

Biography – The Venerable Rachael Parker

Rachael was ordained deacon and priest in the Diocese of Huron in 1999. She has served as Rector in parishes in the Diocese of Huron, the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, and in the Diocese of Edmonton. She has also spent time as an Honorary Associate in a small town in the Diocese of Toronto and volunteered sacramental ministry in a 12-point Parish in the Diocese of Ottawa for a year.

She is currently the Rector for Dayspring Ministry: a one-year old collaboration of three rural/small town churches in the Diocese of Edmonton, where she also serves as Archdeacon for Rural Ministry.

Rachael has an active prayer life and truly desires to know and follow the guiding of the Holy Spirit in all that she does. Her heart remains grounded in the belief that all of Christian and Church life must be based on real and honest relationships with the Trinity and with others.

Even though some of the younger set consider her an “old fogey” at 52, she enjoys tremendously any opportunity to engage with children and youth, recognizing the vision and hope they bring to her and her ministry.

An avid hockey fan, Rachael would look forward to cheering on the Wheat Kings and learning to cheer for the Winnipeg Jets! (She and her husband have conflicting favourites: Rob cheers for Toronto and Rachael for Montreal!)