



## Diocesan Synod of Fredericton

### Parish Statistical Return – Working Form

This form is for parishes to report statistical information for the previous year per the requirements of Canon Five s. 7 and replaces the statistics return previously submitted through DIMS.

This document is intended to be a working copy only, to facilitate having information ready. Please submit the statistics return via the online form for which you have been sent a link.

Please consolidate the statistics for all churches (congregations) in a parish.

\* Response is required – but response may be a zero.

#### Section 1: Population Summary

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Number of Congregations \*

Enter the number of active worship points in the parish, typically the number of buildings where regular worship occurs.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Households: Number of Families \*

Number of households with two or more individuals who claim to be Anglican.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Households: Number of Individuals \*

Number of households with a person who lives alone or is the only person in the household who claims to be Anglican.

\_\_\_\_\_ 6. People: Adults \*

Anglican members of a household 16 years of age or over.

\_\_\_\_\_ 7. People: Children \*

Members of Anglican households under the age of 16 years.

\_\_\_\_\_ 8. Identifiable Givers \*

Number of persons/family groups who are on the parish list, give on a regular basis and receive an income tax receipt for these offerings.

9. Parish Groups Summary: Identify groups operating in the parish during the year. Please check all that apply, but do not check multiple categories for the same group.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Children's ongoing formation (e.g., Sunday School, Godly Play)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Confirmation preparation
  - \_\_\_\_\_ First Communion preparation
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Adult formation (e.g., bible study, theological book study)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Anglican Church Women
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Mothers' Union
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Guild of St. Joseph's
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Choir
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Other worship focused (e.g., altar guild, server guild)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Community mission or service focused (e.g., outreach group)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ External mission focused (e.g., Bishop McAllister College, Honduras/Mejia support, other foreign mission support)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Fellowship: Youth
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Fellowship: Adult
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Other (please describe per question 10)
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## Section 2: Worship Services Summary

This section focuses on the number of worship services offered.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. # of Celebrations of Holy Eucharist / Holy Communion: Inside the Church Building \*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Celebrations of Holy Eucharist / Holy Communion: Outside the Church Building \*  
  
Celebrations of the Holy Eucharist in homes, nursing homes, chapels or other settings, and recorded in the Vestry Book
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Daily Offices \*  
  
Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and/or Evensong open to the congregation or more publicly, in person or online.

\_\_\_\_\_ 14. Seasonal Celebrations \*

e.g., Lessons and Carols, Parish or Building Anniversaries, Rogation, Blessing of the Animals

\_\_\_\_\_ 15. Informal / Fresh Expressions Celebrations \*

Regular informal worship or "Fresh Expressions" type gatherings focused primarily on those who are not yet members of the parish but where worship is a component.

Fresh Expressions can be quite varied, but they go beyond social and outreach gatherings, meet regularly, and seek to develop disciples in an alternative form of "church". Examples include Dinner Church and Messy Church.

See [nb.anglican.ca/fresh-expressions](http://nb.anglican.ca/fresh-expressions) for more details.

\_\_\_\_\_ 16. Other Worship Services

Please describe any worship services occurring regularly that do not fit the categories above. Include the frequency of occurrence.

Do not include wedding or funeral/burial services as these are considered in the next section.

\_\_\_\_\_ 17. Total Worship Services on Sundays \*

Total number of services of worship held on Sundays as recorded in the vestry registers.

\_\_\_\_\_ 18. Total Worship Services on Days other than Sunday \*

Total number of services of worship held on days other than Sunday as recorded in the vestry registers.

\_\_\_\_\_ 19. Online Services

The Anglican Church of Canada is now asking for the number of parishes offering online worship. If offered by your parish, either live-streamed or recorded and published, please check the option below that best fits how available your online stream/recording is.

\_\_\_ Our livestream and/or recording is publicly accessible (e.g., YouTube, Facebook, website link)

\_\_\_ Our livestream and/or recording is only posted/emailed to a private parish group.

### Section 3: Attendance at Worship and Individuals Receiving Sacraments

This section generally asks for totals as calculated from the Vestry Book.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 20. Average Sunday Attendance \*
- A mean average of persons attending worship on Sunday mornings, all congregations.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 21. Attendance at Easter Worship (all services) \*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 22. Attendance at Pentecost Worship (all services) \*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 23. Attendance on the Second Sunday in September \*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 24. Attendance at Christmas Worship (all services) \*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 25. Number Who Received Communion by Reserved Sacrament
- The number of administrations of the Reserved Sacrament over the year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 26. Number Baptized \*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 27. Number of Marriages – at a Parish Church Building \*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 28. Number of Marriages – at Other than a Parish Church Building \*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 29. Number of Funerals / Burials – at a Parish Church Building/Grounds \*
- A funeral and subsequent burial for the same person should only be counted once. Please count here if a funeral occurred in the church building, but a burial office was conducted elsewhere.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 30. Number of Funerals / Burials – at other than a Parish Church Building/Grounds \*
- For example, at a funeral home, cemetery not connected to the parish, or other location. A funeral and subsequent burial office for the same person should only be counted once.

## Section 4: Social Action / Community Impact

A parish's engagement with their communities and response to social issues can take many forms. This section asks about your parish's involvement in organized social and/or outreach activities that are primarily undertaken for the benefit of the wider community (rather than for members of the congregation).

Some examples of community focused social and outreach activities are:

Community Café	Emergency Shelter
Breakfast Club	Homeless Shelter
Lunch Program	Food Bank
Afterschool / Drop-in Program	Laundry or Shower Ministry
Parent Support / Play Group	Addiction Services
Vacation Bible Club	Youth Work (community focused)
Money Matters, Debt Advice, Tax Clinics	Pastoral Services (street pastors, counseling, etc.)

For each of the categories below, please describe activities undertaken by your parish, where they each occur and how frequently.

\_\_\_\_\_ 31. Activities our parish has primary responsibility for:

\_\_\_\_\_ 32. Activities our parish is involved in in partnership with other churches/groups:

\_\_\_\_\_ 33. Activities in our community that our parish supports in less direct ways (e.g., individual parishioners volunteering time or items, parish donations).