

Other gifts, talents and skills I would be willing to share . .



A Gifts and Skills Inventory for the Diocese of Huron and its Parishes and Deaneries

“The People of the Anglican Diocese of Huron are called by God to work together as a servant community. Empowered by the Holy Spirit we follow Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour and by our words and actions joyfully bear witness in the world to the transforming power of God’s love.”

The information from this inventory is collected mindful of the Privacy Act and will only be shared as required for the purposes intended.

My name is: _____

Address: _____

Phone number(s): _____
(including area code) Home Work Cell

E-mail address: _____

Parish name and municipality: _____

Please submit this inventory to Sarah Doucette at Huron Church House by email, mail, or fax by November 30, 2007:

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Extra copies of the inventory are available on the Diocesan web site (www.diohuron.org), or in booklet format through Huron Church House (1-800-919-115).

Personal Faith Gifts and Skills *–(please circle the examples of skills and gifts that apply to you and use the lines to write in other talents and skills you would be willing to share)*

Prayer praying for others; comfortable praying with others; meditation, and/or:

Others not listed:

Justice: speaking out about underlying causes of injustice; working for environmental change; advocacy about a particular issue; stewardship, and/or:

Others not listed:

Evangelism: talking easily about what God has done for me; comfortable inviting others to church, and/or:

Others not listed:

Other Personal Faith Gifts: healing; giving, discernment; and/or:

Others not listed:

Additional Comments:

Thank you for taking the time to complete this document.

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Leadership Gifts and Skills –(please circle the examples of skills and gifts that apply to you and use the lines to write in other talents and skills you would be willing to share)

Leadership: motivating others to work for a common purpose; able to lead groups effectively (for example with a specific age group); leading a servers' guild; leading an outreach committee, and/or:

Others not listed:

Organization: collect research; able to coordinate details; work with people to achieve goals and carry out a project; gather information, and/or:

Others not listed:

Teaching: able to communicate ideas to help others learn and understand, and/or:

Others not listed:

Worship Leadership: server; communion assistant; intercessor; reader; preaching, and/or:

Others not listed:

Knowledge: knowledge in specific areas that can contribute to the health of the church, and/or:

Others not listed:

Each of you has been blessed with one of God's many wonderful spiritual gifts to be used in the service of others. Manage them well so that God's generosity can flow through you . . . then God will be given glory in everything through Jesus Christ. All glory and power belong to him forever and ever. Amen.

1 Peter 4:10-11, New Living Translation

Our God is generous! **Each one of us has been given wonderful gifts, and skills.** St. Paul describes it this way - the church is like a body. Eyes and ears and other parts of the body have different roles, but they are all part of the body and are all designed to work together. Ministry happens when members of the church share differing gifts and skills in the power of the Holy Spirit.

This inventory is offered as a resource to help discover and support the marvelous variety of gifts that **lay people and clergy** in our Diocese have to offer. **We invite you to use this inventory for personal reflection and to identify the gifts and skills you are already using as you live out your baptismal covenant, as well as other gifts and skills you might have to offer to the Church.**

How does it work? The inventory has a list of different kinds of gifts and skills, and a few specific examples. **Don't let the examples limit you; they are simply to help you get started.** Use the lines to write in the specific skills *you* can offer. Remember, no one individual has all these gifts, and don't feel that you need to complete the inventory all on your own. One of the ways God the Holy Spirit can help us to identify our gifts is through the insights of others; it's a good idea to ask people who know you well for feedback as you fill in the inventory.

Once you have filled in the inventory we encourage you to send it to Huron Church House. The information collected will be used to create an information resource that can be shared with church leaders in your parish or deanery, and in the Diocese. **If you are invited to share one of your gifts or skills, you can decide at that time whether or not you are willing or able to take on a specific responsibility in the church.** The invitation is to manage your gifts well so that God's generosity can flow through you! This is for the benefit of the parish, deanery and diocese.



Practical, Hands-on Skills and Gifts *–(please circle the examples of skills and gifts that apply to you and use the lines to write in other talents and skills you would be willing to share)*

Assisting/Service: willing help to set up for an event; dependable extra pair of hands to assist a church school teacher; lightening the workload for a leader in some other practical way and/or:

Others not listed above:

Artistic creativity & expression: music/ writing; photography; theatre; dance; fabric arts; flower arranging, visual arts; sewing and/or:

Technology assistance: audio-video equipment; computers and/or:

Others not listed above:

Media and communication skills: public speaking; public reading; web-site design and maintenance; photography; journalism and/or:

Others not listed above:

Administration: office work; bookkeeping ; human resources; finances; insurance; fundraising and/or:

Others not listed above:

Other practical skills: for example, building maintenance; sewing; electrical work; gardening/landscaping; painting; embroidery; cooking, fundraising, bookkeeping and/or:

I can offer: _____

Nurturing, Caring, People Oriented Gifts and Skills *(please circle the examples of skills and gifts that apply to you and use the lines to write in other talents and skills you would be willing to share)*

Hospitality: meeting new people; providing/creating a warm and inviting space; hosting get-togethers; catering; helping to connect people and/or:

Others not listed:

Encouragement: visiting shut-ins; reassuring those who are discouraged; inviting someone to try a new area of ministry; listening and/or:

Others not listed:

Mentoring: supporting and guiding another individual in his/her faith development; practical skill development and/or:

Others not listed:

Multiculturalism: welcoming people from other cultures; assisting people from other cultures and/or:

Others not listed:

Additional Comments: