Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Reports that Lord Jesus Christ actually lives in Belchertown, Massachusetts are apparently true. The town in which I live and maintain the diocesan office, is also the home of Lord Jesus Christ. Strange as it may seem, there is someone in my home town who has Lord Jesus Christ as his legal name. Yesterday, the media verified this; Lord Jesus Christ's picture appeared on the front page of The Springfield Republican newspaper. Why? "Lord Jesus," as he refers to himself, was recently hit by a car in the city of Northampton. Though his injuries were minor, he has hired a lawyer to ensure that all his legal bases are covered. All this attention has been good for Lord Jesus Christ and he has courted additional media coverage with wild abandon. This free publicity will no doubt help his business. He is a graphic artist. He sells paintings. Perhaps he figured that, by changing his name to Lord Jesus Christ, he might sell even more paintings. What a great conversation starter: "who painted that picture you have hanging in your living room?" You get the idea.

When was the last time Jesus' picture appeared on the front page of a newspaper? Perhaps it has appeared in the context of a religious story. But never a story about Jesus Himself. That is why this particular story is so revealing about our life, our culture and how we regard the presence of Jesus in our lives.

I confess that I have never actually seen Lord Jesus Christ walking the streets of my home town. My confession prompted one of my parishioners to ask, jokingly: "so, are you saying you have never seen the Lord Jesus Christ?" And it gave me the opportunity to respond: "whether I have seen him or not is completely irrelevant; I know He is with me always." That is the message of Ascensiontide; indeed, it is the message of our life and witness as Christians.

Although any person may legally change the name they have been given, the fact that one man has chosen the name, Lord Jesus Christ, doesn't trouble me a bit. This surprises some people. Yesterday, one man approached me, thrust the newspaper in front of me and said: "you must be spitting nails over this!" He was surprised when I
laughed. How can anyone take seriously something so funny? God can take any amount of ridicule or abuse. Isn’t that what we learn at the foot of the cross? We can attempt to kill God, but He will return to us again and again to show us the healing power of His enormous love. I am sure that God loves this man who has renamed himself Lord Jesus Christ. But I know He regards him as very naive spiritually.

During Ascensiontide, we hear this phrase from John’s gospel: "the Spirit of Truth." The spirit of truth helps us discern what is of God. God’s will for us is that we embrace and mirror His love for us: that we love each other as He has loved us. In the seventeenth chapter of his gospel, John records some of the most beautiful phrases that Jesus ever delivered. At a particular moment in His earthly ministry, Jesus prayed that all of God’s children would be one as He and the Father are one. It is that perfection, that unity in the love that is truly of God, that Jesus wishes for us all.

Ascensiontide is an essential aspect of our life and witness as Christians because of what it calls us to do. The departure of Jesus to the Father’s throne means that we do not have Him physically with us. We cannot turn to Him in His human form and look to Him for specific, concrete answers to our questions. Or can we?

The “Spirit of Truth” comes to us from God. The more we pray, the more we internalize the Scriptures, the more we will be able to discern the spirit of truth that God has given to us.

Recently, I met with a group of Christians who were woefully divided. This does happen at time in Christian communities; St. Paul wrote about such groups two thousand years ago. This particular group of Christians had separated into
armed camps and were tossing figurative stones at each other. Stones, whether figurative or actual, hurt. And that was their intent; inflict as much damage as possible and the others will go away. That was the theory, anyway. Sadly, that philosophy doesn't work in God's world and I discourage any Christian from using it. The battles continued for weeks, each side believing in the righteousness of its cause. Finally, someone stood up and said "enough." The individual took responsibility for the hurt that had been caused on his part and prayed that the group could let go of its hatred and bitterness and return to God. Suddenly, there was confusion. When the "Spirit of Truth" comes among us, sometimes we simply don't know what to do. The "Spirit of Truth" can sometimes disrupt our most dearly held notions. But because of one person's call to repentance and reconciliation, healing has begun for that group of Christians.

Speaking God's truth has enormous power. Even one voice that genuinely speaks the truth of the gospel can indeed work wonders.

Is is given to us to speak that truth, God's truth. The Lord has gone up to heaven with a shout. He has left us here on earth with a great task to accomplish. Let us listen for the spirit of truth this Ascensiontide. And express it with the fullness of our very being.

Our Savior Jesus Christ has ascended to the heavens. He will be with us always, even to the ending of the world.

Blessings to you all!

Your
Brother
In Christ,
+Brian

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**Haiti Christian Worship Project**

At the Graymoor Warden's Meeting in early March the Wardens voted to create a diocesan wide Haiti Christian worship project. Our project is not for emergency relief. The earthquake destroyed almost every church building and its contents in Haiti. Our goal is to provide assistance to Christian Churches as they rebuild.

We are mindful that many of our parishes and parishioners have already participated in various emergency relief projects immediately after the earthquake. Our project is aimed to support basic Christian worship needs. We are asking each parish in the diocese to sponsor a fund raiser dedicated for this project. Details are as follows:

Each parish should set a goal as to amount of money to be raised, and then determine the means to meet that goal. There are many ways to raise money:

- Bake Sales
- Bake less Bake Sales
- Church Suppers
- Youth Group car washers
- Special collections

Select the activity that best fits your parish. Ideally it should be a fun event in which you share Christian Fellowship to support a worthy cause.

The target date is to have your fund raiser completed prior to our 2010 Synod. When you come to Synod bring a check **made out to the Diocese of the Northeast** for the amount that you raised. All money raised will be processed through the IAF for the specific purpose of Christian worship needs in Haiti.

Our aim in setting up this project was to have a simple project that would be easy to run and manage. We are mindful that a single parish will not be able to raise a lot of money, but if every parish takes part the diocese has the potential to raise a significant dollar amount.

This is the only notice that your parish will receive regarding this project. The success of this effort depends entirely upon your parish reaching out to help our fellow Christians in their worship needs.

Sincerely, Kirb
Episcopal visits

**BISHOP MARSH**
June 20. St. Mary the Virgin, Liverpool, NY
July 11. St. Matthias, Mystic, CT
July 25. St. Stephen, Oakland, ME
August 8. St. David, Poultnexy, VT
August 29. Holy Trinity, Fairfield, ME
  Resurrection Mission, Camden, ME
September 12. St. Paul, Portland, ME
September 26. St. Paul, Brockton, MA
November 14. St. Margaret of Scotland, Conway, NH
December 12. Trinity Pro-cathedral, Rochester, NH

**BISHOP LANGBERG**
June 13. Good Shepherd, Charlestown, NH
June 13. Trinity, West Lebanon, NH
October 10. St. Lucy, West Winfield, NY

**ARCHDEACON KOLLER**
September 12. Good Shepherd, Huntington Sta., NY

Standing Committee

The Standing Committee met at the home of Diocesan Treasurer, Katherine Lippman in Palmer, Massachusetts Saturday, May 22. The agenda is comprehensive and wide-ranging. Members of the Standing Committee are thanked for their service to the diocese.

The meeting opened with Mass. as is traditional. There was discussion of recent ordinations and of new vocations. Details of the upcoming synod were set, a Council of Advice on Ecumenical Matters was announced, and the Logos House summer program was discussed. All these matters are reflected elsewhere in this NEA.

**BISHOP'S COUNCIL OF ADVICE**

Your bishop has appointed a Council of Advice on Ecumenical matters. Composed of seven individuals (four clergy, three laity), this group has been charged with reviewing the Apostolic Constitution and related documents. The council will advise the bishop on matters related to inter-communion discussions with the Vatican. The participants will also study other Anglican jurisdictions with regard to any contacts that may be appropriate. This council is designed to involve more of the diocese in discussions that have, until now, been largely confined to the House of Bishops. Kirby Wood has been appointed chairman. Other members include Archdeacon Alan Koller, Rev. Canon Granville Henthorne, Fr. Christian Tutor, Fr. Sam Logan, Mrs. Jean Moody and Attorney Eugene Van Voris.

>>St. Luke’s Camp<<
>>2010<<

When: August 15-21, 2010
Where: Beautiful New England
Keswick in Monterey, MA
Who: Youth ages 7-15, up to age 17 by special permission only
Theme: Dead or Alive
Cost: $275, some assistance will be available

Registration
and deposit deadline:
July 28, 2010

More info: stlukescamp.com

Olde St. Paul’s, Portland ME, at Easter
Around the Diocese

Old Orchard ME
St. Augustine

The new mission, now beginning its sixth month is doing well. The mission has around 25 people on the rolls and we normally see an average of 15 each Sunday. We now have several young men who are being trained as acolytes (see below) and our short Sunday school was very successful (we have ended Sunday School for the Summer). Our parish profile is a mix of various ages and we are very pleased that several new families have come to join us recently.

The parish is well equipped thanks to the Bishop and the Diocese and the generosity of members and other parishes including St. Margaret's in Conway, St. Stephens in Oakland, Holy Trinity in Waterville, St. Thomas in Ellsworth and St. Paul's in Portland. We have a full set of vestments, altar paraments, furnishings and all that is required for worship. We are going to refinish the altar this summer and insert the altar stone.

Beginning in June, we are going to expand our service schedule and beginning June 6th we will offer a Sunday morning prayer service at 9:00AM and continue our Holy Communion service at 5:00 PM. Bible Study will be moved to Wednesdays and the morning service will be family oriented.

We are planning a public supper at the Masonic Hall hopefully next month, and we will be reaching out to the many campgrounds and hotels in the area to make them aware of our services. We will also be buying a sandwich board to put out with the summer service schedule and will adjust our ads in the paper as appropriate.

We want to thank Valerie Kazarain who did a great job organizing our Sunday School, Pat Martel who does our bulletins, Mary Brennan who helps out with coffee and Linda Monroe who takes care of supplies and setting up coffee each week and each of you who have provided goodies for after service. We will be organizing our altar guild soon and have one volunteer and need one more.

Our major focus for the summer will be outreach. We struggle with the apathy toward the church that has developed in the world and many are just not interested in going to Church nor even care about God. Our role as a parish is to proclaim the Gospel, provide the Sacraments and support our parish family with pastoral care, education and Christian fellowship. Each of us has a role in God's Holy Church and for those who are "roaming" catholics, St. Augustine's has provided a place of comfort and warmth to those who have come to the door and joined us.

One of the greatest joys we share is opening up our hearts to those the Spirit moves to come into our family. We wanted to share this picture and a note from one of the new moms at the parish. It is a blessing to have young families with us and to share Christ's love with them. We are very excited about two of the sons who have jumped on the opportunity to serve at the altar. We now have full vestments for both of them compliments of St. Margaret's in Conway, our sister parish. We are training them both and thought you would enjoy their first Sunday as acolyte. We welcome them into our parish family and for sharing Christ's love with all of them. God's blessings.

Fr. Jeff Monroe,

"... thank you so much for making us feel welcomed at church. The boys and I really enjoy and look forward to go each week. :-)

Mary Guillerault

Portland ME
St. Paul’s

It’s been a busy year at Olde St. Paul’s. Our Lenten season was active with Friday evening Stations of the Cross followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. In Holy Week, the mid-week services were well attended, including the Three Hour Vigil on Good Friday. For us, it was a blessed Lent and a Holy Easter and it was
a joy to see the interest and attendance by parishioners and visitors alike.

We were pleased to participate in the joint Service for Unity held next door at the Roman Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in February. St. Paul’s lent its ACA church flag that was flown in the nave of the Cathedral across from their flag – probably the first time in our 450 years of separation that both Anglican and Roman Catholic flags flew together in the same venue. We all agreed that we were attending a service of historical proportions and we were grateful for our neighbor’s welcoming hospitality.

St. Paul’s has been busy also with its property of late. We’ve found some problems with our parish hall that have required the help of a mason skilled in historical repair relative to the brickwork. The complex that is St. Paul’s was built in 1868 so it’s expected that problems will crop up with structures of this age. Merely pointing up or resetting brickwork is a little more daunting than that required of a contemporary building; the mortar, for instance, not only must be of the right kind and consistency, but also must be of the correct color to satisfy the historical folks at City Hall. What complicates our repairs is that our church, to include the church, rectory and parish hall, is on the National Register and that means that certain protocols must be observed. And as we as tax payers are used to now, this is an “unfunded mandate”. Nevertheless, we’re able to cope as we go along. Much as been done by way of preservation, but much more is needed, especially on the church building and on its attached rectory. It’s a matter of pecking away and taking care of the important things first.

We have to give a lot of credit and thanks to our Sr. Warden, Alvin “Cush” Dennison, who has been expert in looking after the infrastructure and identifying a mason/carpenter skilled in restoration.

The parish is now busily working on what is promised to be a monumental “Yard Sale” that’s set for June 5th. Chaired by Ed Pettit, the day promises to be exciting with lots to look at for sale as well as goodies to keep the hunger pangs at bay. The Yard Sale, sponsored by the Ladies Guild and the Vestry, will be held in the parish hall and, weather permitting, also outside in the back yard. With donations coming in, this’ll be a “good ‘un”. Pick-ups of donations can be arranged by calling the church at 828-2012 or by calling Al Ryan at 229-8700.

We’re delighted to be welcoming Postulant Michael Cupoli to St. Paul’s in May; he’s our seminarian attending full time at a seminary just outside Philadelphia; having completed his first of three years, Mike, along with Al Ryan, will be ordered Deacon in August. Mike will be living in our rectory for the summer and will be attending a clinical pastoral course at Mercy Hospital in Portland that last several weeks. And he’ll be busy on Sundays on St. Paul’s altar. We’re looking forward to his arrival.

We have received news that Fr. Samuel Logan, St. Paul’s Rector, has been appointed to the Diocesan Standing Committee, a singular honor for both Fr. Logan and this parish. He has also been appointed to the Bishop’s Advisory Committee on the matter of Anglican-Roman relations; the committee will study the offer of the Holy See made to Anglicans concerning church unity.

If you happen to find yourself in the Portland area on a Sunday morning, Low Masses at Olde St. Paul’s are at 7:00, and 8:00, with a sung High Mass at 10:00. We’re at 279 Congress Street, right next door to the Roman Cathedral.

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Allen Ryan

We will be having our Yard Sale on Saturday, June 5, from 9am to 2pm. with June 12 as a rain date. A hot dog luncheon will be served and we look forward to selling many books, furniture, household items, clothing, and Christmas decorations.

May God bless you all with a safe and healthy summer.

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Valerie Pettit

Salem, NH

St. John the Evangelist

St. John joyously celebrated the first Mass of Easter with an Easter Even service. While the altar was adorned with beautiful lilies, we also enjoyed several special musical presentations.

The service began with the reading of four of the Prophecies – I. Genesis, IV. Exodus, VIII. Isaiah, and XI. Deuteronomy by members of the congregation – Tom Hargreaves, Geri Bartlett, Eric Whitaker and Dcn. Bartlett.
Our Prelude consisted of a spectacular duet by Scott Sykes, our organist, and our Lay Reader/Acolyte Eric Whitaker on flugelhorn, playing “Te Deum” by Marc Antoine Charpentier (arranged by Sue Mitchell & John Head).

The Offertory hymn, “I Know that My Redeemer Liveth” (George Frederic Handel) was beautifully sung by Meaghan Campbell. Meaghan is a classically trained soprano who studied at the Conservatory of Music and is currently a music student at the University of Massachusetts. She aspires to become a choir director, preferably with a church choir. We are blessed to have her with us for the most important of church celebrations.

The Postlude, “With Trumpets & Horns”, by George Frederic Handel (arranged by Lani Smith) was played by Scott and Eric, ending with a solo by Eric. The Mass as well as the inspirational music left us with the victorious feeling that all of us feel on Easter.

St. John’s is preparing for the baptism of Faith Hargreaves, granddaughter of Tom (Sr. Warden) and Barbara Hargreaves on May 23, 2010. Faith is the daughter of Geoffrey and Anna Hargreaves. We all share in their joy and look forward to this most important celebration.

We also are anticipating the visit of Archdeacon Koller and his wife, Barbara on June 6.

———Geri Bartlett

Tuxedo, New York
Saint Elizabeth’s

Birds are singing, flowers are blooming, and new life is bursting forth all around us here in Tuxedo, New York. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Once again, our Easter season at St. Elizabeth’s was filled with several events and beautiful times of worship. During Lent, we joined in ecumenical worship services with our neighboring churches and enjoyed a meatless covered dish supper with our friends at nearby St. Joseph’s home. Holy Week services included Tenebrae on Wednesday and Holy Communion mass on Maundy Thursday, followed by an all night vigil on Thursday evening. On Good Friday afternoon, we gathered at St. Mary’s Villa for The Stations of the Cross, walking along an outdoor path where each station is beautifully depicted in mosaic tile artwork. We ended Holy Week with a time for meditation and reflection on Good Friday evening, while listening to Haydn’s “Seven Last Words” performed by the All Season Chamber Players.

On Saturday morning, we hosted a great turnout of enthusiastic neighborhood children who came to our Easter egg hunt on the parish grounds.

On Saturday afternoon, Jonathan Langberg and Michael Rizzuto were confirmed by Bishop Langberg. This was an especially joyous event for Bishop Langberg and wife, Betty, as Jonathan and Michael are their grandsons. Proud parents of the confirmands, Eric and Laura Langberg and Michael and Tanya Rizzuto, joined numerous other family members and friends in celebration of this very special occasion. Congratulations, Jonathan and Michael. May God’s Holy Spirit bless and guide you in all you do as you serve Him in the years to come.

Easter Sunday was welcomed at St. Elizabeth’s with a sunrise service and an Easter Mass. The scent of fragrant lilies and the sounds of voices singing beautiful Easter hymns filled
our lovely Chapel, and Bishop Langberg’s moving Easter message inspired all of us on this joyful day. Praise God! He is risen; He is risen, indeed!

Our annual Mother’s Day weekend flower and plant sale was again a resounding success. With flowers available at every supermarket, Home Depot, Walmart, etc., we are very grateful for the many parishioners and other neighbors who generously support this fund-raiser each year.

We’re looking forward to our annual parish picnic in June, always a fun day! On July 11th, we’re planning to have a tea, accompanied by a historical presentation of the fascinating and rich history surrounding St. Elizabeth’s Chapel and its founders, the Hamilton family. We’re excited about offering this interesting and informative program to our parishioners and neighbors in our community. On July 24th, we’ll be having our 2nd annual chicken barbeque. This fund-raiser was a highly-successful community favorite last July and we’re hoping for a repeat performance this year. August will be a “quiet” month at St. Elizabeth’s while many of us venture off for family vacations and other summer outings (yours truly and hubby are looking forward to an Alaskan vacation during that time).

We look forward to seeing some of you in the fall at Synod. Till then…..all of us at St. Elizabeth’s send our best wishes and we pray that God will bless you with a safe, healthy and happy summer.

-----Ingrid Magar

Waterville ME (formerly Fairfield)

Holy Trinity

Holy Trinity is now meeting in a chapel of lovely stone at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church in Waterville, in central Maine. The cheerful colors of the chapel’s stained glass windows intensify one’s feelings in this sacred space. Our own white altar now stands at the upper end. We have found that we can store our prayer books, and other service items within the capacious hollow behind the altar during the week. Several parishioners really appreciate the elevator they can use to reach the chapel.

In April, Carroll Flewelling died and Father Jeffrey Monroe, our former vicar, did his service. We miss Carroll’s dry sense of humor and quiet ways. Heather Flewelling is still recovering from a serious fall and has not been able to get to church.

We are happy to have Deacon Ed Kalish and his wife, Linda, joining us for Mass two Sundays a month. Deacon Kalish is studying for ordination at Logos House under Canon Henthorne’s guidance. Richard Spear reads Morning Prayer occasionally, and Father Bruce Alexander has celebrated Mass for us once a month. Bishop Marsh has granted us mission status.

We are a true commuter parish: Deacon Kalish and his wife have an hour-long trip to get to Waterville. The sub-deacon and his wife have an hour and a quarter trip, the senior warden has a twenty minute trip, and our members from Winthrop have a twenty-five to thirty minute trip to church. The nearest member is five miles away from Church, a seven minute trip.

In our new setting, we continue serving the Lord and enjoy the fellowship and support of each other.

-----Shyla Spear, Clerk

Deblois ME

St. Francis

St. Francis Mission in Deblois, Maine is up and running. We, at this point are basically a Morning Prayer parish with a membership of 7 parishioners.

The Municipal Building room that we are using on Sunday's is very good and convenient for all.

We have one youngster who is attending Sunday School with Baptism in mind for the near future.

Holy Communion is offered on Sunday also for those who are Anglican.

In the near future Fr. Dumond is also planning to do more missionary work in the area. Remember us all in your prayers.

-----The parson.
Ellsworth ME
St. Thomas

After services on Easter Sunday 45 of our members went to Finn's Irish Pub in Ellsworth for our annual Easter Dinner for those not visiting their families.

Our deacons Rev. Mr. Ian Dunn, Rev. Mr. Ed Kalish, his wife Linda, and diaconal student Kevin Kelly attended the Clericus in Garrison, NY in early March. They enjoyed attending the meetings as well as meeting clergy and postulants from throughout the diocese.

Our outreach now includes our deacon and organist the Rev. Mr. Ed Kalish who now serves Holy Trinity parish in Waterville two Sundays monthly as an interim during its search for a new rector. We wish blessings upon him and his wife Linda. Another outreach involves our diaconal student Kevin Kelly who leads Evening Prayer on the first and third Sundays of each month at 4:00 p.m. at the Acadia Assisted Living Center in Bangor. We continue our outreach to the Lakota Indians at Wounded Knee, SD, for whom we have purchased and had delivered a new refrigerator. Our members continue to send clothing and other necessities as part of our mission.

We continue our study of Faith and Practice by Bishop Wilson. Canon Henthorne and Canon Cox have alternated as instructors. Recent topics have included the Incarnation, the Atonement, the Resurrection, and the Sacraments.

We are having a raffle of a beautiful "orchard of apples" quilt handmade and donated by Pat Taniashvili to be drawn at our annual lobster feed on August 28. Anyone interested may email Joyce Barr at portwatson.myfairpoint.net or telephone her at 207-460-2319. Raffle tickets are printed and ready. There is to be a big 'push' for this event as it replaces our usual gigantic yard sale this year (because of road construction that is blocking easy access to church). Tickets are $1.00 each or 6 for $5.00.

We are grateful to our Senior Warden Leroy Weed, his brother Emery, and Mr. Eaton for their work in cutting down dozens of trees near the road to help level the land between our church and the road, improving our drainage. State highway construction continues on Route 1A, and the contractors have offered to provide free fill as a result of this construction.

Our parishioner David Simmons has generously given time in removing and rebuilding shelves for the new library of Logos House on our church grounds. Construction for the tower for our new church is expected to begin in early June.

We conducted our annual meeting after church services on May 16. Fr. Henthorne began our meeting with prayer and gave a report on the tower construction. Joyce Barr gave the Treasurer's report, and Leroy Weed gave the Senior Warden's report. Father Henthorne's report suggested keeping current officers for another year, and suggested appointment of a committee to study and comment upon the documents of the Anglican Church in America and the Traditional Anglican Communion concerning intercommunion and our relationship with Rome. Fr. Henthorne appointed the committee including delegates to the diocesan synod and invited any other interested members of the parish to sit with the committee and attend when they meet. We also welcomed seven new members to our parish, and our meeting was followed by lunch.

Kevin A. Kelly, SPINGFIELD MA
NEW MISSION

The Diocese will sponsor a new mission in Springfield, Massachusetts. The new mission is scheduled to open in May, 2010. A festival Evensong is planned for the opening service. The Rev. James Hurd will organize the mission and all who are interested are encouraged to contact Father Hurd at: revhurd@comcast.net
Oakland ME (formerly New Sharon)  
St. Stephen the Martyr

St. Stephen the Martyr Anglican Mission has a new home in Oakland Maine having moved from New Sharon to Fairfield last year and then onto Oakland. The parish has acquired a beautiful old church building built in 1832. Among its features are a beautiful tracker style pipe organ located in the front of the church behind the altar. The parish shared space with Holy Trinity for a year before their move to Waterville. The Church which was deeded to St. Stephen's by All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church is located at 41 Church St. in downtown Oakland.

The building has beautiful Sanctuary and Parish Hall and an eight room apartment in the rectory building. In addition to the organ, the main church has a unique set of curved pews and holds over a hundred worshippers. Sunday worship is at 10:00 AM. The Rev. Father Lewis Glidden is Rector.

On July, 25th at 2:00 p.m. The Rt. Rev. Brian R. Marsh will hold an Ecumenical Service in conjunction with the Oakland Council of Churches at St. Stephen the Martyr. Everyone is invited.

St. Stephen has a new website  
www.saintstephenthemartyr.com  
or email at St.stephenthemartyr@ymail.com

-----Fr. Lewis Glidden+

Charlestown, NH  
Good Shepherd

We know spring has come to Charlestown because our single pansy blossom growing in a crack in the pavement in front of our church has bloomed again, for the second year in a row. It is a tiny miracle in the greater scheme of things but suggests that beauty can be found in the most unlikely locations.

We had our annual meeting on Good Shepherd Sunday together with a potluck lunch and are very grateful to those who contributed to this minor feast. We also celebrated Aare Ilves birthday. Meetings always seem to go better when participants are well fed.

 Sadly, Grace Parrott, our treasurer resigned after 20 years of service to the Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd. Grace has ably managed the financial affairs of the church through good times and difficult times and for this the parish is most appreciative. Fortunately, Grace will be here to assist our new treasurer, Phil Turner to take over the church books.

Deacon David and Jeanne Moody attended Mr. Rob Phelp’s ordination to the deaconate on May 1 at the Rollins Chapel at Dartmouth. Deacon David was honoured to present the candidate to Bishop Marsh at the service. Not having enough deacons at Good Shepherd, we are pleased to report that Mr. Scott Chase of Springfield, Vermont has been accepted as a postulant for the deaconate.

Deacon Art Bennett has expanded his ministry to seniors to include a monthly service at the Charlestown Senior Housing apartments. Deacon Art accompanied Deacon Art to a service there a few weeks ago to meet residents and participate in the service. A very lively conversation followed. Deacon Art has a real gift for this important ministry to seniors.

Both deacons, Aare Ilves, and Jeanne Moody have been attending monthly meetings of the Charlestown Ecumenical Network. The network is an effort to bring together churches in Charlestown to work on projects that support local needs, such as the Fall Mountain Food Shelf. This has been a wonderful opportunity to get to know other clergy and members of their congregations in Charlestown and have them get to know us.

The faithful gathered on Ascension Day to read Evening Prayer and to have an impromptu
meal and discussion due to the generosity of Dee Blanchard. Dee also has been planting flowers in containers at bother entrances to the church.

At the end of May we welcomed back Paul and Priscilla Olson from their winter in Baltimore. Priscilla is our organist. With her return, we can now select between two late 19th century organs that have been found for us by Mr. Ed Boadway, sometimes organist for both Good Shepherd and Trinity Church in West Lebanon. Thank you Ed for your expertise in locating a replacement for our present instrument that is, sadly, beyond repair.

Blessings to all our friends in DNE.

-----Dcn David Moody

Concord NH
All Saints

"Come worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness..." the words are familiar as we say them in the Morning Praise Office, and at times we become aware that we need the tactile, the physical, to help us pray. At All Saints in Concord, New Hampshire, the gifts of the People of God are manifested in stunning and very generous ways.

Before the Lenten Season began, Lucinda Barrone, the daughter of the late Deacon Lawrence and Jane La Fleur, decided to give a memorial in remembrance of her parents. After consulting with Father Christian, she embarked on creating a new set of Lenten Array vestments for the Altar. Made of unbleached linen and decorated with oxblood bandings and black crosses—it is the English/Anglican tradition to wear this penitential garb in lieu of the common purple seen in other Churches that take their color scheme from the Church in Rome—the set is complete with Altar Frontal, Tabernacle Veil, Chasuble, Stole, Maniple and Chalice Veil. The symbolism of penitence is very much visible in the use of Lenten Array, of austerity and simplicity. Seeing the fine reception the vestments received, Lucinda then made the complimentary set for Passion-tide: Oxblood red with black bandings and scarlet crosses. Again, this is the English custom to wear the darkest red from Passion Sunday to Holy Week in honor of the Sacred Blood of Christ, a tradition that is consistent with Orthodox and Byzantine practice. The new Lenten sets will be used with pride for years to come.

As part of Lenten practice, the Iconographer, Christopher Gosey, led the parish in an icon writing seminar that culminated in the production of the Great Rood for the Altar of All Saints. The Crucifixion Scene (Rood) consisting of Our Crucified Saviour, St. Mary and St. John, were a common fixture in English churches until their destruction during the Reformation. Many English churches have revived the custom of the Rood scene—usually on the Choir or Rood Screen that separates the chancel from the nave—and excellent examples are found in traditional Anglican churches throughout the world. The Rood for All Saints is painted in vivid colors and heavily gilded with symbols of the Four Evangelists crowning the ends of the Cross. Completion of the Rood came on Holy Saturday, and was solemnly consecrated on that night.

The Great Vigil of Easter was celebrated at All Saints by the Diocesan Bishop, the Right Reverend Brian Marsh. The church shrouded in darkness came alive as Salvation History was recounted through the Blessing of Fire, Candle and Water, the singing of the Exultet, the reading of the Prophecies, and the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. Three young people presented themselves for Confirmation: Pennie Larsen, Jordan Lamm, and Jessica Currier.

The Great Rood was unveiled and blessed before the beginning of the Holy Eucharist. The church erupted in song as the Gloria in Excelsis became the first song of praise after the end of a long Lent. The Arts Ministry of All Saints provided the music under the direction of Jane Cormier who sang the famous I Know That My Redeemer Liveth from the Messiah, and crowned the night with the Halleluiah Chorus sung by professional and parochial singers. Assisting on the Altar, besides the regular Servers,
Conway NH
St. Margaret of Scotland

Spring has finally sprung at St. Margaret’s. Until very recently, we were not entirely sure spring would ever come at all. Early spring snowfalls, and an unbelievable dusting at the end of April left us all pulling out our put-away snow shovels and winter boots. Those of us who had been lax in taking off our snow tires were congratulating ourselves!

At the end of February, St. Margaret’s hosted an evening with Mr. Oded Cohen and his wife Bimini, of Jews for Jesus. They presented a model Seder to an interested group of parishioners. The focus was “Christ in the Passover” and the meaning of the traditional foods used in the ritual were presented and explained. The group uses creative methods and contemporary issues to present Jewish people around the world that Jesus is, indeed, the Messiah.

Ash Wednesday saw the traditional service in the Chapel at 7:00 P.M. The reserve Sacrament was kept in the chapel as well as the main church during the Lenten season.

March saw a buzz of activity. Our annual parish meeting was held on March 21, and 2 new Vestry members were elected. They are John Kropak and Maureen Sparti. Mr. Kropak replaces Mr. Harry Wellsman, Jr. Warden, who is studying for his Diaconate, Maureen Sparti replaces Mr. John Wilcox, retiring vestry member.

On March 13, the Parish hosted its first public supper. In honor of St. Patrick’s Day a corned beef and cabbage dinner was planned. In addition, our own Harry Wellsman entertained the dinner guests with bagpipe music. The dinner proved to be very successful, and so well attended that they had not anticipated such a turnout, and the organizers were encouraged enough by the community response to be considering another event for the early summer months. Also in March, the choir, under the direction of Tracy Gardner, presented “Hosanna to the King” during the service.

March 31 began Holy week, and there were services for Tenebrae, the day before holy Thursday, as well as Maundy Thursday and Good Friday when parishioners were encouraged to come to church between the hours of 12 and 3 for prayer and meditation. Holy Saturday saw a lighting of the new fire by Father Monroe, assisted by Sub-Deacon Harry Wellsman. Bottles of newly blest Holy Water were handed out to the parishioners in attendance. Easter Sunday was bright and beautiful with many in Easter finery, including several “Easter Bonnets”. The choir provided yet another stirring musical rendition, this time of “Hallelujah.”

On May 1, members of the parish, organized by Priscilla Berman and John Wilcox gathered on a lovely Saturday morning to help clean up the winter damage to the grounds and prepare the lawns and Memorial Garden for spring and summer. Following a morning of hard work, the group was treated to a cookout by Fr. Monroe. It was gratifying to see the transformation of the grounds by so many amateur gardeners. However, some professional equipment in the form of blowers, sweepers, and power riding mowers certainly made the work go smoothly.

Our new Jr. Warden, John Kropak is busy finishing up an altar for our Sunday school children which will be dedicated this summer. An accomplished woodworker, he is also working on a doll-house to be used in a fund raiser for the parish.

Rebecca Harrington continues to write informative and welcome monthly newsletters, supplementing the Northeast Anglican. She is also working on plans for another community dinner, as well. Ann Wilcox and Allison Bergeron work tirelessly in the Sunday School. Plans are also underway by Rosemary
We have had a busy few months. Bishop Brian Marsh visited us on April 11, 2010. He ordained Ed Becker a deacon and appointed Ron Furrer a sub-deacon. The church was filled to capacity and it was a joyous occasion. Bishop Marsh addressed the parish afterwards about issues in the Anglican world.

Both Ron and his wife SueAnne are always first to volunteer when anything is needed at our church. In addition Ron makes pastoral visits to our members who are ill or shut in. They are both assets to our parish. After the service in honor of Bishop Marsh's visit we enjoyed a ham luncheon. St. Martha's Guild, under the leadership of Joyce Rice, prepared the food. Lynn Miller did a great job in preparing the church for the service and luncheon. We could not do without these two women. Everyone pitched in and we had a great time.

Tom Fergusson and Jerry Quenell along with a contractor attacked a tree that had fallen on an out building next to the church.

On May 8, St. Martha's sponsored an English Tea. It was successful and we all enjoyed ourselves. Later this month the Town of Webster will designate our church an "historic site". Our Church started out as a one room school house. Joyce Rice and Anne Hotchkiss are coordinating this event. Here is the brief write up for the Hist Soc on Holy Cross.

The Old Bay Road School, one of Webster's most cherished historical landmarks, was known as District School No. 4. The school district leased the 1 acre for 999 years in 1839. In 1879 a modern one room school building was erected. In 1902 it was enlarged with a second room. It has been a classroom for students, a kindergarten, a storehouse, a recreation center, a conference hall, a senior center and ultimately a church.

Holy Cross Anglican Church rented the building in May 1978 and the first service was June 4, 1978. March 1979 Holy Cross purchased the building. We installed the altar and remodeled inside. The restoration project also included a new roof and siding. Holy Cross Anglican Church has services every Sunday at 10 am with an active congregation. We have been privileged to have been in the old Bay Road School-house for 31 years.

Baby Olivia Rose Bell was baptized on Saturday, February 20, 2010 in our Church by Fr. Jim Ayers, assisted by Ron Furrer. Olivia is the daughter of Jason and Brenda Bell, sister of Nathan and the granddaughter of Lynn Miller.

We are actively recruiting acolytes young and old to work with our Sub-Deacon Ron, as the newly ordained Ed Becker and his wife, Amy, are leaving to join the Independent Anglican Church, Canada Synod. We have several Dads and we hope they will acolyte with their young sons once a month or so.

We extend our grateful thanks to Lynn Miller for the many years she has written Holy Cross articles for the NEAnglican and welcome Paula Neville-Quenell to this quarterly task.

(Compiled from material submitted by Paula Neville, Anne Hotchkiss, and Kate Chamberlin)

West Lebanon NH
Trinity Anglican Church

Trinity celebrated a great moment on May 1st when Bishop Marsh ordained our own Rob Philp deacon in Rollins Chapel on the campus of Dartmouth College. The service was very festive with Fr. Christian Tutor providing his
cathedral-in-a-box to dress up the very dark and unadorned chapel space. His incomparable collection of ecclesiastical accoutrements were indispensable in setting off this joyful occasion.

The ordination was followed by a gala luncheon at the Dartmouth Outing Club.

Rob and his family came to Trinity in 2005 and have been a gift for us all. He has alternated between carpentry and philosophical studies intended to lead to a doctorate. However, he became disillusioned with the direction of philosophical thought and turned away from his academic pursuits, choosing instead to answer a call he felt to the ministry which he has pursued through Logos House. He has served on the vestry and as Junior Warden for the past year and has always been a willing hand whatever the task.

Rob has been a unique asset to the parish. His extensive background in philosophy makes his preaching style both intellectually challenging and easily comprehended. He is consistently able to bring fresh and novel approaches to ideas and thoughts we have all encountered before in our spiritual and secular lives.

There is, however, a bittersweet aspect of our celebration as Rob and his family will be moving to Pittsburgh by the time this is published. We will miss them and their contributions to our community. They have been active hosts for Dartmouth students. Rob has had a student ministry for some time. Beth, his wife, has been our impromptu social hostess while son Jonathan has been a loyal acolyte and daughter Kristen has been truly a blessing in taking charge of the nursery. We will miss them greatly, but we know that God has great things in store for them and will provide for us new avenues as well.

In that vein, we welcomed the Niemi’s, Charlie, Nancy, Spencer, Mariah, Ben, and Hannah to the congregation recently and, no sooner did Rob announce his imminent departure than Charlie announced his sensitivity to a call to the deaconate. He met with the Board of Examining Chaplains at the recent clericus and is proceeding with his studies. All four of his children will be confirmed in June.

-----Allan Wylie

Canandaigua NY
Holy Redeemer

We began our year quietly, in keeping with the long cold winter, and sadly marked the passing of Burke Searles, age 98, on March 13. He is survived by 5 children, including his son Charles, another member of our parish, and by 12 grandchildren. We held a memorial service on April 3. We remember him fondly.

On another sad note, we extend to Fr. Jim and Cindy Ayers and their family our deepest condolences on the passing of his mother, Edna Ayers Richter, 84, on May 8, the day before Mother’s Day, after a long illness. She is survived by 6 children, 15 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren. A funeral Mass was held on May 12 for this active and fun-loving woman, who will be missed very much by all those who knew her. (She is now chief organizer of the Heavenly Cardsharks!)

We extend condolences also to Cindy and Jim following the recent death of her father, Jim Hogue, who succumbed to serious injuries suffered in a fall, as he planned a surprise for his wife’s birthday. We continue to offer prayers for comfort and peace as Cindy plans her dad’s memorial service to be held in Baltimore on Memorial Day. This day is fitting for this
fiercely proud patriot, a WW II veteran of that special fraternity who landed on the beaches of Normandy in the D-Day invasion. He attended the 65th anniversary of D-Day, and was featured in a newscast of the event. Cindy recalls his generous spirit and his ‘amazing sense of humor’, and will always treasure the book he wrote about his experiences.

We celebrated the Lenten season by attending a Lenten luncheon hosted by the Lake-to-Lake Association, 8 local churches. Pastor Tom Dubbs (our ‘landlord’ pastor) led the program after a delicious meal of homemade soups, breads, and desserts. We took an offering for a ministry to be designated by the host church. We hope to host one of these luncheons next year.

Cottage City United Church is dissolving, and has offered us the gift of its church building (which we have been renting for more than 3 years). While this is an exciting development, it is an equally scary one, given our shaky financial footing and our scant membership. But we know that this is a sign from God, and an opportunity to grow; and we are working out details of the transfer and plans for some fund-raising activities. Please keep us in your prayers!

Following the glory of Easter, the Right Reverend Brian Marsh blessed our parish on April 10 with a visit to ordain Dale R. Bové to the Sacred Order of Deacons. It was a glorious service on a glorious day, begun with a musical prelude on harp by Trudy Moon. Chancellor Walter Jones read the Bishop’s Mandate authorizing the ordination; Fr. Ji, presented the candidate to the Bishop, and visiting clergy included Dcn, Rich Dibble and Fr. Bob Ley, Dean, whose sermon included the duties and obligations of deacons. Then Bishop Marsh and the other clergy present laid their hands on Dale, passing on to him, in the ancient tradition, the sacrament of ordination and the gift of the Holy Spirit. We are all so happy and proud of Dale, who has been working hard and long for several years now, worried that he would not be up to the task. But he never faltered, and went forward to achieve this goal. Dale said of himself that his best qualification to be a deacon is that he has Christ in his heart. And he does! We share his delight, and we are confident of his abilities to fulfill his duties to serve God in a higher plane. Congratulations, Dale! We love you! And congratulations too to wife Nancy, who spent countless hours helping him with his studies and typing his papers.

Following the ordination, we submitted a press release to our local newspaper with a number of photographs and followed up with a managing editor about getting them published. And we struck gold! The first Friday they published a church profile with a photo of our church and a short article about us. The next week an article appeared about Dale’s ordination with a photo of bishop and deacon. And then, on the following Sunday, another, longer article about Fr. Jim, with his photo! 3 articles on 3 weeks! And no advertising dollars spent! Kudos to our director of public relations (if I say so myself!). As a result of these articles, a visitor appeared the following Sunday morning. There is hope in this season of renewal.

-----Diane S. Jones

ON THE WATERFRONT
Maritime and Port Chaplain Report

Maritime and port activities since the last report have focused on both national and local issues. On the national level, the effort has been to have the US Coast Guard put pressure on marine terminals to eliminate the restrictions regarding access by chaplains to ships. I have a seat on the National Maritime Security Advisory Council and have been happy to represent the
interests of the National Association of Maritime Ministries to the Secretary of Homeland Security. For now, the US Coast Guard has adjusted their stance on approving plans that restrict access and we hope this will allow much better access for chaplains to visiting ships.

We have also generously received a donation of Bibles from members of St. Margaret's Church in Conway which have been shared with some of our missions as well as provided to Seafarer's Friend in New England. In addition, we are looking to raise some funds to allow the Chaplains to purchase foreign language Bibles for sharing the Gospel. This past year we inducted the Rev. Dr. Nash Garabedian, Chaplain for the Port of Portland, into the Order of St. Brendan the Navigator. The ceremony was performed at St. Augustine's in Old Orchard Beach by Grand Commander David Brennan using his new commander's sword. Also inducted that day was our Bishop and we are happy to report that both survived with no ears missing.

One of the important services we perform are funerals for Merchant Mariners. These veterans and seafarers are unsung heroes and I have been called upon several times to officiate at services and funerals. The annual Sea Sunday services of prayers are on the closest Sunday to May 22, National Maritime Day and we promote parishes of all faiths to remember our seafarers, past and present, that day.

Please keep the members of our military and those at sea in your prayers. May God bless you all for your support of these ministries.

Rev. Jeffrey Monroe, MM-Captain USMM
Maritime and Port Chaplain, DNE-ACA

Raymond, Maine
Our Lady of Seven Sorrows Priory

Springtime greetings to all of our friends! What turned out to be a rather mild Winter for the State of Maine, has become a wonderful Spring!

We’ve had some beautiful days as well as some wild and windy ones as well, so you never know here in New England! There was one day where Sebago Lake was as stirred up as the ocean by a strong blow from the White Mountains. The nice weather has brought things to bloom early here at the Priory which has greened things up nicely.

One of the areas that has been especially lovely this year is our Memorial Garden, dedicated to the memory of our dear friend and spiritual supporter, and first Bishop Visitor, Bishop Bruce Chamberlain. Last fall, a beautiful rock wall was put up which gives a nice enclosure effect, and two rock benches were constructed as well. This has become a wonderful spot where one can come to read or meditate, and informal spiritual direction classes have already been held there. We plan to do more of this as time goes on. As this article is being written, the cherry trees are in bloom in that garden, and the birds are flitting about as they build their nests in the many bird houses that line the pasture. Whenever Bishop Chamberlain and Lois were in the area they were warmly welcomed and we always enjoyed their presence and they enjoyed seeing the animals...The Bishop especially liked to poke fun at our geese!

One of the missions of The Servants of the Holy Family Benedictine Community is promoting unity between traditional Anglo-Catholics and Roman Catholics. We are in a unique position to do this as we both share a strong and common bond through the observance of the Holy Rule of St. Benedict, in addition to many theological tenets as well. Since its foundation in 1993, the Priory has been blessed to have established deep and long-lasting relationships with Roman Catholic Benedictine, Cistercian, and Maronite Communities. We unite through prayer and friendship in the hope that one day “we may all be one” and through our mutual bond in our love of Jesus Christ, share in one another’s Communions.

On the evening of February 2nd, Father Prior Kevin, along with many of our Diocesan Clergy and laity, and our good Bishop Brian Marsh, joined with Bishop Richard Malone and the clergy and people of the Roman Catholic
Diocese of Portland, Maine for a service of prayer for Christian unity. The evening was very moving in its many aspects, and will probably be given good account elsewhere in this issue. Fr. Prior Kevin was privileged to be one of the Lectors, and did a reading from St. Paul’s Epistle to the Romans; Ch. 6, Verses 3-11. A pleasant reunion of a sort took place after the service, when Fr. Kevin recognized a priest who served as rector in his boyhood parish, and introduced himself to the monsignor. A brief journey down “memory lane” took place as common old friends and events were recalled after many years.

Regular public Sunday Mass has returned to St. Oswald’s of Northumbria Oratory, the Priory Chapel. During the Summer Season, Holy Mass begins at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday. The Winter Schedule changes Holy Mass to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday Evening. We welcome anyone who would like to experience the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass according to the Medieval Monastic usage as is practiced here at the Priory. You will find the schedule also posted in the Parish Directory of each issue of the NEA.

We, here at Our Lady of Seven Sorrows Priory are looking to the future, and would like to plan a small expansion of our facilities in the way of an addition to be constructed that would join the Farmhouse, Barn, and Chapel.

This extension would give more space to our animal rescue and rehab operation on the ground floor, and allow for the establishment of a library/common space on the above floor where classes may also be given. We will be establishing a building fund in the near future, anyone who would like to donate to that fund is encouraged to contact the Priory. We are asking at this time if there is anyone with licensed architectural skills who would be willing to donate their time and talent in assisting Father Prior LaMarre in the designing of this space? Town ordinances are rather specific here in Raymond, and we are seeking the help of a professional so we may avoid any initial and future problems. Any interested person(s) may contact Fr. Prior Kevin at the Priory address or by phone or e-mail which is listed in the Parish Directory.

We, at Our Lady of Seven Sorrows Priory, would like to wish all a very happy Spring and enjoyable Summer. As we approach the Season of Liturgical green...our prayer is for all to experience a “greening” that is, a growth in our mutual love of God and His Son Jesus Christ. Peace and Blessings.

---Fr. Prior Kevin LaMarre, OSB +

"We are saddened to report the passing of Stella, the bulldog. Her heart simply stopped. She was the "poster child" of faith, courage and joy. She came to the priory barely able to walk three steps without getting short of breath. She had been born with her intestines outside of her body, a hole in her heart, a heart murmur, cherry eye and more. Her intestines were put back in but a hernia resulted. She could have no further surgery due to the heart issues. She was removed from a smoke filled environment and we walked every day, rain or shine. She was up to almost a mile when she died. Every day this beautiful dog woke up with a "smile" on her face, a wagging butt (she had no tail) and infectious enthusiasm for the adventure of the day. We would sit on the front steps and she would put her paw on my lap as if to say "it's a great day to be alive.... relax, breathe and enjoy!" Many of us face daunting challenges each day but how do we face them. Do we try to bring those around us into our pain or do we rise above it and try to uplift those nearby with a smile and kind word? Stella loved crocus's. I believe she saw a lesson in their always looking up and rising to each occasion. She passed it on. We can too!

We want to thank those of you who helped support Stella while she was here. Your kindness and generosity made her life much longer than predicted and happy to the end.

---Sr. Mary Francis, OSB
ODE TO THE MASSES WHO THINK MASSES ARE TOO LONG........

The bells ring, ding, dong.
I pray this mass won't last too long.
Sign in, tic, toc....
I just put God on my mental clock.
Let's hope the priest didn't make this fancy.
It only serves to make me antsy.
I have places to go and people to see....
God, don't you get it? It's all about me!
The crock pot is boiling. The game is at one.
I've allotted one hour to think of Your Son.
You know I am busy, but I gave up this time.
One hour this week that I can't call all mine.
You did take attendance? I know somebody did!
I sat right up front so I wouldn't be "hid".
Jesus hung for three hours but I'm giving up one
don't ask for more
because my roast is near done.
I gave you this hour for 80 plus years
and now I lay dying and fighting back tears.
Someone once said there are no reruns in living
I was so self absorbed
when I should have been giving.
The games are now over, there's no food to bake....
I'm now waiting in line
'cause St. Peter's on break!
———Sr. Mary Francis. OSB

Rochester NH
Trinity (Procathedral)

After a full observance of Holy Week, Easter Sunday was, as always, an all-stops-out event. Both Masses were celebrated with all the solemnity we can muster, with full choir and incense even at the early service. Our choir worked hard, gracing our worship with stirring music, including Handel’s “Alleluia Chorus”. The Junior Choir has been resurrected, with five members. Our crew of acolytes and layreaders (with the addition of two new acolytes) performed their duties well. Since there are so many doing double duty on Easter, there was a breakfast for these faithful servants between Masses. After second service there was an Easter Egg Hunt on the church grounds, many of the children participating in the hunt for various prizes.

It must be noted that Trinity has had to contend with a number of illnesses of late. Our Senior Warden, George Beatty, was not with us for Holy Week and Easter, due to his hospitalization for heart surgery, and has dealt with complications in subsequent weeks. George seems to be mending quite well and is back to his customary high level of activity. but would still appreciate your prayers. Our own Fr. Davis spent some time in the hospital, and, though he is now at home and has been able to attend church, still needs our prayer.

Our rector, Fr. Williams, has suddenly come down with a severe case of the painful (and somewhat contagious) malady known as shingles and is under treatment. This week, Pentecost Sunday, he was not able to be with us and Fr. Kevin LaMarre came down from Raymond ME to pitch in. We are thankful for his help. Please pray for our rector.

The Lovos have been instrumental in beginning the “Foyers” program, an informal gathering around a meal for Christian fellowship. The Senior Warden informs me that the generosity of parishioners has thus far retired 80% of the mortgage on our rectory, well ahead of expectations.

Coming events: Church picnic is scheduled for June 27 at the Young's home on the lake. This event will have a somewhat sad side to it, as it will be a thank you to Grace Froncku, our organist/choir director for the past 18 years. We are in need of someone to fill her shoes.

Though formal Sunday School is coming to an end for the season, there will be scheduled children’s activities (movies and projects) all through the summer to help families continue faithfully in worship., and our regular coffee hour will continue through the summer.

———Ed Pacht

News Notes
Parishes

1. Ascension, Manchester CT is now with ACC
2. St. Matthias, Mystic CT continues, under the care of Fr. Hurd and postulants Merrill Perkins and Tom Stockton
3. Holy Trinity and St. Stephens, which were together in Oakland ME, are once again meeting
separately. St. Stephen’s remains at Oakland and Holy Trinity has relocated to Waterville ME.

**Missions**

Father Jim Dumond reports that St. Francis Mission in Deblois, Maine began services on Easter Day.

Father Jim Hurd has been appointed missioner for the diocese and will be consolidating a team ministry to serve the central and southern New England area. Missions are planned for Springfield, MA and southern Connecticut. He will be assisted by new postulants, Merrill Perkins and Tom Stockton.

Deacon Art Bennett is exploring the possibility of reviving the All Saints mission in Danville, Vermont.

**Clergy News**

In April and May, the church ordained three new deacons.

The Rev. Mr. Dale Bove was ordered deacon on Saturday, April 10 at Holy Redeemer Anglican Church in Canandaigua, NY.

The Rev. Mr. Ed Becker was ordered deacon on Sunday, April 11 at Holy Cross Anglican Church in Webster, NY. Due to unexpected personal reasons he is moving to Canada and to another jurisdiction.

The Rev. Mr. Robert Philp was ordered deacon on May 1 at Rollins Chapel on the campus of Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire.

We rejoice in the ministry of our new deacons and pray that their work in God’s vineyard will bear much fruit. Please keep these men in your prayers.

On a sad note, Father Robert Fredrickson has resigned from the ACA. Some two years ago, he joined the diocese along with several clergy who left the APCK, another Anglican jurisdiction. Most of those clergy have since departed for another jurisdiction. We certainly wish Father Fredrickson well and will keep him in our prayers.

Deacon Ed Kalish has been appointed Deacon-in-Charge of Holy Trinity Church, which has relocated to Waterville, Maine. His new ministry is off to a great start.

“**Tis Spring!**

The delicate scent of a daffodil, the gentle sounds of a whippoorwill, a touch of green on yonder hill. My senses know, ‘Tis spring!

Life bursts anew from every tree and babbling brooks flow merrily. The busy hum of a bumble bee tells one and all, ‘Tis spring!

God’s creatures leave their burrows deep and stretch to shake off winter’s sleep. For now there’s sunny days to keep them warm again. ‘Tis spring!

In the morning mist of a springtime dawn a proud doe stands with her new-born fawn. The cold, bleak days are finally gone and the lark sings out, ‘Tis spring!

An artist’s hand is giv’n to render a painting that depicts the splendor of meadow grasses tall and slender ‘mongst wildflower blooms in spring.

And as I breathe the air so sweet and feel grass carpet ‘neath my feet, I cannot help but to repeat God’s joyful news, ‘Tis spring!

——Ingrid Magar
### Board of Examining Chaplains

There have been three ordinations since the last issue, all to the diaconate: The Rev. Mr. Dale Bove, The Rev. Mr. Edward Becker, The Rev. Mr. Robert Philip.

There are three new postulants since last March: Scott Chase, Charlie Niemi and Tom Stockton.

Currently, there are twenty-eight students from the Diocese of the Northeast registered with the Logos House program.

### SUMMER CLERGY TRAINING PROGRAM

Because of the success of last year’s Bishop Diocesan/Logos House Summer Program, we are again offering this educational opportunity to clergy, candidates, postulants and laity. Information may be obtained from the ACA website. (some details appear in this issue) Archdeacon Koller, registrar, reports that eleven men have registered for the program so far. Some openings are still available and all are encouraged to register as soon as possible. This year’s program will be held at St. Thomas seminary in Bloomfield, Connecticut.

Diocese of the Northeast

**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 – Basic Parish Administration
- 11:00-12:00 PM – Eucharist
- 12:00-1:00 PM – Lunch
- 1:00 – 1:30 PM – Rest
- 1:30 – 3:00 PM – Public Reading of Scripture
- 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
- 11:00 – 12:00 PM – Eucharist
- 12:00-1:00 PM – Lunch
- 1:00 – 2:00 PM – Closing Ceremony

**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.
I’ve received some materials from Bishop Robert C. Harvey, a part of the history of this diocese, who will be remembered by many, now living in Georgia.

He was born on February 16, 1916 (which makes him 94 years of age this year), and became deacon and priest in the Episcopal Church at the age of 40, back in 1956, and thus, even though late in vocation, has served 54 years as a priest of God.

He retired from active ministry in the Episcopal Church in the year that church self-destructed by ordaining women, and became one of the pioneers of the Continuing Church movement, as pastor of nine small congregations in South Carolina, and soon (in 1980) was elected (without his prior knowledge) to be bishop of the new Diocese of the Southwest. He has been, and continues to be, a tireless advocate of Traditional Anglicanism, and a long-distance friend to our diocese, and is even now continuing a life-long vocation as a writer.

The Harvey Homestead in Winchester NH had been in the family since 1927 when the
bishop built St. Elphege’s Chapel there in 1986. This was the site of quarterly Clericus meetings from then until 1995, as well as for the regular worship of a tiny congregation for several years thereafter.

Saint Elphege (pronounced “el-FAY-ga”) Archbishop of Canterbury martyred by the Danes in AD 1005, was formerly bishop of Winchester in County Hampshire, thus a very appropriate patron for Winchester NEW Hampshire).

Bishop Harvey was accompanied in most of his ministry by his faithful and beloved wife Suzanne, who passed into eternal life in 1994. He has remarried and lives in Georgia with his second wife, Margueite.

Bishop Harvey sent me a number of photographs, some of which appear with this profile.

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**Grail**

A sinner’s hands hold it high,  
Revealing it to a sinner’s eye;  
A sinner’s lips speak in fear,  
Words intended for a sinner’s ear;  
A sinner’s feet approach it now;  
A sinner’s knees before it bow;  
With humble heart a sinner prays  
That God forgive and mend his ways,  
And at the cross a sinner thinks  
Of God’s great goodness  
— and so he drinks.

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**From the Editor**

In many ways these are difficult times. Good Christian people do their best to find and follow the will of God, and often times make conflicting decisions. Many of our questions remain unanswered, and the future seems uncertain. Sometimes we are tempted to answer what we consider mistaken with anger, but the Holy Spirit is among us and within us. He is God, and God is love. Our bishop’s Pentecost message (from his monthly email newsletter) points us in the right direction in these difficult times. ——ed

**Bishop’s Pentecost Message**

Pentecost is indeed the birth day of the church, a time when the Holy Spirit descended in tongues of fire upon the gathered faithful. The fire of the Holy Spirit reaches us individually; the Holy Spirit is a powerful force that comes to us all as separate people of God. But the assembled church, those who had gathered long ago on that first day of Pentecost, joined together "with one accord." That is the spirit of Pentecost: the individual revelation, the collective response. With one accord, the church proclaims, forcefully and from every fiber of its being, the presence of Jesus Christ in our lives and in our world.

The church is always at its best when each of us embraces the power of the Holy Spirit and we come together collectively in the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ. When we come together and work in unity to do the work of the church, there is nothing that we cannot accomplish.

All the messages that come from God are about love: of Him, love for each other. The day of Pentecost shows the power of the Holy Spirit to transform our lives in all ways as we turn toward God and speak the truth of the presence of Christ. The day of Pentecost also shows us the power of the church to transform the world by the work of Christians who come together "in one accord" to do God's work.

I pray that we may, during the season of Pentecost, embrace the great message of love that is expressed once again in the coming of the Holy Spirit into our lives.

Your Brother in Christ, +Brian
Parishes and Missions

Maine

Rockland: Resurrection Mission (at members’ homes.) (207)236-2421. Fr. Frank Gray.
Debilois: St. Francis
Fr. James Dumond (207)638-2441
Ellsworth: St. Thomas - Sun 10am
(373 Bangor Rd., Rt. 1A) (207)667-2001. Fr. Granville Henthorne
Dcn Ian Dunn, Ed Kalish
Oakland: S. Stephen - Sun 10am
(41 Church Street) (207)799-5141 Fr. Lewis Glidden
Old Orchard: S. Augustine of Canterbury - (June-Sept) Sun 9am MP, 5pm HC
(Cathedral Pines Chapel, 156 Saco Ave) Fr. Jeff Monroe (207)799-5141
Portland: St. Paul
Sun 7, 8 & 10 am (279 Congress St.) (207)828-2012. Fr. Samuel Logan
Fr. John Corcoran, Dcn Bro Ignatius
Raymond: Our Lady of Seven Sorrows Priory
Sun 9am (Easter through Oct.) or Sat 5pm (Nov through Palm Sun) (4 Shaw Road)
(207)655-4441 Rev. Prior Kevin LaMarre, OSB
Waterville (formerly Fairfield): Holy Trinity
Sun. 10am (chapel, Sacred Heart RC, cor. Pleasant and Gilman, enter on side towards parking lot. Dcn Ed Kalish (207)326-4120

Massachusetts

Belchertown: St. John the Baptist
Sun 9am (at Masonic Bldg, 1 Main St.) (413)737-0840, Fr. James Hurd
Easthampton: St. George - Sat 4pm
(at Trinity Lutheran, Clark St. & Rt. 141). (413)737-0840 Fr. James Hurd

Springfield: new mission
(413)737-0840 Fr. James Hurd

New Hampshire

Amherst: St. Luke - Sun 8 & 10am
(3 Limbo Lane) (603)672-6054. Fr. Christian Tutor, Dcn Frank Bartlett

Charlestown: Good Shepherd - Sun 9am
(20 Summer St.) (413)552-1580.
Bishop Brian Marsh.
Dcn. David Moody & Arthur Bennett

Concord: All Saints* - Sun 1pm
(at Concordia Lutheran, 211 North Main) (603)545-9079 Fr. Christian Tutor OSA.
Conway: St. Margaret of Scotland - Sun 9.30am
(85 Pleasant St.) (603)447-2404 Fr. Jeffrey Monroe

Holderness: St. Michael - Sun 8.15am
(at Community Church, Rte. 3) (603)232-7940 Dcn Frank Bartlett

Rochester: Trinity - Sun 8 & 9.30am
(180 Rochester Hill Road) (603)332-4121 Fr. Owen Williams

Salem: St. John the Evangelist - Sun. 1:30
Winter/4pm Summer (at Tenney Methodist) 290 Main St, (603)232.7940 . Dcn Frank Bartlett
West Lebanon: Trinity—Sun 11am
(Seventh Day Adventist Church , 99 Maple Avenue, ) (413)552-1580.
Bp. Brian Marsh, Dcn. David Moody

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
(VFW Hall, 210 West Pulaski Road)
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
(38 Chapel Turn, Eagle Valley) (845)753-6407.
Bp. George Langberg.
Fr. Robert Ley, Fr. Alan Koller
Webster: Holy Cross - Sun 10am
(615 Bay Road) . (585)467-6029
Fr. David Ambuske
West Winfield: St. Lucy - (615 US Rte 20)
(315)822-3952. Dcn. Richard Dibble

Vermont

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

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

Jun
07 - Fr. James Ayers, P 2003
11 - Fr. James Ayers, D 2000
13 - Fr. Owen Williams, P 1998
14 - Bp George Langberg, P 1986
15 - Fr. Alexander Stringer, D 1952
18 - Bp Robert Harvey D 1956
19 - Fr. David Ambuske, P 1963
21 - Fr. Robert Ley, birthday
24 - Fr. Granville Henthorne, D 1955
25 - Dcn William Morrill, D 2000
28 - Fr. Jeff Swayze, P 1997

Jul
09 - Fr. Michael Sclafani, D 2005
11 - Bp George Langberg, C 1998
14 - Fr. Alexander Stringer, birthday
23 - Fr. James Dumond, P 1992

Aug
08 – Fr. Jeffrey Monroe P 2009

Projected regular deadlines will be the 15th day of Feb, May, Aug, & Nov

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Deadline for submissions will be around August 15.