007, ANiC announced that it would provide episcopal oversight for Canadian Anglicans and parishes that no longer had a home in the Anglican Church of Canada. Under our moderator, Bishop Donald Harvey, and the Primatial jurisdiction of the Archbishop Gregory Venables, Primate of the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone, ANiC received a number of churches and individuals into membership. In June 2009, the Anglican Church in North America was constituted and ANiC became a diocese in that "province-in-formation".

#### What we stand for

Members of the ANiC are committed to the foundational principles and historic standard of the Anglican tradition in Canada. We embrace Anglican orthodoxy – the biblically-faithful, authentically-Anglican way of following Jesus and being part of the "One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church". This orthodoxy is defined by and centred on the classic formularies – or foundational principles of the Anglican tradition in Canada. We believe in:

- The supreme authority of the teaching of Holy Scripture as understood within the doctrinal formularies of historical Anglicanism, specifically, the Book of Common Prayer, the Thirty-nine Articles, the Ordinal and the Solemn Declaration of 1893.
- The triune nature of the one God, and the personal divinity of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- The sinfulness of each and every person and the universal need of salvation.
- The sinless life, atoning death, bodily resurrection and ascension, heavenly reign and future return in glory of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- The essential realities of salvation encompassing the forgiveness of sins through justification, regeneration and adoption into the Father's family, union and communion with Jesus Christ and the personal indwelling of the Holy Spirit, the practice of holiness, moral transformation into the image of Christ, and the future resurrection of the body for a life of bliss.
- The preaching of the Word of God, the fellowship of the church, the ministry of the sacraments, and personal prayer – as the principal means of God's grace.

#### Affiliations

ANiC is a diocese of the **Anglican Church in North America** which is gaining recognition as a faithful, orthodox Anglican Province. Our bishops are also under the episcopal authority of the presiding bishop of the Anglican Church of the Southern Cone (in South America), one of the 38 provinces in the global Anglican Communion. We are members of the global **Fellowship of Confessing Anglicans** and wholeheartedly subscribe to the Jerusalem Declaration statement of faith.