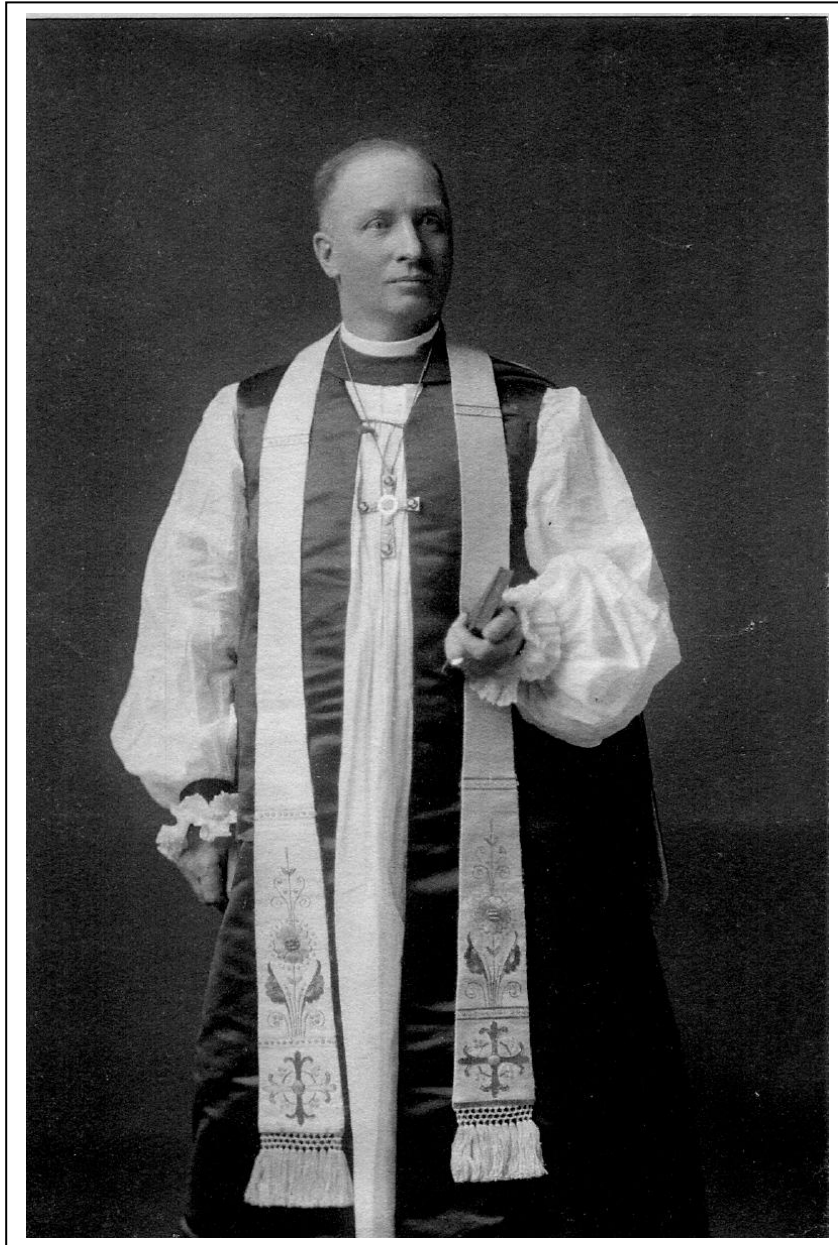


In their faithful footsteps ...

Profiles of the nine former Bishops
of the Anglican Diocese of Edmonton
1914-2007

Compiled from the Archives of the Diocese
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The Right Reverend Henry Allen Gray, D.D., LL.D.

“He endeared himself to all members of the Church, the citizens of Edmonton and all parts of the province.”

“H.A. Gray has a broadminded and generous attitude of Christian Fellowship” – a tribute from members of the Methodist Church at his retirement celebration.

“After 45 years in the Anglican Church, of which 36 were spent in Edmonton, Gray is recognized as one of the most outstanding and affectionately regarded figures in the communal life of central Alberta.”

The Right Reverend Henry Allen Gray, D.D., LL.D.

Born: July 13, 1873 at Kilburn, Middlesex, England
Married: 1918 Georgina Wibby (Deaconess at All Saints' Pro-Cathedral, Edmonton (1915-1918); one daughter, Frances
Retired: June 1931 (ill health) – returned to England
Died: December 1939 at Bungay, Suffolk, England
Education: Chatham House School, Ramsgate, Kent
Also spent some of his childhood in China where his father was posted as Commander of the British Navy. After his father's death, Mrs. Gray and Henry came to Canada, settling on a ranch near Calgary in 1886.
1895 B.A. University of Manitoba
1898 M.A. University of Manitoba
B.D. St. John's College, Winnipeg
1914 D.D. (jure dignitatis) St. John's College, Winnipeg
1915 LL.D. (honoris causa) University of Alberta, Edmonton
1927 B.D. Emmanuel College, Saskatoon

Ordination: 1895 Deacon by Bishop Pinkham of the Dioceses of Calgary and Saskatchewan; posted as Curate to Holy Trinity Church, South Edmonton.
1896 Priest Incumbent of Holy Trinity Church, South Edmonton
1897-1914 Rector of All Saints' Church, Edmonton
1903-1914 Also served as Chaplain to Bishop of Calgary
1907-1914 Archdeacon of Edmonton
1914 -1931 Bishop of Edmonton Consecrated 25th March, 1914 by Archbishop of Rupertsland (S.P. Matheson), Bishops of Calgary (Pinkham) and Qu'Appelle (Harding)

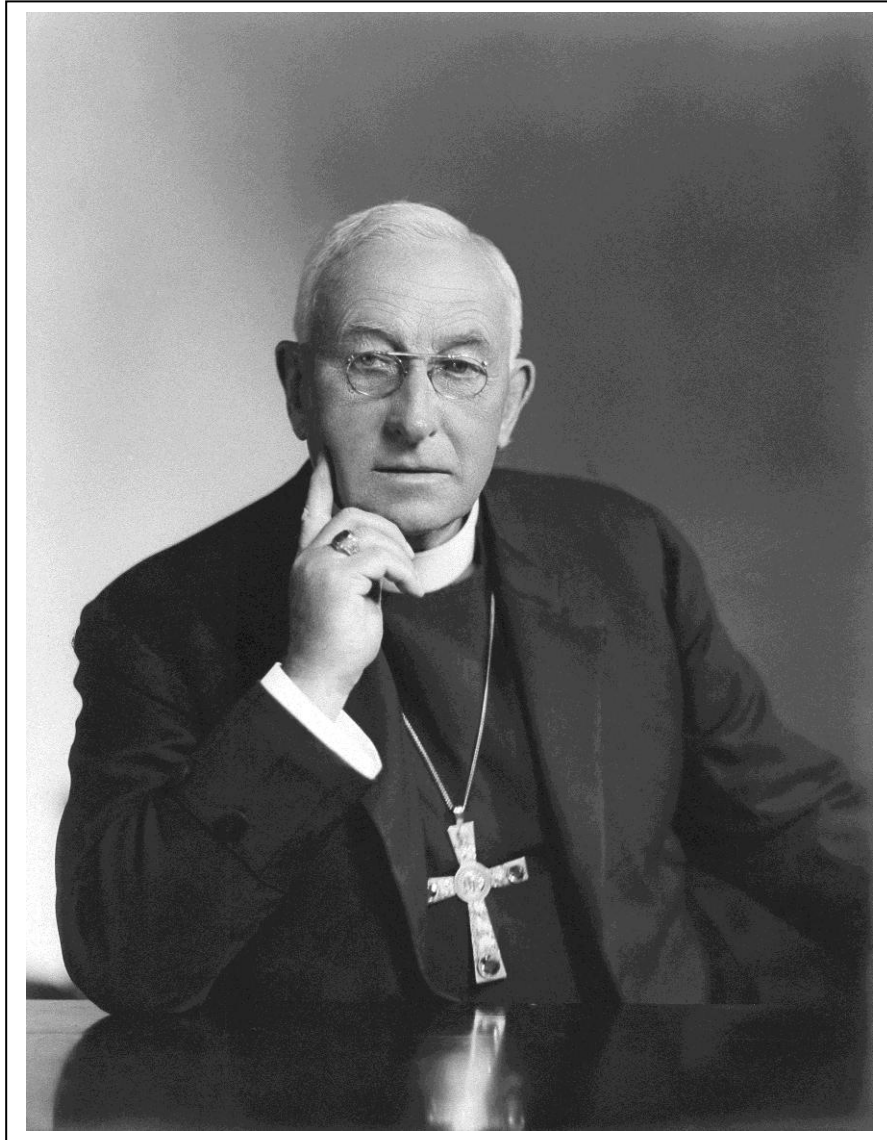
Other Appointments:

1908 Honorary Captain and Chaplain of the 19th Alberta Dragoons
1909 Judge of Provincial Juvenile Court at Edmonton
1921 Honorary Major of the 19th Alberta Dragoons

Also served:

Licensed Newsboy, Badge #1
Licensed Lay Reader, Calgary 1892
Commissioner in Alberta under the Neglected and Dependant Children's Act
District and Provincial Commissioner of Boy Scouts; awarded Silver Wolf medal by the Governor General, Chief Scout in Canada
Member of the Edmonton Public School Board. 3 terms

H. A. Gray School in Edmonton, now NAIT Campus, named for him.



The Right Reverend Arthur Edward Burgett, D.D.

“... a man indefatigable in his work, far-sighted in his judgments, most generous and kindly in his disposition” (T. C. B. Boon, The Anglican Church from the Bay to the Rockies, p. 374)

The Right Reverend Arthur Edward Burgett, D.D.

Born: 1869, Calcutta, India
Married:
Retired: December 15, 1940 (ill health) moved to British Columbia
Died: December 13, 1942 in B.C.
Education: Radley School, Oxfordshire (?), England
1895 B.A. Trinity Hall, Cambridge
Obtained Commission in British Army
1896 Cuddleston Theological College
1898 M.A. Trinity Hall, Cambridge
1930 D.D. (honoris causa) St. John's College, Winnipeg

Ordination: 1897 Deacon, by Bishop Creighton at St. Paul's Cathedral, London
1898 Priest, at the London Church of Tottenham
1918 Archdeacon of Assiniboia

1904-1905 Incumbent at Lyme Regis
1906-1911 Assistant Curate at the Cathedral in Quebec City
1907-1910 Missionary of Montmorency with Lake Beauport (coast of Quebec and Labrador)

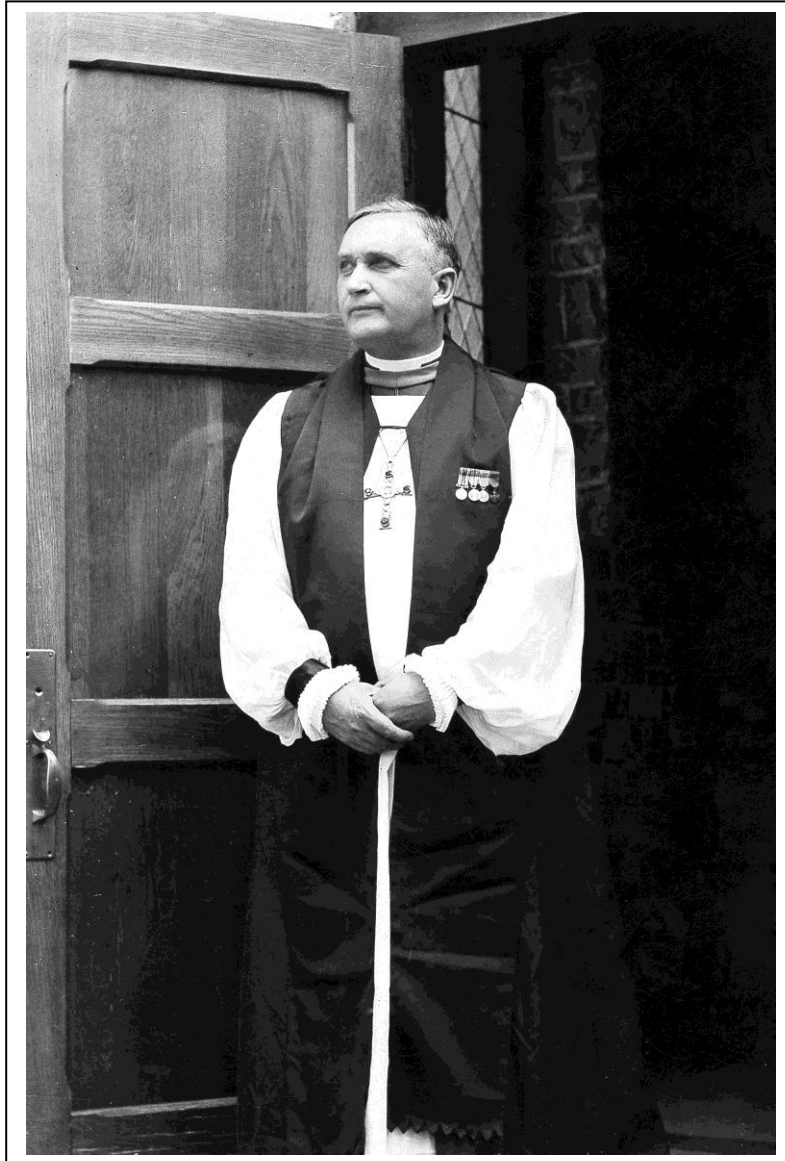
1907-1913 Domestic Chaplain to the Bishop of Quebec (Rector of St. Paul's, Quebec)
1913-1923 General Missioner in Diocese of Qu'Appelle
1924-1931 General Missioner in Diocese of Edmonton (North): "floating" archdeacon
1931-1940 Bishop of Edmonton

Also served:
1907-1909 Editor of the Diocesan Gazette
1909-1913 Secretary to the Quebec Diocesan Synod

Archdeacon Burgett came to Edmonton in 1924 to continue his work of the previous ten years in Saskatchewan of building up the church as general missioner. He offered to come without stipend, except for traveling expenses, to raise funds in Eastern Canada and Britain to support the work in Alberta. He also served as the "Collector for the Bishopric Endowment Fund" and was granted permission to canvass in Eastern Canada. He canvassed "door-to-door" and raised over \$24,000.

By 1931, 21 new Churches had been built (all but one in rural Alberta) under his guidance and all but one were free of debt. There were fourteen Western students preparing for ministry where before there had been none.

He presided at two Synods (1935 and 1938) and helped clear the Diocese of debt, although much property was added, including the See House and Camp Kapasiwin. Bishop Burgett also fostered the Sunday School by Post program in rural Alberta.



“Behind his quiet nature is a wealth of scholarship and a great depth of spirituality”

“The world we know is largely alienated from the Church. Our first and obvious duty is private prayer and public worship to which every layman is a witness. A direct witness of loyal laymen is the key to the Church’s problem.” From the Bishop’s charge to the 18th Synod.

The Right Reverend Walter Foster Barfoot, D.D.

- Born: 1893 Collingwood, Ontario
Married: 1942 Lorena Richardson of Toronto (died 1952)
Retired: December 31, 1960 as Metropolitan of Rupertsland, to White Rock, B.C.
Died: 1978 Vancouver, B.C.
Education: 1922 B.A. Philosophy, University of Toronto and Wycliffe College
1930 M.A. University of Toronto
1937 D.D. (honoris causa) Wycliffe College, Toronto
1941 D.D. (honoris causa) St. John's College, Winnipeg /Emmanuel College, Saskatoon
- Ordination: 1922 Deacon, at St. John's Church, West Toronto
1923 Priest, at St. John's Church, West Toronto
1922-1923 Assistant Curate, Cathedral Church of St Alban the Martyr
1923 Incumbent, Melita, Manitoba
1924-1926 Chaplain of the Singapore Diocesan Association, Ipoh, Singapore
1926-1933 Tutor and Professor, Apologetics, Emmanuel College, Saskatoon
1934-1935 Professor of Church History / Liturgiology, Emmanuel College, Saskatoon
1934-1941 Canon of St. John's Cathedral, Examining Chaplain to Archbishop of Rupertsland
1935-1941 Warden of St. John's College, Winnipeg
1936-1941 Clerical Secretary of the House of Delegates of the Provincial Synod of Rupertsland.
1941-1951 Bishop of Edmonton, consecrated by Archbishop of Rupertsland (Harding)
1951-1958 Archbishop of Edmonton and Primate of Canada installed at Victoria, B.C.
1953-1960 Archbishop and Metropolitan of Rupertsland
- Also served: 1914 enrolled at University of Toronto Officers' Corps; transferred to Oxford Officer Corps; enlisted 1915; served in France to 1919 as Captain of the Royal Sussex Regiment. Awarded the Croix de Guerre.

Encouraged the development of the *Edmonton Churchman* newsletter (circulation 5000/month). Established Elizabeth House, a home for elderly women in the old Edmonton Mission house. In 1945, the Parish of All Saints became the Cathedral Church of the Diocese.

Other interests: amateur athletics, golf and curling

Mrs. Lorena Barfoot was involved in numerous charitable and church activities. Her training at University of Toronto in Household Sciences paved the way for a career as a Dietician. She served as President of the Canadian Dietetic Association, the Elizabeth House Guild (Edmonton), Canterbury Club (University of Alberta) and the University Anglican Women's Club.



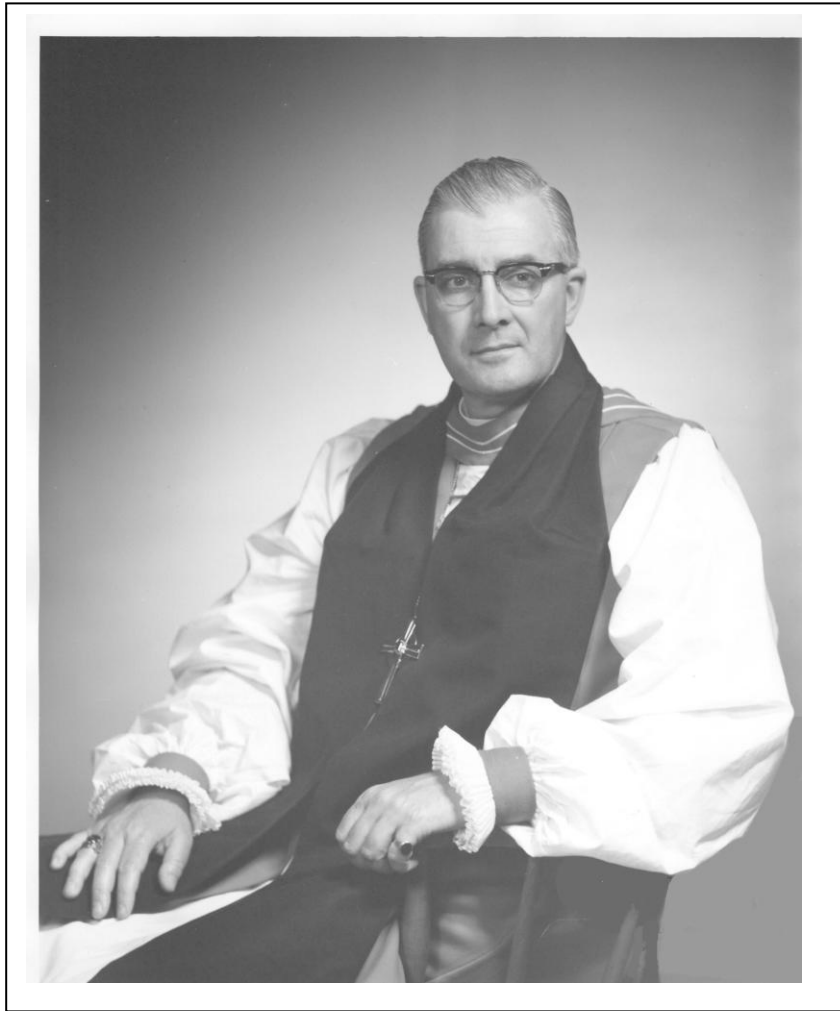
The Right Reverend Howard Hewlett Clark, D.D.

Nothing less than the reunion of all Christendom should be our goal ... Anything that limits the fellowship ... men find in their common allegiance to Christ is sinful
Archbishop Clark quoted in the Weekend Magazine of the Edmonton Journal, vol 10, no. 47, 1960.

The Right Reverend Howard Hewlett Clark, D.D.

- Born: 1904 Macleod, Alberta
Married: Anne E. Wilson of Ottawa; one son, Howard, two daughters, Mary Esther and Elizabeth
Retired: 1970
Died: 1983 Toronto, Ontario
Education: 1930 Divinity Testamur, Trinity College, Toronto
1932 B.A. University of Toronto
1945 D.D. (jure dig.) Trinity College, Toronto
1956 D.D. (hon. causa) Emmanuel College, Saskatoon
- Ordination: 1930 Deacon, at St. John's Church, Norway, Toronto
1931 Priest, Assistant Curate, Christ Church Cathedral, Ottawa
1938 Priest-in-Charge, Christ Church Cathedral, Ottawa
1939 Rector, Christ Church Cathedral, Ottawa
1941 Canon of the Diocese of Ottawa
1945/49 Dean of Ottawa
1953-1959 Bishop of Edmonton; consecrated Jan 26, 1954 by Archbishop Barfoot, Bishop of Brandon (Norris) and Bishop of Saskatchewan (Martin)
1959-1970 Primate of Canada; Archbishop of Edmonton
1961-1970 Archbishop of Rupertsland
- Other achievements:
1959 Chair of the Committee to Revise the Prayer Book
Author: *The Christian Life, according to the Prayer Book*
1970 Companion of Canada

Bishop Clark was prominent in the ecumenical movement of the Church. Within the diocese he encouraged unmarried clergy, especially those in rural parishes, to live in community, supporting each other and caring for their congregations in multi-point parishes cooperatively. He encouraged adherence to the "rule of life" among the clergy.



The Right Reverend William Gerald Burch

Recognized for “his godliness and administrative gifts” (Canon Teape)

The Right Reverend William Gerald Burch

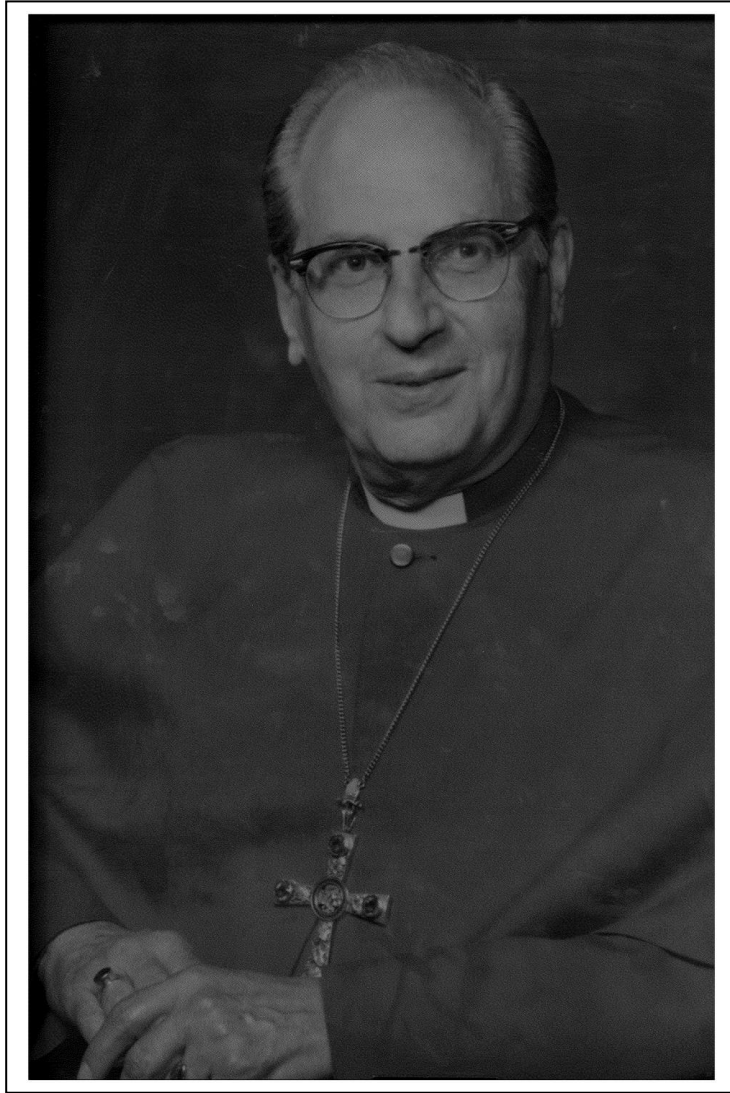
Born: March 1911, Winnipeg
Married: 24 August 1942 Carroll Borrowman; four daughters: Margaret, Elizabeth, Jeanne, Katherine
Retired: April 1976 to Victoria, B.C.
Died: October 21, 2003 Victoria, B.C.
Education: 1924-1930, St. Andrew's College, Toronto and Aurora, Ontario
1930-1938, Wycliffe College, University of Toronto
1957 D.D. Wycliffe College, Toronto
1960 D.D. Emmanuel College, Saskatoon

Ordination: 1936 Deacon, St. Alban's Cathedral, Toronto, by Archbishop Durwin Owen
1938 Priest, St. James Cathedral, Toronto, by Archbishop Durwin Owen
1938-1940 Curate, Christ Church, Deer Park, Toronto
1940-1942 Rector, St. Crispin's, Scarborough Bluffs and Church of the Epiphany, Scarborough Junction, Ont.
1942-1952 Rector, St. Luke's, Winnipeg, Manitoba
1952-1956 Rector, All Saint's, Windsor, Ontario
1955-1956 Examining Chaplain to Bishop of Huron
1956 Canon of Huron
1956-1960 Dean and Rector, All Saints Cathedral, Edmonton
1960 Bishop Suffragan of Edmonton; consecration April 26, 1960
1961-1976 Bishop of Edmonton

Also served:
Chair of the Committee on Evangelism for General Synod
Chair of the Board of the *Canadian Churchman*
Member of the General Synod's Administration and Finance Committee
Member of the Board of the YMCA, Edmonton

Bishop Burch oversaw a period of liberalization in the church when divorced Anglicans were allowed to remarry after consideration by the Marriage Commission, and when union with the United Church was in the forefront of the Anglican agenda.

He inherited a diocese which was in debt because of expansions in rural areas during his predecessor's time. During the Jubilee celebrations of 1963, he set the goal of raising \$250,000 to clear the indebtedness and re-established the finances of the diocese on a firm footing.



The Right Reverend John Arthur William Langstone

“Let us pray for the kind of greatness founded on caring, sharing and loving – a man who sees life as a calling to minister for others.”

“People know he’s as good as his word: he has a lot of integrity; he is down to earth; he is direct.”

The Right Reverend John Arthur William Langstone

Born: 1914 Toronto, Ontario
Married: Alice ? two sons, Michael and David
Retired:
Died:
Education: 1953 B.A. Trinity College, University of Toronto
1962 M. Div
Ordination: Deacon
Priest
1943-1946 Chaplain to Canadian Army (including overseas in Europe)
1958-1969 Rector of St. George's, Edmonton
1969-1970 Rector of St. Faith's, Edmonton
1970-1975 Executive Archdeacon of Edmonton
1975-1979 Bishop of Edmonton; consecrated Metropolitan of Rupertsland (Jackson)

Bishop Langstone oversaw a diocese of 18,000 Anglicans during a time in which the Church was evolving from being a strict guardian of morals to becoming an agent for social reform. One of his greatest concerns was how to reach into the growing suburbs of the urban centers.



The Right Reverend E. Kent Clarke, M.RE., D.D

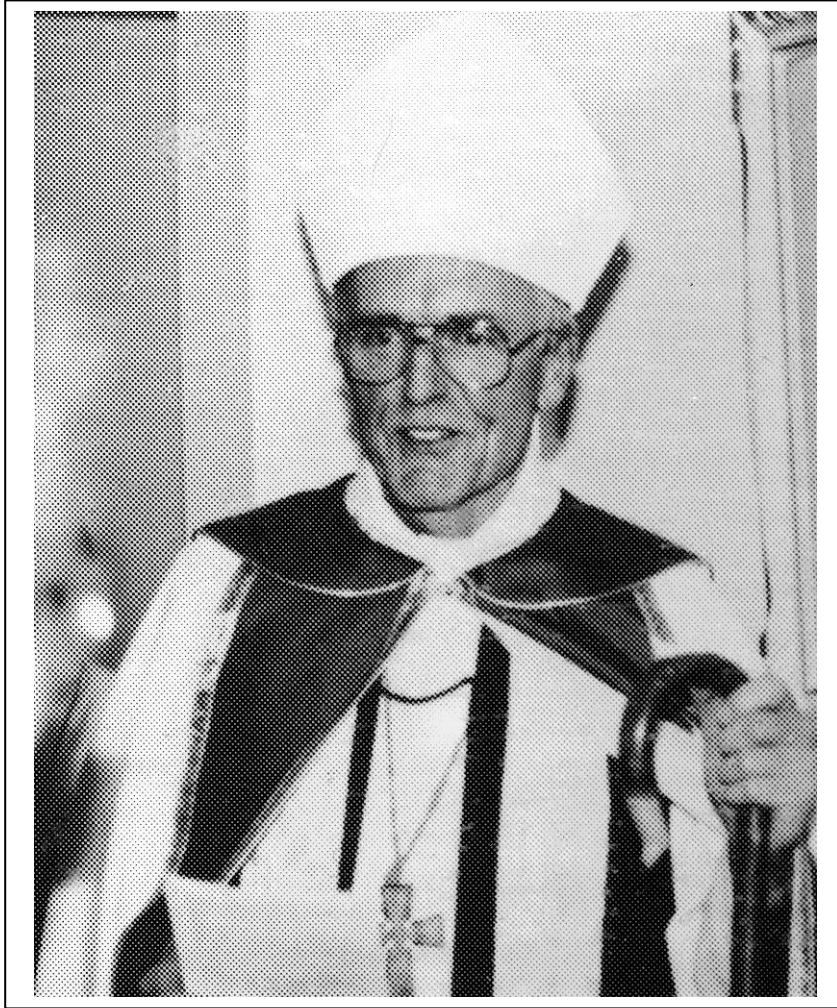
The Right Reverend E. Kent Clarke, M.RE., D.D

Born: 1932 Rankin, Ontario
Married: Norma, two sons, Myles and John and one daughter, Susan
Retired: 1995
Died:
Education: c. 1950 B.A., LTh. Bishop's University, Lennoxville, Quebec
1960 M.A. Union Theological Seminary, New York, NY
D.D.

Ordination: 1956 Deacon, Diocese of Ottawa
1957 Priest, All Saints', Ottawa
1956-1959 Curate at All Saints', Ottawa
1960-1966 Diocesan Director of Christian Education
1966-1973 Rector, St. Barnabas' Church, Montreal
1973-1976 Archdeacon of Niagara, Assistant to Bishop and Secretary to Synod
1976-1979 Bishop Suffragan of Niagara
1979-1986 Bishop of Edmonton
1986-1995 Archbishop of Edmonton, Metropolitan of Rupertsland

Also served:

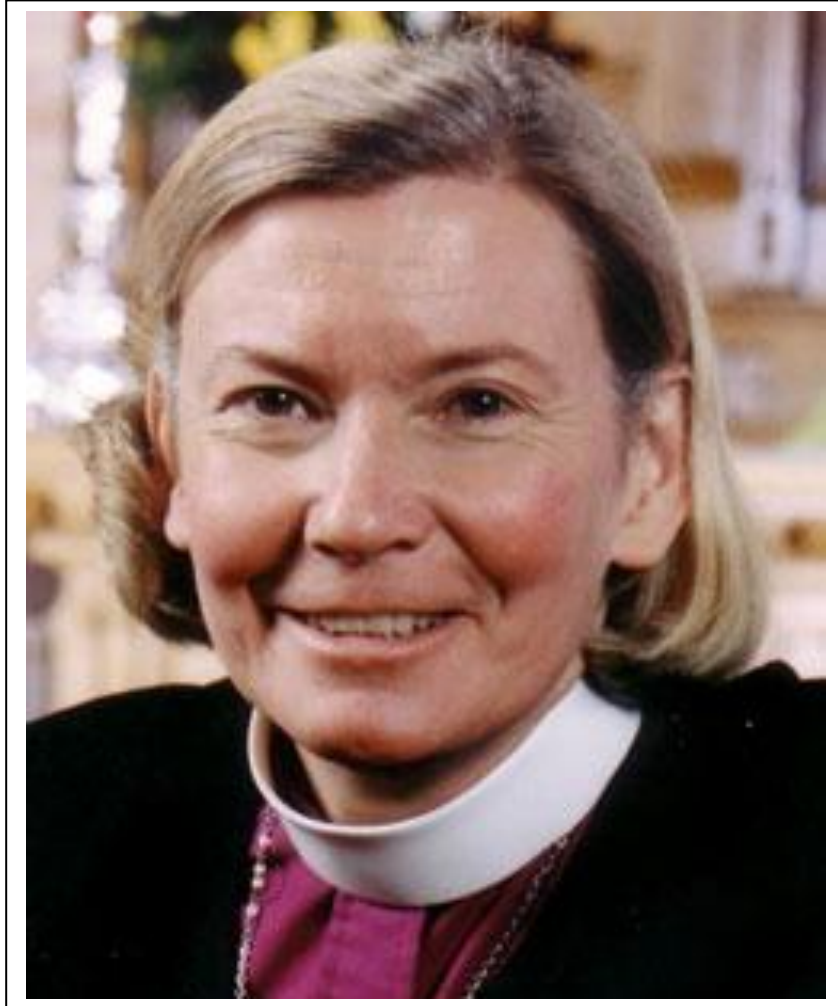
Chair of the National Program Committee for General Synod, 6 years



The Right Reverend Kenneth Lyle Genge, D.D.

The Right Reverend Kenneth Lyle Genge

- Born: October 25, 1933 Prince Albert, Saskatchewan
Married: 1959, Ruth ? three children
Retired: October 31, 1996 in Edmonton, Alberta
Died:
Education: Paddockwood, Saskatchewan
B.A. University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon
L.Th. Emmanuel College, Saskatoon
B.D. General Synod, Emmanuel College
D.D. (honoris causa) College of Emmanuel and St. Chad, Saskatoon
- Ordination: June 9, 1957 Deacon by Henry David Martin (Saskatchewan) at St. Brigid's Church, Paddockwood, Saskatchewan
May 15, 1958 Priest by Henry David Martin (Saskatchewan) at St. Alban's Cathedral, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan
- 1957 Assistant, St. Alban's Cathedral, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan
1957-1959 Incumbent, Fort Pitt Mission, Saskatchewan
1959-1962 Rector, St. Andrew's, Shellbrook, Saskatchewan
1962-1969 Rector, Holy Trinity, Yellowknife, Northwest Territories
1969-1974 Rector, St. Michael and All Angels, Calgary, Alberta
1974-1985 Rector, St. Barnabas, St. Lambert, Quebec
1985-1988 Director of Sorrento Centre, Sorrento, British Columbia
1988-1996 Bishop of Edmonton Consecrated May 14, 1988 by Walter Heath Jones
Acting Metropolitan of Rupert's Land, at All Saints' Cathedral,
Edmonton, Alberta
- 1997 Chaplain in St. George's College, Jerusalem, Israel
- Other Achievements:
1996 Author: *Leadership and Biblical Characters & Faith Roots: A Spiritual Life-Line for Religious Leaders*
Lent 1977 *Some Poems, Litanies, Prayers and Meditations on World Relief and Development*



The Right Reverend Victoria Matthews, D.D.

“She is a prayerful, devout, caring, thoughtful person who also knows how to poke fun at herself.” - Judy Paulsen, Diocese of Toronto commenting on her election as Bishop of Christchurch, New Zealand, 2008

“Anglican inclusivity has more than a touch of ambiguity. Consequently, those who are in need of absolute certainty often feel less at home in Anglicanism. I believe this is the price we pay for our honesty. The god you can define is not the true God, the holy and undivided Trinity, for the true God is infinitely bigger than we can ask or imagine.”

From the Bishop’s charge to the 57th Synod, 2005

The Right Reverend Victoria Matthews, D.D.

- Born:** 1954, Toronto, Ontario
- Education:** 1976 B.A. (Hons) Trinity College, University of Toronto
1976-1979 Recipient of the North American Theological Fellowship
1979 M. Div. Yale Divinity School and Berkeley Divinity School
1987 Th.M. Trinity College, University of Toronto
- Ordination:** 1979 Deacon
1980 Priest
- 1979-1983 Assistant Curate, St. Andrew's Church, Scarborough, Ont.
1983-1987 Incumbent, Parish of Georgina, Sutton West and Sibbald's Point, Que.
1987-1994 Incumbent, All Souls' Church, North York, Ont.
1987-1994 Director of Field Education and part-time tutor in Pastoral Theology, Trinity College, Faculty of Divinity
1989-1994 Regional Dean, Deanery of York Mills
1994-1997 Bishop Suffragan, Diocese of Toronto
1997-2007 Bishop of Edmonton
2004, 2007 nominee for Primacy of Canada
2008 Bishop in Residence, Wycliffe College, Toronto
Bishop-Elect, Christchurch, New Zealand
- Also served:**
1992-1994 Member, National Executive Council of General Synod
1992-1995 Member, Doctrine and Worship Committee of General Synod
1992-1995 Member, Book of Alternative Services Evaluation Commission of General Synod
1994-1997 Chair, National Advisory Committee on Postulants for Ordination
1995-1998 Member, Faith, Worship & Ministry Committee of General Synod
1996-2004 Chair, Primate's Theological Commission
2001-2004 Member, Council of General Synod
2004 Chair, Task Force on Alternate Episcopal Oversight