Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
A blessed and holy Lent to you all!

My prayer for all members of our diocesan family is that we may experience a Holy Lent, drawing ever closer to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Lent gives us forty days to fast, pray and meditate upon the sacrifice that has been made for us by Jesus, God Incarnate. Each year, as we approach this holy season, we may come to a deeper realization of God's gift to us. These forty days of Lent have been set apart for the purpose of preparing our hearts and minds for the greatest of all gifts that have ever been given to God's children on earth - the Day of the Resurrection. It is the center of our faith as Christians.

At this time of year, though, it is important for us to remember that we must journey through all the days of Lent, from Ash Wednesday to Good Friday, before we can arrive at that holiest of days. The journey is one that we all must take, the journey that we are all required to make. This wonderful, terrible yet ultimately redeeming journey that God has made for us. Precisely, specifically and intentionally for us. We honor it and we remember this journey with profound humility and thanksgiving.

These are things we know in our hearts. These are things that have been taught to us by God. God knows the language of our hearts far better than we do ourselves.

The focus of my message to you this season will be on the language of God, the language that God uses to reach us. Sometimes it is the language of the mind, but more often it is the language of our hearts, the language that is above all human speech. God's language is much greater than this; God's language is all about love.

Many of you know that I was, for many years, a high school teacher. I still keep in touch
Two weeks ago, one of my former colleagues contacted me. He had been assigned the task of teaching a class on evolution and he was having some difficulties with how to approach this assignment. "Some of my students are religious," he told me, "and they are having difficulty with the concept of evolution." He asked my help. I told him I didn't have any problem with evolution because I considered it largely irrelevant. He paused for a long time. Then, I broke the silence by laughing, "Tim, I don't consider it irrelevant." "I'm very relieved to hear that," he told me, "it's how I make my living. I'm a scientist." I assured him that I wouldn't say or do anything that would jeopardize his job, but I would put evolution into perspective, a religious perspective. He seemed to think that was o.k. Before we ended our conversation, I told him to have his students ask the toughest questions they could think of.

The day arrived. The students, all ninth graders, came prepared. Their questions were respectful, but very specific. They asked all the obvious questions ("how long did it take God to create the world?" were Adam and Eve real?" "How do we know God exists?") They had asked scientific questions, questions that required easy, measurable answers. I told them I spoke a different language. I told them I spoke the language of love, the language of God's love. I asked them how they might measure that. Some of them giggled, saying "you can't measure that." Yes, I told them, they were right. I also told them that they had become so good at learning the language of science that they hadn't bothered to learn any other language. God's language is different. The questions He asks of...
Praying that God’s will for our respective churches be fulfilled, clergy from the Diocese of the Northeast and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland, along with parish members from both churches, gathered on February 2, Candlemas, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland to pray for Christian unity. At the invitation of the Most Rev. Richard Malone, the Bishop of Maine’s 300,000 Roman Catholics, Bishop Marsh led TAC clergy and parishes along with our Roman Catholic brethren in the Liturgy of the Word, taken from both the Roman Catholic liturgy and the Book of Common Prayer.

The Diocese of Portland is happy to celebrate the historic progress made between the TAC and the Catholic Church to truly become one body, “remarked Bishop Malone. “We know that constant prayer and sincere belief in the goal of unity in Christ will lead us to His ultimate plan.”

In his homily, Bishop Marsh told the assembled group of over 150 that “We gather this evening in this holy place to celebrate, to honor and to pray for the fulfillment of God’s will that His church and His people be one.” The theme was echoed by both Bishops they did. But we, too, need a reminder that God’s world is much more than weights and measures. It is much more than scientific measures of God’s creation. God’s world has much to do with the love that seeks to embrace us; to embrace us in immeasurable ways all the numbered days of our lives.

My Brothers and Sisters, I pray that you all have a Holy and Blessed Lent.

Your Brother in Christ,
+Brian

Special Report
Anglican-RC Prayer Service, February 2 in Portland ME

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At dinner Bishop Malone was presented with the Dean’s Cross formerly worn by Father York of then St. Paul’s Cathedral in Portland in appreciation for all he had done for Father York and the family when Father York before he passed away. The two Bishops shared in prayer, along with clergy of both churches who read psalms, lessons and the Gospel. The final blessing was given by both Bishops.

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To be a Christian means to journey, not only physically, but it means to journey into the reality of Christ’s purpose for us,” Bishop Marsh remarked in his homily. “What joy there is in reunion, to share stories of our travels. We too are returning from a long journey, and we find too that we have many things in common and many things to share.” Both Bishops noted that while differences remain between the churches in seeking intercommunion, trusting in God’s will for us is paramount.

“The service was truly inspirational” said David Brennan, sub-deacon at St. Augustine of Canterbury Anglican Church in Old Orchard Beach, Maine. “For all of us who participated, this will long be remembered as an
The Bishops agreed to continue to work together to find means by which Traditional Anglicans and Roman Catholics can share their faith. Both churches had worked together in defeating the Gay Marriage legislation proposed for Maine and have participated in the memorial services for Seafarer’s and Blessing of the Fleet held each year in Portland. A covenant relationship between the Cathedral and St. Paul’s Parish in Portland has existed for over 30 years.

Bishop Marsh concluded his homily with a quote from Shakespeare “We came into the world like brother and brother, and now let us go hand in hand, not one before the other.”

--- Report by Fr. Monroe

Bishop Marsh’s Address at the Ecumenical Service
RC Cathedral, Portland ME, Feb 2, 2010

We gather this evening in this holy place to celebrate, to honor, and to pray for the fulfillment of God’s will that His church and His people be one; Jesus has called us to be one; Jesus has said, “may they all be one; as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, so also they be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me.” We pray this day and always that this may come to pass; and that our journey may end in unity, in a profound intercommunion of souls that is as God wishes.

We have all been on a very particular journey, you and I. It is a journey that has many dimensions, but it leads us always back to God and to God’s will for us. A good deal has been written lately about documents such as the Apostolic Constitution, which, along with all the related documents and the billions of blog entries is readily available online; and isn’t it a good thing we have the internet to disseminate such material. If we had printed it all on paper, I suspect the forests of Maine would no longer exist. Many of you are no doubt experts in all this. Perhaps you believe you can accurately recognize a true blog entry from a false blog entry. If you have such a gift for discernment, I want to talk with you. Perhaps you have a certain analytical wisdom that is deeply needed at such times.

But it is not my intent to talk about the details of the Apostolic Constitution or the rightness or wrongness of this or that blog. Rather, I pray that we may all learn to listen to God’s word. It is God’s word that will help us find our way forward, helping us discern always His will for us, where we are going on our journey, for it is a journey we are on, my brothers and sisters, a profound journey into God’s will for us. A journey has many elements to it: First, there is the plan or the intent; Second, there is the map; Third, there is the actual travel, the footsteps we take along our path; finally, there is the arrival, the conclusion to our particular journey.

On each of our journeys, there are particular way stations. In the liturgical calendar of our church year, we may call them feasts or festivals. They mark our progress through the church year, our journey through time. On this particular day, we celebrate the Festival of Candlemas, the Presentation of Jesus in the temple and the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a moment in time for us as Christians. It is a particular way station in our lives. It is part of our journey.

We remember that the Apostle Paul traveled hundreds of miles throughout the Mediterranean to be with the faithful people who gathered in the name of Christ Jesus. That was his particular journey. We can well imagine the welcome he received at the hands of his brothers and sisters in Christ. Whether it was to Corinth or Ephesus or Rome, what joy they must have felt when they embraced each other after a long absence.

What joy there is in reunion. To share stories of our travels. We, too, are returning from a long journey, and we will find, too, that we have many things in common, and many things to share. We are, all of us, members of God’s family. We have a common early history. Our faith in Jesus Christ binds us together. We share so much. Did you know that England was once called Mary’s Dowry? More churches were named for Mary in that island than in any other country in all of Christendom. We celebrate that part of our history here tonight. That is part of our journey, and we treasure it.

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There is a story that I wish to relate to you. It is a true story, a simple story of God’s grace given to me as a stranger.

Many years ago, when I was studying to become a priest in God’s holy church, I would often take a train from Manhattan, where the seminary was located, to my family home in Massachusetts. The train journey took about four hours; long enough to get some serious studying done. The seminary I attended had the reputation of turning out the intellectuals of the church. The school was very proud of this distinction, and in order to maintain — and expand —
that reputation, the work load was fierce, purposely so. I shudder even now when I remember the thousands of pages we were required to read, the lecture notes that filled many notebooks, the fearsome examinations. I began to look forward to the weekend train rides. They gave me a chance to catch my breath, to order the many assignments, to manage my academic life even just a little.

On one particular Winter day, during my final year of seminary, I boarded the train. It was rarely crowded when I traveled, and I sat in a middle seat of a three-in-a-row section. I spread out my library, opened my notebooks, and settled in for a long and fruitful time of study.

Alas, it was not to be. Two strangers arrived. Two elderly women grabbed the empty seats across the aisle. They sat down opposite me and began to talk. They talked a lot. They talked loudly, so loudly that the entire railroad car could hear them clearly. My plans were about to be ruined. How could I possibly understand anything about Systematic Theology with all this going on? Studying clearly became impossible. I was about to gather up my books and papers. I resolved to move to another seat, or to another car. I even thought of disembarking in Stamford and taking a later train.

But then I began to listen. I couldn’t help it. One of the women began to tell a story. It was the story of her husband who had died a few years before. She missed him dearly, for theirs had been long and faithful marriage. And during his career, she said, he had helped to build something truly remarkable. This man has worked for the space industry during the Sixties. He had been an engineer, an inventor. In the early days of space travel, he had helped create something called a “Reentry Button” that would help return a spacecraft to earth, to return it home. Before this time it had become fair standard to propel a space ship into orbit, or even send one far beyond the solar system, but that was before the men aboard spacecraft. Now it became necessary to bring people safely home.

This man worked with a team of scientists. They were charged with creating the reentry button. They worked on it for years. They knew how important their work was: if their creation did not work, astronauts could be lost forever, drifting aimlessly in the emptiness of space, and far from home. Finally their work was completed. All the plans had been put into effect. The tests had been run again and again. All personnel were trained to perfection, but there was still no certainty that their creation would actually work. Lives were held in the balance. The final test, the true test would come during the actual space flight itself; a space flight that would involve real human beings, God’s children. You can imagine how those who had put so much of their lives into the creation of this device must have felt. Imagine the tension that they must have experienced when the moment of truth arrived. When the button was pushed, would it in fact work, or would the travelers be lost forever, forever out of the embrace of those who loved them?

The moment came. The button was pushed, and the ship began to turn, slowly at first, and then with gathering speed. Its direction was certain; it would return to earth. The travelers would come home; all would be safe; God’s children would return.

I listened carefully to this story. I was moved by the words that I had heard. I looked about me. There were books: theological texts, works of mystic literature and church history. All this learning that I acquired, all the learning that I had gained, it all had come down to this: return always to God. Return to God’s mission for us.

It has been given to us at this time in the life of our church to create the means of reentry and return. It has been given to us to embrace once again after a long and arduous journey. It has been given to us to share the great gifts we have received from God, the gifts of grace that can only come from God’s love, gifts that we bring to each other, gifts that are made all the more precious because they are truly from God. It is necessary that we bring our gifts and that we present them to each other. This is as God would wish it to be. It is precisely what God has asked us to do.

When we join together, as we have this evening, we fulfill God’s dearest hopes and wishes for us, and we may well imagine that God Himself is deeply moved by what we pray here tonight.

As we seek to regather the fragments of God’s holy church, I am compelled, as I often am, to offer a quote from Shakespeare. At the end of one of his most popular plays, two sets of twins are reunited. The setting is Ephesus. Yes, that Ephesus. Many years before, these twins had been separated by a great storm at sea, a storm in which many were lost. Through an accident, or perhaps the devices of a great playwright guided by God’s hand, two of those men, two servants, stand together once again, reconciled and reunited at last, twin brothers who had been separated as children. Each thinking the other had been lost forever, they now join hands in great joy. The drama of their separation is over. They are united once again; and just before they make their final exit, one turns to the other and says: “We came into the world like brother and brother; and now let’s go hand in hand, not one before the other.”

I will close with a very particular prayer. It is a prayer written in a book many of us hold very close to our hearts. It is one of the gifts we bring. On
Notes from the Secretary

By now all parishes should have received the 2009 annual report form either electronically or in the mail. The data will be compiled on a single form and submitted to the national office, and forms are due back to me on or before March 1 (see my address in the NEA directory).

A second supplemental form has also been issued to collect information essential to keeping diocesan records up-to-date, including data that was not requested on the national form. Please list current personnel, i.e., clergy, vestry, delegates and lay readers, and include all available contact information. If the clergy information is as listed in the DNE directory (1/20/2010, sent along with the form), simply note “see DNE directory”. If elections or appointments are made after your report has been submitted, I kindly ask that you keep me in the loop with updated information.

The Diocesan Standing Committee met in January. A great deal of discussion centered around the finances of the diocese, particularly on the increasing deficit each year due to non or insufficient payments of national church support and/or, to a lesser extent, diocesan tithes. The national church support shortfall is of major concern to the financial health and longevity of the diocese. Accuracy in reporting the number of voting communicants on annual reports is critical, since the diocese must meet the obligation of $30 per voting communicant as required by the canons. Voting communicants are those parishioners over 18 years of age who are actively involved in the life of the parish, i.e., regularly attend services, support the parish financially (e.g. tithe, pledge or plate) and participate in church activities, as they are able. Only members meeting these criteria should be counted as voting communicants. The $30 per voting communicant contribution can be submitted by parishes and missions to Treasurer Kathy Lippman in partial payments throughout the year or as one payment, due no later than 12/31.

$30 a year breaks down to only 60 cents per week! Surely each one of us can afford to save this small amount each week by giving something up if necessary (it’s less than a cup of coffee at McDonald’s). This would remove the financial burden on the parish and on the diocese – imagine, such a small offering can have such a large effect!

Diocesan tithes, 12.5% of pledge and plate collections, are used to support the workings of the diocese and ensure that the diocese can meet its internal budgeted expenses. If each parish meets its national support payment and diocesan tithe commitments, the diocese can realize a balanced budget, after many years of an increasing deficit. Your Bishop and your Standing Committee is asking for your help in reaching this very achievable goal, and thanks those of you who fulfill these commitments each year. This coming year we hope to thank every one of you!

Kirby Wood, Trinity, Rochester, is leading the House of Laity effort towards achieving this goal. The Diocesan Summer Youth Camp program will be held at Camp Keswick in Monterey, MA again this year. The tentative dates are August 15-21, subject to change, possibly a week earlier. Contact Deacon Rich Dibble for more information or to volunteer at (diakonio@windstream.net or by phone at (315) 725-3745).

The tentative dates for the 2010 Diocesan Synod are September 22-25. The Anglican Church of the Ascension in Manchester, CT, will host the synod and more information will be disseminated as plans are firm ed up.

A Happy and Blessed New Year to you.

Peace,

Linnea Shaver

Huntington Station NY

Good Shepherd

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing Glory to the New Born King! (F. Mendelson 1840)

We pray to our King for peace on earth, good will to men. As we approach the New Year, our hearts are full of joy, knowing our King is always at our side. There is little to tell about Good Shepherd since Christmas held us in its blessed grip.
Our eldest member (95 years young), Wynne Trenholme, had the flu. We pray for his speedy recovery. Also Father Joel had a bad cold for quite a while. My daughter, Donna, had a bad sore throat and ear problems for two weeks.

Father Joel delivered cookies to us from both him and his wife Bonnie. Thank you both so much. Yum!

We wish you all a very happy and healthy new year with God’s blessings!

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Arlene C. Block
Amherst NH
St. Luke

The Celebration of the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ was full of hope and expectation. Our Vicar, Father Tutor and our Deacon, Frank Bartlett prepared us well for the coming of Christ. We celebrated on Christmas Eve with a service of Lessons and Carols in which we heard of the birth of our Savior in scripture and in song followed by the Holy Eucharist. Special thanks go to the Altar Guild for their untiring efforts in decorating the church, not only for the special days but all year long. We are now preparing for Lent and the Celebration of our Risen Lord on Easter.

Our Christmas Bazaar was held on December 8th and we were pleased with the results. We had 12 Vendors along with our own special craft and bake sale tables. The baked goodies were very popular this year and we sold out.

We continue with a strong Bible Study group with Jim Pinard and John Leslie as our leaders. We are now studying the book of Hebrews after finishing Leviticus. There is always so much great discussion and the hour passes quickly. What a great Ministry this is providing for us!

Our Annual meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 21. After the meeting we will have a Pot Luck Luncheon.

The Building Committee has been kept busy with various changes and updates in the undercroft and in the Sanctuary. Both bathrooms have been upgraded with windows, floor tiles, sinks, and mirrors and new lighting. There will be new Sanctuary lights installed and there will be an upgrading of the kitchen area. There are many more projects being planned.

An Afternoon Tea took place on February 13th and as usual we enjoyed not only the food but the company of each in attendance. What a lovely way to spend an afternoon eating delectable food and getting to know each other!

Our Outreach Ministry is alive and well. We continue with our collection of food for the Food Bank, Support for New Life Home, Prayer Chain, and the Prayer Shawl Ministry.

God Bless all of you.

———Lillian Power, St. Luke Anglican Church
Tuxedo, New York
Saint Elizabeth’s

We hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and we wish you a prosperous, happy, healthy new year. Christmas-related activities at St. Elizabeth’s began with our annual wreath and poinsettia sale in early December. Several other Christmas season events kept us busy as well. In our giving tree project, parishioners donated many lovely gifts to give to residents of nearby Rockland Psychiatric Center. We also sent treats and needed essentials to our troops in Iraq, along with Christmas cards from our congregation and Sunday School children. In a nice surprise, we received a wonderful group picture and many heart-warming notes of appreciation for our Christmas packages from Jason Pallack, son of Linda and Bob Pallack, and his buddies who are currently serving our country in Iraq. Please remember to keep all of our brave military service men and women and their families in your prayers.

Folks once again came from far and near to see our beautifully decorated chapel at Christmastime during worship services and special events. We celebrated Christ’s birth with a joyous Christmas Eve carol service, midnight mass, Christmas morning mass and a Sunday afternoon open house.

We wrapped up the Christmas season with a lovely classical music concert performed by the All Season Chamber Players. Our thanks to David and Betty Quackenbush, who have generously sponsored this event for many years.

After two winter storm-related cancellations in December, we finally got to have our children’s Sunday School Christmas pageant on January 10th. We held this event at nearby St. Joseph’s Adult Care Home and the residents there joined us to see the pageant and share refreshments afterwards. The delay of this presentation didn’t dampen our Christmas spirits whatsoever and everyone thoroughly enjoyed this delightful afternoon.

We are fortunate to have two very talented harpists, sisters Charlotte and Rosalie Blacklock, in our church family. Charlotte and Rosalie are the daughters of parishioners, Bonnie and Michael Collins Blacklock. They played many beautiful selections at the Chapel during our Christmas open house, and Rosalie also performed for us at the children’s pageant at St. Joseph’s Home. We thank them for their wonderful gift of music — what a blessing for all of us!

Our congratulations go out to our vestry members installed at our annual congregation meeting in January: Rudy Sellitti (Senior Warden), Dorothy Schmidt (Junior Warden), Michael Collins (Secretary), Harry Prokop (Treasurer), and Vestry-at-Large members Sue Van Wart, Linda Pallack and George Kress. At the meeting, we began planning our church events, outreach projects and fund-raising activities for 2010. We pray that we will faithfully strive to better serve our Lord in our church, in our homes and in our community. As one of our primary outreach projects, we renewed our commitment to support our much-needed local food pantry with funding, food donations and volunteers. We urge all of you to explore this opportunity in your own communities if you haven’t already done so. It is our calling as Christians to love and care for those less fortunate and this is an excellent way to exemplify that during these difficult times for so many.

We’ve been immensely enjoying a Wednesday evening movie night twice a month at St. Tuxedo, New York, Saint Elizabeth’s
Elizabeth’s. Bishop Langberg has provided us with several touching and inspiring stories about ordinary people whose lives were changed by faith, and other films about “extraordinary” faithful Christians who, in many cases, were martyred defending their cause. Most recently, we viewed two excellent films about the lives of two of these martyrs - Sir Thomas More and William Tyndale. These films have given us the opportunity to enrich our spiritual lives while enjoying a delightful evening of fellowship and entertainment. Thank you, Bishop Langberg!

Once again, we look forward to participating in our community’s annual Lenten ecumenical program. During Wednesdays in Lent, each of our five local churches take a turn in hosting their Christian neighbors as we gather together in unity to worship and praise God – a wonderful experience for everyone.

We’ve had some very cold temperatures and plenty of snow and ice this winter, so the thoughts of Easter and the coming spring months are pleasant, indeed! We’ll have plenty of “springtime” news for you in the next issue of The Northeast Anglican. Till then……may God bless all of you as you do His work in 2010!

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Old Orchard Beach, Maine
Saint Augustine of Canterbury

It has been some five months since the parish began in October of 2009 and there remains steady attendance and participation in regular parish life. Thanks to the generosity of the National Church, the Diocese and various members, the parish has been able to provide a regular service schedule in a wonderful setting. We see regular attendance of between 18 and 20 each Sunday at our evening Mass at 5:00 PM.

The parish has also had the support of several parishes in making sure the worshippers have a meaningful experience in worship. The altar was provided by Fr. Kevin LaMarre, hand built by him and given in his father’s memory. The beautiful set of altar and pulpit paraments were prepared by Shyla Spear of Holy Trinity in Oakland who now has a small business making custom paraments for parishes throughout the Diocese. The tabernacle was the gift of a 101 year young carpenter and we have received vestments from Yorkie’s Closet, a chalice and ciborium from Bishop Marsh, and other worship items from St. Stephen’s Parish, St. Paul’s Parish, St. Thomas Parish and St. Margaret’s Parish. The Roman Catholic Bishop of Portland provided an altar stone previously used at St. Jude’s Parish in Old Orchard Beach and we have enjoyed the hospitality of the wonderful folks at Cathedral Pines Funeral Home who provide the worship space in their Chapel. The generosity of all has been wonderful and we thank God for the caring people who have stepped up to help us get started.

Opportunity will always be. We list again the items we no longer need and offer them to any group who can put them to good use.

Old and elaborate brass lecturn
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2 candlesticks to match the cross, 15”, for oil filled candles
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Poultney VT
St. David’s

We held our annual meeting the first Sunday in October, and in November we welcomed Bishop Langberg to join us in our Communion Service.

He filled us in on the appeal to the Vatican, the results are not conclusive as of this date, much as Father Alex has anticipated.

Our monthly service continues, and is appreciated by us all, our lives seem so very busy and our faith helps us to keep our focus.

--------Ingrid Magar
We have remained active with our programs. We hosted the Kirkin of the Tartan in November and did a service of Lessons and Carols during Advent. Bishop Marsh visited us in January and blessed the chapel furnishings and worship items. We have regular Bible study and are planning on Tenebrae and Stations of the Cross with our Roman Catholic friends at St. Margaret of Scotland Roman Catholic Church in Old Orchard Beach during Lent. Our friends at St. Margaret’s provided us worship space when the chapel was not available due to a Sunday funeral.

Our folks were also involved in the Anglican-Roman Catholic Prayer Service at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland. Sub-Deacon Dave Brennan led the procession with impressive 360 swings of the thurible. Reports are that no one was injured during the service.

There is a wonderful music program led by organist Larry Morse who works very hard every week to insure that our praise is raised in song. Larry’s son joined us on his trip home from China and added his wonderful voice to our service at Christmas.

We hope to work out an arrangement with the local Masonic Lodge who have a great hall for dinners and other activities. We hope to plan some suppers this summer when the population of Old Orchard Beach increases dramatically with vacationers. We are also planning on a Latin Mass once a month as a supplement to our regular worship to be led by Father LaMarre.

We thank all who have prayed for us and supported us, especially Bishop Marsh, and ask that you continue to remember us in prayer as we reach out to those in need of the Gospel. Pax.

---Fr. Monroe

Albany area NY
St. Michael Mission

Fr. Bryon Koshgarian has been appointed to a mission in formation in the Albany Area, currently working for the Community Hospice of Albany County as a Nursing Home Chaplain. The Community Hospice is affiliated with St. Peter’s Hospital in Albany, NY (a division of Catholic Health East), and doing occasional home services. These pictures are of baptisms recently done in a private chapel at the home of the Kloster family in New Baltimore, NY (about 15 miles south of Albany).

Charlestown, NH
Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd

The winter has been relatively kind to the Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd. The enormous pile of snow that usually ends up at one end of our small parking area in front of the church have not (knock on wood) yet materialized. We have taken advantage of the colder weather to work inside on our sacristy.

Inspired by the cross over the altar at Trinity Rochester, we have acquired a large Christus Rex for our sacristy as we consider whether or not to hang it over our altar. Jeanne Moody went through our vestment rack to determine which articles could be repaired and cleaned. Some we sent to our sister parish, Trinity Church in West Lebanon, NH as they have an
As we approach the 2010 Lenten season, Trinity continues to rejoice in our more permanent location in the Seventh Day Adventist church in West Lebanon. This year-round location has given us a feeling of permanence and a more visible presence in the Upper Valley of the Connecticut River. We celebrated our first Christmas Eve service here and were gratified to have 37 attendees, a record for a service of our own. Indeed, we saw three new families that evening who have joined our parish: Leonard and Treva Stephens and their four children, Annie, Charles, John, and Morgan; Steve and Beckey Rugg and their son Neil; and Jake and Alicia Spearman.

In its continuing concern for its responsibilities to outreach in these difficult times, the vestry voted to make a special Christmas donation of $250 to the local LISTEN center for its use in supporting its fuel supplement program. The vestry also donated $360 to the IAF for relief of Haitian earthquake victims in addition to our regular quarterly donation to the IAF.

Finally, we are very excited that our small parish can look forward to an ordination this year of our very own new deacon. Rob Philp has been studying for the deaconate for three years, and has taken over the deacon’s responsibilities at Trinity from the most able hands of Rev. Dr. David Moody and Rev. Art Bennett who have served us so well since our founding. We are gratified with Rob’s progress which includes preaching and conducting monthly Morning Prayer on days when the Bishop (rector) is making episcopal visits.

Since moving to our new home, the vestry has implemented an aggressive campaign to announce our presence. This has included procuring a sign similar to those used by the Episcopal church to help potential newcomers to locate us. As already mentioned, our advertising in the Christmas season in newspapers and Dartmouth College literature and in handouts produced good results Christmas Eve and later.

Though it is still “early days” in our ministry here in the Upper Valley, we see signs of taking root and look forward to both spiritual and physical growth in the coming year, for which we give thanks to God.
Holy Trinity Fairfield has moved to down-town Oakland, Maine and is located in the 170-year old All Souls Universalist Church building. Father Lewis Glidden received this property as a gift from the Universalist Society to St. Stephen the Martyr Anglican Mission which is renting it to Holy Trinity parish.

The buildings need a lot of care and upgrading, but we have moved in and work around whatever we find. Sanna Watts, whose gift for interior decorating matches her gift for making beautiful gardens, has been working her miracles on the parish hall. She and Nancy Finley have been reorganizing the kitchen. Richard Spear has been instrumental in moving Holy Trinity’s altar in and getting it set up. His hand-carved eagle lectern looks at home in the sanctuary as well. Heather Flewellengave a large wreath for the front door. Dick Finley used his pickup to move large items from the chapel to this church. Tom Pierce used his pickup both to move our items to the church and to move chairs that Nick & Joan Nicholson gave for Father Glidden and his wife Leping to use in the apartment (above the parish hall).

But never has anyone seen Dr. Stanley Painter, our organist, in such glee: Now he has a small keyboard organ, a real pipe organ, and a very complete and powerful electronic organ to play. Dr. Painter uses the pipe organ and the large electronic organ for different parts of the service. The pipe organ needs some work, but most of all it needs to be played. Like his patients with arthritic knees, he says "a little exercise makes them both better."

Our outreach program has started modestly with Diane Trussell’s group of hand spinners...
signed up to use the parish hall once a month. There has been a wedding in the church. And we look forward to having public suppers and earning some money for heat.

While Father Glidden is in China getting his wife Leaping a VISA, Thayne Ormesby, our sexton, has cheerfully moved our church goods about in our new setting, looks after Father's pets, and keeps the vicarage apartment going.

The whole move has been a little like being a child again on snowday. We are still muttering ‘What a stroke of luck.’

----------Shyla Spear, Parish Clerk

! NEW MISSIONS !
in Maine and Connecticut

from the bishop

Old Saybrook CT

Merrill Perkins, one of our newest postulants, is starting a mission in the Old Saybrook, Connecticut area. The mission will begin in the next few weeks. It is so new, it doesn't yet have a name. Anyone interested in helping this new mission should contact Merrill Perkins at 860-391-2497 or prkns.mrrll@yahoo.com.

from Fr. James Dumond:

Deblois, ME – St. Francis

We have started. We now have a place of worship. The selectmen have agreed on letting us use the facility of a vacant room in the town building with its own private entrance. The town building is brand new. And we have a good storage place for our stuff. The only condition is that the room has to be "put up" after each service to what it was before services was held. I have a lot of experience with that condition from the old days in Sargentville and Ellsworth.

My goal now is to have our first official start up service on Easter Sunday. We now have a lot of work to do before and after Easter. Address: Deblois Town Building - Route 193, Deblois Maine. 10:00 A.M. Sundays - St. Francis Mission

Call 207 638 2441 for further information.

News Notes

Necrology

Eudora Campese, wife of Bishop Lewis Campese, died on Wednesday, February 3. Please keep Bishop Campese and his family in your prayers. The funeral was scheduled for Friday, February 12 at 4:00 p.m. Requiem Masses have been celebrated in our diocese at both St. Elizabeth in Tuxedo, NY and Trinity Pro-cathedral in Rochester, NH.

Eternal life grant her, O Lord, and light perpetual shine upon her

Southern New England

Father Hurd has been appointed to assist in the development of a team ministry in southern New England. The team ministry is designed to provide ongoing support to small parishes and missions, offering pastoral and sacramental care to those missions that may not be able to provide for the ministry of a fulltime clergyman.

Youth Camp

Save the Dates: August 15 - 21.

St. Luke's Camp will again meet at New England Keswick in Monterey, Massachusetts. This excellent camping facility includes miles of hiking trail, good cabins (with bathroom facilities actually IN the cabins), an excellent dining hall and many other amenities. Deacon Rich Dibble is again serving as camp director. Please forward any questions or registration requests to him at: diakonio@windstream.net.

Details will soon be available on a new website which is currently under construction, thanks to Tom Kane. The site will be at http://www.stlukescamp.com

Intercommunion Issues

The House of Bishops will meet in Orlando Florida immediately prior to our Clericus gathering. The HOB will be discussing any issues related to the Apostolic Constitution. We will also send a delegation to Rome later in March. This delegation will be charged with presenting our own perspectives and requests to the Holy See.

During our March 4-5 Clericus, we will discuss particular intercommunion issues as well as the latest news in this regard, at our Thursday evening gathering.
Ellsworth ME
St. Thomas

On January 12, 2010 at St. Thomas, a large congregation witnessed the joyous celebration of the ordination of Ian E. Dunn to the diaconate by Bishop Marsh.

Siobhan Harris was also confirmed at this time.

Afterwards we went to Finn's Irish Pub in Ellsworth for a reception. We had a private room with an excellent buffet including genuine Irish corned beef. The parish presented Deacon Dunn with a set of stoles and several individuals presented him with gifts.

On February 7, 2010 parish volunteers including Joyce Barr, the Rev. Mr. Ian Dunn, Siobhan Harris, Margie Sweet and Bill Landmesser painted the walls and ceiling of the new library for Logos House. Afterwards, Rev. Mr. Dunn treated them to Dunkin' Donuts and coffee. They then finished the second coat followed by Subway sandwiches and Evensong.

Siobhan Harris is currently preparing the altar flowers while Vicki Hart is recovering from knee surgery.

We continue to celebrate Evensong every Saturday at 4 p.m.

Starting on Feb. 14 we will conduct a weekly adult study hour after services and coffee hour on the book *Faith and Practice* by Bishop Frank Wilson. The Rev. Canon Clyde Cox will lead the first session. On Feb. 17 our Ash Wednesday service will be at 12 noon.

We recently installed a new area light illuminating our sign and parking lot, and we plan to start building the tower of our new church in April.

---------------Kevin A. Kelly

Concord NH
All Saints

Drawing people to the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ is not always a straightforward endeavor. Secular society has denuded the Great Feasts of the Church to the contracted “holidays” of non-religious events and characters: flying reindeer, talking snowmen, and solstice festivals. All Saints in Concord, though, was able to provide a context in which the real meaning of the Christmas Season was proclaimed with their free performance titled *A Dickens Christmas* on December 12. The Arts Ministry of All Saints which is headed by Jane Cormier, sponsored the event at the Concord City Auditorium. Combining the talents of the Lakes Region Opera and Youth Chorus, Jane produced a lavish showcase of traditional and Victorian Christmas vignettes and music that dazzled the audience, and firmly conveyed the meaning of the season: the Birth of Jesus Christ.

The Solemn Mass on Christmas Eve at All Saints has become the standard—and arguably—the most sumptuous liturgy in the Concord area. Incense, acolytes, and the procession with the Christ Child by the young ladies of the parish, open the Holy Eucharist. Again, East celebrated with West as Father Robert and Brother Francis of the Ukrainian Catholic Church joined in the ceremony.

Father Christian is known throughout the region as a firm supporter of the Rights of the Unborn. On January 16, he marched at the State Capitol in Concord, NH with Roman Catholic, Evangelical, and Orthodox Christians who gave voice to the voice-less in demanding equal right to life for all people: born and pre-born. In the New Hampshire Union Leader, Father Christian is pictured with 9 year old Christopher Martinez of All Saints, who is carrying a sign
of hope amidst the crowd: “Jesus Heals and Forgives.”

On January 13, Jane Stone La Fleur, passed into Eternal Life. Jane was the wife of Deacon Lawrence La Fleur, a founder of St. Luke’s in Amherst, NH, and she was the oldest parishioner at All Saints at 93 years of age. Jane was a bulwark in the parish, and headed the Prayer Ministry, interceding for the needs of the parish and for all on the prayer list. Her presence, calm and loving, will be missed.

As part of the spiritual renewal of the coming Lenten Season, a noted Iconographer, Christopher Gosey, will lead the parish in an Icon writing seminar. The hope is to create for the parish a Great Rood to be used in the sanctuary that is particularly Anglican in composition. Christopher is donating a great deal of his time and talent to see this endeavor completed in time for the Great Vigil of Easter. Christopher is a Master of Iconography, and has completed works for Greek, Ethiopian, Byzantine, and Roman Churches around the nation.

Check the All Saints web-site for service times and special events in the coming months: www.allsaaintsnh.com

---------- Fr. Christian Tutor

Belchertown MA
St. John the Baptist

Greetings from SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST ANGLICAN CHURCH, the newest mission in Central Massachusetts. About 2 years ago several of us met with Bishop Langberg and Bishop Marsh about the opportunity and need for a traditional Anglican parish in our area.

We were fortunate to be able to find a place to meet in the center of Belchertown, directly across from the Town Common and Town Hall. A Sunday morning service is held at 9:00 AM in the dining hall of the Masonic Building at 1 Main Street. Enter through the rear door at the parking area or park in the public lot across the street.

We are led in worship by Reverend Jim Hurd. Our treasurer is Shirley Lander. She and her husband Norm are great supporters of our mission. Our Alter Guild is Lois Chamberlin, who serves faithfully. I am currently serving as Senior Warden.

Our average attendance is 4 members, with a range of 2 to 12.

We have plans to initiate an advertising campaign aimed at letting folks know where we meet and that they have an opportunity to worship in a traditional Anglican church.

Come visit us and pray for us as we grow.

---------- Phil Lambert

Portland ME
St. Paul
Armenian Christmas

On January 9th, we were again delighted to open St. Paul’s to the Armenian Community of Portland. Fr. Krikor A. Sabounjian, who is rector of the Armenian Church of the Holy Translators in Framingham, MA was the celebrant. Coincidentally, our own Bishop Marsh attended as he was on his way to St. Thomas Anglican Church in Ellsworth for Ian Dunn’s ordination the following day. Bishop March was asked to preach the sermon, a task that our Bishop admirably discharged.

Fr. Krikor Sabounjian had been at St. Paul’s a few years ago when Fr. Kasabian was unable to celebrate, so he was no stranger to St. Paul’s. It was wonderful to see old friends in the Armenian Community on that joyous day.

Lenten Services

At 5:30 p.m. there will be Stations of the Cross followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Fr. Logan will preside together with Brother Ignatius. Dr. Serrage will be on hand for music. It is an opportunity to spend an hour with our Lord and walk as He walked on His way to Calvary, remembering that what was done for us all was done out of love – pure, unadulterated, Godly LOVE...with no strings attached.

---------- Allen Ryan
Consider this... the first people to see our Lord Jesus Christ were not people at all, but were, in fact, animals: the first to serve Jesus ... animals. Nearly invisible and in their own quiet way, they opened their home to him and his family and greeted those who had followed a star. They offered Him their warmth. The King of Kings spent his first moments and days surrounded by the lowliest of the low. His first breath was filled with the sweet scent of hay and shared with livestock. He came among them first. Wise men and shepherds sought out, and, days later, found the Christ Child.

We, of the Servants of the Holy Family, are daily reminded of, and are amazed by this connection as we are surrounded by animals. Constantly and humbly serve them in their greatest needs. We, specialize in handicapped and abused animals. These animals are a real joy and long term commitment as most cannot ever be placed in a home again, some are missing body parts or have parts that don't work or are mentally traumatized. Here is the story of just one of those that live with us here.

Tasha came to us 14 years ago at 6 months old. She had been starved, beaten, kicked and hung by her neck from baseball bleachers. On her arrival she only weighed 12 pounds and had seizures regularly. She had broken teeth and ribs. Her abuse was especially bad because she is mostly wolf with less than 10% Husky. She was extremely skittish and snarly. Over time, she has learned all basic commands, she trusts us, eats well (we have to cook her food from scratch) and integrated with our pack. She still displays "wild" tendencies that are particular to wolves. Now, nearing the end of her life we can see how far she has come because she has been loved, fed, and allowed to be herself.

What a wonderful world it would be if everyone "stepped up" and stepped outside themselves personally or financially to help just one animal. The return on each dollar spent for an animal or for each moment spent in the presence of these creatures is unimaginable..........perhaps Heavenly.

We want to take this time to wish everyone a peaceful, thoughtful New Year and to the small, yet very dedicated handful, our Animal Angels, who faithfully, continuously, and very generously support these creatures with their gifts, we offer our deepest gratitude and blessings. Many of these animals would not still be alive if not for you and your kindness and generosity. We are privileged to do the hard work for these creatures and we thank you for being there as the other part of this life saving team with your humble giving and generous gifts. From all the animals here and to come, may God bless you all in the New Year.

Sr. Mary Francis, OSB

Tax deductible donations may be sent any time to
The Servants of the Holy Family
4 Shaw Road, Raymond ME 04071

Please note “For the animals” on your check, and THANK YOU ALL!!

Conway NH
St. Margaret of Scotland

Greetings from St. Margaret’s. Well, it’s hard to believe that the holidays are behind us and we are almost through the worst of the winter. Lent is fast approaching, and Easter will not be far behind.

November at St. Margaret’s saw the official transfer of assignments between Fr. Kevin LaMarre, interim Rector, and Fr. Jeffrey Monroe, Vicar. Fr. Monroe’s final service at Holy Trinity Church was on November 15. Fr. LaMarre’s final service at St. Margaret’s was November
22, at which time an official Transfer Ceremony was conducted. As former fellow sailors, Fr. LaMarre and Fr. Monroe delighted the congregation with the addition of a seafaring ritual used between outgoing and incoming ship Captains. The admiration and respect between them both was evident to all present. Although we are saddened to see Fr. Lamarre’s departure, that sadness is softened by the joy at welcoming our new Vicar Fr. Monroe, and his lovely wife Linda.

Also in November the Parish held its annual Christmas Fair. As always, our beautiful and creative theme baskets went quickly, and our other tables were popular as well. On the first Sunday of his new ministry at St. Margaret’s, Fr. Monroe added a special ceremony in honor of the feast of St. Andrew, patron Saint of Scotland. All parishioners of Scottish extraction and any others were invited to wear their tartans and participate in a Kirkin (blessing) of the Tartan. A number of parishioners participated, and bagpipe music was played by Harry Wellsman, Junior Warden.

December saw the resumption of Bible study, which is now led by Fr. Monroe after services on Sunday following Fellowship in the undercroft. Also in December, Fr. Monroe announced a resumption of the Healing Service on the first Thursday of every month beginning in January. A traditional service of “A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols” was presented on Thursday, December 17, and a parish Christmas Party was hosted by Jim and Rebecca Harrington at their home on December 20. Our Christmas service was held Christmas eve at 5:00. Finishing out the month, the parish welcomed back Fr. Kevin LaMarre as a guest celebrant on December 27, filling in for Fr. Monroe who was out of state visiting family.

January saw the decoration of the church by the altar guild with beautiful poinsettias in honor of all living mothers and in memory of mothers departed.

Plans for February at St. Margaret’s include Ash Wednesday services at 7:00 P.M, and a presentation of Christ in the Passover on February 27th by The Jews for Jesus organization. Mr. Oded Cohen and his wife Bimini will present the program, which will include an explanation of the Passover meal, and samples of food which will be passed around. This promises to be a very informative and different program.

Upcoming plans for March feature a St. Patrick’s day dinner of corned beef and cabbage, which will be prepared by Sub-Deacon David Brennan of St. Augustine’s church, assisted by leprechauns from St. Margaret’s. This dinner will be open to the public and tickets will be pre-sold as well as available at the door.

As always, St. Margaret’s contributes weekly to the local food pantry. Sunday school and nursery care is available and conducted by Alison Bergeron and Ann Wilcox. Corinne Page and Rebecca Harrington gave a beautiful rendition of “The Old Rugged Cross” recently, and Tracy Gardner, our organist and choir director, continues to provide the parish with beautiful and inspiring selections.

St. Margaret’s looks forward to the upcoming Lenten season, the promise of spring, and the joy of Easter.

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Rochester NH

Trinity Anglican Church
Pro-Cathedral of the Diocese of the Northeast

Christmas time at the Cathedral was a glorious time. We were especially blessed by the music which was presented by our Choir. Several years ago, we had a group of mostly youth members of the Choir who did an instrumental presentation prior to signing carols our preamble to Midnight Mass. By last year, most of the members had graduated, in college or generally unavailable. When the bulletin was printed we were only singing carols. And then Grace Froncko began to get calls from various alumni who told her they would be there. After Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols, the Dean noticed that people started to appear and he was informed that, Yes! We would have an instrumental ensemble. What was truly amazing, half had never played together before and the others hadn’t been together for a few years. Yet, from the introduction of “The First Noel” during a quickly arranged rehearsal, those of us listening could tell it was going to be a wonderful offer-
ing for the Christmas service. The other high point was the singing of Handel’s Hallelujah Chorus for the Offertory anthem. For the first time in several years the Choir had enough members to do an outstanding job with this well known choral masterpiece.

A brief note on the Dean’s health. On Christmas day after Services and Christmas dinner, Fr. Williams was admitted to the hospital for upper G.I. bleeding. The doctors thought it serious enough to keep him in the Intensive Care Unit for the next few days until transfusions and subsequent tests proved satisfactory enough for him to recuperate at home. Both Dean Tutor and Bishop Marsh made sure he was spiritually cared for. His wife Marilyn making sure that he is following doctor’s orders and tying him down as necessary to get adequate rest.

In January, the Cathedral honored two members for their years of service. At a banquet at the Governor’s Inn, Mr. Kirby Wood and Mr. Steve Young were the guests of honor. Mr. Young is retiring as Parish treasurer after twenty years. He was one of the founding members of the parish and without his careful stewardship this parish might not have survived. Mr. Wood has been the Senior Warden of the Vestry most of the years since its beginning. Those years when he was not Senior Warden, he was usually a Vestryman. Again, his efforts and his encouraging others to “shoulder some of the burden” have made this parish viable and sustaining.

To prepare for Lent, the Dean, Fr. Williams celebrated an “Instructed Eucharist.” To the bewilderment of the congregation, they arrived on Quinquagesima Sunday to find a Holy Table set up in the Sanctuary. Fr. Williams reassured the people that the arrangement was very temporary. However, for the purpose of instruction they might better understand the Service of Holy Communion if they could observe the actions of the celebrant, while a narrator read a commentary of the service. One parishioner commented that it was like a class in anatomy; you learned a lot, but it made one uneasy and a little queasy. (The table was dismantled before Ash Wednesday.)

On Candlemas, (February 2) Fr. Christian Tutor, celebrating the anniversary of his ordination as deacon in this church, offered Mass and blessed the candles for the year, wearing his new Byzantine vestments.

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Dean Williams

Webster NY
Holy Cross Church

Yet again we had an extremely successful bake sale during the November Election Day. We are one of Webster’s voting sites and after pulling the levers the voters are always quite receptive to our baked goods. I believe that the Martha Stewart-like talents are alive and well at Holy Cross.

The women of our church put on a Christmas Faire in early December. It was quite an undertaking, led by Anne Hotchkiss, with vendors, crafts, homemade candies, and loads of wonderful baked goods to be had. We also offered a
robust and delicious luncheon with soups and chili, bread straight from the oven, and freshly baked apple pies. Mr. Gerry Quenell, a novice baker, made an amazing pie—kudos Gerry!

We all enjoyed a blessed Advent season, and a lovely, meaningful, beautiful, and music-filled Christmas Eve service. The candles glowed at the end of the pews, bedecked with ribbons and berries while the altar candlelight shone among the poinsettias. The physical beauty of the church, mingled with the awesome spirituality of the season, created an atmosphere of wonder and glory—a joy for all to experience and feel. Laurel and Michael Collins’ eldest son Alex made his first Communion during the Christmas Eve service—another lovely moment of that blessed evening.

On the feast of the Epiphany we hosted a nearby town’s congregation—All Saints’ Church. These nice folk came and shared the morning with us. They are in transition at this time and are always welcome to join us in worship. We had a reception to honor them afterwards. They will be coming for Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, and Easter. Perhaps in the near future they will join us permanently.

In January we lost a beloved member, Harvey Howland, a scholar, an educator, a gentleman and friend. The label ‘Renaissance man’ truly fit him, a most beloved husband to his wife Elsbeth, a devoted father to his children Hans and Kristina, an incredible grandfather, a fine friend, and an inspiration to all who knew him. His ‘celebration of life’ service was a joy to all in attendance. The church was packed with people from all parts of the globe. The honor guard, the moving music, and the eulogies made for a remarkable tribute. The lovely reception afterwards gave everyone the opportunity to share stories and memories. His son Hans designed bookmarks for everyone, with the words that Harvey and Elsbeth lived by every day of their marriage: “This is the day that the Lord has made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.”

We were treated to a wonderful pancake breakfast led by ‘chef’ Harry Hoyen and a few terrific men. It was a combination Pre-Lenten/Valentine’s Day feast. Before the breakfast, during the service, Holly Hoyen lauded all couples married for over 50 years and couples married less than 2 years. She presented all with lovely flowers. Everyone was quite touched.

We enter Lent with an evening service on Ash Wednesday. There will be a Lenten series each Sunday after the service. People will bring their own lunch for a talk and discussion time. Our own Ron Furrer will present the first.

The New Sunday School venue is officially finished and in use. Thanks to the men who contributed time and talents to this project.

Alison and Jason O’Neil celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary by commissioning a beautiful new fair linen for the altar—a gift from their hearts.

We are all thrilled that our published writer, Kate Chamberlin has announced the publication of her 2nd children’s book, “Green Trillium”, beautifully illustrated by Mia Surakka. It is a charming and inspirational book, the moving story of a young boy, his grandma, and her guide dog as they “traverse the lure and lore of the many wildflowers that grow in the acid bog, meadows, and drumlin woods captivating him and changing his attitude towards life as he discovers the botanist within himself. Kate is a joy to know and to read. Her book is a fine gift and a fine book to own. www.trafford.com/bookstore Read more at www.katechamberlin.com

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**Kate Chamberlin with Peyton Grace**

**News from:**

**Logos House of Theological Studies**

**An International Traditional Anglican Communion Seminary**

**February 2010**

As you may remember, the newly built Library building has been under construction for some months now. We had a target date for end of January for moving the books into place. It’s always good to have a ‘target date’ because that gives you something to move forward.....to another date! The thing is.....there are a lot of books! They have all been housed in Canon Henthorne’s library. He and Canon Cox have been working very diligently all winter packing them into boxes. They even have helpers like Paul Henderson of Appleton and
Bill Landmesser of Stockton Springs. But there are a lot of books.

In Ellsworth, the library nears completion. Incredible strides are evident on the interior. All the volunteers, with Mike McCadden in the lead, Jim Geary, Deacon Dunn, David Simmons, Bill Landmesser, Marge Sweet, Siobhan Harris, Ed Hart, Kevan Shave, Kevin Kelly, myself have taken turns or come in teams to insulate, sheetrock, paint, electrify, install heat, lights, and trim, etc. We have, in storage, donations of rugs and furniture. The original library shelving, built by David Simmons, will be moved by him as soon as the books are packed.

In the next few weeks the floor will be prepped and painted, and the final trim will be in place. The newly projected moving date is as early as possible in April. That is when the (probably close to 200) boxes of books will wind their way by road out of Brooksville to Ellsworth.

The library is the first of three structures slated for the campus of Logos House. Finishing the first this winter is due, in part, to a recent anonymous donation. We can see God’s hand in all our work as he brings things together at just the right moment. Thus we know we are on the right track. Should any be able to make a tax deductible donation of any amount to help move forward the continued building and operation of the Logos House of Theological Studies please be in touch with the Dean, Canon Granville Henthorne, at P O Box 296, Brooksville, ME 04616; 207 326 4120.

We’ll keep you up to date as progress is made; and look forward to a Dedication and Grand Opening date. Stay tuned....Joyce Barr, Registrar.

Notes from the Examining Chaplains
(compiled at the request of Canon Davis from the Bishop’s monthly newsletter and other sources.)

The Rev. Mr. Ian Dunn was ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons at St. Thomas Church in Ellsworth, Maine on January 10. The Rev. Samuel Moore Logan preached a fine sermon and charged the ordinand to be faithful to his ordination vows. The Rev. Canon Granville Henthorne presented The Rev. Mr. Dunn for ordination. We congratulate Deacon Dunn on his achievement and welcome him to the spiritual brotherhood of faithful clergy.

Mr. Richard Smith has been accepted as a postulant in our diocese. Mr. Smith was born in England and currently lives in the Rochester, New York area. His wife is a school administrator. Richard holds a masters degree in Anglican studies from Yale University. He expects to attend the upcoming Clericus at Graymoor. Please be sure to introduce yourselves to him and assist him in his journey.

Several of our candidates have received their canonical examination questions. The board expects to administer up to three oral exams immediately following the Graymoor Clericus. You will likely recognize these candidates, as they no doubt can answer the most obscure questions about the theology of John Henry Newman or the lifestyle issues of Henry VIII. Please keep them in your prayers.

The Board of Examining Chaplains is available to meet with any man who feels called to holy orders. Although the official schedule is currently full for the upcoming Clericus, members of the board may be approached individually and on an informal basis. Members of the Board of Examining Chaplains are: Father James Davis (chair), Archdeacon Alan Koller, Father Owen Williams.

Several of our parishes now have subdeacons, some of whom are aiming toward deeper involvement in the sacred ministry. We give thanks that there does appear to be an increase in vocations in our diocese.

The most important item of business in this quarter was the planning of the 2010 Logos House Summer School. For the benefit of those who may not have received the materials directly, we are printing the following report, schedule, and application.

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2010 Logos House Summer School

Our second annual Logos House Summer School will be held June 13-18 at The Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield, Connecticut. The responses from last year’s participants were so positive that we decided to make this an annual event. It should be noted that, in order to encourage the return of our students this year, we would have a different theme and course content.

We will be emphasizing the sacramental dimensions of our ministry by presenting its scriptural and historical foundations, and its practical applications. Therefore, the week begins (Monday and Tuesday) with a course entitled Sacramental Dimensions of Ministry. On Monday, Paul’s letters to Timothy will be examined along with the Patristic and later foundations of our sacramental theology. Tuesday’s presentation focuses on all seven sacraments as they are divided into those involving states of life, sacraments of initiation, and sacraments of healing. The Monday and Tuesday evening sessions will allow for open discussion and sharing of ideas.

The presentations on Wednesday and Thursday look at the practical applications of what was presented at the beginning of the week. This course is entitled Ministering to God’s People. It will satisfy the requirements established for the Logos House PT 201 (Theology in the Parish Setting) course. Included in this are the following modules: public reading of scripture; parish administration; preparation for baptisms, confirmations, weddings, and funerals; ministering to the sick and dying; resolving conflicts and crisis intervention; conduct and ethics (pastoral and lay).

The week concludes (Thursday evening and Friday) with Clericus. On Friday morning, Canon Clyde Cox will give us an overview of Canon Law with an emphasis on those canons that deal with marriage and other relationships (e.g. parish and bishop, clergy and bishop, etc.).

Archdeacon Alan Koller is again the registrar for this school. A $50.00 deposit with the registration form must be received by him no later than May 1st in order to reserve a seat. All postulants and clergy are encouraged to attend.

Note: PT will take place, for those who are able, each morning from 6:00 to 7:00.

Sunday
3:00 – 5:30 PM – Registration
5:30 – 6:30 PM – Dinner
6:30 – 7:00 PM – Evening Prayer
7:00 – 7:30 PM – Welcome by Bp Brian Marsh
7:30 – 8:30 PM – Fellowship Hour

Monday –
Sacramental Dimensions of Ministry (Pt 1)
7:30 – 8:00 AM – Morning Prayer
8:00 – 9:00 AM – Breakfast
9:00 – 11:00 AM – Scriptural Foundation (I-II Timothy)
11:00-12:00 PM – Eucharist
12:00-1:00 PM – Lunch
1:00 – 1:30 PM – Rest
1:30 – 3:00 PM – Patristic Foundations of Sacraments
3:00 – 3:30 PM – Break
3:30 – 5:00 PM – Medieval and Modern Developments
5:00 – 5:30 PM – Break
5:30 – 6:30 PM – Dinner
6:30 – 7:00 PM – Evening Prayer
7:00 – 7:30 PM – Mentoring Time
7:30 – 9:30 PM – Open Discussion of the Material
9:30 – 9:45 PM - Compline

Tuesday –
Sacramental Dimensions of Ministry (Pt 2)
7:30 – 8:00 AM – Morning Prayer
8:00 – 9:00 AM – Breakfast
9:00 – 11:00 AM – Sacraments Involving States of Life
11:00-12:00 PM – Eucharist
12:00-1:00 PM – Lunch
1:00 – 1:30 PM – Rest
1:30 – 3:00 PM – Sacraments of Initiation
3:00 – 3:30 PM – Break
3:30 – 5:00 PM – Sacraments of Healing
5:00 – 5:30 PM – Break
5:30 – 6:30 PM – Dinner
6:30 – 7:00 PM – Evening Prayer
7:00 – 7:30 PM – Mentoring Time
7:30 – 9:30 PM – Open Discussion of the Material
9:30 - 9:45 PM - Compline

Wednesday – Ministering to God’s People
7:30 – 8:00 AM – Morning Prayer
8:00 – 9:00 AM – Breakfast
9:00 – 11:00 AM – Public Reading of Scripture
11:00-12:00 PM – Eucharist
12:00-1:00 PM – Lunch
1:00 – 1:30 PM – Rest
1:30 – 3:00 PM – Basic Parish Administration
3:00 – 3:30 PM – Break
3:30 – 5:00 PM – Connecting to the Community  
5:00 – 5:30 PM – Break  
5:30 – 6:30 PM – Dinner  
6:30 – 7:00 PM – Evening Prayer  
7:00 – 7:30 PM – Mentoring Time  
7:30 – 9:30 PM – Prep. For Baptisms, Confirmations, etc.  
9:30 – 9:45 PM – Compline  

**Thursday – Ministering to God’s People (Pt 2)**  
7:30 – 8:00 AM – Morning Prayer  
8:00 – 9:00 AM – Breakfast  
9:00 – 11:00 AM – Ministering to the Sick and Dying  
11:00-12:00 PM – Eucharist  
12:00-1:00 PM – Lunch  
1:00 – 1:30 PM – Rest  
1:30 – 3:00 PM – Pastoral & Lay Conduct and Ethics  
3:00 – 3:30 PM – Break  
3:30 – 5:00 PM – Conflicts and Crisis Intervention  
5:00 – 5:30 PM – CLERICUS Registration  
5:30 – 6:30 PM – Dinner  
6:30 – 7:00 PM – Evening Prayer  
7:00 – 8:00 PM – Bishop’s Time  
8:00 – 9:00 PM – Deanery Meetings  
9:00 – 9:15 PM – Compline  

**Friday**  
7:30 – 8:00 AM – Morning Prayer  
8:00 – 9:00 AM – Breakfast  
9:00 – 11:00 AM –  
  CLERICUS presentation on Canon Law  
  by the Rev. Canon Clyde Cox  

Cost: $200 for each two day course and $100 for the CLERICUS Some scholarships are available through Logos House funds and the Helliwell Fund. Contact Bp Marsh for further information.

A deposit of $50.00 must be received by the registrar NLT May 1st in order to reserve a seat at the school. The remainder of the tuition is due upon arrival.

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Notes: The course Ministering to God’s People will satisfy the requirements for the Logos House PT 201 (Theology in the Parish Setting). There will be no post-course requirements in order to receive full credit.

Board of Examination Chaplains has determined that the course, Sacramental Dimensions of Ministry, is extremely important since what makes us Anglicans is our emphasis on the use of all of the seven sacraments and that God’s presence is manifested most effectively to His people in these sacred acts.
Parishes and Missions

**Connecticut**

**Manchester:** Ascension - Sun 10.30am (860)643-7674. Fr. Robert Frederickson

**Mystic:** St. Matthias - Sun 10am (860)643-7674 Fr. Robert Frederickson

**Old Saybrook**—(860)-391-2497

**Maine**

**Rockland:** Resurrection Mission (at members’ homes.) (207)236-2421 Fr. Frank Gray.

**Debois:** St. Francis Sun 10am starts Easter (Town Bldg, Rt 193). (207)638-2441 Fr. James Dumond

**Ellsworth:** St. Thomas - Sun 10am (373 Bangor Rd., Rt. 1A) (207)667-2001. Fr. Granville Henthorne Dcn’s Ian Dunn, Ed Kalish

**Old Orchard:** St. Augustine of Canterbury - Sun 5pm (beginning Oct 18) (207)799-5141 Fr. Jeff Monroe

**Portland:** St. Paul Sun 7, 8 & 10 am (279 Congress St.) (207)828-2012. Fr. Samuel Logan fr. John Corcoran, Dcn Bro Ignatius

**Conway:** St. Margaret of Scotland - Sun 9.30am (85 Pleasant St.) (603)447-2404 Fr. Jeffrey Monroe

**New York**

**Albany area:** St. Michael Mission Fr. Bryon Koshgarian (518)253-2291

**Brooklyn:** St. Joseph - Sun 11am (123-131 Arlington Avenue) Fr. Carlton C. Clarke (914)629-1616

**Canandaigua:** Holy Redeemer - Sun 10am (4575 4575 Rte 364 - East Lake Road). Fr. James Ayers. (585)334-3512

**Glendale (Queens): St. Augustine** Fr. Neville Braithwaite (718)756-1258

**Hartsdale:** St. Gabriel - Sunday 8.30am (130 North Central Ave. (at St. Paul’s UMC) Fr. Carlton C. Clarke (914)629-1616

**Huntington Station:** Good Shepherd - Sun 10am (38 Chapel Turn, Eagle Valley) (845)753-6407. Bp. George Langberg.

**Liverpool:** St. Mary the Virgin - Sun 8 & 10 Wetzel and Morgan Roads (315)652-3538 Canon Nelson Skinner, Fr. Albert K. Jungers

**Tuxedo:** St. Elizabeth - Sun 10am (315)822-3952. Dcn. Richard Dibble

**Webster:** Holy Cross - Sun 10am (585)467-6029 Fr. David Ambuske

**West Winfield:** St. Lucy (10265 US Rte 20) (315)822-3952. Dcn. Richard Dibble

**Vermont**

**Poultney:** St. David - 1st Sundays 9.30am (802)645-1962 Fr. Alexander Stringer.
Clergy Anniversaries

My list is woefully incomplete and probably inaccurate. Please help me get it right. ed.

Mar
01 - Fr. Kevin LaMarre OSB, D 1997
10 - Fr. David Ambuske, birthday
11 - Dcn Frank Bartlett, D 2006
13 - Fr. Jeff Swayne, birthday
24 - Fr. Granville Henthorne, P 1956

Apr
03 - Bro Dcn Ignatius OSB. birthday
23 - Fr. Robert Ley, D 1994

May
17 - Fr. Robert Ley, P 1998
30 - Fr. Neville Braithwaite, birthday

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