

PARISH DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

INTRODUCTION

When examining the following models for episcopal ministry, it is important to remember that the purpose of the model chosen is to enable the effective carrying out of the spiritual ministry of the Diocese. And that spiritual ministry is to live and spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ across the vast territory of Moosonee. The only vehicle to achieve this is you, the people of God, in all the parishes of our Diocese, nurtured by the ministry of our Bishop, enabled and led by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, we invite you to consider which model will best enable this ministry.

1. MAINTAIN CURRENT STATUS AS AREA MISSION WITHIN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Metropolitan serving as Diocesan Bishop, with an Assisting Bishop.

Comments: _____

Agree:

Disagree:

Not sure:

2. MAINTAIN METROPOLITAN AS DIOCESAN BISHOP AND ELECT A RESIDENT SUFFRAGAN BISHOP

Comments: _____

Agree:

Disagree:

Not sure:

3. BRING CURRENT ARRANGEMENT TO AN END.

Elect our own Diocesan Bishop.

Elect a Suffragan Bishop.

Comments: _____

Agree :

Disagree:

Not sure:

If we elect our own Bishop, we must have more opportunity for voice,
conversation with nominees.

Comments: _____

Agree :

Disagree:

Not sure:

4. ONE BISHOP MODEL

Diocesan Bishop with an Indigenous Archdeacon work focused in pastoral care,
another Archdeacon work focused in program administration,
an Admin Assistant to Bishop in Synod Office.

Comments: _____

Agree :

Disagree:

Not sure:

5. TWO BISHOP MODEL

Diocesan Bishop (resident in Diocese, centrally located.)

Suffragan Bishop (Indigenous)--(perhaps carrying some Parish responsibilities as well).

Comments: _____

Agree :

Disagree:

Not sure:

6. THREE BISHOP MODEL

Diocesan Bishop

Two Suffragan Bishops—one for each Deanery. (They could be carrying Parish responsibilities as well.)

Comments: _____

Agree :

Disagree:

Not sure:

7. THREE BISHOP MODEL

One for Northern Quebec—East side of James Bay.

One for Northern Ontario—West side of James Bay.

One for Watershed Deanery.

Comments: _____

Agree :

Disagree:

Not sure:

8. ARRANGEMENTS WITH A NEIGHBOURING DIOCESE

Bishop of Neighbouring Diocese is also Bishop of Moosonee with 2 Suffragans resident in Diocese.

Comments: _____

Agree :

Disagree:

Not sure:

9. COMBINE ALGOMA AND MOOSONEE

One Diocesan Bishop

Several Suffragan Bishops

Comments: _____

Agree :

Disagree:

Not sure: