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TO THE PEOPLE OF ST. LUKE'S, PALERMO  
TO BE DISTRIBUTED ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

Dear friends,

I write to announce that the Reverend Jody Balint has submitted her resignation from St. Luke's, Oakville (Palermo), effective October 31. Jody has accepted the full-time position as Rector of St. James and St. Brendan's, in Port Colborne, beginning November 1.

This will come as a sense of sorrow for many of you. However, I also expect that you will share with me in being grateful for her passion and dedication to the albeit relatively short ministry she has offered with you as Pastoral Associate. I ask that you support Jody as she prepares for her ministry in Port Colborne. Jody is excited about this new prospect in ministry and I ask you to encourage her as she takes this new venture.

Following consultations with your wardens, I have arranged to increase the Reverend Garfield Wu's time as your Rector to half time (20 hours per week), while maintaining a half time position as Chinese Anglican Missioner for Oakville.

Wishing you all of God's blessings.

Sincerely

Bishop of Niagara

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Copies to:     The Reverend Garfield Wu  
                  The Reverend Jody Balint  
                  The Churchwardens  
                  The Venerable Michael Patterson, Archdeacon of Trafalgar  
                  The Reverend Jeff Ward, Regional Dean of Trafalgar  
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